

# PARLIAMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRILANKA

# STATE EMPLOYEES DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION (INCORPORATION)

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to incorporate the State Employees Development Foundation

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#### AN ACT TO INCORPORATE STATE EMPLOYEES DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION.

FOR the reasons that the Sri Lanka Local Government Preamble. Employees Association, with the consent of its Membership formed Employees' Development Finance Corporate for the welfare and Financial Development of its member, ability by the Rules and Regulations of the social Corporation and implemented productivity:

As the Social Corporation had performed its duties so far to satisfy the purposes to which the social corporation was established, and as the social corporation had made a request 10 to change the name as Government Employees Development Foundation and fulfilling the request is for the welfare of the General Public:

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

- 1. This Act will be named as State Employees Short title. 15 Development Foundation (Incorporation) Act, No. 2013.
- 2. From and after the date of commencement of this Incorporation Act, such and so many persons as now are members of of State Employees 20 the State Employees Development Foundation Development (hereinafter referred to as the "Foundation") or shall hereafter Foundation. be admitted as members of the Corporation hereby constituted, shall be a body corporate (hereinafter referred to as "the Corporation") with perpetual succession, under 25 the name and style of the State Employees Development Foundation 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 pleasure.

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

objects of the Corporation.

- (a) performance of welfare activities, and providing loan facilities which would result in the social economical Development of Employees and the retired officers of the Central Government and the Local Government Sector and the Local Government Sector;
- (b) starting and maintaining industries and services 10 which would result in generating employment opportunities; and
  - (c) to work co-operatively with similar establishment in Sri Lanka and Overseas.
- Subject to the provisions of this Act and any other Powers of the 15 written law, the Corporation shall have the power—

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- (a) receiving money required for the functioning of the Corporation of the basis of loans or grants from lawful Banks and Financial Establishments;
- (b) to enter into agreements or contracts with any person 20 or body of persons in Sri Lanka or Overseas;
- (c) subject to the provisions of this Act and any other written law, the Corporation shall have the power to do, perform and executive all such acts, matters and things as are necessary or desirable for the 25 promotion or furtherance of the objects of the Corporation and close bank accounts, to receive or collect grants and donations, to invest funds and to engage, employ and dismiss, officers and servants required for carrying out of the objects of the 30 Corporation.
  - 5. (1) The management, control and administration of Management the Corporation shall subject to the provisions of this Act of the affairs and the rules in force for the time being of the Corporation, Corporation.

vest in a Governing Council (hereafter referred to as "the Director Board") consisting of such number of members including the Chairman in accordance with the rules in force for the time being if the Corporation.

- 5 (2) The Board of Directors holding posts on the day prior to the implementation of this Act should be treated as the first Board of Directors of the Corporation.
- 6. (1) It shall be lawful for the Board of Directors from Rules of the time to time to make rules not inconsistence with the Corporation. 10 provisions of this Act or any other written law for the following matters:-

(a) election and qualifications of the Board of Directors including the Chairman, expulsion, payment of allowances and travelling, qualifications and appointment of staff, disciplinary matters, and all rules with regards to payment of salaries wages and allowances;

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- (b) all rules with regards to, performence, maintenance and protection of the common objectives appearing in the Act;
  - (c) all rules with regards to, implementation, maintenance and protection of powers appearing in the Act;
- (d) all rules with regards to, Director Board meetings, 25 minutes general adminstration, accounts auditing finance statements, rules and all rules needed to maintain records.
- (2) The rules made by the Corporation under subsection (1) shall be altered, added to, amended or rescinded at a like 30 meeting and in like manner as a rule made under subsection (1) from time to time, at any annual general meeting.

7. (1) The Corporation shall have its own fund and all Fund of the moneys received by way of gifts, testamentary dispositions, Corporation. transfers, donations or contributions shall be deposited in the name of the Corporation in once or more banks as may be decided by the Council.

- (2) The Corpration may establish a depreciation fund or a sinking fund for the purpose of rehabilitation, development or improvement of the property of the Corporation.
- (3) All expenses incurred by the Corporation in the 10 exercise and discharge of the powers and functions of the Corporation shall be paid out of the fund of the Corporation.
- 8. The Corporation shall be able and capable in law to Corporation acquire and hold any property, movable or immovable, which may hold may become vested in it by virtue of any purchase, property may 15 subscription, gift, grant, or testamentary disposition or immovable. otherwise and all such property shall be held by the Corporation, with full power to sell, mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of the same.

9. No member of the Corporation shall, for the purpose Limitation of 20 of discharging the debts and liabilities of the Corporation or Liability of for any other purpose, be liable to make any contribution exceeding the amount of annual subscription payable by him to the Corporation.

10. (1) All properties and debts and liabilities of the Debts due by 25 Foundation existing on the day immediately preceding the and payable date of commencement of this Act, shall be paid by the Corporation. Corporation hereby constituted and all debts, due to, subscriptions and contributions payable to the Foundation on such day shall be paid to the Corporation for the purposes 30 of this Act.

(2) The properties and services owned and maintained by the State Employees Development Finance Foundation on the date prior to the implementation of this Act shall hand them over to the Corporation incorporated by this Act.

- (a) the one acre land situated at No. 94 of Hathdaththeewa village in the Mahiyangana Sorabora Colony and the sand mining project;
- (b) 8 perch land situated at Kohodapola village in the 5 Polgahawela electorate division and the building of mechanical capentry workshop.
- 11. If upon the winding up or the dissolution of the Property Corporation there remains after the satisfaction of all its debts remaining on and liabilities, any property shall not be distributed among the dissolution of the members of the Corporation, but shall be given or the transferred to some other institution or institutions, having Corporation. objects similar to those of the Corporation and which is or are by its or their rules prohibited from distributing and income or property among its or their members.

12. (1) The financial year of the Corporation shall be Auditing 15 the calendar year.

- (2) The Corporation shall cause proper accounts to be kept of its income and expenditure, assets and liabilities and all their transactions of the Corporation.
- 20 (3) The accounts of the Corporation shall be audited by a qualified auditor.

In this section "Qualified auditor" means:

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- (1) an individual who being a member of the Institute of Charted Accountants of Sri Lanka, or of any other Institute established by law, possess a certificate to practice as an Accountant issued by the council of such institute; or
- (2) a Firm of Accountants each of the resident partners of which, being a member of the Institute of Charted 30 Accountants of Sri Lanka or any other Institute established by law, possesses a certificate to practise as an Accountant issued by the Council of such Institute.

13. The Seal of the Corporation shall not be affixed to Seal of the any instrument whatsoever, expect in the presence of the Corporation. Chairman or the Managing Director or such other person as may be duly athorized by the Council who shall sign their names to the instruments in token of their presence and such signing shall be independent of the signing of any person as a witness.

14. Nothing in this Act contained shall prejudice or Saving of the affect the rights of the Republic or any body politic or rights of the 10 corporate of any other persons.

Republic and others.

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

case of inconsistency.

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