1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Temporary Levy on Salaries of Public Servants (Enabling) Ordinance.

2. (1) Whenever the President considers that, for the purpose of assisting in the maintenance of the financial stability of Sri Lanka, it is expedient to impose, for the benefit of the public revenue, a temporary levy on the salaries and wages of persons employed in the public service, he may, by Order, authorize the deduction from the salaries and wages payable to such of the persons aforesaid as the Order shall specify a sum calculated in such manner as the Order shall prescribe.

(2) An Order issued under this section shall state the period for which it is to remain in operation unless previously revoked:

Provided that nothing in this subsection shall prejudice the amendment of any Order during the period of its operation or the issue of any new Order to take effect on or at any time after the expiration of any preceding Order.

3. All deductions from salaries or wages made under any Order authorized by section 2 shall be credited to the Consolidated Fund, or to the revenue of the service to which such salaries or wages are primarily chargeable, in such manner as the Order shall prescribe.

4. No deductions from salaries or wages made under any Order authorized by section 2 shall be taken into account in the calculation of any pension or gratuity based on salaries or wages, or in the calculation of any abatement of salaries required by the Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund Ordinance, or by any enactment amending or substituted for that Ordinance.