

AS AMENDED IN THE H.O.R.

No. 34 of 2011

Second Session Tenth Parliament Republic of
Trinidad and Tobago

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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AN ACT for the Incorporation of the National
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WHEREAS dramatisation of scenes in the Ramayan has^{Preamble}
developed in the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago which
are exhibited in the communities in the festivity of
Ramleela.

And whereas there has been established in Trinidad
and Tobago a body known as the National Ramleela
Council of Trinidad and Tobago.

And Whereas it is expedient that the said Council be incorporated for the purpose of exercising the powers hereinafter set forth.

Enactment	ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as follows:
Short title	1. This Act may be cited as the National Ramleela Council (Incorporation) Act, 2012.
Incorporation	2. The National Ramleela Council (hereinafter called “the Organisation”) is hereby created as a body corporate.
Aims and objects	<p>3. The aims and objects of the Organisation are to—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) promote the practice and development of dramatisation and exhibition of scenes from the Holy Ramayana; (b) propagate the practice and teaching of the dramatisation and exhibition of scenes from the Holy Ramayana; (c) promote and stage cultural, educational and social activities associated with the Ramleela festivities; (d) collaborate with any institution or body national or international having similar interests and where appropriate to seek affiliation or membership in such bodies; (e) establish Ramleela centres and arrange exhibitions, seminars and lectures relating to the tenets of the Holy Ramayana for the use and benefit of all people irrespective of nationality, origin, culture, creed, race and religion; and (f) do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above aims and objectives.
Powers of the Organisation	<p>4. The Organisation shall have the power to—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) acquire by purchase, transfer, exchange, bequest, grant, gift, conveyance, lease or otherwise, any real or personal estate or interest therein;

- (b) accept surrenders or reconveyances and to enter into contracts;
- (c) sell, exchange, **demise, grant**, mortgage, or otherwise dispose of and deal with all property which may for the time being be vested in it, subject to any restraint, reservation or conditions contained in the document under which it has acquired title.

5. (1) The Organisation shall have the power to own real or personal property. Transfer or the vesting of Property

(2) All real or personal property of whatever nature conveyed to the Organisation for the use and benefit of same is hereby transferred to and vested in the Organisation.

(3) The Council shall be responsible for the control and management of the property referred to in subsections 1 and 2 and of the assets of the Organisation.

6. (1) The Organisation shall have a common seal and shall have a right to change it. Common Seal of Organisation

(2) All documents requiring the seal of the Organisation shall be, sealed with the common seal of the Organisation in the presence of the President and Secretary for the time being in office or, in event of incapacity by some other person or persons authorized for that purpose by the Organisation who shall both sign every other 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 Organisation.

7. (1) The Organisation shall at all times have a fixed address in Trinidad and Tobago, and that address and any change thereof shall be registered with the Registrar General within twenty-eight days of incorporation or change of address as the case may be. Service of Documents on the Organisation

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

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

Power to make rules **8.** The Organisation 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.

Annual General Meeting **9.** The Organisation shall have its annual General Meeting on the first Saturday in June of each year or where it is impossible or impractical to do so on the date specified, within sixty days of the due date.

Elections **10.** The Organisation shall have its elections on the first Saturday in June once in every two years or where impossible or impractical to do so on the date specified, within sixty days of the due date.

Saving of State and other rights **11.** Nothing in this Act shall affect or be deemed to effect the rights of the State or of any bodies politic or corporate or any other persons except such as are mentioned or referred to in this Act and those claiming by, through, from or under them.

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