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AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE ALL CEYLON TELUGU CONGRESS

WHEREAS a Congress called and known as "The All Ceylon Telugu Congress" has heretofore been established in Sri Lanka for the purpose of effectually carrying out and transacting all objects and matters connected with the said Congress according to the rules agreed to by its members:

Preamble.

AND Whereas the said Congress 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 the 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 All Ceylon Telugu Congress (Incorporation) Act, No. 20 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 All Ceylon Telugu Congress (hereinafter referred to as "the Congress") or shall hereafter be admitted 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 the "All Ceylon Telugu Congress" 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 alter the same at its pleasure.

Incorporation of the All Ceylon Telugu Congress.

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

General objects of the Corporation.

- (a) to unite all members of the Telugu Community;
- (b) to set up a fund for the Telugu Community in Sri Lanka and to utilize the same for its upliftment;
- (c) to foster and promote activities which provide opportunities to the youth of the Telugu Community to develop their skills and talents in the field of sports, culture and education; and to afford them the opportunities to pursue higher studies;

- (d) to establish educational and cultural institutions and to undertake activities which will foster and promote the knowledge and skills of persons who are desirous of learning Telugu as a language ;
- (e) to provide opportunities for members of the Telugu Community to become literate and to assist in obtaining legal and financial assistance for members of the Telugu Community with a view to solving their day to day problems ;
- (f) to work for the upliftment of the members of the Telugu Community and to promote unity among all persons, irrespective of caste, class or creed ; and
- (g) to establish a secretariat for the Corporation with a view to co-ordinating its activities, and to attaining its 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 whatsoever, as are necessary or desirable for the promotion, or 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, to receive or collect grants and donations, to invest its funds and to engage, employ and dismiss, officers and servants required for the carrying out of the objects of the Corporation.

Management of the affairs of the Corporation.

5. (1) The affairs of the Corporation shall, subject to the rules of the Corporation, be administered by an Executive Committee consisting of office-bearers and such other persons elected in accordance with the rules of the Corporation.

(2) The first Executive Committee of the Corporation shall be the Executive Committee of the Congress holding office on the day preceding the date of commencement of this Act.

6. (1) It shall be lawful for the Corporation, from time to time, at any general or special meeting of the members and by the votes of at least two-thirds of the members present and voting, to make such rules, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act or any other written law, with the prior approval by a two-thirds majority, of a duly summoned meeting of the Executive Committee, as may be necessary for carrying out the objects of the Corporation, including rules as to the election of the Executive Committee and other office-bearers. Such rules when made may, at a like meeting and in like manner, be altered, added to, amended or rescinded.

Rules of the Corporation.

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

7. All debts and liabilities of the Congress existing on the day preceding the date of commencement of this Act shall be paid and discharged by the Corporation, and all moneys due to, and subscriptions and contributions payable to, the Congress on that day shall be paid to the Corporation for the purposes of this Act.

Debts due by and payable to the Congress.

8. The moneys and property of the Corporation however derived, shall be applied solely towards the promotion of its objects as set forth herein and no portion thereof shall be paid as dividend or bonus or as profit or in any other manner, either directly or indirectly, to the members of the Corporation.

Application of moneys and property.

9. 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 purpose of this Act and subject to the rules of the Corporation, with full power to sell, mortgage, lease, rent, exchange or otherwise dispose of the same.

The Corporation may hold property movable and immovable.

10. The seal of the Corporation shall not be affixed to any instrument whatsoever except under the authority of the Executive Committee and in the presence of two members thereof, one of whom shall be the Secretary or a person authorized by the Executive Committee for that purpose, and 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.

How the seal of the Corporation is to be affixed

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 of 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 in-
consistency.

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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