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ALL CEYLON BUDDHIST STUDENTS' FEDERATION

Law No. 44 of 1975. A LAW TO INCORPORATE THE ALL CEYLON BUDDHIST STUDENTS' FEDERATION.

[5th December, 1975.]

Short title. 1. This Law may be cited as the All Ceylon Buddhist Students' Federation (Incorporation) Law.

Incorporation of the All Ceylon Buddhist Students' Federation. 2. The persons who, at the time of the coming into operation of this Law, are members of the All Ceylon Buddhist Students' Federation (hereinafter referred to as the "Federation") and such other persons as are hereafter enrolled as members of the Federation shall be a body corporate (hereinafter referred to as the "Corporation") with perpetual succession, a common seal and the name of "The All Ceylon Buddhist Students' Federation". The Corporation may sue and be sued in such name and shall have full power and authority to have and use a common seal and alter the same at their pleasure.

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

- (a) to promote mutual understanding and co-operation among Buddhist students;
- (b) to improve the facilities available to Buddhist students for studying the dhamma, for observing Buddhist principles and for the propagation of the Buddha dhamma;
- (c) to train Buddhist students to do valuable service to the country in the fields of religion and social services;
- (d) to advance the moral, cultural and social welfare of Buddhist students ;
- (e) to establish an international Buddhist Students Organisation and thereby

foster better understanding among nations;

- (f) to promote the interests of Buddhism;
- (g) to work in unison for the attainment of the rights and privileges of Buddhist students.

4. (1) The affairs of the Corporation shall, subject to the rules for the time being of the Corporation, be administered by a Working Committee consisting of the President, five Vice-Presidents, the General Secretary, three Assistant Secretaries, the Senior Treasurer, the Junior Treasurer and ten ordinary members to be elected in accordance with the rules for the time being of the Corporation.

Working Committee, Board of Trustees and Board of Governors.

(2) The first Working Committee of the Corporation shall consist of the following:—

(a) Office-bearers :—

- (1) Mr. Sarath Samarage, President.
- (2) Mr. M. P. Muthukuda Aratchi, Vice-President.
- (3) Miss Sumithra de Zoysa, Vice-President.
- (4) Mr. Vipula Chandradasa, Vice-President.
- (5) Mr. Prasanna de Silva, Vice-President.
- (6) Mr. Asoka Amarasekera, Vice-President.
- (7) Miss Suncetha Perera, General Secretary.
- (8) Mr. Anura Hegoda, Assistant Secretary.
- (9) Mr. Jayantha Wickremasinghe, Assistant Secretary.
- (10) Miss Visaka Lewliyadde, Assistant Secretary.
- (11) Mr. Godwin Ratnayake, Senior Treasurer.
- (12) Mr. P. Ratnaweera, Junior Treasurer.

(b) Members of the Working Committee:—

- (1) Miss Badhra de Silva.
- (2) Mr. Mihira Perera.
- (3) Miss Anula Edirisinghe.
- (4) Mr. Nihal Feraando.
- (5) Mr. Sarath Perera.
- (6) Miss Nirmaleeni Gunawardena.
- (7) Mr. Upali Hettiaratchi.
- (8) Mr. Cyril Baddegama.
- (9) Mr. Sujeewa Alwis.
- (10) Mr. Henry Senanayake.

(3) There shall be a Board of Trustees of the Corporation and the first Board of Trustees shall consist of the following:—

- (1) Dr. P. R. Anthonis.
- (2) Dr. W. F. Jayasuriya.
- (3) Mr. R. G. O. Gunasekera.

(4) There shall be a Board of Governors of the Corporation and the first Board of Governors shall consist of the following:—

- (1) The person for the time being holding the office of the Director-General of Education.
- (2) The person for the time being holding the office of the Director of Cultural Affairs.
- (3) Dr. W. F. Jayasuriya.
- (4) Mr. Bogoda Premaratne.
- (5) Mr. D. G. Welikala.
- (6) Dr. Mrs. T. Kariyawasam.
- (7) Mr. S. Panditharatna (Principal, Thurstan College).
- (8) Mrs. Hema Jayasinghe (Principal, Visakha Vidyalaya).
- (9) Mrs. S. Premaratne.

5. The rules of the Federation in force at the time this Law comes into operation shall for all purposes be the rules of the Corporation:

Provided, however, that nothing in this section contained shall be held or construed to prevent the Corporation at all times hereafter at a general meeting of the Corporation and by a majority of two-thirds of the members present and entitled to vote from making new rules or from altering, amending or adding to the existing rules or to rules which are hereafter made by the Corporation and the rules in force under this Law at any time shall be the rules so added to, replaced or amended up to that time.

6. All debts and liabilities of the said All Ceylon Buddhist Students' Federation, existing at the time of the coming into operation of this Law shall be paid by the Corporation hereby constituted, and all debts due to and subscriptions and contributions payable to the said Federation shall be paid to the said Corporation for the purposes of this Law.

Liabilities of, and debts due to, the Federation.

7. 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.

Corporation may hold property.

8. Nothing in this Law 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 Law, and those claiming by, from or under them.

Savings of the rights of the Republic and others.

Rules