

DECREE No. 2021/746 OF 28 DEC 2021
to lay down conditions governing the exercise of some
powers devolved by the State upon regions in the area of
tourism and leisure

THE PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC,

- Mindful** of the Constitution;
- Mindful** of Law No. 2016/6 of 18 April 2016 on tourism and leisure activities;
- Mindful** of Law No. 2018/11 of 11 July 2018 to lay down the Cameroon Code of Transparency and Good Governance in Public Finance Management;
- Mindful** of Law No. 2018/12 of 11 July 2018 relating to fiscal regime of the State and other public entities;
- Mindful** of Law No. 2019/24 of 24 December 2019 to institute the General Code of Regional and Local Authorities;
- Mindful** of Decree No. 2011/408 of 9 December 2011 to organize the Government, as amended and supplemented by Decree No. 2018/190 of 2 March 2018,

HEREBY DECREES AS FOLLOWS:

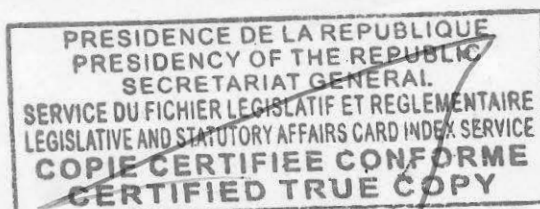
CHAPTER I
GENERAL PROVISIONS

ARTICLE 1: This Decree lays down conditions governing the exercise of some powers devolved by the State upon regions in the area of tourism and leisure.

ARTICLE 2: The powers devolved by the State upon regions shall concern the following:

- promotion of regional tourism;
- creation and operation of regional amusement parks;
- organization of regional leisure socio-cultural events.

ARTICLE 3: The powers devolved by the State upon regions in the area of tourism and leisure shall be exercised in accordance with the regulations in force.



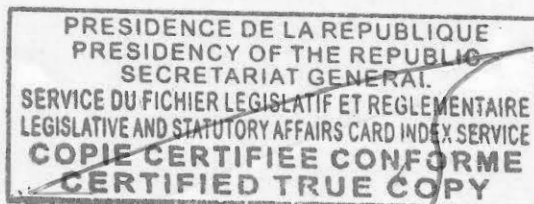
ARTICLE 4: Regions shall exercise the powers devolved in the area of tourism and leisure without prejudice to the following prerogatives and responsibilities of the State:

- formulation and implementation of the national tourism and leisure promotion policy;
- preparation of laws and regulations on tourism, amusement parks and leisure socio-cultural events;
- establishment and control of standards managing the activities referred to in Article 2 above;
- inspection and control of tourist establishments and amusement parks;
- issuance of approvals, authorizations and licenses to tourist establishments and tourist guides;
- laying down conditions for monitoring, controlling and assessing tourism and leisure promotion activities.

CHAPTER II **TOURISM PROMOTION**

ARTICLE 5: Regional tourism promotion shall consist in:

- implementing the region's tourism programmes and projects, in line with the national policy formulated by the State;
- receiving and providing information to tourists in the region;
- identifying and promoting tourist products falling within the region's area of jurisdiction;
- designing and marketing tourist tours in the region;
- producing documentaries and information bulletins on regional tourism;
- digital disseminating of the region's tourism products;
- organizing regional tourist fairs, exhibitions and attractions;
- promoting the region's tourism products on outbound markets;
- monitoring the activities of tourist associations and trade unions at the regional level;



- coordinating the activities of various tourism development partners at the regional level;
- seeking tourism and leisure promotion partnerships, in accordance with the regulations in force.

CHAPTER III

CREATION AND OPERATION OF REGIONAL AMUSEMENT PARKS

ARTICLE 6: Regions may create and operate regional amusement parks in accordance with the regulations in force.

ARTICLE 7: Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 7 above, regions may authorize the creation and operation of regional amusement parks by a natural or legal person, in accordance with the regulations in force.

ARTICLE 8: An order of the minister in charge of leisure shall lay down the categories and the conditions for creating and operating the regional and private amusement parks referred to in Article 8 above.

CHAPTER IV

ORGANIZATION OF REGIONAL LEISURE SOCIO-CULTURAL EVENTS

ARTICLE 9: Regions shall organize the following regional leisure socio-cultural events:

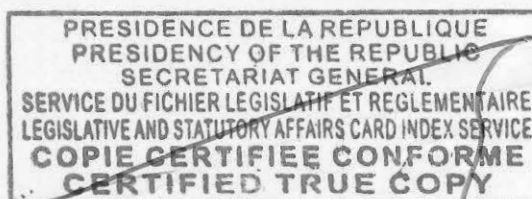
- regional shows and exhibitions;
- regional school bazaars, fairs and festivals;
- various regional leisure events.

ARTICLE 10: Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 10 above, regions may authorize a natural or legal person to organize a leisure socio-cultural event, in accordance with the regulations in force.

CHAPTER V

TRANSFER OF RESOURCES

ARTICLE 11: The devolution of powers by the State to regions in the area of tourism and leisure shall be accompanied by the concurrent transfer of the requisite resources for the exercise such powers, in accordance with the regulations in force.



ARTICLE 12: Each year, the Finance Law of the State shall provide for the financial resources required to exercise the powers devolved upon regions in the area of tourism and leisure.

ARTICLE 13: In addition to the resources devolved by the State, regions may receive support from various partners in the exercise of the powers devolved in the area of tourism and leisure, in accordance with the regulations in force.

ARTICLE 14: The own resources generated by tourism promotion activities, by the operation of amusement parks and by the organization of regional leisure socio-cultural events shall be public funds managed in accordance with public accounting rules.

ARTICLE 15: (1) The financial resources transferred by the State shall be included in the budget of the region.

(2) The management of such resources shall comply with the fiscal and accounting principles in force, subject to the special provisions applicable to support from partners.

ARTICLE 16: Human and material resources earmarked for the exercise of the powers devolved by the State upon regions in the area of tourism and leisure shall be transferred to the regions in accordance with the regulations in force.

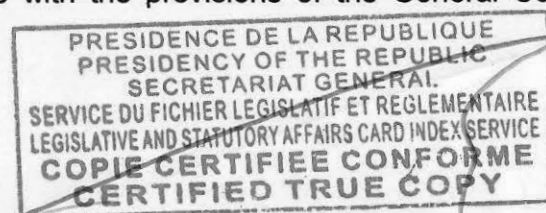
CHAPTER VI **MISCELLANEOUS AND FINAL PROVISIONS**

ARTICLE 17: The terms and conditions for exercising the powers devolved by the State to regions in the area of tourism and leisure, as well as the use of the related resources, shall be laid down in the specifications adopted order of the minister in charge of tourism and leisure.

ARTICLE 18: Regions shall carry out the activities involved in the exercise of the powers referred to in Article 2 of this Decree with the support of the relevant deconcentrated government services, under the conditions laid down by the regulations in force.

ARTICLE 19: (1) The State shall ensure the monitoring, control and assessment of the exercise of the powers devolved in the area of tourism and leisure.

(2) The exercise of the powers devolved on regions in the area of tourism and leisure shall be subject to the control of legality by the representative of the State in the Region, in accordance with the provisions of the General Code of Regional and Local Authorities.

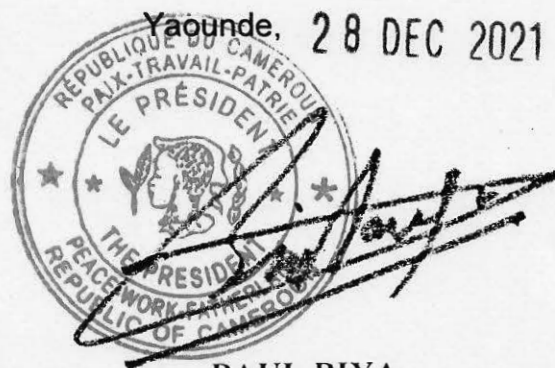
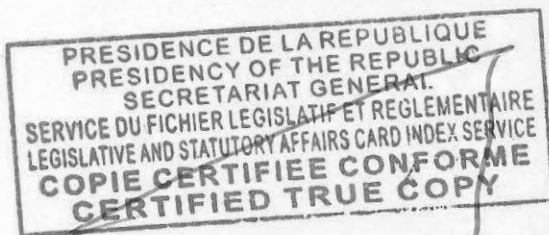


ARTICLE 20: (1) The head of the regional executive shall prepare a six-monthly report on the status of implementation of the powers devolved in the area of tourism and leisure.

(2) The report referred to in (1) above shall be submitted to the representative of the State within 30 (thirty) days of the end of the semester under review.

(3) Upon receipt of the said report, the representative of the State shall forward the same to the minister in charge of regional and local authorities and the minister in charge of tourism and leisure within 15 (fifteen) days.

ARTICLE 21: This Decree shall be registered, published according to the procedure of urgency and inserted in the Official Gazette in English and French.



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PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC