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THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA



No. 48 OF 1969

I ASSENT,

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An Act to repeal and replace the Sisal Industry Act, 1965, to provide for an orderly development of the Sisal Industry, to establish a Tanzania Sisal Board, to vest in the Board the membership in the Tanzania Sisal Marketing Association Limited and its subsidiaries, and to provide for the marketing and export of sisal by the Board or any of its subsidiaries

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ENACTED by the Parliament of the United Republic of Tanzania.

PART I

PRELIMINARY

- 1.** This Act may be cited as the Sisal Industry Act, 1969, and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may by notice in the *Gazette*, appoint. Short title and commencement
- 2.** In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires- Interpretation
- "Board" means the Tanzania Sisal Board established by section 3;
- "Minister" means the Minister for the time being responsible for matters relating to the marketing of sisal;
- "producer" means any person who grows sisal for sale, and includes a society and a registered agricultural association;
- "registered agricultural association" means an association registered under the Agricultural Associations Act, 1964; Cap. 565
- "sisal" means the plant *Agave Sisalana* or other species of the genus *Agave*, or of the hybrids of any such species and the fibre thereof, and includes brush tow, but does not include flume tow or carded tow;
- "sisal inspector" means an inspector appointed by the Board under the provisions of this Act;

- Acts 1968
No. 27
- "sisal plantation" means any land held under a Government lease or right of occupancy, in which sisal is grown,
- "society" means a co-operative society registered under the Co-operative Societies Act, 1968;
- "subsidiary company" means any company incorporated under the Companies Ordinance (hereinafter referred to as "the first subsidiary"), of which the Board is a sole member, and includes-
- (a) a company (hereinafter referred to as "the second subsidiary") all the issued share capital of which is owned by the first subsidiary;
 - (b) a company (hereinafter referred to as "the subsequent subsidiary") all the issued share capital of which is owned by the second subsidiary or another subsequent subsidiary.

PART II

TANZANIA SISAL BOARD

- Establishment
of
Tanzania
Sisal
Board
- 3.** (1) There is hereby established a Board to be known as the Tanzania Sisal Board.
- (2) The provisions of the First Schedule to this Act shall have effect as to the constitution and proceedings of, and otherwise in relation to, the Board.
- (3) The Minister may by Order in the *Gazette*, amend, add to, vary or replace the First Schedule to this Act.
- Board to be
a body
corporate,
etc.
- 4.** The Board shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal and shall be capable in law of suing and being sued in its corporate name, of purchasing, holding, managing and disposing of any property whatsoever, whether movable or immovable, and whether by way of investment or otherwise, and of entering into any such contract as may be necessary or expedient for the performance of its functions under this Act or any other written law.
- Functions of
the Board
- 5.** (1) The functions of the Board shall be-
- (a) to promote the development and improvement of the sisal industry;
 - (b) to control the marketing and export of sisal and to secure the most favourable arrangements for the marketing and export of sisal;
 - (c) to advise Government on all matters affecting the sisal industry.
- (2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the provisions of subsection (1) and subject to any special or general directions of the Minister, the Board shall have power-
- (a) to control and fix the prices to be paid from time to time for sisal which is to be exported or sold for the purposes of local industries and to notify such prices in such manner as the Board may deem expedient or requisite;

- (b) to direct the export of sisal to any specified market;
 - (c) to direct sisal to any specified industry in Tanganyika;
 - (d) to deal with matters concerning grading, condition and classification of sisal;
 - (e) to receive and consider recommendations advanced by producers concerning the production and marketing of sisal;
 - (f) to allocate production quotas to sisal plantations;
 - (g) generally, to give such directions to producers as the Board may deem necessary for the furtherance of its objects under this Act.
- (3) In addition, to the powers conferred upon the Board by subsection (2) the Board shall have power-
- (a) with the approval of the Minister, by Order in the *Gazette*, to impose a levy on all sisal whether produced, sold or exported, and any such Order may prescribe different rates for different species, grades, descriptions or origins of sisal; and in determining the amount of such levy the Board shall take into account what moneys are required for the purpose of maintenance, operation and improvement of any research or training institution or institutions established or maintained by the Board;
 - (b) to collect from producers and distribute statistics and other information on sisal production;
 - (c) to finance or undertake marketing research and research into uses of sisal;
 - (d) to participate with Government in meetings and conferences with international organizations in relation to sisal;
 - (e) to make orders or give directions for the compulsory registration of all producers of sisal or particular categories of producers;
 - (f) to do anything or enter into any transaction which, in its opinion, is calculated to facilitate the proper and efficient carrying on of its activities and the proper exercise of its functions under the provisions of this Act or any other written law;
 - (g) to do all such acts and things as may be necessary to uphold and support the credit of the Board and subsidiary companies and to obtain and justify public confidence, and to avert or minimize any loss to the Board or to any of the subsidiary companies.

6. When any order is made or direction is given by the Board under this Act it shall convey the contents of its orders and directions to the persons concerned in such manner as the Board may from time to time determine.

Orders and directions of Board

7. The Minister may give to the Board directions of a general or specific character as to the exercise or performance by the Board of any of its functions under this Act, and the Board shall give effect to such directions.

minister may give direction,

8.-(1) The Minister may appoint a General Manager of the Board.

General Manager

(2) The General Manager shall perform such functions as the Minister may direct.

PART III

VESTING OF INTERESTS IN THE BOARD

Inter-pretation	<p>9. In this Part, unless the context otherwise requires, "scheduled company" means a company specified in the Second Schedule to this Act.</p>
Vesting of shares and membership	<p>10. As from the commencement of this Act—</p> <p>(a) all the shares in each of the scheduled companies which is a company limited by shares shall, by virtue of this section and without further assurance vest, free of any trust, mortgage, charge, lien or other encumbrance whatsoever, in the Board, and the Board shall be the sole shareholder of each of such companies;</p> <p>(b) in the case of a scheduled company which is a company limited by guarantee the membership of each of the members of such company shall vest in the Board and the Board shall be the, sole member of such company.</p>
Directors to retire from office	<p>11. (1) As from the commencement of this Act the directors of every scheduled company shall cease to, hold office.</p> <p>(2) A director who ceases to hold office by virtue of subsection (1) shall not, notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in any written law or in any Articles of Association, charter, agreement, contract or other instrument whatsoever, be entitled to any damages or compensation in respect of the loss of office.</p>
Board to appoint Directors	<p>12. As soon as may be practicable after the commencement of this Act, and notwithstanding any provision to the contrary in any law or in any Articles of Association, charter, agreement, contract or other instrument whatsoever, the Board shall appoint a Board of Directors for each of the scheduled companies and shall make such provision as the Board may consider necessary for the management of the scheduled companies.</p>
Minister may make regulations modifying provisions of the Companies Ordinance or Articles	<p>13.-(1) The Minister may make regulations modifying in its application to a scheduled company any of the provisions of the Companies Ordinance or of any subsidiary legislation made thereunder, or of the Articles of Association or other charter or instrument of the scheduled company.</p> <p>(2) Nothing in subsection (1) shall be construed as limiting the power of the Board as the sole member of a scheduled company to amend the Articles of Association of the scheduled company.</p>
Effect of membership of a scheduled company	<p>14. Every provision in any law or in any Articles of Association or reduction in any other charter or instrument of a scheduled company providing for any consequence to follow or requiring any act or thing to be done, or entitling any person to do any act or thing or to take any action whatsoever as a result of a reduction in, the number of members of a company below a certain number, shall be of no effect in relation to the scheduled companies.</p>

15. No compensation shall be payable to any person who, immediately preceding the commencement of this Act, was a shareholder or a member of a scheduled company by reason of his shares or, as the case may be, membership in such company being vested in the Board:

No compensation to be payable

Provided that the Minister may, if he thinks it just and equitable so, to do, award such compensation to any such person as he may consider fit.

16.-(1) Every person who, immediately before the commencement of this Act, was a director, member or employee of a scheduled company, shall do all such lawful things and acts as he may be called upon in writing to do by the Board in order to assist the Board in the taking over of the membership of the company and of assuming an effective control over it.

Retiring directors to assist in the take-over

(2) Any person who contravenes the provisions of subsection (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding two thousand shillings in respect of each day the contravention continues.

PART IV

MARKETING AND EXPORT OF SISAL

17. (1) No person other than the Board or a subsidiary company shall export sisal.

Restriction on export of sisal

(2) Any person who contravenes the provisions of subsection (1) shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding ten thousand shillings or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

18. (1) It shall be lawful for the Board, with the approval of the Minister, to order producers of sisal in any specified area to sell or otherwise dispose of sisal to or through a specified society or registered agricultural association:

Compulsory marketing orders

Provided that no order under this section shall apply to, any producer in respect of sisal produced in a sisal plantation held by such producer under a right of occupancy or a Government lease.

(2) The Board may, in any order made under subsection (1) exempt any producer or category of producers from all or any of the provisions of such order.

(3) Every order issued by the Board under subsection (1) shall be published in the *Gazette*.

PART V

ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCIAL, PROVISIONS

- Appointment of employees **19.** Subject to the provisions of section 8 the Board may-
- (a) from time to time appoint, at such salaries and upon such terms and conditions as it may think fit, such officers and employees as it may deem necessary for the proper and efficient conduct of the business and activities of the Board;
 - (b) grant pensions, gratuities or retiring allowances to officers or employees, and may require such officers and employees to contribute to any pension or contributory scheme;
 - (c) from time to time and subject to such terms and conditions as it may think fit, appoint agents to perform any of the functions of the Board under this Act.
- Transfer of employees **20.**-(1) The Board may transfer any person who is employed by it to the employment of a subsidiary company, or may transfer any person who is employed by a subsidiary company to the employment of the Board or to the employment of another subsidiary company.
- (2) Where any employee is transferred under subsection (1)-
 - (a) he shall, as from the date of his transfer, be deemed to be the employee of the subsidiary company or, as the case may be, of the Board to which he is transferred;
 - (b) the terms and conditions of service applicable to him after such transfer shall not be less favourable than those which were applicable to him immediately before the transfer and for the purposes of determining any right to gratuity or any other superannuation benefit, his service with the Board or, as the case may be, the subsidiary company to which he is transferred, shall be regarded as continuous with his service immediately preceding such transfer; and
 - (c) his employment immediately prior to his transfer and his employment by the Board or, as the case may be, the subsidiary company to which he is transferred, shall be deemed to be continuous employment by one employer within the meaning of section 8A of the Severance Allowance Act, 1962, and that Act shall apply to the parties in the same manner as it applies to the cases set out in subsection (1) of the said section 8A.
- Cap. 487
- Sisal Marketing Fund **21.** The moneys derived from any levy imposed under this Act and the moneys derived from any activities or investment of the Board and any fees paid to the Board under this Act, shall be paid into a fund to be known as the Sisal Marketing Fund which shall be under the control and management of the Board.
- Application of Sisal Marketing Fund **22.** The Board may apply the Sisal Marketing Fund established under section 21 for any of the following purposes:-
- (a) the payment of the expenses and other charges incurred by the Board or for which the Board may become liable in the course of its business;

- (b) the employment of such staff, agents and contractors as the Board may think fit for the purpose of the carrying out of its functions;
- (c) the payment of allowances to Board members;
- (d) to allocate to any subsidiary company such sums as may be required by the company properly to discharge its functions;
- (e) such other purposes as the Minister may approve.

23. The Board may invest all or any portion of any money which may from time to time be standing to the credit of the Sisal Marketing Fund in such securities as may be approved by the Minister.

Investment

24. The Board may, with the approval of the Minister, from time to time borrow, whether by way of mortgage or otherwise, such sums of money for and in connection with the, exercise of its functions under this Act, as the Board may deem necessary.

Power to borrow

25. The Board shall, if required by the Minister so to do, contribute moneys to any international organization established to promote or control the production or marketing of sisal.

Power to contribute to international organizations

26.- (1) Before the beginning of each financial year, the Board shall prepare estimates of expenditure for that year and shall submit them to the Minister for his approval.

Annual estimates

(2) Subject to subsection (4) no expenditure shall be incurred by the Board without the approval of the Minister.

(3) Supplementary estimates shall, if required, be prepared and submitted to the Minister for approval during the financial year.

(4) Re-allocation of funds may be permitted within the limits of the approved estimates, without the Minister's approval, so long as no single item of expenditure is increased or decreased by more than two thousand shillings.

(5) Annual estimates shall be prepared in such manner as the Minister may direct.

(6) For the purposes of this section and section 27 "financial year" means a period of twelve calendar months commencing on the first day of July in any year and ending on the next following thirtieth day of June:

Provided that the first financial year of the Board shall commence on the date of the commencement of this Act and end on the thirtieth day of June, 1970.

27. The Board shall keep, or cause to be kept, proper books of accounts, and such accounts together with-

Books of account and audit

- (a) the statement of income and expenditure during the previous financial year; and
- (b) a statement of the assets and liabilities of the Board on, the last day of such year,

shall, as soon as practical after the end of each financial year, be submitted to, and audited by, the Tanzania Audit Corporation.

PART VI

MISCELLANEOUS

Trades
Licensing
Ordinance
not to apply
Liability of
members, etc.

28. The Trades Licensing Ordinance shall not apply in any respect to the Board or to any subsidiary company.

29. No act or thing done, or omitted to be done, by any member, officer, servant or agent of the Board shall, if done or omitted *bona fide* in the execution or purported execution of his duties as such member, officer, servant or agent, subject any such person to any action, liability or demand whatsoever.

Powers of
sisal
inspectors

30.-(1) Any sisal inspector may, at any reasonable hour of the day, enter any place where sisal is processed or stored, and inspect and examine the same for the purpose of ensuring that the provisions of this Act, or of any regulations made hereunder, or of any directions given by the Board are being complied with.

(2) A sisal inspector may, for the purpose of securing compliance with the provisions of this Act or of any regulations made hereunder, or of directions given by the Board, or for the purposes of detecting and establishing any breach of any such provisions or directions, take samples of any sisal found in any processing plant, sisal store or any other place, and may submit such samples to such tests as he may deem necessary.

(3) Any person who obstructs a sisal inspector in the exercise of the powers conferred upon him by this section or who neglects or refuses to produce to the sisal inspector any book or record which the sisal inspector may request to be produced for his inspection, shall be guilty of an offence.

Regulations

31.-(1) The Board may, with the approval of the Minister make regulations for all or any of the following Purposes: -

- (a) to regulate and control the processing, storing and marketing of sisal;
- (b) to require the submission of information and statistics relating to sisal, including (but not restricted to) such matters as production, acreage, machinery, labour, equipment, storage facilities, sales, deliveries, shipments and stock, and prescribing forms in connection therewith;
- (c) to prescribe the procedure for the compulsory registration of sisal plantations and the forms to be used in connection therewith;
- (d) to prescribe the manner in which sisal shall be stored by producers and the manner in which such place where the sisal is stored shall be maintained, and the specifications of any store to be used for the storage of sisal;
- (e) to provide for the definitions of grades of sisal offered for sale for export and to make orders prohibiting sale of sisal for export that does not comply with such grades;
- (f) to provide for the inspection of sisal and for the appointment of inspectors, and to prescribe the duties of such inspectors;

- (g) to provide for the inspection, weighing and measuring of sisal;
- (h) to provide for records to be kept by the producers and for the submission of returns and to prescribe the forms of such records and returns;
- (i) to prescribe the manner in which the levy shall be collected;
- (j) to provide for any matter incidental to any of the matters hereinbefore mentioned;
- (k) to prescribe anything which is to be or may be prescribed and generally for the carrying into effect of any of provisions or purposes of this Act.

(2) Regulations made under this section may be made applicable to Tanganyika as a whole or to any part thereof.

32. Any person who commits an offence against this Act shall, unless some other punishment is prescribed therefor, be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding five thousand shillings or imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months, or to both such fine and imprisonment. Penalty

33. Where any offence under this Act or under the regulations made hereunder is committed by a body corporate, then, as well as the body corporate, any person who, at the time of the commission of the offence, was concerned, as a director, officer or employee, with the management of the affairs of such body corporate, shall be guilty of the offence and be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly unless he proves to the satisfaction of the court that he had no knowledge and could not, by the exercise of reasonable diligence, have had knowledge, of the commission of the offence. Where offence committed by a corporation

PART VII

REPEAL, SAVING AND TRANSITIONAL

34. The Sisal Industry Act, 1965 is hereby repealed.

Repeal
Acts 1965
No.6

35.-(1) All licences issued to licensed sisal agents under the Sisal Industry Act, 1965 shall, upon the commencement of this Act, deemed to have been revoked and no person licensed as a licensed sisal agent shall be entitled to export sisal or otherwise operate as a licensed sisal agent.

Effect of
repeal

(2) The Tanganyika Sisal Marketing Board established by section 3 of the Sisal Industry Act, 1965 shall, upon the commencement of this Act, be deemed to have been, dissolved and-

- (a) all the assets and liabilities of the Tanganyika Sisal Marketing Board (hereinafter in this Act referred to as the "former Board") shall vest in the Board by virtue of this section and without further assurance, and the former Board shall be discharged from all such liabilities;

- (b) each person employed by the former Board immediately preceding the commencement of this Act shall be deemed to have been employed, by the Board;
- (c) after a person becomes employed by the Board by virtue of paragraph (b), the terms and conditions of service applicable thereafter to him shall be not less favourable than those which were applicable to him immediately before his transfer to the service of the Board and such a person shall be deemed to have been appointed to the service of the Board in such employment as the Board shall determine and for the purposes of determining any right to gratuity or other superannuation benefit, his service with the Board shall be regarded as continuous with his service immediately preceding the commencement of this Act;
- (d) after a person becomes employed by the Board by virtue of paragraph (b), his employment immediately prior to the commencement of this Act and his employment by the Board shall be deemed to be continuous employment by one employer within the meaning of section 8A of the Severance Allowance Act, 1962, and that Act shall apply to the parties in the same manner as it applies to the cases set out in subsection, (1) of the said section 8A;
- (e) the Sisal Marketing Board Fund established by the Sisal Industry Act, 1965 shall be wound up and all moneys and other assets forming part of that Fund shall be paid into and form part of the Sisal Marketing Fund established by section 21 of this Act.

Saving

36.-(1) Notwithstanding the repeal of the Sisal Industry Act, 1965-

- (a) any levy imposed under Paragraph (a) of subsection, (3) of section 5 of that Act by the former Board shall be deemed to be a levy lawfully imposed by the Board under the provisions of this Act, and the order imposing such levy shall remain in force until revoked by an order made under this Act;
- (b) all directions given by the former Board and all rules made by that Board under the provisions of the Sisal Industry Act, 1965 shall be deemed to be directions given and regulations made by the Board under the provisions of this Act, and shall remain in force until revoked by directions given or regulations made by the Board:

Provided that this paragraph shall not apply to any direction or rules pertaining to licensed sisal agents;

- (c) any compulsory marketing order made by the former Board under the Provisions of the Sisal Industry Act, 1965 shall be deemed to be a compulsory marketing order made by the Board under the Provisions of this Act and shall remain in force until revoked or replaced by an order made under this Act.

(2) Reference in this section to orders, and rules made or directions given by the former Board shall be construed as including orders and rules deemed to have been made and directions deemed to have been given by the Board under the provisions of Part V111 of the Sisal Industry Act, 1965.

37. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Act contained, the Minister may, on the recommendation of the Board and upon being satisfied that special circumstances exist which make it just and equitable so to do, permit any person who was licensed as a licensed sisal agent under the provisions of the Sisal Industry Act, 1965 to export, after the commencement of this Act, such quantity of sisal as the Minister may allow: Transitional

Provided that the power conferred upon the Minister by this section shall not be exercised after the expiration of six months from the date of the commencement of this Act.

38.-(1) The instruments to which this section applies are instruments (including contracts, guarantees, agreements, bonds, authorities, mortgages, charges, bills of exchange, promissory notes, bank drafts, bank cheques, letters of credit and securities)- operation of contract, etc.

- (a) to which the former Board is a party;
- (b) under which any money is or may become payable or any other property is to be, or may become liable to be transferred, conveyed or assigned to the former Board; or
- (c) under which any money is, or may become, payable or any other property is to be, or may become liable to be, transferred, conveyed or assigned, by the former Board,

which are subsisting at the commencement of this Act or come into existence after that date.

(2) Every instrument to which this section applies shall, by virtue of this section, continue in full force and effect and the Board shall by this Act-

- (a) be substituted for the former Board as a party thereto;
- (b) be entitled to receive, and enforce payment of, any money payable thereunder;
- (c) be entitled to obtain a transfer, conveyance or assignment of, and enforce possession of any property which is to be transferred, conveyed or assigned thereunder;
- (d) be liable to make payment of any money payable thereunder; or
- (e) be liable to transfer, convey or assign any property which is to be transferred, conveyed or assigned thereunder,

as the case may be.

39. The Minister may, by order published in the *Gazette*, at any time before the expiry of twelve months from the date of the commencement of this Act, make such consequential, transitional and supplementary provisions as he may consider necessary for the assumption by the Board of the assets and liabilities of the former Board or for the carrying into effect of any provisions or purposes of this Part. Minister may make transitional provisions

FIRST SCHEDULE

Constitution Of the Board	<p>1.-(I) The Board shall consist of-</p> <p>(a) nine members appointed by the Minister, one of whom he shall appoint to be the chairman of the Board and four of whom he shall appoint to represent respectively the Ministry for the time being responsible for industry, the Treasury, the Ministry for the time being responsible for development planning, and the Ministry for the time being responsible</p> <p><i>N</i> three other members, One of whom shall be the Regional Commissioner Morogoro Region; one the Regional Commissioner, Tanga Region, and one the General Manager, National Bank of Commerce.</p> <p>(2) The members of the Board shall, from among their number, elect a vice-chairman, who shall hold office for so long as he remains a member of the Board.</p> <p>(3) A member of the Board shall, unless his appointment is sooner determined by the Minister, or he otherwise ceases to be a member, hold Office for such period as the Minister may specify in his appointment, or if no period is so specified, for a period of three years from the date of his appointment, and shall be eligible for re-appointment:</p> <p>Provided that in the case of a member who is a member by virtue of his holding some other office, he shall cease to be a member upon his ceasing to hold that office.</p> <p>(4) Any member of the Board may at any time resign by giving to the Minister; and from the date specified in the notice or, notice in writing from the date of the receipt of the notice by the Minister, he shall cease to be a member.</p> <p>(5) The Board may with the approval of the Minister, appoint any member of the Board or a public officer to be the Secretary of the Board.</p>
Absent members to be replaced at meetings	<p>2. If a member is unable for any reason to attend a meeting, the body or the Ministry, as the case may be, which he represents, may, after consultation with the chairman, nominate another person in his place for the purpose of that meeting.</p>
Casual vacancies	<p>3. Where any member ceases to, be a member for any reason before the expiration of his term of office, the Minister shall appoint another person in his place according to the system of representation Provided for in paragraph 1, and the person so appointed shall hold office for the remainder of the term of his predecessor.</p>
Meetings of Board	<p>4.-(I) An ordinary meeting of the Board shall be convened by the chairman and the notice specifying the place, date and time of the meeting shall be sent to each member at his usual place of business or residence not less than fourteen days before the date of such meeting. In case the chairman of the Board is incapacitated by illness, absence from Tanganyika, or Other sufficient cause, the vice-chairman may convene such meeting.</p> <p>(2) The chairman Of the Board, or in his absence the vice-chairman, shall be bound to convene a special meeting of the Board upon receipt of a request in writing in that behalf signed by not less than three members of the Board. Not less than fourteen days notice of such meeting shall be given to all members of the Board in the manner prescribed in sub-paragraph (1),</p> <p>(3) The chairman, the vice-chairman, Or the temporary chairman elected in accordance with the provisions of paragraph 5 (2) presiding at any meeting of the Board may invite any person who is not a member of the Board to participate in its deliberations, but any such person shall not be entitled to vote.</p>
Procedure of the Board	<p>5.-(I) One-half of the total number of the members of the Board shall form a quorum of the Board.</p> <p>(2) In the absence of the chairman from a meeting of the Board, the vice-chairman shall preside. In the absence of both the chairman and the vice-chairman from any meeting, the members present shall elect one of their number to be a temporary chairman of that meeting.</p>

(3) At any meeting of the Board decision of the majority of the members present and voting shall be deemed to be a decision of the Board. In the event of an equality of votes the chairman of the meeting shall have a casting vote in addition to his deliberative vote.

6. Subject to the provisions of paragraph 6 relating to quorum, the Board may act notwithstanding any vacancy in the membership thereof and no act or proceeding of the Board be invalid reason only of some defect in the appointment of a person who purports to be a member thereof.

Vacancies,
etc. not to
invalidate
proceedings

7. All orders, directions, notices or documents made or issued by the Board shall be signed by-

Orders,
directions,
etc.

(a) the chairman, the vice-chairman or the General Manager; or

(b) any member or officer of the Board authorized in writing by the chairman in that behalf.

8. Subject to the provisions of this Schedule the Board shall have power to regulate its own proceedings.

Board may
regulate
its own
proceedings

SECOND SCHEDULE

Scheduled Companies

1. Tanganyika Sisal Marketing Association Limited.
 2. Tasma Finance Company Limited.
 3. Tasma Storage Limited.
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Passed in the National Assembly on the twenty-fourth day of October, 1969.


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Clerk of the National Assembly