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SAIVA PARIPALANA SABHAI

Ordinance AN ORDINANCE TO INCORPORATE THE ASSOCIATION CALLED AND KNOWN AS THE SAIVA PARIPALANA SABHAL

17th June, 1931.

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Saiva Paripalana Sabha Ordinance.

2. From and after the passing of this Ordinance the president, vice-presidents, secretary, assistant secretary, treasurer and other members of the executive committee for the time being, of the Saiva Paripalana Sabha and such and so many persons as now are members of the said Saiva Paripalana Sabha 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 Saiva Paripalana Sabha" hereinafter referred to as the sabhai 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 sabhai is constituted are hereby declared to be—

(a) to promote and propagate the Saiva religion;

(b) to establish, repair and renovate Saiva temples, to take over and manage such temples and supervise the management of such temples as may come under the control and authority of the sabhai;

(c) to take over and manage Saiva madams, and properties belonging thereto and to devote their funds for the purpose for which they were established;

(d) to establish, maintain and manage Saiva schools and to publish readers and other books necessary for Saiva education;

(e) to establish, finance, maintain and manage newspapers to safeguard the interests of the Saiva community and to take all other measures necessary for the attainment of such object;

(f) to establish, maintain and manage crematoriums and hospitals, and to take charge of such establishments as are handed over to their management;

(g) to encourage and promote Thamil literature, art and drama.

4. (a) The affairs of the sabhai shall, subject to the rules in force for the time being of the sabhai as hereinafter provided in Schedule II*, be administered by a board of management consisting of a president, vice-presidents, the secretary, the assistant secretary and the treasurer and not less than fifteen and not more than twenty other members to be elected respectively in accordance with the rules and regulations for the time being of the sabhai.

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

(c) The first board of management shall consist of the members whose names appear in Schedule I*, and their successors shall be elected in the manner provided by rules in Schedule II*.

Schedules omitted.—Private enactment,
5. It shall be lawful for the board of management of the sabhai from time to time 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 board of management and of the various officers, agents and servants; for the procedure in the transaction of business; and generally for the management of the affairs of the sabhai and the accomplishment of its objects. Such rules when made may be altered, added to, amended or cancelled subject however to the requirements of section 7.

6. Subject to the provisions in section 5 contained, the rules set forth in Schedule II*, shall for all purposes be the rules of the sabhai:

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

7. No rule in Schedule II* nor any rule hereafter made by the board of management shall be altered, added to, amended or cancelled except by a vote of two-thirds of the members of the board of management present at a meeting of the board of management.

8. On the coming into operation of this Ordinance all and every property belonging to the said sabhai whether held in the name of the sabhai or in the name or names of any person or persons, or body of persons in trust for the said sabhai, shall be and the same are hereby vested in the corporation hereby constituted and the same together with all after-acquired property both movable and immovable and all subscriptions, contributions, donations, amounts of loan or advance received or to be received and all moneys legally due to the said sabhai shall be held by the said corporation for the purposes of this Ordinance and subject to the rules and regulations in force for the time being of the said corporation.

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

Provided that every disposition of property shall have the consent of at least two-thirds of the members of the board of management present at a duly convened meeting and provided further that every such 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 board of management the consent of at least two-thirds of members present at a general meeting of the sabhai specially convened for the purpose.

10. All debts and liabilities of the Saiva Paripalana Sabha existing at the time of the coming into operation of this Ordinance shall be paid by the corporation hereby constituted and all debts, subscriptions or contributions payable to the said Saiva Paripalana Sabha shall be paid to the corporation hereby constituted for the purposes of this Ordinance.

11. The seal of the corporation shall not be affixed to any instrument whatsoever except in the presence of the president, or a vice-president, and the secretary 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.

12. 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.

* Schedules omitted.—Private enactment.