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AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE ISLAMIC SERVICE SOCIETY

AKURANA

WHEREAS an Association called and known as the "Islamic Service Society, Akurana" has heretofore been formed for the purpose of effectually carrying out and transacting all objects and matters connected with the said Society, according to the rules agreed to by its members:

Preamble

AND WHEREAS the said Society has heretofore successfully carried out and transacted the several objects and matters for which it was formed 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 Islamic Service Society, Akurana (Incorporation) Act, No. 16 of 2000.

Short title.

2. From and after the date of commencement of this Act, such and so many persons as now are members of the Islamic Service Society, Akurana (hereinafter referred to as the "Society") or shall hereafter be admitted as members of the Corporation hereby constituted, shall be a body Corporate (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation") with perpetual succession under the name and style of "Islamic Service Society, Akurana" and by that name may sue, and be sued in all courts with full power and authority to have and use a common seal and to alter the same at its will and pleasure.

Incorporation of the Islamic Service Society, Akurana.

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

General objects of the Corporation.

(a) to foster and promote unity and brotherhood among the Muslim community of Sri Lanka in particular, and all other communities living in Sri Lanka;

- (b) to promote the religious, educational, social and economic development of the Muslim community of Sri Lanka in particular, and of all other communities living in Sri Lanka;
- (c) to encourage people, to invest their savings and to grant donations for the attainment of the objects of the Corporation;
- (d) to promote and encourage inter-communal amity while safeguarding the interests of the Muslim community;
- (e) to do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to, the attainment of the above objects.

General powers of the Corporation.

- 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 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—
 - (a) open, operate and close bank accounts;
 - (b) to borrow or raise money with or without security;
 - (c) to receive or collect grants and donations;
 - (d) to engage, employ and dismiss officers and servants required for the carrying out of the objects of the Corporation;
 - (e) to invest funds of the Corporation according to concept of "Shariath" which is defined and authorized under the Islamic Law.

Management of the affairs of the Corporation.

5. (1) The affairs of the Corporation shall, subject to the provisions of this Act and the rules in force for the time being of the Corporation, be administered by a Board of Management consisting of the Chairman, the Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer and other members elected in accordance with such rules.

- (2) The First Board of Management of the Corporation shall consist of the members of the Board of Management of the Society holding office on the day immediately preceding the date of commencement of this Act.
- 6. (1) It shall be lawful for the Corporation, from time to time, at any general meeting and by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the members present and voting, to make rules not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act or any other written law, for all or any of the following matters:—

Rules of the Corporation.

- (a) the admission, withdrawal or expulsion of members;
- (b) the election of the office bearers, the resignation from or vacation of, or removal from office of office bearers and their powers, conduct and duties;
- (c) the election of the members of the Board of the Management and its powers, conduct and duties and the term of office of members of the Board of Management;
- (d) the powers, conduct, duties and functions of the various officers, agents, and servants of the Corporation;
- (e) the procedure to be observed at, the summoning and holding of meetings of the Board of Management, the times, places, notices and agenda, of such meetings, the quorum therefore and the conduct of business thereat:
- (f) the administration and management of the property of the Corporation, the custody of its funds and the maintenance and audit of its accounts; and
- (g) generally, for the management of the affairs of the Corporation and the accomplishment of its objects.
- (2) Any rule made by the Corporation may be amended, altered, added to, or rescinded at a like meeting, and in like manner, as a rule made under subsection (1).

(3) The members of the Corporation shall be subject to the rules of the Corporation.

Fund of the Corporation.

- 7. (1) The Corporation shall have its own fund and all moneys received by way of gifts, testamentary dispositions, transfers, donations, or contributions shall be deposited in the name of the Corporation in one or more banks as may be decided by the Board of Management.
- (2) All expenses incurred by the Corporation in the exercise and discharge of the powers and functions of the Corporation shall be paid out of the fund of the Corporation.

Debts due by and payable to the Society.

8. All debts and liabilities of the Society existing on the day preceding the date of commencement of this Act, shall be paid by the Corporation hereby constituted and all debts due to, and subscriptions and contributions payable to the Society on that day shall be paid to the Corporation for the purposes of this Act.

Corporation may hold property movable and immovable. 9. The Corporation shall be able and capable in law, to acquire and hold any property, movable or immovable, which may become vested in it by virtue of any purchase, grant, gift, or testamentary disposition or otherwise and all such property shall be held by the Corporation for the purposes of this Act, and subject to the rules in force for the time being of the Corporation, with full power, to sell, mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of the same.

Scal of the Corporation.

10. The seal of the Corporation shall not be affixed to any instrument whatsoever, except in the presence of the Chairman and either the Honorary Secretary or the Honorary Treasurer, 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.

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

Saving of the rights of the Republic and others.

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

Sinhala text to prevail in case of inconsistency.

