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SRI LANKA**

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**RIFAI THAREEQ ASSOCIATION OF SRI LANKA  
(INCORPORATION) (AMENDMENT)**

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**BILL**

**to amend the Rifai Thareeq Association of Sri Lanka (Incorporation)  
Law, No. 29 of 1976**

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*Presented by Hon. Seyed Ali Zahir Moulana, M.P. for Batticaloa District  
on 19th of September, 2017*

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*Rifai Thareeq Association of Sri Lanka*  
(Incorporation) (Amendment)

AN ACT TO AMEND THE RIFAI THAREEQ ASSOCIATION OF SRI LANKA  
(INCORPORATION) LAW, NO. 29 OF 1976

WHEREAS the Rifai Thareeq Association of Sri Lanka was incorporated by Law, No. 29 of 1976: Preamble.

AND WHEREAS the Rifai Thareeq Association of Sri Lanka has at its Annual General Meeting resolved to amend the aforesaid Law, No. 29 of 1976 for the purpose of more effectually carrying out the objects of the said Corporation:

AND WHEREAS the Committee of Management of the said Corporation has requested that amendments be made to the aforesaid Law for the purpose of giving effect to the aforesaid resolution and it is for the public advantage to grant such request:

Be it enacted by the Parliament of the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka as follows:-

1. This Act may be cited as the Rifai Thareeq Association of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) (Amendment) Act, No. of 2017. Short title.

2. Section 3 of the Rifai Thareeq Association of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Law, No. 29 of 1976 is hereby further amended as follows:- Amendment of section 3 of the Law, No. 29 of 1976.

(1) by the substitution for the item (g) thereof, of the following new item:—

“(g) the administration, management and maintenance of Mohideen Thakkiya at No. 30, Rifai Thangal Lane, Colombo 12;”;

(2) by the insertion of following new items immediately after item (h):—

“(i) the establishment of schools for girls and boys up to Advance Level education to teach

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Al-quran, Arabic language and other courses including Al Alim/Al- Alima and Moulavi/ Moulaviya;

- 5                    (j) the establishment of vocational training centers;
- (k) the administration, management and maintenance of Rifaiyya Ladies' Arabic College at Kapuwatta, Weligama;
- 10                    (l) the administration, management and maintenance of Rifaiyya Boys' Arabic College at Kapuwatta, Weligama;
- (m) the administration, management and maintenance of Muhiyaddeen Jumma Mosque at Kapuwatta, Weligama and its assets;
- 15                    (n) the management and maintenance of Rifaiyya Quran administration, Madrasa centre at Kapuwatta, Weligama;
- (o) the administration, management and maintenance of all movable and immovable assets of the Association;".
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3. Section 5 of the Rifai Thareeq Association of Sri Lanka (Incorporation) Law, No. 29 of 1976 is hereby further amended by the addition immediately after subsection (2) of the following new item:—

Amendment of section 5 of the Law, No. 29 of 1976.

- 25        “(3) After the demise or resignation of founder Spiritual Heads of the Association, His eminence Rifai Moulana U.P. Seyyad Muhammad Ashique Thangal shall be the Spiritual Head of the Corporation for life, and thereafter, a family member shall hold office as the Spiritual Head.”.

- 30        4. 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.

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