16. Functions of the Council

The functions of the Council are —

- (a) to advise the Minister as to the condition of soil and land resources;
- (b) to make recommendations to the Minister as to land use, soil and land conservation policy, and programmes for the implementation of that policy;
- (c) to co-ordinate, monitor, and review soil and land conservation programmes and activities;
- (d) to co-ordinate and advise on the implementation in the State of soil and land conservation programmes funded by the Government of the Commonwealth;
- (e) to supervise soil and land conservation programmes undertaken by the Government of the State;
- (f) to promote awareness of land degradation and conservation;
- (g) to co-ordinate the establishment of, and activities within, land conservation districts;
- (h) generally to assist the Commissioner in the carrying out of his functions under this Act and to carry out such functions under this Act as the Commissioner or the Minister, respectively, may refer to the Council.

[Section 16 inserted by No. 91 of 1990 s.8.]