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LANKA JATIKA SARVODAYA SHRAMADANA SANGAMAYA

Act No. 16 of 1972. AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE LANKA JATIKA SARVODAYA SHRAMADANA SANGAMAYA.

[3rd May, 1972.]

- Short title. **1.** This Act may be cited as the Lanka Jatika Sarvodaya Shramadana Sangamaya (Incorporation) Act.
- Incorporation of the Lanka Jatika Sarvodaya Shramadana Sangamaya. **2.** The members for the time being of the association known as the Lanka Jatika Sarvodaya Shramadana Sangamaya (hereinafter referred to as "the Association") shall be a body corporate (hereinafter referred to as "the Corporation") with perpetual succession, a common seal, and the name "Lanka Jatika Sarvodaya Shramadana Sangamaya". The Corporation may sue and be sued in such name.
- General objects of the Corporation. **3.** The general objects of the Corporation shall be the following :—
- (1) To provide, by means of Shramadana Camps and other constructive ways, adequate opportunities and the appropriate mental climate for the realization of the principles, the philosophy and the objects of Sarvodaya by the Shramadana Sewakas and Sewikas who volunteer to engage themselves in village development and community welfare projects.
- (2) To provide opportunities to the youth to acquire a correct understanding of the socio-economic and other problems of the country, and to organize educational and training programmes for them to learn ways and means of solving these according to the Sarvodaya philosophy.
- (3) To organize programmes with a view to the eradication of distrust and disintegration springing from differences such as of caste, race, creed and party-politics.
- (4) To disseminate qualities of selfless service, self-denial, co-operation, self-discipline and dignity of labour among the people of the land.
- (5) To encourage the development, especially in the youth of healthy views of social justice, equality, love of one's motherland and international brotherhood.
- (6) To develop self-confidence, co-operation and unity among the urban and rural communities and to evoke their inherent strength to bring about an all-round development in their spiritual, moral, social, economic and educational life.
- (7) To train and organize groups of youth who are ready to come forward and render voluntary service in times of national distress as well as in community development and social welfare programmes.
- (8) To collect and mobilize the maximum possible resources of the people such as their time, intelligence, energy, land, wealth, specialized skills and technological knowledge which they are prepared to donate of their own free-will, and utilize these scientifically to bring about the general economic and social progress of the people.
- (9) To help generally in the realization of the objects of the various institutions of the United Nations and especially to assist in the programmes of the Freedom From Hunger Campaign of the Food and Agricultural Organisation, the UNESCO and the WHO respectively, to eradicate hunger, illiteracy and disease from our world.
- (10) To promote the idea of the need for, and the importance of, the establishment of an International

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Shramadana Corps, under the auspices of the United Nations, through its member nations.

The affairs of the Corporation to be administered by an Executive Council.

**4.** (1) The affairs of the Corporation shall, subject to the rules for the time being of the Corporation, be administered by an Executive Council which shall consist of the office-bearers of the Corporation and other members elected to the Executive Council at the Annual General Meeting of the Corporation.

(2) The Executive Council may delegate any of its functions to one or more Standing Committees or Sub-Committees.

Register of Members.

**5.** (1) The General Secretary of the Corporation shall keep a register of the members of the Corporation.

(2) The Register of the members of the Corporation shall contain the following particulars:—

- (i) The name and full postal address of each member.
- (ii) The date of admission to membership.
- (iii) The date on which such member ceased to be a member.

Rules.

**6.** (1) The Corporation may, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting at a General Meeting of the Corporation, make rules for admission to, and removal from, membership of the Corporation, for the performance of the duties of the office-bearers and other members of the Executive Council of the Corporation, for the procedure in the transaction of business, and otherwise generally for the management of the affairs of the Corporation and the accomplishment of its objects.

(2) The rules of the Corporation shall not be revised, rescinded or amended except at a special general meeting convened for the purpose and by a vote of not less than two-thirds of those present and voting.

(3) Written notice of the proposed additions, amendments and deletions shall

be forwarded to the Executive Council through the Honorary General Secretary, and the Executive Council shall decide by a majority vote of the members of the Council present, the additions, amendments and deletions which should be presented at a special general meeting, for approval.

(4) Subject to the provisions of subsections (1), (2) and (3) of this section, the rules set out in the Schedule\* to this Act shall be the rules of the Corporation.

**7.** All debts of the Association existing at the commencement of this Act shall be paid by the Corporation and all debts due and fees, subscriptions and grants payable to the Association shall be paid to the Corporation.

Liabilities of and debts due to the Association.

**8.** The Corporation may acquire and hold any movable or immovable property by right of purchase, grant, gift, testamentary disposition or otherwise, and, subject to the rules for the time being of the Corporation, may sell, mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of any movable or immovable property of the Corporation.

The Corporation may hold property.

**9.** The seal of the Corporation may be altered at the pleasure of the Corporation. The seal shall not be affixed to any instrument whatsoever except in the presence of two office-bearers of the Corporation one of whom shall be the President or in his absence a Vice-President, who shall sign their names on the instrument in token of their presence, and such signing shall be independent of the signing of any person as a witness.

Seal of the Corporation and the procedure for fixing it.

**10.** The General Secretary of the Corporation shall have the custody of the seal of the Corporation.

Custody of the Seal of the Corporation.

**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 person, except such as are mentioned in this Act and those claiming by, from, or under them.

Saving of the rights of the Republic and others.

\* Schedule omitted.—Private enactment.