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CRIMINAL PROCEDURE CODE (CHAPTER 68)

CRIMINAL PROCEDURE CODE (CORRECTIVE TRAINING AND PREVENTIVE DETENTION) (AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS 2021

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 428(2)(a) of the Criminal Procedure Code, the Minister for Law makes the following Regulations:

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations are the Criminal Procedure Code (Corrective Training and Preventive Detention) (Amendment) Regulations 2021 and come into operation on 1 April 2021.

Amendment of regulation 2

2. Regulation 2 of the Criminal Procedure Code (Corrective Training and Preventive Detention) Regulations 2010 (G.N. No. S 803/2010) (called in these Regulations the principal Regulations) is amended —

(a) by deleting the definition of “Director” and substituting the following definition:

““Commissioner” has the meaning given by section 2 of the Prisons Act (Cap. 247);”;

(b) by deleting the definition of “Superintendent” and substituting the following definitions:

““prison” has the meaning given by section 2 of the Prisons Act;

“Superintendent” has the meaning given by section 2 of the Prisons Act;”.

Deletion and substitution of regulation 3

3. Regulation 3 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

“Training in prison

3. The purpose of training and treatment of convicted prisoners while serving any sentence of corrective training in a prison is to promote their reformation and help them to earn their living after release, and includes as far as is practicable —

(a) the provision of vocational training and opportunity to work; and

(b) the provision of educational opportunities.”.

Amendment of regulation 8

4. Regulation 8 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (zr).

Deletion and substitution of regulation 17

5. Regulation 17 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

“Periodic reports

17. The Superintendent must report to the Commissioner on the expiration of the first 12 months of the sentence, and thereafter at such intervals as the Commissioner may determine, on the suitability of the prisoner for removal to the second stage.”.

Deletion of regulation 18

6. Regulation 18 of the principal Regulations is deleted.

Deletion and substitution of regulation 19

7. Regulation 19 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

“Privileges during and after second stage

19. A prisoner who has passed into the second stage may become eligible to earn privileges similar to those allowed to a prisoner serving a sentence of imprisonment.”.

Amendment of regulation 20

8. Regulation 20 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(1) Subject to paragraph (2), the question whether a prisoner in the second stage is to be admitted to the third stage, and the date of the prisoner’s admission, must be decided by the Commissioner on recommendations made by the Superintendent.”.

Amendment of regulation 21

9. Regulation 21 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting the words “and shall not normally exceed 12 months”.

Amendment of regulation 22

10. Regulation 22 of the principal Regulations is amended by deleting paragraph (1) and substituting the following paragraph:

“(1) During the third stage, every effort must be made, as far as practicable, to prepare a prisoner for release into the community.”.

Amendment of regulation 23

11. Regulation 23(1) of the principal Regulations is amended —

- (a) by deleting the words “on a diet of bread and water or rice and water” in sub-paragraphs (a) and (b); and
- (b) by deleting the word “earnings” in sub-paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) and substituting in each case the words “allowances for work”.

Deletion and substitution of regulation 24

12. Regulation 24 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

“Report by Commissioner

24. The Commissioner must report to the Minister on the advisability of release on licence of every prisoner serving a sentence of preventive detention, taking into account the following:

- (a) the interests of the protection of the public if that prisoner is released;
- (b) the character, conduct and prospects of that prisoner.”.

Deletion and substitution of regulation 27

13. Regulation 27 of the principal Regulations is deleted and the following regulation substituted therefor:

“Release on licence by Minister

27. After a person sentenced to corrective training or preventive detention has served such portion of his sentence as may be determined in accordance with these Regulations, the Minister may release that person on licence after considering the following:

- (a) the Commissioner’s report mentioned in regulation 24 in the case of a person sentenced to preventive detention;
 - (b) the interests of the protection of the public if that person is released;
 - (c) the character, conduct and prospects of that person,
- except that the President may require the Minister to release a person so sentenced at any time.”.

Amendment of regulation 29

14. Regulation 29 of the principal Regulations is amended by inserting, immediately after paragraph (2), the following paragraphs: