AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE UVA YOUNG MEN’S BUDDHIST ASSOCIATION, BADULLA.

[13th March, 1954.]

1. This Act may be cited as the Uva Young Men’s Buddhist Association, Badulla, Act.

2. From and after the passing of this Act the president, vice-presidents, and members of the committee of management for the time being of the Uva Young Men’s Buddhist Association, Badulla, and such and so many persons as now are members of the Uva Young Men’s Buddhist Association, Badulla, 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 Uva Young Men’s Buddhist Association, Badulla ", 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—

(a) the study and propagation of Buddhism,

(b) the practical observance of Buddhism and the encouragement to Buddhists of living according to the principles of Buddhism,

(c) the promotion of unity and cooperation among Buddhists, and

(d) the advancement of the physical, intellectual and social welfare of members.

4. (1) The affairs of the corporation shall subject to the rules in force for the time being of the corporation, be administered by a committee of management consisting of the president, three vice-presidents, the honorary general secretary and honorary treasurer of the corporation and not less than fifteen other members elected in accordance with the rules in force 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 committee of management shall consist of Mr. S. A. Peeris, Mr. W. B. Welgolle, Mr. H. B. Attanayake, Mr. D. D. Jayasinghe, Mr. A. Gunapala, Mr. T. B. Jayasundera, Mr. D. B. Weerasinghe, Mr. W. A. Jinadasa, Mr. D. Ekanayake, Mr. W. J. Fernando, Mr. D. P. Witharne, Mr. B. H. Dhanapala, Mr. V. C. de Silva, Mr. H. E. Weeraratne, Mr. K. M. Gunatilake, Mr. D. K. P. B. Dissanayake and Mr. T. B. Naranpanawa.

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 committee of management 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 committee of management 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 Uva Young Men's Buddhist Association, Badulla, 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 Uva Young Men's Buddhist Association, Badulla, 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 committee of management, 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 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 in force for the time being of the corporation, with full power to sell, mortgage, lease, exchange, or otherwise dispose of the same.

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.

* Schedule omitted.—Private enactment.