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AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE SRI LANKA ISLAMIC RENAISSANCE
MOVEMENT ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS an Association called and known as the “Sri Lanka Islamic Renaissance Movement Association” has heretofore been established at Colombo for the purpose of effectually carrying out and transacting all matters connected with the said Association according to the rules agreed to by its members :

Preamble.

AND whereas the said Association has heretofore successfully carried out and transacted the several objects and matters for which it was established, and has applied to be incorporated and it will be for the public advantage to grant such application :

BE it, therefore enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows :—

1. This Act may be cited as the Sri Lanka Islamic Renaissance Movement Association (Incorporation) Act, No. 17 of 1992.

Short Title.

2. From and after the date of commencement of this Act, such and so many persons as now are members of the Sri Lanka Islamic Renaissance Movement Association (hereinafter referred to as “the Association”) or shall thereafter be admitted members of the Corporation hereby constituted, shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession under the name and style of “Sri Lanka Islamic Renaissance Movement Association” (hereinafter referred to as “the Corporation”) and by that name may sue and be sued in all courts, with full power and authority to have and to use a common seal and to alter the same at its pleasure.

Incorporation of the Sri Lanka Islamic Renaissance Movement Association.

3. The general objects for which the Corporation is constituted are hereby declared to be—

General objects of the Corporation.

- (a) to foster a spirit of Islamic brotherhood, fellowship and unity among the Muslims of Sri Lanka ;
- (b) to continue, foster and promote an atmosphere of co-existence with other communities while safeguarding the interests of the Muslim community ;

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- (c) to study the problems of the Muslim community in Sri Lanka in the religious, educational, social and economic spheres and to offer constructive suggestions and assistance, and for such purposes to expand the activities of the Corporation by promoting and establishing branches throughout Sri Lanka ;
- (d) to enlist the support and co-operation of State, voluntary organisations and individuals for the promotion of cultural, moral, educational, social and economic welfare of Muslims in Sri Lanka ;
- (e) to provide assistance to necessitous and deserving Muslim students and enable them to pursue their studies in Sri Lanka or abroad ;
- (f) to foster and promote the study of Islamic culture and religion ; and
- (g) to engage in such other activities as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects.

In this section the word "Muslim" means an Individual who professes Islam.

General
Powers of
the Cor-
poration.

4. Subject to the provisions of this Act and any other written law, the Corporation shall have the power to do, perform and execute all such acts, matters and things whatsoever as are necessary or desirable for the promotion and furtherance of the objects of the Corporation or any one of them including the power to open, operate and close bank accounts, to borrow or raise moneys with or without security and to engage, employ and dismiss personnel required for the carrying out of the objects of the Corporation.

Council of
Management.

5. (i) The affairs of the Corporation shall, subject to the rules of the Corporation, be administered by a Council of Management consisting of the Office bearers and such other persons as may be elected or nominated in accordance with such rules.

(ii) The first Council of Management of the Corporation shall be the Council of Management of the Association holding office at the time of the coming into operation of this Act, and shall continue in office for a period of two years from the date of commencement of this Act:

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Provided, however, that Mr. M. I. M. Naleem, J. P., National President of the Association shall, unless he resigns earlier, continue to be National President of the Corporation, a Member of the Board of Trustees and a Member of the Council of Management during his lifetime.

6. The custody of all immovable property of the Corporation shall, subject to the Rules of the Corporation be vested in a Board of Trustees consisting of three persons of standing and professing the Islamic faith to be elected in accordance with the Rules of the Corporation.

Board of Trustees.

7. (1) It shall be lawful for the Council of Management from time to time at any General Meeting of the members and by the votes of two-thirds of members present and voting thereat, to make rules not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, or any other written law in respect of all or any of the following matters:—

Rules of the Corporation.

- (a) the admission, withdrawal or expulsion of the members of the Corporation ;
- (b) the election, appointment and removal of the members of the Council of Management and the Board of Trustees ;
- (c) the duties of the Council of Management, the Board of Trustees and of the various sub-committees, office bearers and agents of the Corporation ;
- (d) the procedure to be followed the transaction of business, the custody of its funds and the maintenance and audit of its accounts ; and
- (e) generally for the management of the affairs of the Corporation and for the accomplishment of its objects.

(2) Any rule made by the Council of Management may be amended or rescinded in like manner as a rule made under subsection (1).

(3) All Members of the Corporation shall be subject to the rules of the Corporation.

8. All debts and liabilities of the Association existing at the time of the coming into operation of this Act shall be paid by the Corporation hereby constituted and all moneys due to and subscriptions and contributions payable to the Association shall be paid to the Corporation for the purposes of this Act.

Debts due by and payable to the Association.

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Seal
of the
Corporation.

9. The seal of the Corporation shall not be affixed to any instrument whatsoever except in the presence of three of the members of the Board of Trustees who shall sign their names to the instrument in token of their presence and such signing shall be independent of the signing of any person as a witness.

Corporation
may hold
property
movable
and
immovable.

10. The Corporation shall be able and capable in law to take and hold any property, movable or immovable, which may become vested in it by virtue of any purchase, grant, gift, testamentary disposition or otherwise, and all such property shall be held by the Corporation for the purposes of this Act and subject to rules of the Corporation, with full power to sell, mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of the same.

Saving
of the
rights
of the
Republic
and others.

11. Nothing in this Act contained shall prejudice or affect the rights of the Republic, or any body politic or corporate, or of any other persons except such as are mentioned in this Act and those claiming by, from or under them.

Sinhala text
to prevail
in case of
inconsistency.

12 In the event of any inconsistency between the Sinhala and Tamil texts of this Act, the Sinhala text shall prevail.

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