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Fourth Session Third Parliament Republic of Trinidad  
and Tobago

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REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

**Act No. 4 of 1990**

[L.S.]

AN ACT to incorporate the Helpers in Need and Distress  
Trust of Trinidad and Tobago and matters incidental  
thereto.

*[Assented to 19th April, 1990]*

WHEREAS there has been established in Trinidad and Tobago since the 9th day of September, 1983 an Organization known as the Helpers in Need and Distress Trust of Trinidad and Tobago. Preamble

And whereas it is expedient that the said Organization should be incorporated for the purposes hereinafter set forth.

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Enactment	ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as follows:—
Short title	1. This Act may be cited as the Helpers in Need and Distress Trust of Trinidad and Tobago (Incorporation) Act, 1990.
Incorporation	2. The Helpers in Need and Distress Trust of Trinidad and Tobago (hereinafter called “the Organization”) is hereby created a body corporate.
Aims and objects	3. The aims and objects of the Organization are as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) to provide for the burial or cremation of deceased persons;</li> <li>(b) to join with any other group or body or service organisation in order to render assistance to any person who have suffered loss or damage to health or property;</li> <li>(c) to give help and labour free of charge to any person who has suffered loss or damage or who has been incapacitated or distressed in such a way as to be in need of help and assistance;</li> <li>(d) to assist the youth and public at large in any self-help project and to promote cultural, educational, social and other activities for the improvement of any village or community; and</li> <li>(e) to do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them;</li> </ul>
Powers of the organization	4. The Organization shall have power: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) to acquire by purchase, transfer, donation, exchange, devise, bequest, grant, gift, conveyance, lease or howsoever otherwise any real or personal property or any estate or interest therein;</li> <li>(b) to accept surrenders or reconveyances and to enter into contracts;</li> <li>(c) to sell, exchange, devise, mortgage or otherwise dispose of and deal with property which may for the time being be vested in it, subject to</li> </ul>

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any restraint, reservation or condition contained in the document under which it has acquired title; and

- (d) to raise funds by means of donations, loans, investments, sales, commissions, royalties and by such other means permitted or thought desirable by the Organization.

5. All real and personal property of whatever nature now held by or vested in any person for the use of the Organization is hereby transferred to and vested in the Organization. Transfer or vesting of property

6. All documents requiring the seal of the Organization shall be sealed with the common seal of the Organization in the presence of the President and Secretary for the time being in office (or in the event of incapacity by some other person or persons authorised for that purpose by the Organization) who both shall 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 Organization. Mode of execution of documents

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

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

(3) Failure to register the address and any change thereof is a summary offence and renders the Organization 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 thereof.

8. The Organization may from time to time make rules and regulations for the proper conduct of its proceedings and discharge of its duties, powers and functions with power to vary or revoke such rules and regulations. Power to make rules

9. Nothing in this Act shall affect or be deemed to affect the rights of the State or of any bodies politic or corporate Saving of State and other rights

or of any 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 26th day of January, 1990.

N. COX  
*Acting Clerk of the House*

Passed in the Senate this 13th day of March, 1990.

R. CUMBERBATCH  
*Acting Clerk of the Senate*