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CEYLON ASSOCIATION FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED

Act
No. 10 of 1971.

AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE CEYLON ASSOCIATION FOR THE MENTALLY RETARDED.

[27th February, 1971.]

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as The Ceylon Association for the Mentally Retarded (Incorporation) Act.

(e) to establish and maintain additional homes for the mentally retarded.

Incorporation of The Ceylon Association for the Mentally Retarded.

2. (1) From and after the date of the commencement of this Act, the members for the time being of The Ceylon Association for the Mentally Retarded (hereinafter referred to as the "Association") and such and so many persons as shall after that date be admitted members of the said Association shall be and are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation") with the name of The Ceylon Association for the Mentally Retarded.

(f) to establish a counselling service where parents and others engaged in work with mentally retarded could meet and discuss problems and obtain advice.

(g) to promote the training of personnel involved in the care and education of the mentally retarded.

(h) to act as a national advisory body for the promotion of services for the mentally retarded.

(i) to encourage and foster research in the field of the mentally handicapped.

(j) to co-operate and co-ordinate with other agencies local and international dealing with the mentally retarded.

(2) The Corporation shall, in the said name and for the purpose hereinafter mentioned have perpetual succession, and may by the said name sue and be sued in all courts, and shall have full power and authority to use a common seal and to alter the same at its discretion.

General objects of the Corporation.

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

(a) to foster and promote medical, educational, vocational and spiritual service for the mentally retarded children and adults.

(b) to provide training and employment for the mentally retarded.

(c) to foster interest in mentally retarded children having physical disabilities as well.

(d) to educate parents and the public in the care of the mentally retarded.

4. The affairs of the Corporation shall be administered by an executive body called the Executive Committee composed of the office-bearers of the Association as are eligible under the rules of the Corporation and it shall consist of such number of members with such qualifications exercising such powers and for such periods as the said rules shall direct.

The Executive Committee.

5. All debts and liabilities of the Association existing at the time of coming into operation of this Act shall be paid by the Corporation hereby constituted, and all debts due to and subscriptions payable to the Association shall be paid to the Corporation for the purposes of this Act.

Debts due and payable to Corporation.

6. The Corporation shall be able and capable in law to receive and to hold property both movable and immovable, hold property

Power of the Corporation to hold property

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which may be 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 purposes of this Act and subject to the rules for the time being of the Corporation with full power to sell, mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of the same.

determination of the subscription payable by members and the collection of such subscriptions, and otherwise generally for the management of the affairs and the accomplishment of the objects of the Association and such rules may at such a meeting be amended, added to or repealed.

Seal of Corporation.

7. The seal of the Corporation shall not be affixed to any instrument whatsoever except in the presence of the General Secretary and a member of the Executive Committee of the Association duly authorised for the purpose under the rules thereof, 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.

9. The rules set out in the Schedule* to this Act shall for all purposes be the rules of the Corporation: Rules in the Schedule to be the rules of the Corporation.

Provided, however, that nothing in this section contained shall be held or be construed to prevent the Corporation at all times hereafter from making fresh rules or from altering, amending or adding to the existing rules or to rules which are hereafter made by the Corporation.

Power to make rules.

8. It shall be lawful for the Corporation from time to time at any general meeting of the members and by a majority of the members present and voting, to make, subject to the provisions of sections 9 and 10, rules for the admission, withdrawal or expulsion of members, for the conduct of the duties of the Executive Committee and of the various officers, agents and servants of the Association, for the procedure to be observed at meetings, for the transaction of the business of the Association, for the administration and management of the property of the Association, for the

10. No rule in the Schedule* to this Act nor any rule which may hereafter be passed at a meeting shall be altered, added to, amended or rescinded, except by a vote of the majority of the members present and voting at a Special General Meeting of the members of the Association. Amendment, &c.of rules

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. Savings of rights of the Republic and

• Schedule omitted.—Private enactment.