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AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A JUDGES'  
INSTITUTE AND FOR MATTERS CONNECTED THEREWITH OR  
INCIDENTAL THERETO.

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

1. This Act may be cited as the Sri Lanka Judges' Institute Act, No. 46 of 1985. Short title.

2. (1) There shall be established an Institute to be called the Judges' Institute (hereinafter referred to as "the Institute"). Establishment of Judges' Institute.

(2) The Institute shall, by the name assigned to it by subsection (1), be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal and may sue and be sued in such name.

3. (1) The Institute shall have a Board of Management (hereinafter referred to as "the Board") comprising of the Chief Justice, and two Judges of the Supreme Court who shall be appointed by the President. Board of Management.

(2) The Chief Justice shall be the Chairman of the Board.

(3) The administration and management of the Institute shall be vested in the Board.

(4) The Board may delegate any of its powers to the Director.

4. The seal of the Institute shall be in the custody of the Chairman of the Board and shall be affixed in the presence of, and be attested by, the Chairman and the other members of the Board. Seal of the Institute.

5. The objects of the Institute shall be—

(a) to provide facilities for the exchange of views and ideas on judicial and legal matters by judicial officers;

Objects of the Institute

(b) to organize and hold meetings, conferences, lectures, workshops and seminars with a view to improving the professional expertise of judicial officers and advancing their knowledge and skills;

- (c) to formulate and conduct training and research courses in various aspects of the administration of justice ;
- (d) to provide library facilities and other educational material for judicial officers.

Powers  
of the  
Institute.

**6. The Institute shall have the power—**

- (a) to acquire, hold, take on lease or hire, mortgage, sell or otherwise dispose of, any property, movable or immovable ;
- (b) to appoint a Director and such other officers and servants as may, in its opinion, be necessary for carrying out the objects of the Institute, and to exercise disciplinary control (including the power of dismissal) over the Director, officers and servants ;
- (c) to determine the remuneration and terms of service of the Director, officers and servants of the Institute.

Donations  
to Institute  
to be  
approved by  
President.

**7. The Institute may accept donations, gifts and grants from any source approved by the President.**

The Fund  
of the  
Institute.

**8. (1) The Institute shall have its own Fund which shall be administered by the Board.**

(2) There shall be paid into the Fund, all donations, gifts and grants received by the Institute from any source approved by the President.

(3) There shall be paid out of the Fund, all expenses incurred in the administration and management of the Institute (including the payment of remuneration to the Director, officers and servants of the Institute).

State to  
provide  
buildings  
&c. to  
Institute.

**9. The State may provide for the use of the Institute, such land, buildings and other facilities as may be necessary for carrying out the objects of the Institute.**

Accounts  
and Audit.

**10. (1) The financial year of the Institute shall be the calendar year.**

(2) The Director shall keep proper books of accounts of the income and expenditure of the Institute.

(3) The accounts of the Institute shall be audited by the Auditor-General.

(4) The accounts of the Institute for each financial year shall be submitted to the Auditor-General within one month of the close of that financial year.

(5) The Auditor-General shall examine the accounts of the Institute and furnish a report—

- (a) stating whether he has or has not obtained all the information and explanations required by him;
- (b) stating whether the accounts referred to in the report are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and fair view of the affairs of the Institute; and
- (c) drawing attention to any items of the accounts which in his opinion may be of interest to Parliament in any examination of the activities and accounts of the Institute.

(6) The Auditor-General shall transmit his report to the Board within four months of the receipt by him, of the annual accounts of the Institute.

(7) The Board shall prepare an annual report on the activities of the Institute, for that year.

(8) The report of the Auditor-General and the annual report of the Board shall be tabled in Parliament not later than six months after the end of the financial year to which such report of the Auditor-General or such annual report of the Board relates.

11. The Institute shall be deemed to be a scheduled institution within the meaning of the Bribery Act and the provisions of that Act shall be construed accordingly.

Institute  
to be a  
scheduled  
institution.

12. In this Act unless the context otherwise requires—

“Director” means the Director of the Institute appointed under section 6.

Inter-  
pretation.