AN ACT to amend the Coco-De-Mer (Management) Decree, 1978.

ENACTED by the President and the National Assembly.

1. This Act may be cited as the Coco-de-mer (Management) (Amendment) Act, 2015.
2. The Coco-de-mer (Management) Decree, 1978 is hereby amended as follows—

(a) in section 8, by repealing the words “of R5000 and to imprisonment for 2 years” and substituting therefor the words “not less than R25,000 and not exceeding R500,000 and to imprisonment for 2 years or to both such fine and imprisonment”;

(b) in section 15 (2), by repealing the words “of R5000 and to imprisonment for 2 years” and substituting therefor the words “not less than R25,000 and not exceeding R500,000 and to imprisonment for 2 years or to both such fine and imprisonment”;

(c) in section 23(5), by repealing the words “of R5000 and to imprisonment for a term of 2 years” and substituting therefor the words “not less than R25,000 and not exceeding R500,000 and to imprisonment for 2 years or to both such fine and imprisonment”;

(d) in section 31, by repealing the words “of R5000 and to imprisonment for 2 years” and substituting therefor the words “not less than R25,000 and not exceeding R500,000 and to imprisonment for 2 years or to both such fine and imprisonment”;

(e) in section 35 (1), by repealing the words “of R5000 and to imprisonment for 2 years” and substituting therefor the words “not less than R25,000 and not exceeding R500,000 and to imprisonment for 2 years or to both such fine and imprisonment”;

(f) in section 36, by repealing the words “of R5000 and to imprisonment for 2 years” and substituting therefor the words “not less than R25,000 and not exceeding R500,000 and to imprisonment for 2 years or to both such fine and imprisonment”;

(g) in section 41, by repealing the words “of R5000 or to imprisonment for 2 years” and substituting therefor the words “not less than R25,000 and not exceeding R500,000 and to imprisonment for 2 years or to both such fine and imprisonment”;

(h) in section 42, by repealing the words “of R5000 or to imprisonment for 2 years” and substituting therefor the words “not less than R25,000 and not exceeding R500,000 and to imprisonment for 2 years or to both such fine and imprisonment”;

(i) in section 46, by repealing the words “of R5000 or to imprisonment for 2 years” and substituting therefor the words “not less than R25,000 and not exceeding R500,000 and to imprisonment for 2 years or to both such fine and imprisonment”;

(j) in section 48 (2)—

(l) by inserting after paragraph (d) the following paragraph—

“(e) for the protection of the whole of or any part of the coco-de-mer tree and its habitat.”.
(ii) by re-numbering the existing paragraph (e) as paragraph (f).

(iii) by repealing in paragraph (f) the words “of R5000 and imprisonment of 2 years for such offence” and substituting therefor the words “not exceeding R20,000 or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years”.

I certify that this is a correct copy of the Bill which was passed by the National Assembly on 4th November, 2015.

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