

# WILDLIFE PROTECTION SOCIETY

## CHAPTER 569

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Act of the Parliament of Ceylon, 1938, No. 11 of 1938, Chapter 569, Wildlife Protection Society of Ceylon Act, 1938.

1. This Act may be cited as the Wildlife Protection Society of Ceylon Act.
2. From and after the passing of this Act the President, Vice-Presidents and members of the Committee for the time being of the Wildlife Protection Society of Ceylon and such and so many persons as are now members of the Wildlife Protection Society of Ceylon or shall hereafter be admitted as members of the Corporation hereby constituted, shall be and become a Corporation with continuance for ever under the style and name of the Wildlife Protection Society of Ceylon 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) to assist and co-operate in the prevention from destruction of wild animals and plants and to encourage the preservation, wherever possible, of Wildlife in Sri Lanka in natural conditions ; and
  - (b) to promote an interest in the life histories of all forms of animal life and to co-operate with other societies and institutions which have similar aims and objects.
4. (1) The affairs of the Corporation shall, subject to the rules in force for the time being of the Corporation as hereinafter provided, be administered by a Committee of Management consisting of the President, two Vice-Presidents, the Honorary General Secretary, Assistant Secretary or Secretaries and Honorary Treasurer of the Corporation, the three previous holders of the office of President and not more than twelve other members of the Corporation to be elected respectively 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 E. B. Wikramanayake, Esq., Q.C., President, D. B. Ellapola, Esq., and Dr. L. D. C. Austin, Vice-Presidents, T. W. Hoffmann, Esq., Honorary General

Secretary, Lalith Senanayake, Esq.,  
Honorary Assistant Secretary, C. P. de  
Silva, Esq., Honorary Treasurer and C. E.  
Norris, Esq., Dr. R. L. Spittel, R. S. V.  
Poulier, Esq., Major A. MacNeil Wilson, A.  
H. E. Molamure, Esq., Max P. Hemple,  
Esq., Dr. C. W. A. de Silva, B. S. C.  
Ratwatte, Esq., Dr. Ranjan Fernando, S. A.  
Elapata, Esq., K. Sunderampillai, Esq.,  
Selwyn Samaraweera, Esq., J. W.  
Subasinghe, Esq., and Mrs. Jane Sexstone.

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. Such rules  
when made may, at a like meeting, be  
altered, added to, amended or cancelled  
subject, however, to the requirements of  
section 7.

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Corporation.  
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Debt,  
liabilities, &c.**

6. Subject to the provision in section 5  
contained, the rules set forth in the  
Schedule\* shall for all purposes be the rules  
of the Corporation :

Provided, however, that nothing in the  
section contained shall be held or construed  
to prevent the Corporation at all times  
hereafter from making fresh rules or from  
altering, amending, adding to or cancelling  
any of the rules in the Schedule or to be  
hereafter made by the Corporation.

7. No rule in the Schedule\* nor any rule  
hereafter passed at a general meeting shall  
be altered, amended, added to or cancelled  
except by a vote of two-thirds of the  
members present at a general meeting of the  
Corporation provided that such amendment  
shall have been previously approved by the  
Committee of Management.

8. All debts and liabilities of the said  
Wildlife Protection Society of Ceylon  
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 Wildlife  
Protection Society of Ceylon shall be paid  
to the said Corporation for the purposes of  
this Act.

9. The seal of the Corporation shall not **How WI**

be affixed to any instrument whatever Of the Corporation is except in the presence of two of the to be a,fiKcd 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 able and Power of capable in law to take and hold any (orporatIOn r0 property movable or immovable which may hold properth.

become vested in it by any purchase, grant, gift, testamentary disposition or otherwise and all such property shall be held by the Corporation for the purposes of this Act subject to the rules in force for the time being of the said Corporation with full power to sell, mortgage, lease, exchange or otherwise dispose of the same.

11. Nothing in this Act contained shall SaLingof the prejudice or affect the rights of the Republic rights Of the Republic and or any body politic or corporate or of any otI,c,,, other persons except such as are mentioned in this Act and those claiming by, from or under them.

\* Schedule omitted. Private enactment.

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