

TAMIL MAHA SANGAM ACT

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1. Short title

This Act may be cited as the Tamil Maha Sangam Act.

1A. Interpretation

In this Act—

“Association” means the Tamil Maha Sangam;

“Board” means the Board of Management of the Association referred to in section 4;

“Rules” means the Tamil Maha Sangam Rules.

2. Tamil Maha Sangam

The Tamil Maha Sangam shall be a body corporate and, for the purposes of its objects, shall have all the powers of a natural person.

3. Objects of Association

The objects of the Association shall be to—

- (a) start and carry on educational work for the physical, moral, intellectual, social and religious advancement, particularly, of the Tamils of Mauritius, by the establishment of schools, colleges and libraries and the organisation of lectures and debates on all subjects which are not repugnant to the law;
- (b) undertake any charitable work for the benefit particularly of poor and needy Tamils;
- (c) adopt all other fair and lawful means conducive to the welfare of the Tamils;

- (d) enter into possession, and undertake the management and maintenance, of temples, together with their lands and properties.

4. Board of Management

The affairs of the Association shall be administered by a Board of Management, consisting of the President of the Association, the Vice-President, the Secretary, the Joint Secretary, the Treasurer and the Assistant Treasurer of the Association and 9 other members to be elected in accordance with the Rules.

5. Rules

(1) Subject to subsection (3), the Board may—

- (a) make such rules as it thinks fit for the purposes of this Act;
(b) amend the Rules.

(2) (a) All rules made by the Board of Management shall be subject to the approval of two thirds of the members present and voting at a general meeting convened for the purpose.

(b) The quorum for such a meeting shall be two thirds of the members of the Association.

(3) The rules made by the Board shall be confirmed by the Registrar of Associations.

6. Exemption from duty

The Association shall be exempt from the payment of duty on donations and legacies received by it.
