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### PART IV—LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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#### Local Government Notifications

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##### THE VILLAGE COMMUNITIES ORDINANCE

ORDER made by the Minister of Local Government and Cultural Affairs by virtue of the powers vested in him by section 6 of the Village Communities Ordinance (Chapter 198), as amended by the Proclamation published in *Gazette Extraordinary* No 9,773 of September 24, 1947

Colombo, November 6, 1956

J KURUPPU,  
Minister of Local Government and Cultural Affairs

##### Order

1 With effect from July 1, 1957, the Baddegama village area in the Divisional Revenue Officer's Division of Gangaboda Pattu in the Galle District, is hereby divided into the two new village areas of Baddegama and Welvitiya Divitura more fully described in the First Schedule hereto

2 Provision in the manner set out in the Second Schedule hereto is hereby made for the matters necessary to give effect to the division referred to in paragraph 1 of this Order

##### FIRST SCHEDULE

Baddegama village area comprising the following village headmen's divisions —

Baddegama North	Baddegama East
Hammehya	Ganegama East
Ganegama North	Walpita North
Boralukada	Walpita South

Welvitiya-Divitura village area comprising the following village headmen's divisions —

Ampegama and Divitura  
Ethkandura  
Agalya  
Patawelvitiya  
Polgahavila

##### SECOND SCHEDULE

1 The Village Committee of each new village area shall be the successor of the Village Committee of the old village area for all such purposes of the Village Communities Ordinance as may relate to that new village area

2 All by-laws made under the Village Communities Ordinance by the Village Committee of the old village area and in force on the thirtieth day of June 1957, shall continue in force in each new village area in so far as those by-laws relate to that new area and shall be deemed to have been made by the Village Committee of that new village area

3 Subject to the provisions of paragraph 4 of this Schedule, one half of the amount lying to the credit of the communal fund of the old village area on the thirtieth day of June 1957, shall, on the first day of July 1957, be credited to the communal fund of each new village area

4 The unexpended grants in aid allocated to the Village Committee of the old village area in respect of any work or service in that area and lying to the credit of that Village Committee on the thirtieth day of June, 1957 shall, on the first day of July 1957, be transferred to the credit of the Village Committee of the new village area within which such work or service is being carried out or is to be carried out

5 One half of all movable property, other than money vested in, or under control of, the Village Committee of the old village area on the thirtieth day of June, 1957, shall be deemed to be vested in the Village Committee of each new village area as from the first day of July, 1957

6 Each land, building or other immovable property vested in, or under the control of, the Village Committee of the old village area on the thirtieth day of June, 1957, shall be deemed to be vested in the Village Committee of the new village area within which such land, building or other immovable property is situated, as from the first day of July, 1957

7 All the rights, debts, liabilities, and obligations of the Village Committee of the old village area shall, in so far as they relate to any new village area, be deemed to be transferred to the Village Committee of that new village area as from the first day of July, 1957

8 In this Schedule—

“new village area” means the village area of Baddegama or the village area of Wehvitaya Divitura described in the First Schedule to this Order, and

“old village area” means the village area of Baddegama as constituted by the Proclamation published in *Gazette* No 8,363 of April 8, 1938