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No. PAP/Legis-3(70)/2025/660. The Panjnad University Bill 2025, having been passed by Provincial Assembly of the Punjab on December 30, 2025, and assented to by Governor of the Punjab on January 08, 2026, is hereby published as an Act of Provincial Assembly of the Punjab.

THE PANJNAD UNIVERSITY ACT 2025

ACT VI OF 2026

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An

Act

to provide for the establishment of the Panjnad University.

It is necessary to provide for the establishment of the Panjnad University in the private sector and to provide for the matters connected therewith and ancillary thereto.

It is hereby enacted by Provincial Assembly of the Punjab as follows:

CHAPTER I
PRELIMINARY

1. **Short title and Commencement.**– (1) This Act may be cited as the Panjnad University Act 2025.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Definitions.**– In this Act:

(a) "Academic Council" means the Academic Council of the University;

(b) "Accreditation Committee" means the Accreditation Committee constituted by the Government under section 12 of the Punjab Higher Education Commission Act 2014 (I of 2015);

(c) "Act" means the Panjnad University Act 2025;

(d) Authority" means any of the authorities of the University specified in section

19;

(e) "Board" means the Board of Governors of the University;
(f) "Chairperson" means the Chairperson of the Board;
(g) "Chancellor" means Governor of the Punjab;
(h) "Commission" means the Higher Education Commission set up under the Higher Education Commission Ordinance, 2002 (LIII of 2002);
(i) "Company" means Ilm o Danish (Pvt) Ltd, registered under the Companies Act, 2017 (XIX of 2017);
(j) "Constituent College", "Constituent School", or "Constituent Institute" respectively mean a College, School, or an Institute established, maintained and administered by the University;
(k) "Controller of Examinations" means the Controller of Examinations of the University;
(l) "Dean" means the head of a Faculty of the University;
(m) "Department" means a teaching or research department maintained and administered by the University in the manner as may be prescribed by the regulations;
(n) "employee" means all individuals employed by the University;
(o) "Faculty" means an academic unit of the University consisting of one or more departments or constituent colleges/Schools/institutes as may be prescribed by the regulations;
(p) "Government" means Government of the Punjab;
(q) "officer" means an officer of the University specified in section 8;
(r) "Punjab Higher Education Commission (PHEC)" means Punjab Higher Education Commission set up under the Punjab Higher Education Commission Act, 2014 (I of 2015);
(s) "Pro-Vice Chancellor" means Pro-Vice Chancellor of the University;
(t) "prescribed" means prescribed by the statutes or regulations;
(u) "Registrar" means the Registrar of the University;
(v) "Schedule" means the schedule appended to the Act;
(w) "Search Committee" means the Search Committee constituted by the Board for making recommendations for the appointment of Vice Chancellor;
(x) "statutes", "regulations" and "rules" respectively mean the statutes, regulations and rules made or deemed to have been made under the Act:
(y) "student" means a student of the University;
(z) "teacher" includes a Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor or Lecturer, demonstrator or instructor engaged full-time by the University and such other person as may be prescribed;
(aa) "Treasurer" means the Treasurer of the University;
(bb) "University" means the Panjnad University; and
(cc) "Vice Chancellor" means the Vice Chancellor of the University.

CHAPTER II
UNIVERSITY

3. Establishment of the University.– (1)The University shall stand established after the commencement of the Act, in the private sector to be called the Panjnad University, with its main campus located at Lahore.

(2) The University shall be a body corporate having perpetual succession and a common seal with power to acquire, hold and dispose of property and shall, by the said name, sue and be sued.

4. Functions and powers of the University.– The University shall:

(a) provide instruction and training in:
  (i) Computer and Information Technology;
  (ii) Business Management and Social Sciences;
  (iii) Sciences;.
  (iv) Allied Health Sciences;
  (v) Law;
  (vi) Nursing;
  (vii) Veterinary Sciences;
  (viii) Computing and Artificial Intelligence;

(ix) Medical and Dental Sciences;
(x) Engineering;
(xi) Pharmaceutical Sciences;
(xii) Sports Sciences and Physical Education; and
(xiii) such other branches of knowledge, as the Board may determine, given on the recommendations of the academic council, where applicable, subject to the prior approval of the relevant statutory body, if any, of professional education:

Provided that the faculties to be established later on shall be approved, on the recommendations of the Accreditation Committee;

(b) establish, maintain and administer departments, constituent colleges, constituent schools, centres of excellence, virtual education centres, museums and other centres of learning and professional training and research, laboratories, workshops, offices and other facilities for the development of teaching and research and technological development as the Board may, on the recommendation of the Academic Council, determine;

(c) make provisions for teaching, training, research, emerging technologies, service to the community and for the application, advancement and dissemination of knowledge in such manner as it may determine;

(d) prescribe and conduct courses of study;

(e) decide teaching methods and strategies to provide for effective educational and training programs;

(f) hold examinations in the prescribed manner and, if a person qualifies, the examination. award a degree, diploma, certificate and other academic distinctions to the person;

(g) confer a degree on a person who has successfully conducted research in the prescribed manner;

(h) provide for teaching and specified courses of training for persons, the students of the University and grant certificates and diplomas to such persons;

(i) award, in the prescribed manner, an honorary degree or other academic distinctions to persons of eminence on the recommendations of the Board, with the approval of the Chancellor;

(j) prescribe the terms and conditions of employment of the officers, teachers and other employees of the University;

(k) create posts in connection with teaching, research, development of technology, administration, and for any other purpose related thereto and to make appointments in the prescribed manner;

(l) institute Professorship, Associate Professorship, Assistant Professorship and Lectureship or any other post, and to appoint persons thereto;

(m) engage, where necessary, a person on contract for a specified duration and specify the terms of the engagement;

(n) provide for and support the continuous professional development of the faculty of the University:

(o) institute programs for the exchange of students and teachers between the University and any other university, institute, educational institution or research organization;

(p) accept and withdraw an examination and the period of study spent by a student of the University at any other university, institute or place of learning equivalent to an examination or period of study of the University;

(q) award financial assistance to students in need, fellowships, scholarships, bursaries, medals and prizes in the prescribed manner;

(r) provide for the residence of the students, establish and maintain halls of residence and approve a hostel, lodging or boarding place;

(s) promote co-curricular and recreational activities of the students and to make arrangements for the promotion of health and general welfare of the students;

(t) take disciplinary action against and impose a penalty on students in the prescribed manner;

(u) demand and receive such fees and other charges from the students as it may determine;
(v) provide career counselling and job-search services to the students and alumni;
(w) maintain linkages with alumni;
(x) maintain order, discipline and security in campuses of the University and constituent colleges and constituent institutions;
(y) develop and implement fund-raising plans;
(z) maintain effective coordination with stakeholders on the establishment and enhancement of Endowment Fund contributions for the University in the prescribed manner;
(aa) receive and manage property (acquired or transferred), grants, bequests, gifts, donations, endowments and other contributions made to the University, and to invest any fund representing such property, grants, bequests, trusts, gifts, donations, endowments or contributions, and to convert one kind of property into another in such manner as it may deem fit;
(bb) make provision for research, advisory or consultancy services and to collaborate within or outside Pakistan and enter into arrangements with other universities, research and educational institutions, and commercial or industrial organizations, in the public or private sector, or other public authorities in such manner and for such purposes as it may determine;
(cc) cooperate with a public authority, university, institute or private sector organization in the manner and for such purpose as may be prescribed;
(dd) provide for the printing, recording, broadcasting, publication and distribution of teaching material, research reports, papers and other works which may be issued by the University; and
(ee) establish a grievance redressal mechanism in such a manner as may be prescribed by the regulations; and to perform any other ancillary function.

5. **Teaching in the University.**– (1) All recognized teaching in various courses shall be conducted by the University or the colleges in the prescribed manner and may include lectures, tutorials, discussions, seminars, online courses, distance studies, through employing artificial intelligence and modern technologies, demonstrations, as well as practical work in the laboratories, hospitals, workshops and farms and other methods of instruction.

(2) The authority responsible for organising recognized teaching shall be such as may be prescribed.

(3) The courses and the curricula shall be such as may be prescribed.

6. **University open to all.**– Subject to such reasonable restrictions as may be prescribed, the University shall be open to all persons; and, admission to the University shall not be denied based on gender, religion, race, creed, colour or domicile.

7. **Jurisdiction of the University.**– The University shall exercise the powers conferred on it by or under the Act within the territorial limits of the Punjab:

Provided that the University shall not open any sub-campus for a period of ten years from the commencement of the Act, after which period, the University may open sub-campuses within or outside the Punjab and offshore campuses or branches with the approval of the Board under the policy of the Commission.

CHAPTER III
OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY

8. **Officers of the University.**– The following shall be the officers of the University:
(a) Chancellor;
(b) Vice Chancellor;
(c) Pro-Vice Chancellor;
(d) Deans;
(e) Heads of Departments;
(f) Registrar;
(g) Treasurer;

(h) Controller of Examinations; and
(i) such other persons as may be prescribed by the statutes or regulations to be the officers of the University.

9. Chancellor.– (1) The Chancellor or his nominee may preside over a convocation of the University.

(2) The University may confer an honorary degree with the prior approval of the Chancellor.

10. Inspection and inquiry.– (1) The Chancellor may direct the inspection or inquiry into the affairs of the University.

(2) The Chancellor shall convey his views with regard to the result of the inspection or inquiry to the Board and may, after ascertaining the views of the Board, direct the Board to take remedial action.

(3) The Board shall, within the time specified by the Chancellor, submit a report to the Chancellor about the action taken on the recommendations of the Chancellor.

(4) If the Board fails to take action to the satisfaction of the Chancellor within the specified time, the Chancellor may issue such directions as per provisions of the Act, and the Board shall comply with the directions.

(5) The Chancellor may set aside a decision or action of the Board, which, in the opinion of the Chancellor, is against the objectives of the University or against the interest of academic excellence, religious or cultural ideology or national integrity.

11. Vice Chancellor.– (1) The Vice Chancellor shall be an eminent academician or a distinguished administrator and shall be appointed on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed.

(2) The Board shall appoint the Vice Chancellor of the University on the recommendation of the Search Committee.

(3) The Search Committee shall be constituted by the Board and shall recommend a panel of three persons.

(4) The Vice Chancellor shall be the person who possesses the prescribed qualifications and experience.

(5) The Vice Chancellor shall perform functions under the Act or as the Board may assign.

12. Powers of the Vice Chancellor.– (1) The Vice Chancellor shall be the Chief Executive Officer of the University, responsible for administrative and academic functions of the University and for ensuring that the provisions of the Act, rules, statutes and regulations are observed in order to promote the general efficiency and good order of the University; and the Vice Chancellor shall have all powers prescribed for this purpose, including administrative control over the officers, teachers and other employees of the University.

(2) The Vice Chancellor may attend a meeting of any Authority or body of the University.

(3) Subject to the conditions as the Board may specify, the Vice Chancellor may, in an emergency, take any action which is not otherwise in the competence of the Vice Chancellor but he shall, within three days of taking such action, submit a report to the Chairperson of the Board.

(4) Subject to the general supervision and control of the Board, the Vice Chancellor may:

(a) direct a teacher, officer or other employee of the University to take up any assignment in connection with examination, administration or any other activity in relation to the University;
(b) sanction by re-appropriation of an amount for an item not provided for in the budget of the University;
(c) make appointments of such categories of employees of the University and in such manner as may be prescribed;
(d) suspend, punish or remove, in the prescribed manner, an officer, teacher or employee of the University except those appointed by the Board;

(e) take disciplinary action against a teacher, officer or any other employee of the University in the prescribed manner;
(f) delegate, subject to such conditions as may be prescribed, any of his powers to a teacher or officer of the University; and
(g) exercise and perform such other powers and functions as may be prescribed.

(5) The Vice Chancellor shall prepare an annual report containing information as regards the preceding academic year, including disclosure of all relevant facts pertaining to academics, research, administration and finances of the University including details of income and expenditures.

(6) The Vice Chancellor shall, within three months of the end of an academic year, submit the annual report of the University to the Board.

(7) If the office of the Vice Chancellor is vacant or the Vice Chancellor is absent or is unable to perform the functions of the Vice Chancellor owing to any cause, the Pro-Vice Chancellor shall perform the functions of the Vice Chancellor but, if at any time the office of the Pro-Vice Chancellor is also vacant or the Pro-Vice Chancellor is absent or is unable to perform the functions of the Vice Chancellor owing to any cause, the Board shall make such temporary arrangements for the performance of the duties of the Vice Chancellor as it may deem fit.

13. Pro-Vice Chancellor.– (1) The Pro-Vice Chancellor will be appointed by the Board on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed.

(2) The Pro-Vice Chancellor shall perform such functions as may be assigned to him under the Act, statutes or regulations.

14. Dean.– (1) There shall be a Dean of each Faculty who shall be the Head and Convener of the Board of Faculty.

(2) The Dean of each Faculty shall be appointed by the Vice Chancellor from amongst the three senior most Professors in the Faculty for a period of three years and shall be eligible for reappointment:

Provided that if no Professor or Associate Professor is available in a Faculty, a Professor from some other Faculty may act as Dean till a Professor of the Faculty itself is appointed.

(3) The Dean shall present candidates for admission to degrees except honorary degrees, in the course falling within the purview of the faculty.

(4) The Dean shall exercise such administrative and academic powers as may be delegated to him.

15. Registrar.– (1) The Board shall, on the recommendation of the Vice Chancellor, appoint the Registrar on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed.

(2) The Board shall not appoint a person as Registrar unless he possesses the prescribed qualifications and experience.

(3) The Registrar shall be a full-time officer of the University and shall:
(a) be the administrative head of the Secretariat of the University and responsible for the provision of secretarial support to the Board and the Vice Chancellor;
(b) be the custodian of the common seal and the academic records of the University;
(c) maintain a register of the students and graduates in the prescribed manner;
(d) supervise the process of election, appointment or nomination of a member of an Authority or body of the University in the prescribed manner; and
(e) perform such other duties as may be prescribed or as the Board may assign to him.

(4) The Registrar shall hold office for a renewable term of three years.

16. Controller of Examinations.– (1) The Board shall, on the recommendation of the Vice Chancellor, appoint Controller of Examinations on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed.

(2) The Board shall not appoint a person as Controller of Examinations unless he possesses the prescribed qualifications and experience.

(3) The Controller of Examinations shall be a full-time officer of the University and shall be responsible for all matters connected with the conduct of examinations and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed or assigned to him by the Vice Chancellor or the Board.

(4) The Controller shall hold office for a renewable term of three years.

17. Treasurer.– (1) The Board shall, on the recommendation of the Vice Chancellor, appoint the Treasurer on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed.

(2) The Board shall not appoint a person as Treasurer unless he possesses the prescribed qualifications and experience.

(3) The Treasurer shall be the chief financial officer of the University and shall:

(a) manage the assets, liabilities, receipts, expenditures, funds and investments of the University;

(b) prepare the annual and revised budget estimates of the University and present the estimates to the Board;

(c) ensure that the funds of the University are spent according to the budget or any other special arrangement:

(d) ensure that the accounts of the University are audited annually and are available for submission to the Board within six months of the end of a financial year, and

(e) perform such other functions as may be prescribed or assigned to him by the Vice Chancellor or the Board.

(4) The Treasurer shall hold office for a renewable term of three years.

18. Appointments.– The University may appoint the requisite number of persons in its service on such terms and conditions as the Board may determine.

CHAPTER IV
AUTHORITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY

19. Authorities of the University.– The following shall be the Authorities of the University:

(a) Board of Governors;
(b) Academic Council;
(c) Boards of Faculties;
(d) Board of Advanced Studies & Research;
(e) Board of studies;
(f) Teaching Departments;
(g) Selection Board;
(h) Finance and Planning Committee;
(i) Discipline Committee; and
(j) any other prescribed Authority.

20. Board of Governors.– (1) The Board of Governors shall consist of the following:

(a) Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Company;

(b) Vice Chancellor;

(c) four Directors of the Company to be nominated by the Chairperson of the Board of Directors;

(d) six persons, including at least two women, from amongst eminent scholars, business persons or academicians to be nominated by the Company;

(e) Chairperson of the Commission or his nominee not below the rank of a Director;

(f) Chairperson of Punjab Higher Education Commission or his nominee not below the rank of a Director;

(g) Secretary, Higher Education Department of the Government or his nominee not below the rank of an Additional Secretary; and

(h) Vice Chancellor of a public sector University to be nominated by the Chancellor.

(2) The Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Company shall be the Chairperson of the Board of Governors.

(3) The members of the Board of Governance, other than ex officio members, shall hold office for a term of three years and shall be eligible for re-appointment on the expiry of their term of office.

(4) The quorum for a meeting of the Board shall be one-half of the total number of members.

(5) The Registrar shall be the Secretary of the Board and shall, with the approval of the Chairperson of the Board, call a meeting of the Board.

(6) The Board may fill a casual vacancy occurring because of the death or resignation of a member of the Board nominated by the Company for the residuary term of the outgoing member.

21. Powers and duties of the Board.– (1) The administration and management of the affairs of the University shall vest in the Board.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of the aforesaid, the Board shall have the power to:

(a) formulate or approve the principles, policies and plans governing the activities and operations of the University so as to facilitate research, teaching and other academic work;
(b) frame or approve statutes and regulations;
(c) create a component of the University, such as a faculty, department, institute, school, or constituent college, subject to the provisions of the Act;
(d) constitute a committee, council and any other administrative or academic advisory body;
(e) create such academic or administrative posts as it may deem necessary and to approve appointments to such posts as it may specify;
(f) hold, control and administer the property, funds and resources of the University and raise funds for the purposes of the University on such security as may be required under the regulations;
(g) undertake the responsibility for the financial viability of the University, including responsibility for ensuring the effectiveness of its operations, their continuity and preservation of the autonomy of the University;
(h) consider and pass, through a resolution, the annual report, plan of work, statement of accounts and the annual budget estimates;
(i) call for and consider reports relating to the activities of the University and may direct the Vice Chancellor to furnish information relating to any matter specified by the Board; and
(j) take all such initiatives as it may consider necessary or desirable for efficient and effective management and functioning of the University.

(3) The Board may, in accordance with the terms and procedures as may be prescribed, cause an inspection to be made in respect of any matter connected with the University.

22. Business of the Board.– (1) The meetings and business of the Board shall be conducted in such manner and in accordance with such procedure as may be prescribed in the regulations and until so prescribed, as may be determined by the Board.

(2) No act or proceedings of the Board shall be invalid merely by reason of any vacancy or defect in the constitution of the Board.

23. Delegation of powers.– (1) Subject to subsection (2), the Board may delegate to any officer or committee any of its powers, duties or functions.

(2) The Board shall not delegate the power to:

(a) frame statutes and regulations;
(b) recommend any action to the Chancellor;
(c) appoint Registrar, Controller of Examinations and Treasurer, and
(d) approve annual budget, annual report and audit reports.

24. Academic Council.– (1) The Academic Council shall consist of:

(a) Vice Chancellor (Convener);
(b) two Deans;
(c) head of Department concerned;
(d) two professors of the University;
(e) Controller of Examinations;
(f) three persons, including at least one woman, eminent in the field of Arts and science, to be nominated by the Board;
(g) one elected representative of the Student Council;
(h) Chairman of the Commission or his nominee not below the rank of a director;
(i) Secretary, Higher Education Department of the Government or his nominee not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary;
(j) Chairman, Punjab Higher Education Commission or his nominee not below the rank of a Director; and
(k) Registrar of the University (Member/Secretary).

(2) A nominated member shall hold office for a renewable term of three years.

(3) The quorum for a meeting of the Academic Council shall be one-half of the total number of members of the Academic Council.

25. Powers and duties of Academic Council.– (1) The Academic Council shall be the academic body of the University and may, subject to the statutes, lay down proper standards of instruction, research, publication and examination and to regulate and promote the academic life of the University.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing powers and subject to the provisions of the Act, rules, statutes and regulations, the Academic Council may:

(a) advise the Board on academic matters;
(b) regulate the conduct of teaching, research and publication;
(c) regulate the admission of students to the courses of studies and examinations in the University;
(d) regulate the conduct and discipline of the students;
(e) propose to the Board, a scheme for the constitution and organization of faculties, teaching departments, and constituent colleges;
(f) consider or formulate proposals for planning and development of teaching and research in the University,
(g) recommend the regulations to the Board prescribing the courses of studies, the syllabus and the outlines of tests for the University examinations;
(h) regulate the award of studentships, scholarships, exhibitions, medals and prizes;
(i) recommend statutes and regulations to the Board for approval;
(j) appoint or nominate members to various Authorities in accordance with the provisions of the Act; and
(k) perform such other functions as may be prescribed by the statutes.

26. Student Council.– (1) There shall be a Student Council of the University, which shall be represented on the Academic Council and the Discipline Committee by the representatives mentioned in section 24 and paragraph 12 of the Schedule.

(2) The constitution, functions and privileges of the Student Council and other matters relating thereto shall be such as may be prescribed by the statutes.

CHAPTER V
FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

27. University Fund.– (1) There shall be a fund to be known as the Panjnad University Fund which shall vest in the University and to which shall be credited all sums received by the University.

(2) The University may accept donations in the shape of land, vehicles, equipment or any other item that may facilitate the functioning of the University and all such donations shall be used, maintained and disposed of by the University in the

prescribed manner.

28. Budget, Audit and Accounts.– (1) The budget of the University shall be approved, and its accounts shall be maintained and audited in such manner as may be prescribed by the Board.

(2) The Board may approve the budget of the University, appropriations of accounts of the University and settle an audit para relating to the audit of the University.

(3) The Board may delegate the power of appropriation or re-appropriation of funds to any officer of the University.

CHAPTER VI
MISCELLANEOUS

29. Constitution, functions and powers of other Authorities.– The constitution, functions and powers of the Authorities for which no specific provision has been made in the Act shall be such as may be prescribed by the statutes.

30. Appointment of committees by certain Authorities.– The Board, the Academic Council and other Authorities may, from time to time, appoint such standing, special or advisory committees as they may deem fit and may nominate such persons on these committees as are not members of the Authorities appointing the committees.

31. Rules.– The Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, make rules for carrying out the purposes of the Act.

32. Statutes.– (1) Subject to the provisions of the Act, statutes may be made to regulate or prescribe all or any of the following matters:

(a) the constitution of pension, insurance, gratuity, provident fund and benevolent fund for University employees;
(b) the scales of pay and other terms and conditions of service of officers, teachers and other employees of the University;
(c) maintenance of the Register of registered graduates;
(d) admission of educational institutions to the privileges of the University and the withdrawal of such privileges;
(e) selection for membership of the Authorities of the University and related matters;
(f) the establishment of Faculties, Institutes, Colleges and other Academic Divisions;
(g) powers and duties of officers and teachers;
(h) conditions under which the University may enter into arrangements with other institutions or with public bodies for purposes of research and advisory services;
(i) efficiency and discipline of employees of the University;
(j) the general scheme of studies, including the duration of courses and the number of subjects and papers for an examination; and
(k) all other matters which, by this Act, are to be or may be prescribed or regulated by the statutes.

(2) The draft statutes shall be proposed by the Academic Council to the Board which may approve it with or without modification, or may refer it back to the Academic Council for reconsideration, or may reject it.

33. First statutes.– Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the Act, the statutes set out in the Schedule shall be deemed to be the statutes made under section 32 and shall continue to remain in force until amended or repealed in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

34. Regulations.– Subject to the Act and the statutes, the draft regulations shall be proposed by the Academic Council to the Board which may approve it with or without modification, or may refer it back to the Academic Council for reconsideration, or may reject it.

35. Indemnity.– No suit or legal proceedings shall lie against the University or any

Authority, officer or employee of the University or any person in respect of anything which is done in good faith under the Act.

SCHEDULE
THE FIRST STATUTES

1. Faculties.– (1) There shall be a Faculty for a teaching department or a group of teaching departments.

(2) The University may include the following faculties:

(i) Faculty of Computer and Information Technology;
(ii) Faculty of Business Management and Social Sciences;
(iii) Faculty of Sciences;
(iv) Faculty of Allied Health Sciences;
(v) Faculty of Law;
(vi) Faculty of Nursing;
(vii) Faculty of Veterinary Sciences;
(viii) Faculty of Computing and Artificial Intelligence;
(ix) Faculty of Medical and Dental Sciences;
(x) Faculty of Engineering;
(xi) Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences;
(xii) Faculty of Sports Sciences and Physical Education; and
(xiii) such other branches of knowledge, as the Board may determine, given on the recommendations of the academic council, where applicable, subject to the prior approval of the relevant statutory body, if any, of professional education;

Provided that the Faculties to be established later on shall be approved, on the recommendations of the Accreditation Committee.

2. Board of Faculty.– (1) There shall be a Board of Faculty for each Faculty consisting of:

(a) Dean of the Faculty;
(b) Professors and heads of departments in the Faculty;
(c) two teachers including at least one woman, to be nominated by the Academic Council owing to their specialized knowledge of the subjects which, though not assigned to the Faculty, have in the opinion of the Academic Council, important bearing on the subjects assigned to the Faculty;
(d) two experts including at least one woman, in the field from outside the University to be appointed by the Board; and
(e) one member to be nominated by the Vice Chancellor.

(2) The members other than ex-officio members of a Board of Faculty shall hold office for a period of three years.

(3) The quorum for a meeting of a Board of Faculty shall be one half of the total number of members.

(4) A Board of Faculty, subject to the general control of the Academic Council, may:

(a) co-ordinate the teaching and research work in the subjects assigned to the Faculty;
(b) scrutinize the recommendations of a Board of Studies with regard to the appointment of paper-setters and examiners for graduate and postgraduate examinations and to forward the panels of suitable paper-setters and examiners for each examination to the Vice Chancellor;
(c) consider any other academic matter relating to the Faculty and to submit its report to the Academic Council;
(d) prepare a comprehensive annual report regarding the performance of each Faculty, department, constituent college, school or institute for presentation to the Academic Council; and
(e) perform such other functions as may be prescribed by the statutes.

(5) The Dean of the Faculty shall be the Head of the Faculty and convener of the Board of Faculty.

(6) The Dean shall be appointed by the Board on the recommendations of the Vice Chancellor from amongst the Professors of the Faculty, and he shall hold office for a period of three years, but shall be eligible for reappointment.

(7) The Dean shall present candidates for admission to a degree, except an honorary degree, falling within the purview of the faculty.

(8) The Dean shall have such powers and duties as may be prescribed by the Board on the recommendations of the Vice Chancellor.

3. Academic departments, constituent colleges, institutes or schools.– (1) There may be an academic department, constituent college, institute, or a school for each subject or a group of subjects, as may be prescribed by the regulations and each academic department, constituent college, institute or school shall be headed by Dean, principal of the constituent college and director of the institute or school, collectively called heads of departments.

(2) The Board shall, on the recommendations of the Vice Chancellor, appoint the head from amongst the three senior most Professors, other than a Professor already working as Dean, for a period of three years, and the head shall be eligible for re-appointment:

Provided that where in a department or constituent college there are less than three eligible professors, the appointment shall be made from amongst the three senior most Professors and Associate Professors of the department, constituent college, school or institute:

Provided further that in a department or institute, in which there is no Professor or Associate Professor, no such appointment shall be made and the department or institute shall be looked after by the Dean of the Faculty with the assistance of the senior most teacher of the department or institute as an in-charge of the department.

(3) The head shall plan, organize and supervise the work of the department, constituent college, school or institute and shall be responsible to the Dean for the work of his department, constituent college, school or institute.

(4) The head shall, under the general supervision of the Vice Chancellor, exercise all the administrative, financial and academic powers and such other duties or powers as may be delegated to him.

(5) The head shall prepare a comprehensive annual report regarding the performance of the department, constituent college, school or institute at the graduate and postgraduate levels, Faculty research and development and submit this report to the Dean for evaluation.

4. Board of Advanced Studies and Research.– (1) The Board of Advanced Studies and Research shall consist of:

(a) Vice Chancellor (Convener);
(b) all the Deans;
(c) Controller of Examinations;
(d) one Professor from each Faculty, other than the Dean, to be appointed by the Board;
(e) one member to be nominated by the Vice Chancellor;
(f) three members, including at least one woman, from the relevant field, research organizations and the Government, to be nominated by the Board; and
(g) Registrar (Secretary).

(2) The term of office of the members of the Board of Advanced Studies and Research, other than ex officio members, shall be three years.

(3) The quorum for a meeting of the Board of Advanced Studies and Research shall be one half of the total number of members.

5. Functions of the Board of Advanced Studies and Research.– The Board of Advanced Studies and Research shall:

(a) advise an Authority on all matters connected with the promotion of advanced studies and research publication in the University;
(b) consider and report to an Authority with regard to a research degree of the University;

(c) propose draft regulations regarding the award of a research degree;
(d) appoint supervisors for a postgraduate research student and approve title and synopses of a thesis or dissertation;
(e) recommend panels of names of examiners for evaluation of a research examination; and
(f) perform such other functions as may be prescribed by the statutes.

6. **Board of Studies.**– (1) There shall be a separate Board of Studies for each subject or group of subjects, as may be prescribed by the regulations.

(2) Each Board of Studies shall consist of:
(a) the Director or Head of the Teaching Department;
(b) all Professors and Associate Professors in the Teaching Department concerned;
(c) two experts to be appointed by the Vice Chancellor;
(d) one Assistant Professor and one Lecturer to be appointed by rotation in order of seniority from the Department concerned.

(3) The term of office of members of the Board of Studies, other than ex-officio members, shall be three years.

(4) The quorum for meetings of the Board of Studies shall be one-half of the number of members, a fraction being counted as one.

(5) The Head of the Institute, School or teaching Department concerned shall be the Head and Convener of the Board of Studies.

7. **Functions of Board of Studies.**– The functions of the Board of Studies shall be to:
(i) advise the Authorities on all academic matters connected with instruction, publication. research and examination in the subjects concerned;
(ii) propose Academic Council through the concerned Board of Faculty, the curricula and syllabi for all degree, diploma and certificate courses in the University; and
(iii) suggest a panel of names of paper setters and examiners in the subjects concerned; and
(iv) perform such other functions as may be prescribed by regulations and the rules from time to time.

8. **Selection Board.**– (1) The Selection Board shall consist of:
(a) Vice Chancellor (Convener);
(b) the Dean of the Faculty concerned;
(c) the head of the department concerned;
(d) two members of the Board to be nominated by the Board;
(e) two eminent scholars to be nominated by the Chairperson;
(f) a representative of the Higher Education Department of the Government, not below the rank of an Additional Secretary; and
(g) the Registrar who shall be the Secretary of the Selection Board.

(2) The members other than ex officio members shall hold office for a period of three years.

(3) Four members of the Selection Board shall constitute the quorum for a meeting of the Selection Board.

(4) No member who is a candidate or whose family member is a candidate, for a post to which appointment is to be made, shall take part in the proceedings of the Selection Board for selection of a candidate on such post.

(5) In selection of candidates for the post of Professor or Associate Professor, the Selection Board shall co-opt or consult three experts in the subject concerned and in selecting candidates for any other teaching post, two experts in the subject concerned, to be nominated by the Vice Chancellor from a standing list of experts for each subject approved by the Board on the recommendation of the Selection Board

(6) The Board may revise the standing list of experts of a subject on the recommendation of the Selection Board.

9. **Functions of the Selection Board.**– The Selection Board shall:
(a) consider the applications and recommend to the Board, the names of

suitable candidates for appointment to teaching and other posts and recommend a suitable salary for the selected candidate; and

(b) consider all cases of promotion or selection of officers of the University and recommend the names of suitable candidates for such promotion or selection to the Board.

10. Finance and Planning Committee.– (1) The Finance and Planning Committee shall consist of:

(a) Vice Chancellor (Convener);
(b) all the Deans;
(c) Treasurer;
(d) one member of the Board to be nominated by the Board;
(e) one member of the Academic Council to be nominated by the Academic Council;
(f) one nominee of the Company;
(g) a representative of the Higher Education Department of the Government, not below the rank of an Additional Secretary; and
(h) the Registrar who shall be the Secretary of the Finance and Planning Committee.

(2) The term of office of the nominated members shall be three years, renewable for another term of three years.

(3) Three members of the Finance and Planning Committee shall constitute the quorum for a meeting of the Finance and Planning Committee.

11. Functions of the Finance and Planning Committee.– The Finance and Planning Committee shall:

(a) prepare the annual statement of accounts and propose annual budget estimates and advise the Board thereon;
(b) review periodically the financial position of the University;
(c) advise the Board on all matters relating to finance, investments and accounts of the University, and
(d) perform such other functions as may be prescribed by the statutes.

12. Discipline Committee.– (1) The Discipline Committee shall consist of:

(a) a head to be nominated by the Vice Chancellor;
(b) two Professors to be nominated by the Board;
(c) two Professors to be nominated by the Academic Council;
(d) one elected representative of the of the student Council; and
(d) the teacher or officer-in-charge of students' affairs; (Member/ Secretary).

(2) The term of office of the members of the Committee, other than ex officio members, shall be two years.

(3) The quorum for a meeting of the Discipline Committee shall be four members.

13. Functions of the Discipline Committee.– The Discipline Committee shall:

(i) propose draft regulations to the Academic Council relating to the conduct of the students, maintenance of discipline and breach of discipline in the University; and
(ii) perform such other functions as may be prescribed by the regulations.

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