

## PARLIAMENT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA

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AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE JAPAN - SRI LANKA EDUCATIONAL AND CULTURAL ASSOCIATION

WHEREAS an association called and known as the "Japan-Sri Lanka Educational and Cultural Association" has heretofore been established in Sri Lanka for the purpose of effectually carrying out and transacting all objects and matters connected with the said Association according to the rules agreed to by its members:

Preamble.

AND WHEREAS the said Association 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 Japan - Sri Lanka Educational and Cultural Association (Incorporation) Act, No. 52 of 2006.

Short title.

2. From and after the date of commencement of this Act, such and so many persons as now are members of the Japan-Sri Lanka Educational and Cultural Association (hereinafter referred to as "the Association", or shall hereafter be admitted as members of the Corporation hereby constituted, shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession under the name and style of the "Japan-Sri Lanka Educational and Cultural Association" (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation")and by that name may sue and be sued in all courts, with full power and authority to have and to use a common seal and to alter the same at its pleasure.

Incorporation of the Japan - Sri Lanka Educational and Cultural Association.

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

General objects of the Corporation.

(a) to conduct courses for the teaching of foreign languages and to provide higher educational and diploma courses in such studies;

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  - (b) to conduct courses for the teaching of Sinhala, Tamil and English to foreigners;
  - (c) to award certificates of merit to students who complete successfully, the courses being conducted;
  - (d) to prepare students who are following the relevent courses, for examinations conducted in the respective courses;
  - (e) to conduct all courses under the supervision of a qualified and skilled staff and to have the syllabuses of all language courses prepared by the National Institute of Education established by the National Institute of Education Act, No. 28 of 1985;
  - (f) to select with the approval of the respective Ministries of the Ministers in charge of the subject of Vocational Training, Education and Social Services, students with special ability to learn respective languages and provide future training to such students;
  - (g) to establish and maintain libraries, to subscribe to books, papers, periodicals, magazines, commerative issues etc. and to publish such literature and to provide such other services as may be deemed desirable for attaining the objects of the Corporation;
  - (h) to promote, sponsor and conduct lectures, conferences, philosophical discussions, seminars, workshops, group studies, recreational activities, excursions and other such activities;
  - (i) to corporate and associate with other associations or organizations which have objects similar to those of the Corporation; and
  - (j) to act as an affiliate institute of any local or foreign technical or vocational training institute or a

representative of such an organization and to launch Cultural Exchange Programms with foreign countries.

**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 as are necessary or desirable for the promotion or furtherance of any one or more of the objects of the Corporation including the power to open, operate and close bank accounts and to engage, employ and dismiss officers and servants as are required for the carrying out of the objects of the Corporation.

General powers of the Corporation.

**5.** (1) The affairs of the Corporation shall, subject to the provisions this Act and the rules in force for the time being of the Corporation, be administered by a Board of Directors consisting of not less than ten members including the Patron, and the Chairman, the Secretary, the Assistant Secretary and the Treasurer who shall be elected in accordance with the rules in force for the time being of the Corporation.

Management of the affairs of the Corporation.

- (2) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in subsection (1) of this section, Mr. Takashi Doshita and Mr. Masanori Toyoda shall be the life patrons of the Corporation and their successors shall be nominated by them to be the patrons therefor. The persons succeeding them shall also be life patrons.
- (3) The first Chairman of the Corporation shall be the Chairman of the Association holding office on the day immediately preceding the date of commencement of this Act.
- **6.** (1) It shall be lawful for the Corporation from time to time, at any general meeting and by a vote of not less than two-thirds of the members present and voting, to make rules, not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act or any other written law, for all or any of the following matters:—

Rules of the Corporation.

(a) the admission, resignation and expulsion of members of the Corporation;

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  - (b) the powers, duties and functions of the Board of Directors and office bearers of the Corporation;
  - (c) the conduct of meetings and the procedure to be followed at such meetings;
  - (d) the appointment, dismissal and terms of employment of employees of the Corporation and their duties and functions;
  - (e) the code of conduct to be observed by the employees of the Corporation; and
  - (f) generally for the management of the affairs of the Corporation and the attainment of its objects.
- (2) The members of the Corporation shall be subject to the rules of the Corporation.
- (3) Any rules made by the Corporation may be amended, altered, added to or rescinded in like manner as a rule may be made under subsection (1).

Debts due by and payable to the Association. 7. All debts and liabilities of the association existing on the day preceding the date of commencement of this Act, shall be paid by the Corporation hereby constituted and all debts due to, subscriptions and contributions payble to the association on that day shall be paid to the Corporation for the purposes of this Act.

Seal of the Corporation.

**8.** The seal of the Corporation shall not be affixed to any instrument whatsoever, except in the presence of the Chairman and the Secretary of the Corporation 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 witness.

Funds of the Corporation.

**9.** (1) The Corporation shall have its own fund and all moneys received by way of gifts, testamentary dispositions, transfers, donations, contributions, fees or grants shall be deposited by the Corporation in one or more banks as the corporation shall determine.

- (2) The Corporation 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 excercise and discharge of the powers and functions of the Corporation shall be paid out of the fund of the Corporation.
- **10.** (1) The Board of Directors shall cause proper books of accounts to be kept of all income and expenditure of the Corporation.

Accounts and

- (2) The accounts of the Corporation shall, not less than once in every year be examined, audited and certified by a qualified auditor who shall be an associate member of the Institute of Charted Accountants of Sri Lanka.
- 11. The Corporation shall be able to and capable in law, to acquire and hold any property, movable or immovable, which may become vested in it by virtue of any purchase, subscription, 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 in force for the time being of the Corporation, with full power to sell, mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of the same.

Corporation may hold property movable or immovable.

**12.** Nothing contained in this Act shall prejudice or affect the rights of the Republic or of any body politic or corporate or of any other person.

Saving of the rights of the Republic and others.

**13.** 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.

