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REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Act No. 25 of 1979

[L.S.]

AN ACT for the Incorporation of the Shantineketan  
Religious, Educational, Social and Cultural Council  
of Trinidad and Tobago and for matters incidental  
thereto.

*[Assented to 26th July, 1979]*

WHEREAS there has been established in the Republic of <sup>Preamble</sup>  
Trinidad and Tobago a religious, educational, social

and cultural association known as "The Shantineketan Religious, Educational, Social and Cultural Council of Trinidad and Tobago".

And whereas it is expedient that the said association should be incorporated for the purpose of exercising the powers hereinafter set forth.

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| Enactment                   | BE IT ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as follows:  |
| Short title                 | 1. This Act may be cited as the Shantineketan Religious, Educational, Social and Cultural Council of Trinidad and Tobago (Incorporation) Act, 1979.   |
| Incorporation               | 2. The Shantineketan Religious, Educational, Social and Cultural Council of Trinidad and Tobago (hereinafter referred to as "the Council") is hereby established a body Corporate.  |
| Aims and objects of Council | <p>3. The aims and objects of the Council are—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) to promote greater understanding and unity among all peoples irrespective of caste, creed or sex;</li> <li>(b) to propagate and promulgate the human and spiritual values rather than the material values of life;</li> <li>(c) to propagate and promote Hindu philosophy and culture and to do social and charitable work by helping the poor and needy, orphans and destitutes and the physically handicapped;</li> <li>(d) to promote art, drama, music and culture for the benefit of the peoples of Trinidad and Tobago;</li> <li>(e) to build orphanages and poor houses;</li> <li>(f) to provide by precept and example practical methods to render altruistic service and to build a better community and to encourage a sense of goodwill and</li> </ul> |

righteousness and respect for justice and morality;

(g) to do religious, educational social and cultural work generally to the Glory of Almighty God and the dignity of man.

4. The Council may make Rules for the proper conduct of its proceedings, attainment of its aims and objects and exercise of its powers. Power to make rules

5. (1) Subject to all laws (including this Act) and its rules the Council may have and exercise such powers as are appropriate to its aims and objects. Other powers of Council

(2) The Council shall also have power—

(a) to acquire by purchase, transfer, donation, exchange, devise, bequest, grant, gift, conveyance or howsoever otherwise, any real or personal property or any estate or interest therein;

(b) to accept surrenders or reconveyances and to enter into contracts;

(c) subject to any restraint, reservation or condition contained in the document under which it acquired title to sell, demise, mortgage, or otherwise dispose of and deal with all property which may, for the time being, be vested in it;

(d) to do all such things that may be appropriate to its aims and objects.

6. All documents requiring the seal of the Council shall be sealed with its common seal in the presence of its President and Secretary and in their absence in the presence of its Vice-President and Assistant Secretary or Secretary for the time being in office who shall both sign every such document, and such signing shall be *prima facie* evidence that the said seal was duly affixed and that the same is the lawful seal of the Council. Mode of execution of documents

7. (1) The Council shall at all times have a fixed address in Trinidad and Tobago for the service of documents on the Council and that address and any change Service of documents on the Council

thereof shall be registered with the Registrar General within twenty-eight days of the date of incorporation or the change of address as the case may be.

(2) Every document to be served on the Council may be served by leaving the same at, or by sending the same by registered post to the registered address of the Council.

(3) Failure to register the address and any change thereof is a summary offence and renders the Council liable to a fine of One Hundred and Twenty Dollars and to a further fine of Ten Dollars for each day during which the offence continues after conviction therefor.

Savings as  
to State  
rights

8. Nothing in this Act shall affect or be deemed to affect the rights of the State or of any bodies politic or corporate or of any other persons, except such as are mentioned or referred to in this Act and those claiming by, through, from or under them.

Passed in the House of Representatives this 8th day of June, 1979.

J. E. CARTER  
*Clerk of the House*

Passed in the Senate this 10th day of July, 1979.

R. L. GRIFFITH  
*Clerk of the Senate*