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Act No. 11 of 1966. AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE SRI LANKA ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE.

[25th April, 1966.]

- Short title. **1.** This Act may be cited as the Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Science Act.
- Incorporation of the Ceylon Association for the Advancement of Science. **2.** From and after the passing of this Act all persons as now are members of the Ceylon Association for the Advancement of Science or shall hereafter be admitted members of the corporation hereby constituted shall be and become a corporation with continuance for ever under the style and name of "The Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Science"*, and by that name shall and 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.
- General objects of the corporation. **3.** The general objects for which the corporation is constituted are hereby declared to be—
- (a) to promote the advancement of science (Pure and Applied);
 - (b) to provide for systematic direction of scientific inquiry in the interests of the country;
 - (c) to promote contact among scientific workers;
 - (d) to hold an Annual Session;
 - (e) to disseminate scientific knowledge; and
 - (f) to do such other things as may be necessary for the advancement of science.
- 4.** The governing body of the corporation shall, subject to the rules in force for the time being of the corporation as hereinafter provided, be the General Committee consisting of such members with such qualifications and exercising such powers as the said rules shall direct. The first General Committee of the corporation shall be the General Committee of the Ceylon Association for the Advancement of Science for the time being.
- 5.** The affairs of the corporation shall be administered by an executive body called the Council, elected by the General Committee in accordance with 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 first Council of the corporation shall be the Council of the Ceylon Association for the Advancement of Science for the time being consisting of Dr. D. V. W. Abeygunawardena, Dr. V. Appapillai, Dr. B. A. Baptist, Dr. N. G. Baptist, Prof. G. H. Cooray, Prof. C. C. de Silva, Mr. E. B. Dissanaiké, Mr. T. Gunawardhana, Mr. V. E. Herat, Dr. S. R. Kottegoda, Mr. A. S. Mendis, Miss C. L. M. Nethsinghe, Mr. D. B. Pattiarachchi, Dr. G. Ponnampereuma, Dr. W. D. Ratnavale, Mr. S. Selvaratnam, Dr. S. Sentheshanmuganathan, Dr. W. M. Tilakaratne, Mr. N. A. D. Weerasinha and Dr. T. W. Wikramanayake.
- 6.** All debts and liabilities of the said Ceylon Association for the Advancement of Science existing at the time of the coming into operation of this Act shall be paid by

The General Committee.

The Council.

Debts due by and payable to corporation.

*The title of the Corporation was altered from "The Ceylon Association for the Advancement of Science" to "The Sri Lanka Association for the Advancement of Science" by a resolution of the General Committee of the Corporation held on 19th December, 1974.

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the corporation hereby constituted, and all debts due to and subscriptions and contributions payable to the said Ceylon Association for the Advancement of Science shall be paid to the said corporation for the purposes of this Act.

officers, agents and servants of the corporation; for the procedure in the transaction of business and otherwise generally for the management of affairs of the corporation and the accomplishment of its objects. Subject to the provisions of section 11, such rules may at such meeting be amended, added to or repealed.

How the seal of the corporation is to be affixed.

7. The seal of the corporation shall be in the safe custody of the Council and shall not be affixed to any instrument whatsoever except with the authority of the Council previously obtained and in the presence of two members of the Council, 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.

10. Subject to the provisions of section 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.

Corporation may hold property, movable and immovable.

8. The corporation shall be 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 purposes of this Act and subject to the rules for the time being of the said corporation, with full power to sell, mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of the same.

Provided, however, that nothing in this section contained shall be held or construed to prevent the corporation at all times hereafter from making fresh rules or from altering, amending, adding to or rescinding any of the rules set out in the Schedule* or which may hereafter be made by the corporation.

Power to make rules.

9. It shall be lawful for the corporation, from time to time, at any meeting of the General Committee, and by a vote of two-thirds of the members present and voting to make rules for admission, withdrawal or expulsion of members; for the conduct of the duties of the Council and of the various

11. 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 two-thirds of the members present and voting at a meeting of the General Committee of the corporation.

Amendment, &c, of rules.

12. 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 the rights of the Republic and others.

* Schedule omitted.—Private enactment.