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## SYNOPSIS

This study is concerned with the utilization of land vested in Land Reform Commission under the Law No: 1 of 1972 and (Amendment) Law No: 39 of 1975.

The discussion in the study has been carried out in three Parts. Part I is introductory. It provides the information about the background to land reform, the obstacles and other aspects in relation to land reform in various countries. It also discusses the historical perspective of land reform in Sri Lanka while special attention is drawn to the land tenure patterns, availability of land and other aspects such as land settlements. A review of the Sri Lanka's Land Reform Laws are also discussed in the Part I. The provisions, objectives and method of payment of compensation of the law are discussed separately.

Part II comprises the analytical section of the study. It emphasizes the impact of land problem on the economy, the nature of land problem and the settlement planning. The the extents of lands vested in the Land Reform Commission under Stage I of 1972 and Stage II of 1975 are discussed. In order to see whether the actual utilization pattern of the various lands vested in the Commission three case studies from Colombo District are done. These three case studies are engaged in three

different major land managing organizations such as Janatha Estate Development Board, State Plantations Corporation and Electoral Land Reform Cooperative Societies and Co-operative Settlements. This discussion is followed by an examination of the employment generation, settlement planning, management, yield figures and other factors of land reform. The position before and after the take over of the land is generally compared.

Part III of the study includes the conclusions and recommendations. In this chapter, the various development perspectives were over viewed with the general informations.




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