CHAPTER 455
HINDU BOARD OF EDUCATION

AN ORDINANCE TO INCORPORATE THE HINDU BOARD OF EDUCATION.

[24th January, 1927.]

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Hindu Board of Education Ordinance.

2. From and after the passing of this Ordinance the persons whose names appear in Schedule I* and their respective successors elected in the manner provided by the rules and regulations in Schedule II*, or such other rules and regulations as may be in force at the date of the election, shall be and become a corporation with perpetual succession under the name and style in Tamil of Shaiva Vithya Vriththi Sangam and in English of the Hindu Board of Education (hereinafter referred to as the board), and by such name shall and may sue and be sued in all courts, with full power and authority to have and use a common seal and to change and alter the same at pleasure.

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

   (a) to establish and maintain Hindu schools in Sri Lanka where they are needed;

   (b) to take over and manage such of the existing schools as may be handed over to the board for management;

   (c) to render all such assistance to existing Hindu schools as may be considered necessary;

   (d) to do everything that may be required to promote and popularize the education of Hindu children in Hindu schools; and

   (e) to encourage the study of Tamil literature, music, and drama.

4. The rules set forth in Schedule II* shall for all purposes be the rules of the board:

   Provided, however, that nothing in this section contained shall be held or construed to prevent the board at all times hereafter from making fresh rules, or from altering, amending, adding to, or cancelling any of the rules in Schedule II*, or to be hereafter made by the board.

5. On the coming into operation of this Ordinance all and every property belonging to the Hindu Board of Education, whether held in the name of the said board or in the name or names of any person or persons in trust for the said board, shall be and the same are hereby vested in the board hereby constituted, and the same shall be held by the board for the purpose of this Ordinance, subject to the rules for the time being of the board.

6. The board 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 board for the purpose of this Ordinance and subject to the rules for the time being of the board, with full power to sell, mortgage, lease, exchange, or otherwise dispose of the same for the purposes of the board.

7. All debts and liabilities of the Hindu Board of Education existing at the time of the coming into operation of this Ordinance shall be paid by the board hereby
constituted, and all debts due to, and
subscriptions or contributions payable to,
the Hindu Board of Education shall be paid
to the board hereby constituted for the
purposes of this Ordinance,

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

Saving of the
rights of the
Republic and
others.