AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE BADULLA SAIVA PARIPALANA SANGAM.

Act No. 24 of 1954.

1. This Act may be cited as the Badulla Saiva Paripalana Sangam Act.

2. From and after the passing of this Act the president, vice-presidents, and members of the executive committee for the time being of the Badulla Saiva Paripalana Sangam and such and so many persons as now are members of the said Badulla Saiva Paripalana Sangam, 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 Badulla Saiva Paripalana Sangam" 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 their pleasure.

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

(i) promotion of solidarity and welfare of the Hindus;

(ii) propagation of the principles of Hinduism and inculcation of a spirit of harmonious understanding among the people;

(iii) the religious, social and literary advancement of the people in general, and in particular, the development of Tamil literature and culture.

4. (1) The affairs of the corporation shall, subject to the rules in force for the time being of the corporation as hereinafter provided, be administered by an executive committee consisting of the president, two vice-presidents, the honorary general secretary, the honorary treasurer respectively of the corporation and not less than fifteen other members, to be elected respectively in accordance with rules for the time being of the corporation.

(2) All members of the corporation shall be subject to the rules in force for the time being of the corporation.

(3) The first executive committee shall consist of Mr. K. S. Ratnasamy, Mr. R. Sivananajothy, Mr. K. Vallipuram, Mr. S. Arumugarajah, Mr. E. Seevaratnam, Mr. T. Kandasamy, Mr. V. K. Karalasingham, Mr. K. Singaram, Mr. T. Balasingham, Mr. R. Muthiah, Mr. A. M. Thillainathan, Mr. V. Ponnampalam, Mr. K. Ramanathan, Mr. N. Sinniah, Mr. K. Sinniah, Mr. S. S. Nadarajah, Mr. K. Gopalamasy, Mr. K. Tharmalingam, Mr. N. Pasupathipillai, Mr. M. Shanmugam, Mr. P. Kanagaratnam, Mr. S. Sivanayagam, Mr. A. K. Kandasamy.

5. It shall be lawful for the corporation from time to time at any general meeting of the members, and by a majority of votes to make 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 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. Subject to the provisions of section 7, such rules may, at such a general meeting, be amended, added to or repealed.
6. Subject to the provisions of section 5, the rules set out in the Schedule* to this Act shall for all purposes be the rules of the corporation:

Provided, however, that nothing in this section contained shall be deemed or construed to prevent the corporation at any general meeting from making fresh rules, or from amending, adding to or repealing any of the rules set out in such Schedule*.

7. No rule in the Schedule* to this Act nor any rule hereafter passed at a general meeting, shall be amended, added to or repealed, except with the prior approval of the executive committee and by a vote of two-thirds of the members present at a general meeting of the corporation.

8. All debts and liabilities of the said Badulla Saiva Paripalana Sangam existing at the time of the coming into operation of this Act shall be paid by the corporation hereby constituted, and all debts due to and subscriptions and contributions payable to the said Badulla Saiva Paripalana Sangam, shall be paid to the said corporation for the purposes of this Act.

9. The seal of the corporation shall not be affixed to any instrument whatsoever except in the presence of two of the members of the executive committee, 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. The corporation shall be able and 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 for the purposes of the Act:

Provided that every disposition affecting movable property not exceeding the value of one thousand rupees shall have the consent of at least two-thirds of the members of the executive committee present at a duly convened meeting and provided further that every disposition affecting movable property of over the value of one thousand rupees or immovable property shall have in addition to the consent aforesaid of the executive committee the consent of at least two-thirds of the members present at a general meeting of the corporation specially convened for the purpose.

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.

Corporation may hold property, movable and immovable.

Saving of the rights of the Republic and others.

• Schedules omitted.—Private enactment.