



Sugar Cane Growers Council

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Sugar Cane Grower Council Election

Sugar Cane Growers Council welcomes the reinstatement of provisions in Sugar Industry Act to hold Council elections with the endorsement of sugar industry amendment bill 2024 in March parliament sitting.

The last growers' election was held in 2004, marking a lapse of 20 years', this reinstatement empowers growers by providing them with the opportunity to elect their own representatives at the sector and district levels, up to the Board of Directors.

Apparently, Grower representatives were terminated in 2009 followed by repeal of the election provisions in 2015. The Abolishment of Grower representation on relevant stakeholder boards in key institutions warrants restoration.

Council on behalf of cane Growers, highly acknowledges and commends the motive of the government of day, the amendment of the Sugar Industry Act, re-establishment of election provisions, restoration of Growers voice into its space as the past.

Subsequently, regularization of representation on other stakeholder boards shall be pursued for in due course.

We have approximately 10,500 active registered growers.

Accordingly, Council management is optimistic and confident to convene the election this year, formalities of the election process shall circulate amongst the cane growers soon. Awareness is paramount, the nomination of candidates, voting principles, election timeline followed by other details would be shared in due course with the growers

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