

## CHAPTER 1

### General Provisions

**Section 6** A Central Bureau of Weights and Measures shall be established in the Department of Commercial Registration, Ministry of Commerce, under the command and responsibility of the Director-General of the Department of Commercial Registration and shall be charged with the following functions and responsibilities;

- (1.) maintaining and preserving the Standards of Weights and Measures;
- (2.) granting and issuing licences and permits;
- (3.) inspecting and verifying Weighing and Measuring Instruments;
- (4.) registering private marks;
- (5.) carrying out other functions pursuant to the provisions of this Act.

**Section 7** Branch Bureaus shall be established by the Minister for such districts and areas as he may deem expedient and a Branch Bureau may be assigned to cover any other district or area.

The Minister may assign to the Branch Bureaus all or some of the functions and responsibilities under Section 6.

The establishment of a Branch Bureau pursuant to the first paragraph and the assignment of functions and responsibilities pursuant to the second paragraph shall be in the form of notifications published in the Government Gazette.

**Section 8** All types of Weighing Instruments and Krueng Tuangs are subject to the provisions of this Act, except the Weighing Instruments and Krueng Tuangs prescribed by the Minister to be exempted from the application of this Act.

The Measuring Instruments prescribed in the Ministerial Regulations are subject to the provisions of this Act.

**Section 9** All Weights and Measures shall be the Metric System of Weights and Measures or the System in customary use adapted to the Metric System prescribed in the annex to this Act.

**Section 10** If the Minister considers it is appropriate, for the purchase, selling, or distribution of any commodity in any area, to use the Metric System of Weights and Measures pursuant to Section 9 or to be conducted by weights, by volume, or by measurement, he shall have the power to issue Notifications.

The Notifications issued under the first paragraph shall take effect upon publication in the Government Gazette.

**Section 11** In cases where any System of Weights and Measures other than those prescribed in Section 9 must be used or in cases where any other Weighing and Measuring Instrument than those prescribed in the Ministerial Regulations issued pursuant to Section 16 for the professional or scientific purposes, the Weights and Measures under such system or such Weighing and Measuring Instrument shall be used only when permitted by the Minister or the person assigned by the Minister.