

**Statistics (Amendment) Act 1990  
(No. 9 of 1990)**

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**REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE  
GOVERNMENT GAZETTE  
ACTS SUPPLEMENT**

The following Act was passed by Parliament on 28th March 1990 and assented to by the President on 31st March 1990:—

**STATISTICS (AMENDMENT) ACT 1990**

**(No. 9 of 1990)**

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I assent.

WEE KIM WEE  
*President.*  
*31st March 1990.*

**Date of Commencement: 6th April 1990**

An Act to amend the Statistics Act (Chapter 317 of the 1985 Revised Edition).

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows:

**Short title and commencement**

1. This Act may be cited as the Statistics (Amendment) Act 1990 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

**New section 3A**

2. The Statistics Act is amended by inserting, immediately after section 3, the following section:

**“National statistical co-ordinator**

**3A.—**(1) The Chief Statistician shall be the national statistical co-ordinator whose duties shall be —

- (a) to co-ordinate statistical activities in Government departments, Ministries, research and statistics units and statutory bodies;
- (b) to advise Government departments, Ministries, research and statistics units and statutory bodies in the gathering, compiling, analysis and utilisation of statistics;
- (c) to develop national statistical standards and standardize definitions, classifications, terms, procedures and concepts for use in statistical activities; and
- (d) to promote the observance of approved national statistical standards by Government departments, Ministries, research and statistics units and statutory bodies.

(2) All research and statistics units specified in the Second Schedule shall comply with the recommendations of the Chief Statistician on any matter specified in subsection (1)(c) and (d).

(3) If a research and statistics unit specified in the Second Schedule refuses to accept a recommendation of the Chief Statistician, the director of the research and statistics unit shall notify the Chief Statistician in writing of such refusal and the reasons therefor.

(4) On receipt of any notice from a research and statistics unit under subsection (3), the Chief Statistician shall reconsider the recommendation in question, and, in the event of the inability of the Chief Statistician to rescind or revise the recommendation, shall refer the matter to the Minister who shall give directions to the research and statistics unit as he thinks fit and that research and statistics unit shall comply with the directions of the Minister.”.

#### **Amendment of section 4**

3. Section 4 of the Statistics Act is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “and other competent authorities” in the marginal note; and
- (b) by deleting the words “, the director of a research and statistics unit and any other competent authority specified in the Second Schedule,” in the second, third and fourth lines of subsection (1) and substituting the words “or the director of a research and statistics unit”.

#### **New section 4A**