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**THE RAJSHAHI UNIVERSITY ACT, 1973**

ACT NO. XXVI OF 1973

[25<sup>th</sup> September, 1973]

**An Act to repeal the Rajshahi University Ordinance, 1961 and provide for reconstitution and reorganisation of the University of Rajshahi.**

WHEREAS it is expedient to reconstitute and reorganise the University of Rajshahi for the purpose of improving the teaching and research provided thereby and the administration thereof;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

Short title and commencement

**1.** (1) This Act may be called the Rajshahi University Act, 1973.

(2) It shall come into force at once and shall be deemed to have taken effect on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1972.

Definitions

**2.** In this Act, and in all Statutes made hereunder, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,-

- (a) "Academic Council" means the Academic Council of the University constituted under this Act;
- (b) "affiliated college" means an institution recognised by, and affiliated to the University in accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Statutes and the University Ordinances;
- (c) "Authority" means any of the Authorities of the University hereinafter specified in this Act or the Statutes;
- (d) "college teacher" means a Professor, a Lecturer or any other person belonging to a college appointed or recognised in accordance with the Statutes for imparting instruction at a constituent college or any professional, technical or any other college affiliated to the University;

- (e) “Commission” means the University Grants Commission of Bangladesh constituted under the University Grants Commission of Bangladesh Order, 1973 (P.O. No. 10 of 1973);
- (f) “constituent college” means a college recognised as such by the University;
- (g) “Hall” means a unit of residence for students of the University provided or maintained by the University for the corporate life and extra-curricular instructions of its students;
- (h) “Hostel” means a unit of residence for the students of the University provided otherwise than by the University, and not maintained by the University but approved and licensed by the University in accordance with the provisions of this Act;
- (i) “provost” means the head of a Hall;
- (j) “Registered Graduate” means a graduate registered under the provisions of this Act;
- (k) “Senate” means the Senate of the University constituted under this Act;
- (l) “Statutes”, “University Ordinances” and “Regulations” mean respectively the Statutes, Ordinances and Regulations of the University for the time being in force;
- (m) “Syndicate” means the Syndicate of the University constituted under this Act;
- (n) “teachers” include Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors and Lecturers of the University and any other persons declared to be teacher by the University;
- (o) “University” means the University of Rajshahi;
- (p) “Warden” means the head of a Hostel; and
- (q) “year” means academic year beginning on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of July.

The University      **3.** (1) The University of Rajshahi shall be reconstituted at Rajshahi in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

(2) The Chancellor and Vice-Chancellor of the University and the members of the Senate, the Syndicate and the Academic Council and all persons who may hereafter become such officers or members, so long as they continue to hold such office or membership, are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name of the University of Rajshahi.

(3) The University shall have perpetual succession and common seal, and shall sue and be sued by the said name.

(4) The University shall be competent to acquire and hold property, both movable and immovable, which have become vested in or been acquired by it for the purpose of the University and to contract and to do all other things necessary for the purpose of this Act.

Powers of the University

**4.** The University shall have the powers-

- (a) to provide for instruction in such branches of learning as the University may think fit, and to make provision for research and for the advancement and dissemination of knowledge;
- (b) to affiliate and disaffiliate colleges;
- (c) to prescribe courses of studies to be conducted by the University or the affiliated colleges;
- (d) to hold examinations and to grant and confer certificates, diplomas, degrees and other academic distinctions to and on persons who-
  - (i) shall have pursued a course of study provided or prescribed by the University, or
  - (ii) are teachers in educational institutions, under conditions laid down in the University Ordinances and Regulations, and shall have passed the examinations of the University under like conditions;

- (iii) have carried on private study under conditions laid down in the Statutes;
- (e) to confer honorary degrees or other distinctions on persons in the manner laid down in the Statutes;
- (f) to grant such diplomas to, and to provide such lectures and instruction for, persons not being students of the University, as the University may determine;
- (g) to inspect affiliated or constituent colleges and hostels attached to them;
- (h) to co-operate with other Universities and authorities in such manner and for such purposes as the University may determine;
- (i) to institute Professorships, Associate Professorships, Assistant Professorships, Lecturerships, and any other teaching posts required by the University, and to appoint persons to such Professorships, Associate Professorships, Assistant Professorships, Lecturerships and such other teaching posts;
- (j) to institute and award fellowships, scholarships, exhibitions and prizes in accordance with the Statutes and the Regulations;
- (k) to set up and maintain academic museums, schools and institutes for the development of teaching and research;
- (l) to institute and maintain Halls for the residence of the students of the University and to approve and license Hostels maintained by other persons for the residence of such students;
- (m) to demand and receive such fees as may be prescribed by the University Ordinances;
- (n) to supervise and control the residence and discipline of the students of the University, to regulate their extra-curricular activities and to make arrangements for promoting their health; and
- (o) to do all such other acts and things, whether incidental to the powers aforesaid or not, as may be requisite in order

to further the objectives of the University as a teaching and examining body and to cultivate and promote arts, science and other branches of learning.

Jurisdiction of the University

**5.** (1) The University shall exercise the powers conferred on it by or under this Act within the territorial limits of Rajshahi Division and Khulna Division excluding Bakerganj and Patuakhali Districts and in respect of the institutions lying therein and imparting instruction and training above the Intermediate stage:

Provided that the Government may by law modify the extent and scope of the exercise of the aforesaid powers of the University with regard to such territorial limits or institutions:

Provided further that nothing in this section shall apply to any agricultural or technical institutions established with the sanction of the Government.

(2) No educational institution imparting instruction above the Intermediate stage situated within the territorial limits of the University shall remain affiliated to, or be admitted to the privileges of, any other University established by law:

Provided that nothing in this section shall preclude the Government from setting up other University or Universities, or special Boards for the conduct of examinations and affiliating educational institutions in regard to such courses of instruction and training as it may deem fit:

Provided further that the University shall have power to frame Statutes for constituting one Government body for both the Degree and Intermediate sections of Colleges which have not been bifurcated.

University open to all classes, castes and creeds

**6.** The University shall be open to all persons of either sex and of whatever religion, race, creed, class or colour.

Teaching of the University

**7.** (1) All recognised teaching in connection with the examinations of the University shall be conducted by the University or constituent or affiliated colleges, or schools or

institutes and shall include lectures, work in the laboratories and workshops; and the teaching shall be conducted by teachers recognised in such manner as may be provided by the University Ordinances.

(2) The Authorities responsible for organising such teaching shall be prescribed by the Statutes.

(3) The courses and curricula shall be prescribed by the University Ordinances and the Regulations.

(4) Recognised teaching shall be supplemented by tutorial instruction given in accordance with the conditions as may be provided by the University Ordinances and Regulations.

(5) Teaching may be organised on a co-operative basis under the aegis of the University for the colleges among themselves or between the colleges and the University.

**8.** (1) The Commission shall have the right to cause an inspection to be made by such person or persons, as it may direct, of the University, its buildings, laboratories and equipment, and of any institutions associated with the University, and also of the examinations, teaching and other work conducted or done by the University and to cause an inquiry to be made in like manner in respect of any matter connected with the University.

Visitation

(2) The Commission shall in every case give notice to the University of its intention to cause an inspection or inquiry to be made and the University shall be entitled to be represented thereat.

(3) The Commission shall communicate to the Syndicate its views with reference to the results of any such inspection or inquiry, and shall, after ascertaining the opinion of the Syndicate thereon, advise the University upon the action to be taken in that behalf.

(4) The Syndicate shall report to the Commission the action, if any, which is proposed to be taken or has been taken upon the results of its inspection or enquiry.



Officers of the  
University

**9.** The following shall be the officers of the University:-

- (a) the Chancellor;
- (b) the Vice-Chancellor;
- (c) the Pro-Vice-Chancellor;
- (d) the Treasurer;
- (e) the Deans;
- (f) the Registrar;
- (g) the Librarian;
- (h) the Inspector of Colleges;
- (i) the Director of Students Counselling and Guidance;
- (j) the Provosts;
- (k) the Proctor;
- <sup>1</sup>[(l) the Director (Planning and Development);]
- (m) the University Engineer;
- (n) the Deputy Registrar (Academic);
- (o) the Deputy Registrar (Administration);
- (p) the Controller of Examinations;
- (q) the Director of Accounts;
- (r) the Director of Physical Education; and
- (s) such other officers as may be declared by the Statutes to be officers of the University.

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<sup>1</sup> Clause (l) was substituted by section 3 of the University Laws (Amendment) Act, 1987 (Act No. XXXVI of 1987).

**10.** (1) The President of the People's Republic of Bangladesh shall be the Chancellor of the University and shall preside at the convocation of the University for award of academic and honorary degrees, and in his absence the Vice-Chancellor shall preside at such convocations. The Chancellor

(2) The Chancellor shall have such powers as may be conferred on him by this Act or the Statutes.

(3) Every proposal for the conferment of an honorary degree shall be subject to the confirmation of the Chancellor.

<sup>1</sup>[(4) The President may, if he thinks fit, direct that the powers of the Chancellor under this Act shall be exercised by such person as he may authorise in this behalf; and the powers exercised by the person so authorised shall be expressed to have been exercised in the name of the Chancellor.]

**11.** (1) The Vice-Chancellor shall be appointed by the Chancellor for a period of four years from a panel of three persons to be nominated by the Senate on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Chancellor and shall be eligible for re-appointment for a further period of four years. The Vice-Chancellor

<sup>2</sup>[(2) Where any temporary vacancy in the office of the Vice-Chancellor occurs by reason of leave, illness, resignation or any other cause, the Chancellor shall make such arrangements for carrying on duties of the office of the Vice-Chancellor as he may think fit.]

**12.** (1) The Vice-Chancellor, shall be a whole-time principal academic and executive officer of the University and shall be an *ex-officio* member and the Chairman of the Senate, the Syndicate, the Academic Council, the Selection Boards, the Committee for Advanced Studies and the Planning and Development Committee. He shall be entitled to be present and to speak at any meeting of any Authority or other body of the University, but shall not be entitled to vote thereat, unless he is a member of the Authority or body concerned. Powers and duties of the Vice-Chancellor

<sup>1</sup> Sub-section (4) was added by section 3 of the University Laws Amendment Act, 1980 (Act No. I of 1980).

<sup>2</sup> Sub-section (2) was substituted by section 2 and the Schedule of the Universities Laws Amendment Ordinance, 1975 (Ordinance No. LXII of 1975).

(2) It shall be the duty of the Vice-Chancellor to see that this Act, the Statutes and the University Ordinances are faithfully observed, and he shall have all powers necessary for this purpose.

(3) The Vice-Chancellor shall have power to convene meetings of the Senate, the Syndicate and the Academic Council.

(4) The Vice-Chancellor shall have the right to visit colleges and other institutions affiliated to the University.

(5) The Vice-Chancellor shall have the power to appoint, on a purely temporary basis, ordinarily for a period of not more than six months, officers (excepting the Pro-Vice-Chancellor and the Treasurer), teachers and administrative and subordinate staff and report such action to the Syndicate.

(6) The Vice-Chancellor may, with the approval of the Syndicate, delegate such of his powers and functions as he may consider necessary to such officer or officers of the University as he may deem fit.

(7) In any emergency arising out of the business of the University and requiring, in the opinion of the Vice-Chancellor immediate action, the Vice-Chancellor may take such action as he may deem necessary and shall, within seven days thereafter, report his action to the officer, Authority or other body who or which, in the ordinary course, would have dealt with the matter.

(8) The Vice-Chancellor shall give effect to the orders of the Syndicate regarding the appointment, dismissal and suspension of the officers and teachers of the University, and shall exercise general control over the members of the University. He shall be responsible for the discipline of the University in accordance with this Act, the Statutes and University Ordinances.

(9) The Vice-Chancellor shall exercise such other powers as may be prescribed by the Statutes, the University Ordinances and Regulations.

(10) In case of the Vice-Chancellor not agreeing with the resolution of any Authority or body of the University, he shall have the power to withhold implementation of the resolution and refer it back to the Authority or body concerned with his opinion thereon for re-consideration in its next regular meeting. If in the process of re-consideration the Authority or body concerned does not agree with the Vice-Chancellor, the decision of the Syndicate thereon shall be final.

<sup>1</sup>[13. (1) The Chancellor may, if he deems fit so to do, Pro-Vice-Chancellor  
reappoint <sup>2</sup>[one or more Pro-Vice-Chancellors] on such terms and conditions and for such period as he may determine.

(2) The Pro-Vice-Chancellor shall perform such duties as may be prescribed by the Statutes and University Ordinances.]

**14.** (1) The Treasurer shall be an honorary officer and shall be appointed by the Chancellor on such terms and conditions and for such period, and shall receive such honorarium from the funds of the University, as the Chancellor may determine. The Treasurer

(2) Where any temporary vacancy in the office of the Treasurer occurs by reason of leave, illness or any other cause, the Syndicate shall forthwith report the same to the Chancellor who shall make such arrangements for carrying on the office of the Treasurer as he may think fit.

(3) The Treasurer shall exercise general supervision over the funds of the University, and shall advise in regard to its financial policy.

(4) The Treasurer shall be an *ex-officio* member of the Syndicate and shall, subject to the control of the Syndicate, manage the property and investments of the University. He shall be responsible for the presentation of the annual budget estimates and statement of accounts.

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<sup>1</sup> Section 13 was substituted by section 2 and the Schedule of the Universities Laws Amendment Ordinance, 1975 (Ordinance No. LXII of 1975).

<sup>2</sup> The words “one or more Pro-Vice-Chancellors” were substituted for the words “a Pro-Vice-Chancellor” by section 2 of the Rajshahi University (Amendment) Act, 1999 (Act No. IX of 1999).

(5) Subject to the powers of the Syndicate, the Treasurer shall be responsible for seeing that all moneys are expended on the purpose for which they are granted or allotted.

(6) All contracts shall be signed by the Treasurer on behalf of the University.

(7) The Treasurer shall exercise such other powers as may be prescribed by the Statutes and the University Ordinances.

The Registrar

**15.** The Registrar shall act as Secretary of the Senate, the Syndicate and the Academic Council. He shall maintain a register of Registered Graduates in accordance with the Statutes and shall exercise such other powers as may be prescribed by the Statutes and the University Ordinances.

The Inspector of Colleges

**16.** The Inspector of Colleges shall perform such duties as may be prescribed by the Statutes and the University Ordinances.

The Controller of Examinations

**17.** The Controller of Examinations shall be responsible for all matters connected with the conduct of examinations and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Statutes and the University Ordinances.

Powers and duties of other officers

**18.** The powers and duties of officers of the University other than the Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor and the Treasurer shall be prescribed by the Statutes and the University Ordinances.

Authorities of the University

**19.** The following shall be the Authorities of the University:-

- (a) the Senate;
- (b) the Syndicate;
- (c) the Academic Council;
- (d) the Faculties;
- (e) the Departments;
- (f) the Committees of Courses;

- (g) the Boards of Advanced Studies;
- (h) the Finance Committee;
- (i) the Planning and Development Committee;
- (j) the Selection Boards; and
- (k) such other Authorities as may be declared by the Statutes to be Authorities of the University.

**20.** (1) The Senate shall consist of the following persons:- The Senate

- (a) the Vice-Chancellor;
- <sup>1</sup>[(b) the Pro-Vice-Chancellor or, if there is more than one, all the Pro-Vice-Chancellors;]
- (c) the Treasurer;
- (d) five Government officials to be nominated by the Government;
- (e) five Members of Parliament to be nominated by the Speaker;
- (f) five distinguished educationists to be nominated by the Chancellor;
- (g) five representatives of research bodies to be nominated by the Syndicate;
- (h) five Principals of colleges to be nominated by the Academic Council;
- (i) ten teachers of colleges to be nominated by the Academic Council;
- (j) the Chairman of the Boards of Intermediate and Secondary Education within the territorial limits of the University;
- (k) twenty-five representatives of the Registered Graduates to be elected by such graduates from amongst themselves;

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<sup>1</sup> Clause (b) was substituted by section 3 of the Rajshahi University (Amendment) Act, 1999 (Act No. IX of 1999).

(l) thirty-three representatives of the teachers of the University to be elected in a special meeting by such teachers; and

(m) five representatives of the students to be elected by students of the University.

(2) The members of the Senate, other than the *ex-officio* members and the student members, shall hold office for a period of three years and the student members shall hold office for a period of one year. The members shall continue in office till their successors having been elected, nominated or appointed, enter upon the office:

Provided that the Members of Parliament, the Government officials, the Principals of Colleges, the College teachers, Registered Graduates, teachers of the University and representatives of research bodies shall hold office so long as they continue to be a Member of Parliament, Government official, Principal of College, College teacher, Registered Graduate, teacher of the University or associated with any research body:

Provided further that the student members shall lose membership if they cease to be students of the University.

(3) The election of members of the Senate shall be held in such manner as may be prescribed by the Statutes.

Meeting

**21.** (1) The Senate shall, on a date to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor, meet at least once in a year at a meeting to be called the annual meeting of the Senate.

(2) The Vice-Chancellor may, whenever he thinks fit, and shall, upon a requisition in writing signed by not less than thirty members of the Senate, convene a special meeting of the Senate.

Powers and duties of the Senate

**22.** Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Senate shall-

(a) amend and ratify the Statutes on the proposals of the Syndicate;

- (b) consider and pass resolutions on the annual report, the annual accounts and the financial estimates presented by the Syndicate; and
- (c) exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as may be conferred or imposed upon it by this Act or the Statutes.

**23.** (1) The Syndicate shall consist of the following persons:- The Syndicate

- (a) the Vice-Chancellor;
- <sup>1</sup>[(b) the Pro-Vice-Chancellor or, if there is more than one, all the Pro-Vice-Chancellors;]
- (c) the Treasurer;
- (d) six teachers of the University to be elected by such teachers from among themselves;
- (e) two Principals of Colleges located within the territorial limits of the University to be nominated by the Academic Council;
- (f) two representatives of the Senate, one being a Registered Graduate and the other an educationist, to be nominated by the Senate;
- (g) one distinguished citizen to be nominated by the Senate from outside its membership;
- (h) two persons to be nominated by the Chancellor; and
- (i) one Government official, not below the rank of a Secretary, to be nominated by the Government.

(2) The elections of members of the Syndicate shall be held in such manner as may be prescribed by the Statutes:

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<sup>1</sup> Clause (b) was substituted by section 4 of the Rajshahi University (Amendment) Act, 1999 (Act No. IX of 1999).



Provided that the teachers of the University to be elected under clause (d) of sub-section (1), one shall be elected from each of the following categories, namely:

- (i) Deans;
- (ii) Provosts;
- (iii) Professors;
- (iv) Associate Professors;
- (v) Assistant Professors; and
- (vi) Lecturers.

(3) The members of the Syndicate other than *ex-officio* members, shall hold office for a term of two years but shall continue in office till their successors having been elected or nominated enter upon the office:

Provided that the teachers of the University, Principals of Colleges, representatives of the Senate and Government nominee shall hold office so long as they continue to be such teachers, Principals, members and official.

Powers and  
duties of the  
Syndicate

**24.** (1) The Syndicate shall be the Chief Executive Body of the University, and, subject to the provisions of this Act and the powers conferred on the Vice-Chancellor, the Syndicate, shall have the general management and superintendence over the affairs, concerns and properties of the University and shall see that the provisions of this Act, Statutes, University Ordinances and Regulations, for the time being in force, are observed.

(2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of powers to be exercised under sub-section (1) the Syndicate shall-

- (a) hold, control and administer the property and funds of the University and, for these purposes, obtain advice, on matters of finance from Finance Committee;

- (b) determine the form, provide for custody and regulate the use of the common seal of the University;
- (c) lay before the Commission annually a full statement of the financial requirements of the University, together with a full statement of all the bequests received by the University;
- (d) administer any funds placed at the disposal of the University for specific purposes;
- (e) appoint, subject to the provisions of this Act and the Statutes, officers other than the Vice-Chancellor, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor and the Treasurer, teachers, clerical staff and other employees of the University, define their duties and conditions of service and provide for the filling of temporary vacancies in their posts;
- (f) affiliate or disaffiliate, subject to the Statutes, a college or institute and approve or withdraw approval of a hostel not maintained by the University;
- (g) accept, on behalf of the University, bequests, donations and transfer of any property, both movable or immovable;
- (h) arrange for the holding of, and publish the results of, the University Examinations;
- (i) regulate and determine, subject to the powers conferred by this Act on the Vice-Chancellor, all matters concerning the University in accordance with this Act, the Statutes and the University Ordinances;
- (j) arrange for, and direct the inspection of all affiliated colleges and hostels;
- (k) make, amend or repeal the Statutes;
- (l) frame University Ordinances consistent with the provisions of this Act and the Statutes;
- (m) consider and pass resolutions on the Annual Report, the Annual Accounts, the Finance Estimates;

- (n) Institute Professorships, Associate Professorships, Assistant Professorships, Lecturerships or other teaching and research posts in accordance with the Statutes and recommendations of the Academic Council;
- (o) abolish or suspend any Professorship, Associate Professorship, Assistant Professorship or Lecturership or other teaching and research posts in accordance with the Statutes and recommendations of the Academic Council;
- (p) manage and regulate the finances, accounts, investments, property and all administrative affairs whatsoever of the University and, for that purpose, appoint such agents as it may think fit;
- (q) provide for buildings, premises, furniture, apparatus, equipment and other means needed for carrying on the work of the University;
- (r) after report from the Finance Committee, enter into, modify, carryout, confirm and cancel contracts on behalf of the University;
- (s) invest any money belonging to the University, including any unapplied income, in any of the securities described in section 20 of the Trust Act, 1882 (II of 1882) or in the purchase of immovable property in Bangladesh with the like power of varying such investments or to place on fixed deposit in any bank approved, in this behalf, by the Government any portion of such money not required for immediate expenditure; and
- (t) exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as may be conferred or imposed on it by the Statutes.

Academic  
Council

**25.** The Academic Council shall be the academic body of the University and shall, subject to the provisions of this Act, the Statutes and the University Ordinances, have the control and superintendence over, and be responsible for, the maintenance of standards of instruction, education and examination within the University, and shall exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as may be conferred upon it by the Statutes. It shall have the right to advise the Syndicate regarding affiliation to, or disaffiliation of, colleges and on all academic matters.

**26.** (1) The Academic Council shall consist of the following persons-

Constitution of  
the Academic  
Council

*Ex-officio members:*

- (a) the Vice-Chancellor;
- <sup>1</sup>[(b) the Pro-Vice-Chancellor or, if there is more than one, all the Pro-Vice-Chancellors;]
- (c) the Deans of the Faculties;
- (d) the Professors and the Chairmen of Departments;
- (e) the Directors of the University Institutes;
- (f) the Librarian of the University;

*Nominated members:*

- (g) ten Principals of colleges to be nominated by the Chancellor;
- (h) not more than ten persons, to be nominated by the Chancellor, so as to make the Academic Council representative of the various educational interests;

*Elected members:*

- (i) three Associate Professors and three teachers other than Associate Professors of the University to be elected by the teachers themselves.

(2) Members other than *ex-officio* members shall hold office for a period of two years and shall continue in office until their successors having been nominated or elected enter upon the office:

Provided that the Principals of colleges, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors or Lecturers nominated or elected as such shall hold office so long as they continue to be such Principals of colleges, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors or Lecturers.

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<sup>1</sup> Clause (b) was substituted by section 5 of the Rajshahi University (Amendment) Act, 1999 (Act No. IX of 1999).

Powers and duties of the Academic Council

**27.** (1) The Academic Council shall, subject to the provisions of this Act and Statutes, and the powers conferred on the Vice-Chancellor and the Syndicate, have power to make regulations prescribing the courses of study and curricula, and laying down proper standards of instruction, research and examinations.

(2) Subject to the powers conferred on the Vice-Chancellor and the Syndicate, the Academic Council shall have the following powers, namely:-

- (a) to call for reports from persons engaged in research and to make recommendations to the Syndicate thereon;
- (b) to make regulations for the encouragement of co-operation and reciprocity among colleges with a view to promoting academic life;
- (c) to decide the conditions under which exemptions relating to the admission of students to examinations may be given;
- (d) to propose to the Syndicate schemes for the constitution of the University Departments and Committees of courses;
- (e) to deal with University teaching and to make proposals for the initiation of fresh academic developments;
- (f) to prescribe, subject to the approval of the Syndicate, and upon the recommendations of the Committees of Courses, the Courses of Reading, the Syllabi and the outline of texts in each paper for all the examinations:

Provided that the Academic Council shall have power only to accept, reject, or refer back, but not to amend the recommendations of the Committees of Courses:

Provided further that in the event of differences of opinion between the Academic Council and the Committee of Courses after the first reference, the opinions of both the bodies shall be placed before the Syndicate for decision;

- (g) to approve or reject any subject proposed for a thesis by a candidate for the degree of Doctor in any subject after consideration of the report of the Board of Advanced Studies:

Provided that in the event of difference of opinion between the Academic Council and the Board of Advanced Studies after the first reference, the opinions of both the bodies shall be placed before the Syndicate for decision;

- (h) to recognise the examinations of other Universities or Boards as equivalent to the corresponding examinations of the University;
- (i) to advise upon the proposals referred to it on new developments in teaching and research in the University by the Planning and Development Committee;
- (j) to approve, reject or refer back Regulations regarding use of University Library proposed by the Library Committee:

Provided that Academic Council shall not have power to amend the proposal of the Library Committee:

Provided further that in the event of difference of opinion between the Academic Council and the Library Committee after the first reference, the opinion of both the bodies shall be placed before the Syndicate for decision;

- (k) to propose Academic Ordinances to the Syndicate for the award of studentships, scholarships, exhibitions, medals, prizes; and
- (l) to make recommendations for the promotion of research within the University and to advise the Syndicate on such other matters of academic interests, as may be referred to them.

**28.** (1) The University may include the Faculties of Arts, Science, Law, Commerce, Medicine, Education, Engineering and may divide or combine existing Faculties and create new Faculties in such manner as may be prescribed by the Statutes. The Faculty

(2) Each Faculty shall, subject to the control of the Academic Council have charge of the teaching and the courses of study and research work in such subject as may be assigned to such Faculty by the University Ordinances.

(3) There shall be a Dean of each Faculty who shall be responsible for the due observance of the Statutes, University Ordinances and Regulations relating to the Faculty and he shall receive in respect of his duties as Dean such additional remuneration, if any, as may be fixed by the Syndicate.

(4) The Dean of each Faculty shall be elected from among the Professors and Associate Professors by all teachers of the Departments belonging to the Faculty and shall hold office for two years.

(5) The constitution, powers and functions of Faculties shall be prescribed by the Statutes and the University Ordinances.

Department

**29.** The University Departments shall consist of the teachers of the subjects taught at the University. One of the senior teachers of the Department not below the rank of Assistant Professor shall be appointed as the Chairman of the Department in such manner as may be prescribed by the Statutes and the University Ordinances.

Committee of Courses

**30.** For each subject or group of subjects there shall be a Committee of Courses as may be prescribed by the Statutes.

Boards of Advanced Studies

**31.** There shall be Boards of Advanced Studies, for organising post-graduate studies in the University, which shall be constituted in such manner as may be prescribed by the Statutes.

Finance Committee

**32.** (1) The Finance Committee shall consist of-

(a) Vice-Chancellor;

<sup>1</sup>[(aa) the Pro-Vice-Chancellor, or if there is more than one, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor to be nominated by the Chancellor;]

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<sup>1</sup> Clause (aa) was inserted by section 6 of the Rajshahi University (Amendment) Act, 1999 (Act No. IX of 1999).

- (b) the Treasurer;
- (c) one person to be nominated by the Syndicate;
- (d) one Dean of Faculty to be nominated by the Academic Council;
- (e) one teacher of the University to be elected by the teachers themselves;
- (f) one person to be nominated by the Senate; and
- (g) two experts in the field of finance to be nominated by the Syndicate.

(2) The Treasurer of the University shall be the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

(3) The Director of Accounts shall be Secretary of the Finance Committee.

(4) An elected or nominated member shall hold office for a period of three years and shall continue in office until their successors having been elected or nominated enter upon the office.

(5) The Finance Committee shall-

- (a) supervise the income and expenditure of the University;
- (b) advise the Syndicate on all matters relating to accounts, property and funds of the University;
- (c) perform such other functions as may be prescribed by the Statutes.

**33.** (1) There shall be a Planning and Development Committee for consideration of the plans and for organization and development and for examination of the budget proposals.

Planning and  
Development  
Committee

(2) The constitution and functions of the Planning and Development Committee shall be such as may be prescribed by the Statutes.



Selection  
Boards

**34.** (1) There shall be Selection Boards for recommending the appointments of Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors, Lecturers and other teachers of the University in various subjects.

(2) The constitution and functions of the Selection Boards shall be such as may be prescribed by the Statutes.

Other  
Authorities of  
the University

**35.** The constitution, powers and duties of other Authorities declared by the Statutes to be Authorities of the University shall be the prescribed by the Statutes and the University Ordinances.

University  
Boards

**36.** The University shall set up a Discipline Board and such other Boards as may be prescribed by the Statutes.

Constitution,  
etc. of Board

**37.** The constitution, powers and duties of the Discipline Board and of all other Boards of the University shall be prescribed by the University Ordinances.

Statutes

**38.** Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Statutes may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:-

- (a) the conferment of honorary degrees;
- (b) the institution of Fellowships, Scholarships, Exhibitions and prizes;
- (c) the designations, powers, duties and conditions of service of teachers and officers;
- (d) the constitutions, powers and duties of the Senate, the Syndicate, the Academic Council, the Faculties and other bodies;
- (e) Setting up and maintenance of academic museums, schools and institutes for the development of teaching and research and administration and management thereof;
- (f) the institution and maintenance of Halls and the management of Hostels;
- (g) the mode of appointment of Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors, Lecturers and Fellows of the University;

- (h) the constitution of a pension or provident fund for the benefit of officers, teachers, clerical staff and other employees of the University;
- (i) the constitution, powers and duties of the Governing Bodies of the affiliated colleges;
- (j) the maintenance of a register of Registered Graduates; and
- (k) all matters which by this Act are to be or may be prescribed by the Statutes.

**39.** (1) The First and Second Statutes of the University have been set-forth in the Schedule.

Framing of  
Statutes

(2) The Statutes may be amended, repealed or added to by Statutes made by the Syndicate in the manner stated hereinafter.

(3) All Statutes, as made by the Syndicate, shall be submitted to Senate for ratification.

(4) The Senate may, on receipt of the proposal of Statutes, return it to the Syndicate with the suggestion that the Statutes or a particular provision of the Statutes be reconsidered and that any amendments specified in the suggestion be considered but if the Syndicate again submits the proposal of Statutes with or without the suggested amendments to the Senate, it shall be deemed to have been ratified unless rejected by the two-thirds of the total number of members of the Senate:

Provided that the Statutes relating to the service conditions of teachers, officers and other employees of the University shall be presented to the Senate but shall not require its ratification.

(5) A Statute proposed by the Syndicate shall have no validity until it has been ratified or deemed to have been ratified by the Senate.

(6) Save as otherwise provided the Syndicate shall not propose any Statute affecting the status, powers or constitution of any Authority of the University until such Authority has been given an opportunity of expressing an opinion upon the proposal. Any opinion so expressed shall be in writing and shall be considered by the Syndicate and shall be submitted to the Senate together with the draft of the proposed Statutes.

University  
Ordinances

**40.** Subject to the provision of this Act and the Statutes, the University Ordinances may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:-

- (a) the courses of study to be laid down for all degrees, diplomas and certificates of the University;
- (b) the manner in which lecturing, work in the laboratories or workshops and other teaching shall be conducted;
- (c) the condition in accordance with which the tutorial instructions shall be given;
- (d) the conditions under which students shall be admitted to the degree, diploma or other courses and to the examinations of the University, and shall be eligible for degree, diplomas and certificates;
- (e) the admission of students to the University;
- (f) conduct and discipline of the students of the University, and punishment including rustication and expulsion for misconduct and breach of discipline;
- (g) the conditions of residence of the students of the University, the levying of fees for residence in Halls and the licensing of Hostels;
- (h) the fees to be charged for courses of study in the University and for admission to the examinations, degrees and diplomas of the University;
- (i) the formation of teaching Departments in the Faculties;
- (j) the constitution, powers and duties of the Boards of the University;
- (k) the conduct of examinations; and
- (l) all matters which by this Act or the Statutes are to be or may be provided for by the University Ordinances.

Framing of  
University  
Ordinances

**41.** (1) The University Ordinances shall be made by the Syndicate:

Provided that no University Ordinance shall be made-

- (a) affecting the admission of students or prescribing examinations to be recognised as equivalent to the University examinations or the further qualifications mentioned in sub-section (2) of section 46 for admission to the Degree Course of the University, unless a draft of the same has been proposed by the Academic Council, or
- (b) affecting the conduct or standard of examinations or any course of study, unless a draft of such University Ordinance has been proposed by the Academic Council in accordance with a proposal of the Faculty concerned.

(2) The Syndicate shall not have power to amend any draft proposed by the Academic Council under sub-section (1), but may reject it or return it to the Academic Council for reconsideration either in whole or in part together with any amendments which the Syndicate may suggest.

(3) Where the Syndicate has rejected the draft of a University Ordinance proposed by the Academic Council, the Academic Council may submit the same draft to the Syndicate on the expiry of six months from the date it is first proposed.

**42.** (1) The Authorities and the Boards of the University may make Regulations consistent with this Act, the Statutes, and the University Ordinances-

Regulations

- (a) laying down the procedure to be observed at their meetings and the number of members required to form a quorum;
- (b) providing for all matters which by this Act, the Statutes or the University Ordinances are to be prescribed by Regulations; and
- (c) providing for all matters solely concerning such Authorities and Boards and not provided for by this Act, the Statutes and the University Ordinances.

(2) Every Authority of the University shall make Regulations providing for the giving of notice to the members of such Authority of the dates of meetings and of the business to be considered at meetings, and for the keeping of a record of the proceedings of such meetings.

(3) The Syndicate may direct the amendment, in such manner as it may specify, of any Regulation made under this section or the annulment of any Regulation made under subsection (1):

Provided that any Authority or Board of the University which is dissatisfied with any such direction may appeal to the Chancellor whose decision in the matter shall be final.

Residence

**43.** Every student of the University shall reside at such places and under such conditions as may be prescribed by the Statutes and the University Ordinances.

Halls

**44.** (1) The Halls of the University shall be such as may be prescribed by the Statutes.

(2) The Provosts, House Tutors and other staff of the Hall shall be appointed in the manner prescribed by the University Ordinances.

Hostels

**45.** (1) The Hostels shall be such as may be approved and licensed by the Syndicate subject to such general or special conditions as may be prescribed by the University Ordinances.

(2) The Wardens and Superintending Staff of Hostels shall be appointed in the manner prescribed by the Statutes.

(3) The conditions of residence in Hostels shall be prescribed by the University Ordinances and every Hostel shall be subject to inspection by any member of the Discipline Board authorised in this behalf by such Board and by any officer of the University authorised in this behalf by the Syndicate.

(4) The Syndicate shall have power to suspend or withdraw the licence of any Hostel which is not conducted in accordance with the conditions prescribed by the University Ordinances.

**46.** (1) Admission of students to the University for degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Science and higher degrees shall be made by an Admission Committee appointed for that purpose by the Academic Council.

(2) Students shall not be eligible for admission to a course of study for a degree in the University or any of its affiliated colleges, unless they have passed the Intermediate Examination of any Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education, or any other authority incorporated by any law for the time being in force in Bangladesh or an examination recognised under the Statutes as equivalent thereto, and possess such further qualifications as may be prescribed by the University Ordinances:

Provided that for admission to a five-year course of study for a Degree of Bachelor of Arts in Fine Arts students who have passed the Matriculation or the Secondary School Certificate Examination of any Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education, or the Matriculation or Secondary School Certificate Examination of any other authority incorporated by law, for the time being in force in Bangladesh, or any examination recognised under the Statutes as equivalent thereto, and possess such further qualification as may be prescribed by the University Ordinances, shall be so eligible.

(3) The conditions under which students may be admitted to the diploma courses of the University shall be prescribed by the University Ordinances.

(4) For the purpose of admission to a course of studies the University shall not, without the previous sanction of the Government, recognise as equivalent to its own degree, any degree conferred by any other University or as equivalent to the Intermediate Examination, any examination conducted by any authority other than a University or a Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education or other authority incorporated by law for the time being in force in Bangladesh:

Provided that the University may admit student from a foreign country to any of its courses of study if the Academic Council is satisfied that his or her qualifications are equivalent to those required for admission to the course.

- Examinations
- 47.** (1) All arrangements for the conduct of examinations shall be made by the Controller of Examinations, and all examiners shall be appointed by the Academic Council in such manner as may be prescribed by this Act and the University Ordinances.
- (2) If during the course of an examination any examiner is for any cause incapable of acting as such, the Vice-Chancellor shall appoint an examiner to fill the vacancy.
- (3) At least one examiner who is not a member of the University shall be appointed for each subject included in a Department of teaching and forming part of the course which is required for a University degree.
- (4) The Academic Council shall appoint Examination Committees consisting of members of its own body or of other persons or of both, as it thinks fit, to moderate examination questions, to prepare the results of the examinations and to report such results to the Syndicate for publication.
- Annual Report
- 48.** The annual report of the University shall be prepared under the direction of the Syndicate and shall be submitted to the Commission on or before the 31<sup>st</sup> January of the following academic session.
- Annual Accounts
- 49.** (1) The annual accounts and balance-sheet of the University shall be prepared under the direction of the Syndicate and shall be submitted to the Commission for the purpose of audit.
- (2) The accounts together with copies of the audit report shall be submitted to the Commission.
- Disputes to the constitution of University Authorities and bodies
- 50.** In the absence of any clear provision in this Act, Statutes or University Ordinances, if any question arises whether any person is entitled to be a member of any Authority or other body of the University, the matter shall be referred to the Chancellor, whose decision thereon shall be final.
- Appeals to Chancellor
- 51.** (1) An appeal against the order of any Officer or Authority of the University affecting any person or class of persons in the University may be made by petition to the

Chancellor who shall send a copy of any such petition to the officer or Authority concerned and shall give such officer or Authority an opportunity to show cause why the appeal should not be entertained.

(2) The Chancellor may reject any such appeal or may, if he thinks fit, appoint an Enquiry Commission consisting of such persons as are not officers of the University or members of any Authority thereof, to inquire into the matter and to submit to him a report thereon.

(3) The Chancellor shall, on receipt of the Enquiry Commission's report, send a copy thereof to the Syndicate and the Syndicate shall take the report into consideration and shall, within three months of the receipt thereof, pass a resolution thereon which shall be communicated to the Chancellor who shall then take such action on the report of the Enquiry Commission and resolution of the Syndicate as he may think fit.

(4) An Enquiry Commission appointed under sub-section (2) may require any officer or Authority of the University to furnish it with such papers or information as are, in the opinion of the Enquiry Commission, relevant to the matter under inquiry, and such officer or Authority shall be bound to comply with such requisition.

**52.** Where any Authority of the University is authorised by this Act or the Statutes to appoint Committees, such Committees shall, unless otherwise provided, consist of one or more members of the Authority concerned and of such other persons, if any, as the Authority in each case may think fit.

Constitution of  
Committees

**53.** All casual vacancies among the members other than *ex-officio* members of any Authority or other body of the University shall be filled, as soon as may be, by the person or body who nominated or elected the member whose place has become vacant, and the person nominated or elected to a casual vacancy shall be a member of such Authority or body for the residue of the term for which the persons whose place he fills would have been a member.

Filling of  
casual  
vacancies



Validity of proceedings, etc.

<sup>1</sup>[**54.** No act or proceedings of any Authority or other body of the University shall be invalid or be called in question merely on the ground of the existence of any vacancy in such Authority or body, or of the failure or defect in making or holding any appointment, nomination or election to, or of any other defect in the formation of, such Authority or body.]

Conditions of service

**55.** (1) Every salaried teacher and officer of the University shall be appointed on a written contract which shall be lodged with the Registrar of the University, and a copy of the contract shall be furnished to the teacher or officer concerned.

(2) The service conditions shall be determined without any prejudice to the freedom of the teacher or officer to hold any political views and to keep association with any lawful organisation outside the University and shall be clearly stated in the contract:

Provided that if a teacher or other salaried employee of the University seeks election as a Member of Parliament, he shall before the date for filing of nominations, resign from the service of the University.

(3) A teacher or officer of the University may be dismissed only on grounds of moral turpitude or inefficiency, but no such teacher or officer shall be dismissed unless an enquiry into the charges of moral turpitude or inefficiency is held by an Enquiry Committee on which the teacher or the officer may be represented by a person nominated by him.

Pension and provident fund

**56.** (1) The University shall, in such manner and subject to such condition as may be prescribed by the Statutes and the University Ordinances, constitute for the benefit of its employees, such pension, group insurance, benevolent fund, provident fund or gratuity as it may deem fit.

(2) Where any provident fund has been constituted, the Government may declare that the provisions of the Provident Fund Act, 1925 (XIX of 1925), shall apply to such funds as if it were a Government Provident Fund.

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<sup>1</sup> Section 54 was substituted by section 2 and the Schedule of the Universities Laws Amendment Ordinance, 1975 (Ordinance No. LXII of 1975).

**57.** The Government or the Commission shall, for the purposes of this Act, contribute annually to the University such sum of money as may be determined by them.

Contribution

**58.** (1) The Rajshahi University Ordinance, 1961 (E.P. Ord. No. XVIII of 1961) and the Rajshahi University Ordinance, 1973 (Ord. XI of 1973) are hereby repealed.

Repeal and saving

(2) Notwithstanding the aforesaid repeal anything done, action taken, obligation or liability incurred, rights and assets acquired, person appointed or authorised, jurisdiction or power conferred, endowment, bequest, fund or trust created, donation and grant made, scholarship, studentship or exhibition instituted, affiliation granted and orders issued under any of the provisions of the said Ordinances, or Statutes, University Ordinances, and Regulations made thereunder, so far as they are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act or Statutes, University Ordinances and Regulations, made hereunder shall be continued and so far as may be, deemed to have been respectively done, taken, incurred, acquired, appointed, authorised, conferred, created, made, instituted, granted or issued under this Act or the Statutes, University Ordinances or Regulations made hereunder and any documents referring to any of the provisions of the said Ordinance or Statutes, University Ordinances or Regulations made thereunder shall, so far as may be, considered to refer to the corresponding provision of this Act or the Statutes, University Ordinances or Regulations made hereunder.

**59.** Upon the coming into force of this Act the existing Syndicate, Academic Council and all other Authorities, Committees and bodies constituted under the repealed Ordinances shall continue to function until a new Syndicate, Academic Council and other Authorities, Committees and bodies are duly constituted under this Act and all persons holding office under the repealed Ordinances shall continue to function till new appointments or nominations are made or elections are held according to this Act.

Interim arrangement

Removal of difficulties

**60.** If any difficulty arises with respect to the functioning of the University or in connection with the first meeting of any Authority of the University or otherwise in first giving effect to the provisions of this Act the Chancellor may, at any time before all the Authorities of the University have been constituted, by order make any appointment or do anything, consistent so far as may be with the provisions of this Act and the Statutes, which appears to him necessary or expedient for the purpose of removing the difficulty; and every such order shall have effect as if such appointment or action had been made or taken in the manner provided in this Act:

Provided that, before making any such order or taking any such action, the Chancellor shall ascertain and consider the opinion of the Vice-Chancellor.

### THE SCHEDULE

#### THE FIRST STATUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY

Definitions

**1.** In these Statutes, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,-

- (a) "Act" means the Rajshahi University Act, 1973;
- (b) "Authorities", "officers", "Professors", "Associate Professors", "Assistant Professors", "Lecturers" and "Registered Graduates" mean respectively Authorities, officers, Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors, Lecturers and Registered Graduates of the University;
- (c) "Section" means a section of the Act.

Faculties

**2.** (1) Each Faculty shall consist of-

- (a) the Chairmen of the departments comprised in the Faculty;
- (b) such teachers of subjects, assigned to the Faculty as may be appointed to the Faculty by the Academic Council; and
- (c) such teachers of subjects not assigned to the Faculty but having, in the opinion of the Academic Council, an important bearing on these subjects as may be appointed to the Faculty by the Academic Council.

(2) Subject to the provisions of this Act, each Faculty shall have powers-

- (a) to constitute committees of Courses and Studies;
- (b) to recommend to the Academic Council the names of examiners in subjects assigned to the Faculty;
- (c) to recommend to the Academic Council the conditions for award of degrees, diplomas and other distinctions; and
- (d) to deal with such other matters as may be referred to it by the Academic Council.

**3.** (1) The Chairman of a Department shall be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor for a period of three years from amongst the teachers of the Department not below the rank of Assistant Professor by rotation in order of seniority. Department

**Explanation.-** For the purpose of this paragraph seniority means seniority in rank and status and not seniority in age or length of service only and when two persons are of equal rank and status the seniority between them shall be determined with reference to the length of service in the same rank and status; and the rotation shall begin with the senior most teacher of the highest category for the time being available.

(2) The Department shall have the responsibility to plan and coordinate the work of the Department under the leadership of the Chairman.

(3) The Chairman of the Department shall be responsible to the Dean of the Faculty for the organization and teaching in his Department subject to such directions as may be given from time to time by the Vice-Chancellor.

(4) The Chairman of the Department shall be responsible for the general supervision of the Department and shall dispose of routine matters. All policy matters shall be dealt with by two Departmental Committees, namely-

- (a) Academic Committee;
- (b) Planning Committee.

(5) The Academic Committee shall consist of all teachers of the Department and shall deal with-

- (a) Admission of students;
- (b) Syllabuses;
- (c) Examinations;
- (d) Teaching in the Department;
- (e) Co-curricular activities of the students in the Department.

(6) The Planning Committee shall consist of one-third of the total number of teachers in order of seniority with a minimum number of three and shall deal with-

- (a) Expansion of the Department;
- (b) Appointment of teachers.

Committee of  
Courses

**4.** (1) The Committee of Courses shall be responsible for preparation of courses and syllabi and such other work as may be assigned to it under the Statutes and the University Ordinances.

(2) The Committee shall be composed of all the teachers of the Department and such other persons as may be prescribed by the University Ordinances:

Provided that in subjects for which teaching Departments do not exist in the University, the Committee of Courses shall consist of-

- (a) Dean of the Faculty concerned – *Chairman*;
- (b) not less than three teachers in the subject from the affiliated or constituent colleges which offer the subjects and such other persons as may be prescribed by the University Ordinances.

The Board of  
Advanced  
Studies

**5.** (1) The Board of Advanced Studies shall consist of-

- (a) the Vice-Chancellor – *Chairman*;
- (b) the Deans of Faculties;

(c) five Heads of Departments to be elected by the Academic Council; and

(d) two other teachers to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor.

(2) The Registrar shall act as the non-member Secretary of the Board of Advanced Studies.

(3) The members of the Board of Advanced Studies shall hold office for a period of two years.

(4) No member of the Board of Advanced Studies appointed as such by virtue of his particular office or position shall continue to be a member of this Board if he ceases to hold that office or position.

(5) The function of the Board of Advanced Studies shall be-

(a) to advise the Vice-Chancellor, Syndicate and Academic Council on all academic matters connected with post-graduate teaching within the University;

(b) to make recommendations to the competent Authority regarding approval of various academic projects, award of all grants and Fellowships; and

(c) to review the research work being done in various teaching Departments for the award of Ph.D. Degree to satisfy itself that suitable staff and equipment is available and that a high standard is maintained.

(6) No Departments shall be allowed to undertake Ph.D. work in a particular subject unless the Board of Advanced Studies in the University is satisfied that necessary facilities including effective supervision are available.

**6.** (1) The Planning and Development Committee shall consist of-

Planning and  
Development  
Committee

(a) the Vice-Chancellor – *Chairman*;

(b) the Treasurer;

- (c) the <sup>1</sup>[Pro-Vice-Chancellor, if any];
- (d) one teacher from the Natural Sciences and Mathematics to be nominated by the Academic Council;
- (e) one teacher from the Humanities, Social Sciences and Law to be nominated by the Academic Council;
- (f) one member of the Syndicate who is not an employee of the University to be nominated by the Syndicate;
- (g) one teacher of the University to be elected by the teachers themselves;
- (h) two persons from amongst architects, engineers and experts in business and public administration from outside the University to be nominated by the Chancellor.

(2) The Planning and Development officer of the University shall be the Member-Secretary of the Planning and Development Committee.

(3) The tenure of office of the nominated and elected members shall be two years but they shall continue in office till their successors having been nominated or elected enter upon the office:

Provided that the nominees of the Academic Council and the Syndicate and the representatives of teachers shall cease to be members if they cease to be members of the Academic Council, the Syndicate or a teacher of the University.

Selection Board

**7. (1)** The Selection Board for appointment of Professors and Associate Professors shall consist of-

- (a) the Vice-Chancellor – *Chairman*;
- (b) two nominees of the Syndicate;

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<sup>1</sup> The words and comma “Pro-Vice-Chancellor, if any” were substituted for the word “Pro-Vice-Chancellors” by section 2 and the Schedule of the Universities Laws Amendment Ordinance, 1975 (Ordinance No. LXII of 1975).

- (c) two members nominated by the Chancellor; and
- (d) three experts of whom one shall be an external expert to be nominated by the Chancellor.

(2) The Selection Board for appointment of Assistant Professors and Lecturers shall consist of-

- (a) the Vice-Chancellor – *Chairman*;
- (b) the Chairman of the Department concerned if he is not below the rank of Associate Professor;
- (c) two members of the Syndicate to be elected by the Syndicate; and
- (d) one expert to be nominated by the Syndicate.

(3) In case of difference of opinion between the Selection Board and the Syndicate the matter shall be referred to the Chancellor for decision.

(4) The Selection Board may recommend a grant of higher initial salary in the case of a particularly deserving candidate for consideration of the Syndicate.

(5) The Syndicate may, on recommendations of the Selection Board, offer an eminently qualified person a Professorship in the University on such terms and conditions as it may determine.

**8.** A proposal for the conferment of an honorary degree shall be made by the Syndicate to the Chancellor for his approval.

Honorary  
degrees

**9.** (1) All graduates of the University at the time of receiving their diplomas shall have to pay a certain fee which shall be fixed by the University Ordinances and their names shall be enrolled in the register of Registered Graduates after three years of their graduation.

Registered  
Graduates

(2) All disputes relating to compliance with the provisions of this Act, Statutes and University Ordinances regarding registration of graduates shall be decided by a Tribunal consisting



of the Vice-Chancellor, one member of the Syndicate nominated by the aggrieved party and one member of the Syndicate nominated by the Syndicate and the decision of the Tribunal shall be final. Each party shall bear its own expenses including expenses incurred or compensation claimed by its nominees. The parties may be represented by the lawyers or other authorised agents before the Tribunal. The procedure of the Tribunal shall be determined by the Tribunal itself.

(3) Registered Graduates shall be entitled to receive the Annual reports of the University and shall be entitled to use the University Library in such manner as may be prescribed by the University Ordinances.

Affiliation

**10.** (1) A college applying for affiliation to the University shall make an application in the prescribed form to the Inspector of Colleges so as to reach him not later than 15<sup>th</sup> October preceding the Academic year from which the affiliation sought is to take effect and shall satisfy the Syndicate :-

- (a) that the college is to be under the management of the Governing Body;
- (b) that the strength and qualifications of the teaching staff and conditions governing their tenures of office are such as to make due provisions for the courses of instruction, teaching or training to be undertaken by the college and that adequate provision has been made for guidance and counselling of the students and for tutorials;
- (c) that the buildings in which the college is to be located are suitable and that provision is made in conformity with the Statutes and University Ordinances for the residence in the college Hostel or in lodgings approved by the college of students not residing with parents or guardians and for the supervision and physical and general welfare of students including facilities for sports, games and athletics and that facilities would also be provided on the Campus where teachers and students could meet informally;
- (d) that due provision has been made or shall be made for a Library large enough which shall remain open long enough to act as a work room where students are able to study privately during off periods and outside college hours;

- (e) where affiliation is sought in any branch of experimental science that arrangements have been or shall be made for imparting instruction in that branch of science in a properly equipped laboratory or museum;
- (f) that due provision shall so far as circumstances may permit be made for residence of the Principal and some members of the teaching staff in or near the college or the place provided for the residence of the students;
- (g) that the financial resources of the college are such as to make due provision for its continued maintenance and efficient working. The management should satisfy the University that it can meet a part of the maintenance cost of the college from its own resources; and
- (h) that the affiliation of the college having regard to the provisions made for students by other colleges in the same neighbourhood shall not be injurious to the interests of education or discipline.

(2) The application shall further contain an assurance that after the college is affiliated any transference of management and all changes in the teaching staff shall forthwith be reported to the Syndicate.

(3) On receipt of the application under paragraph (1) the Syndicate shall:-

- (a) direct a local inquiry to be made by a competent person or persons authorised by the Syndicate in this behalf in respect of matters referred to in paragraph (1) and such other matters as may be deemed necessary and relevant;
- (b) make such further inquiry as may be necessary; and
- (c) decide the question whether the application should be granted or refused either in whole or in part.

(4) The Syndicate shall prescribe the minimum number of teachers required and the scope of teaching in each affiliated college.

(5) Every teacher in any affiliated college other than Government colleges shall be employed under a written contract stating the conditions of the service and the salary to be paid to him. A copy of this contract shall be given to each teacher and a copy shall be lodged with the University.

(6) No new college or institution having Intermediate classes functioning within the same building may be granted affiliation by the University.

(7) No affiliation shall be granted with retrospective effect.

Inspection and reports

**11.** (1) Every college affiliated to the University shall furnish such reports, returns and other information as the Syndicate may require to enable it to judge the efficiency of the college.

(2) The Syndicate shall cause each such college to be inspected from time to time by one or more competent persons authorised by the Syndicate in this behalf.

(3) The Syndicate may call upon any college so inspected to take within a specified period such action as may appear to the Syndicate to be necessary.

Teaching in the college and cooperation between colleges and the University

**12.** (1) A college shall provide instruction in such subjects and up to such standard as it may be authorised to do, from time to time, by the Syndicate on the advice of the Academic Council.

(2) A college may not, without the previous permission of the Syndicate to be granted after consultation with the Academic Council, suspend instruction in any subject which it is authorised to teach and college teachers.

(3) The Syndicate may, after considering the advice of the Academic Council and in consultation with the authorities of the college or colleges concerned, provide, on a basis of cooperation, teaching among the colleges themselves and between colleges and the University.

(4) Lectures delivered by a teacher of the University for the benefit of students of the University may be thrown open to students of colleges with the prior approval of the Vice-Chancellor, and on the basis of application submitted by the students through the Principals of their respective colleges. Similarly lectures delivered by a recognised teacher of the University for the benefit of students of his own college may be thrown open to students of any other colleges or of the University with the prior approval of the Vice-Chancellor:

Provided that such outside students shall be granted permission by the Principal of the college at which lecture takes place to attend the lecture on the basis of application submitted through Principals of their respective colleges.

**13.** The Registrar shall be appointed by the Syndicate on the recommendation of a Selection Committee consisting of-

Appointment of Registrar

- (a) the Vice-Chancellor;
- (b) one member of Academic Council to be elected by the Academic Council;
- (c) two members of the Syndicate to be elected by the Syndicate;
- (d) two persons to be nominated by the Chancellor; and
- (e) one person to be appointed by the Government.

**14.** The Registrar shall-

Duties of the Registrar

- (a) be custodian of the records, common seal and such other property of the University as the Syndicate shall commit to his charge;
- (b) conduct generally the official correspondence of the University;
- (c) act as Secretary to the Senate, the Syndicate, the Academic Council and the Board of Advanced Studies;
- (d) attend meetings of bodies mentioned in clause (c) and to record and maintain the minutes thereof;
- (e) keep record of the work of Committees of Courses and Studies;
- (f) prepare plans on the policies for development of the Academic side of the University for submission to the Planning and Development Committee;
- (g) prepare programme for summer courses for the staff and students as may be decided from time to time, and work camps for students;
- (h) maintain confidential reports of such teaching staff as may be committed to his charge by the Vice-Chancellor; and

- (i) perform such other duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the Academic Council and the Syndicate or assigned to him by the Vice-Chancellor:

Provided that Vice-Chancellor may assign any or all of the above duties to any other person.

Appointment of  
Inspector of  
Colleges and  
Controller of  
Examinations

**15.** The Inspector of Colleges and the Controller of Examinations shall be appointed by the Syndicate on the recommendation of a Selection Committee consisting of-

- (a) the Vice-Chancellor;
- (b) two Deans to be nominated by the Academic Council;
- (c) two non-salaried members of the Syndicate to be nominated by the Syndicate; and
- (d) two persons to be appointed by the Chancellor.

Duties of  
University  
teachers

**16.** (1) The duties of the teachers of the University shall be-

- (a) to teach the students by means of lectures, tutorials, discussions, seminars, demonstrations, and in like manner;
- (b) to conduct, guide and supervise research;
- (c) to maintain personal contact with the students, give them individual guidance and supervise their extra-curricular activities;
- (d) to assist the Authorities in preparing courses and syllabi, in conducting examinations, in organising libraries, laboratories and other curricular and extra-curricular activities of the University and its departments, colleges and other institutions; and
- (e) to perform such other functions and duties as are assigned to them by the Vice-Chancellor.

(2) The total work-load of the teachers and distribution of work schedule for the various duties mentioned in paragraph (1) during an academic year shall be prescribed by the University Ordinances.

**17.** Every salaried employee of the University shall receive Pension pension on the lines of the pension rules applicable in the case of the Government employees as may be laid down in a separate Statute. The pension rules shall apply to the existing employees from the date of their joining the University if they opt for these benefits and surrender the accumulation of Provident Fund of University's contribution *plus* interest thereon.

**18. (1)** Employees of the University other than- Provident Fund

- (a) persons who are in receipt of a pension from Government;
- (b) persons who are over the age of 60 when appointed;
- (c) part-time employees;
- (d) persons who are on deputation and holding pensionable posts under Government; and
- (e) persons appointed on a purely temporary basis for a period not exceeding six months and persons appointed in leave vacancies,

shall subscribe every month to the University Provident Fund except when on leave without pay:

Provided that an employee who has not served in a permanent post continuously for a period of three years or in a temporary post continuously for a period of five years shall not receive anything beyond his deposits in the fund with interest accrued thereon:

Provided further that notwithstanding any other provisions to the contrary the Syndicate may at the time of making a particular appointment decide that the individual appointed to that particular post shall or shall not be a subscriber to the Provident Fund.

(2) A sum equal to 10 per cent of the salary shall be deducted from the salary of each subscriber every month and paid into the Provident Fund and the University shall contribute an equal amount in respect of each subscriber in each month:

Provided that the contribution by the University shall not be payable in respect of any period in respect of which the subscriber has not paid his subscription.

(3) In calculating the monthly salaries on which deductions are to be made and contributions are to be paid any fraction of a taka of such monthly salary shall be omitted. For the purposes of this sub-paragraph the term "salary" shall mean monthly salary and regular monthly allowances by way of remuneration for service, including leave allowances, but excluding travelling allowances or payments of lump sums made in respect of any particular piece of work.

(4) A University Provident Fund Account shall be opened in the Principal Branch of any of the Nationalised Bank at Rajshahi to which the total deductions from the salaries of the University staff, as well as the corresponding contributions from the University under paragraph (2), shall be credited at the beginning of each month. Any cash balance of the fund in excess of taka five hundred shall be invested by the Treasurer before the end of each month in such securities as approved by the Finance Committee of the Syndicate and as are approved under section 20 of the Trusts Act, 1882. All investments and securities shall be held jointly by the Vice-Chancellor and the Treasurer.

(5) The rate of interest shall be the same as the Bank rate.

(6) Interest under paragraph (5) shall be allowed for each calendar month upon the minimum balance of the subscriber's account between the close of the 4<sup>th</sup> day and the end of the month. It shall be added to the principal at the end of the University financial year (June 30) except when the account is to be finally closed.

(7) Each subscriber shall receive from the Treasurer of the University not later than October 15 of each year a statement of his account showing the opening balance, the deposits and withdrawal during the financial year ending June 30, and the closing balance after the addition of interest allowed under paragraph (6). Subscribers are required to satisfy themselves as to the correctness of these statements and unless errors in them

are brought to the notice of the Treasurer within three months from the date of their receipt any sums not included in the account shall lapse to the University.

(8) In the event of a subscriber resigning his employment after less than five years service or being dismissed, the contribution by the University as well as the interest that has accrued on the same shall lapse into the General Funds of the University:

Provided that a subscriber, who has served the University for three years or more and resigns with approval of the University, shall be entitled to the University's contribution.

(9) A subscriber to the University Provident Fund who is on leave with allowances must continue to subscribe during leave unless exempted from doing so by the Syndicate under such conditions as may be prescribed by them in each particular case.

(10) (a) Temporary advances of loans may be granted to subscribers from the sum to their credit in the Provident Fund under conditions to be prescribed by the University Ordinances.

(b) A subscriber may be allowed to pay Life Insurance premiums out of his Provident Fund money up to the limit of his own subscription to the Fund with interest under conditions prescribed by the University Ordinances.

(11) The deposit and contribution, less the amount outstanding in respect of advances or loans granted under subparagraph (10) (a) with interest thereon at the credit of the subscriber shall be payable in full and shall only be finally withdrawn-

(a) on the depositor ceasing to be an employee of the University; or

(b) on his death:

Provided that in both cases sanction of the Syndicate shall first be obtained by the Treasurer before any payment is made.



(12) Each subscriber shall, as soon as possible after his joining the Fund, be called upon by the Treasurer to furnish a "Form of Declaration" as prescribed in the Appendix showing how he wishes the amount of his accumulation to be disposed of on his death.

(13) (a) For the purpose of the Statute, only the following survivors of a subscriber shall be held to constitute his family:-

- (i) widow or widows;
- (ii) children; and
- (iii) widow, or widows and children of a deceased son.

(b) All adopted child shall be considered to be a child within the meaning of this Statute when, under the personal law of the subscriber, adoption is legally recognised as conferring the status of a natural child but not otherwise, if doubts arise in an individual case, the Treasurer shall refer the matter to the Syndicate and their decision shall be final for the purpose of this Statute. A declaration in favour of an adopted child is made at the subscriber's risk and can be challenged at any time.

(14) A subscriber may in his declaration specify the distribution of the accumulation.

(15) Any Form of Declaration submitted by a subscriber is revocable at any time. A fresh declaration shall be operative only on being received by the Treasurer. On a subscriber's marriage or re-marriage any declaration already submitted by him will forthwith become null and void and, unless a revised Form of Declaration is received, the amount of his accumulations shall be dealt with under clause (b), or clause (d) of paragraph (19), as the case may be.

(16) If minors are nominated in a Form of Declaration the person or persons to whom sums intended for their benefit are to be paid should be stated in the Form of Declaration.

(17) In the event of the subscriber having a family as defined in sub-paragraph (13), he is not permitted in his Form of

Declaration, to leave the amount of his accumulations or any part of it to any one outside his family.

(18) Where a Form of Declaration purports to leave money otherwise than to a member or members of a subscriber's family, the Treasurer shall call upon the subscriber to state whether he has a family, and if it is found that he has one, the Form of Declaration shall not be accepted. A subscriber who has a family has absolute discretion regarding the distribution of the amount at his credit at the time of his death among the members of that family. He may exclude any one or more of them in favour of another or others of them, and the manner in which the distribution is to be made among them is also within his absolute discretion.

(19) On a subscriber's death before retirement, the amount shall be disposed of as follows:-

- (a) It or such portion of it as may be specified in an accepted Form of Declaration, will be divided among all or any member of his family in accordance with the terms of the Declaration. If the Declaration relates to a portion only of the amount, the balance shall be distributed in the manner described in clause (b). If the Declaration does not state the person or persons to whom the sum intended for the benefit of a minor is to be paid, the sum due shall be paid to the minor's legal guardian to be used for the minor's benefit or, failing a legal guardian, in such person or persons as the Treasurer may consider to be the proper person or persons to receive it on the minor's behalf.
- (b) Where a subscriber leaves a family, but no Form of Declaration in favour of any member or members of the family has been received from him, the amount shall be distributed among his family, except that sons of a deceased son, who have attained legal majority, and married daughters of a deceased son, whose husbands are alive shall be excluded from participation. The division among the persons entitled shall be in equal shares, except that the widow or widows and the child or children of any deceased son shall take equally between them only the share which that son would have taken had he survived the subscriber. Any sum due to a minor

shall be paid to the minor's legal guardian to be used for the minor's benefit, or, failing a legal guardian to such person or persons as the Treasurer may consider to be the proper person or persons to receive it on the minor's behalf.

- (c) If there be no party to receive the amount under clauses (a) and (b) it shall be divided among or paid to such person or persons (whether related to the subscriber or not) as may be specified in an accepted Form of Declaration. If the Form of Declaration relates to a portion only of the amount, the balance shall be distributed in the manner described in clause (d).
- (d) If there be no party entitled to receive under clauses (a), (b) and (c), the amount shall be paid to the subscriber's legal representative or such other person or persons as may be determined by a Civil Court, competent to pass orders in this respect:

Provided that if the sum remaining at the credit of the subscriber does not exceed taka four hundred, it may be paid to such person or persons as the Treasurer may consider to be the proper person or persons to receive it.

*Note 1.*—A husband may make a written application for the exclusion of his wife from participation under clause (b) if she has been Judicially separated from him. In the absence of such an application the widow shall retain her rights under clause (b).

*Note 2.*—When a person named in a Form of Declaration dies before the subscriber, the Declaration shall, in the absence of a direction to the contrary, in the Form of Declaration, become null and void in respect of that person, but that person only and his or her share shall be distributed in the manner described in clause (b) or clause (d) as the case may be.

*Note 3.*—The above two notes apply *mutatis mutandis* to married women who are subscribers to the Provident Fund.

(20) If the Treasurer receives notice that a Will has been left by a deceased subscriber, which purports to dispose of his accumulations in the Fund or any part of them, he shall, before making any payment, refer the matter to the Syndicate for decision.

(21) The University shall not be bound by, or recognise, any assignment or encumbrance executed or created which affects the disposal of the accumulations of a subscriber who dies before retirement.

(22) The ledger and other accounts of the Provident Fund shall be kept by the University Treasurer in a form approved by the Syndicate.

(23) The Provident Fund Accounts shall be audited annually by a Government Auditor together with the other accounts of the University.

(24) The securities of the Provident Fund shall be assessed by the Treasurer at the market value and after such assessment has been certified by the Government Auditor, the University shall, if necessary, subscribe from its General Funds such an amount as is required to make the amount available for distribution equivalent to the liabilities to the subscribers. If the Government Auditor certifies that the amount standing to the credit of the Fund is in excess of the liabilities, an amount equal to the amount to the excess balance shall be transferred from the Provident Fund to the General Funds of the University.

(25) Subject to the consent of the Syndicate and the subscriber concerned in each case, this Statute shall apply to the amounts accumulated in the names of the members of the staff.

(26) Subject to the consent of the Syndicate and the subscriber concerned in each case employees migrating to this University from the other recognised University shall be permitted to transfer the accumulations in his Provident Fund Account from the latter University.

(27) All questions of interpretation of this Statute shall be decided by the Syndicate, whose decision shall be final.

**APPENDIX**

**RAJSHAHI UNIVERSITY PROVIDENT FUND**

Depositor No. ....

**FORM OF DECLARATION**

\*From.....Subscriber.

I hereby declare that in the event of my death the amount at my credit in the University Provident Fund shall be distributed among the persons mentioned below in the manner shown against their names.

The amount due to a nominee, who is a minor at the time of my death, should be paid to the person whose name appears in column 5.

Name and address of the nominee or nominees.	Relation-ship with the subscriber .	Whether major or minor state his age.	Amount or share of deposit.	Name and address of the person to whom payment is to be made on behalf of the minor.	Sex and percentage of person mentioned in column 5.
1	2	3	4	5	6

\* Here state married or unmarried.

Two witnesses' signatures –

(1)

(2)

Station .....

Date .....

.....  
*Signature of Subscriber.*

## THE SECOND STATUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY

### *Statutes regarding the establishment of the Institute of Bangladesh Studies*

1. The University of Rajshahi shall establish an Institute of Bangladesh Studies, hereafter in this Statutes referred to as the Institute, as a constituent institute with a separate Board of Governors.

Establishment  
of the Institute

2. The aims and objects of the Institute shall be-

Aims and  
objects

- (a) to promote and provide facilities for advanced studies and research on the history, geography, economics, politics, sociology, anthropology, law, language, literature and linguistics, philosophy, art, archaeology, music, and culture of Bangladesh and such other subjects as are significantly related to the life and society of Bangladesh for the M. Phil. and Ph.D. degrees;
- (b) to undertake research projects in co-operation with public or private organizations as and when necessary under mutual agreement;
- (c) to place at the disposal of society the results of the researches conducted at the institute for fruitful utilisation in planning and development schemes;
- (d) to co-operate with other departments of the University in research activities relevant to Bangladesh Studies;
- (e) to popularise Bangladesh Studies in and outside the country through seminars, conferences and publications; and
- (f) to conduct such other activities as may facilitate attainment of the objects of the Institute.

3. (1) The administration and management of the Institute shall be vested in a Board of Governors consisting of-

Board of  
Governors

- (a) the Vice-Chancellor – *Chairman*;
- (b) a Professor or an Associate Professor, in order of seniority, from each of the following departments :-

*Group A*

- (i) Economics,
- (ii) Political Science,
- (iii) History,
- (iv) Sociology,
- (v) Bengali,

*Group B*

- (i) Statistics,
- (ii) Islamic History,
- (iii) Geography,
- (iv) Law,
- (v) Public Administration:

Provided that the Departments shall be represented on the Board of Governors in groups of five by yearly rotation beginning with Group A;

- (c) three regular teachers of the Institute to be elected by themselves;
- (d) the Curator, Varendra Research Museum of the University;
- (e) one person to be nominated by the Syndicate;
- (f) one person to be nominated by the Academic Council;
- (g) two scholars from other Universities to be nominated by the Chancellor; and
- (h) the Director of the Institute who shall also act as Secretary to the Board of Governors.

(2) The term of office of the elected and nominated members of the Board of Governors shall be two years.

(3) Four members including the Chairman shall form the quorum for meeting of the Board of Governors.

Powers of the Board of Governors

**4.** Subject to the delegation by the Syndicate of such administrative and financial powers in respect of the Institute as may be necessary for its proper functioning, the powers of the Board of Governors shall be-

- (a) to consider the annual academic courses and research programme and the budget estimates of the Institute prepared by the Director of the Institute for such modifications as it may suggest;

- (b) to appoint teachers and officers of the Institute on the recommendation of the Selection Committee as constituted under Statutes 6 and to determine the terms and conditions of their services :

Provided that the first Director of the Institute shall be appointed for a term of two years by the Syndicate on the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor;

- (c) to invite eminent scholars to the Institute as Senior Fellows or visiting Professors either to do research or teaching or to do both;
- (d) to frame, subject to the approval of the Syndicate, such rules and regulations as may be considered necessary for the proper organization and administration of the Institute and for the proper conduct of its examinations:

Provided that the rules and regulations relating to courses, examinations and other academic matters, shall go to the Syndicate through the Academic Council; and

- (e) to create, subject to the approval of the Syndicate, administrative, academic, technical, ministerial or any other posts on a permanent basis and to abolish or suspend any of them as and when considered necessary:

Provided that the Board of Governors may create posts on a temporary basis for conducting specific research projects of the Institute without the approval of the Syndicate.

**5. (1)** There shall be a Board of Studies of the Institute consisting of- Board of  
Studies

- (a) the Director of the Institute – *Chairman*;
- (b) four teachers of the Institute to be nominated by the Director of the Institute;
- (c) two Professors from other Universities of Bangladesh to be nominated by the Chairman of the Board of Governors; and
- (d) two Professors or Associate Professors of the University (from within the disciplines studied at the Institute) to be nominated by the Academic Council.



(2) The Board of Studies shall prepare courses of study and syllabi, make panels of examiners, frame rules relating to admissions, examinations, and determine the requirements of the degrees offered by the Institute for presentation to the Academic Council for its approval:

Provided that the Academic Council may refer back to the Board of Studies any of those matters once for reconsideration.

Selection  
Committees

6. (1) There shall be two Selection Committees of which one shall be for appointment of teachers and another for appointment of employees other than teachers of the Institute.

(2) The Selection Committee for appointment of teachers shall consist of -

- (a) the Vice-Chancellor – *Chairman*;
- (b) three nominees of the Board of Governors;
- (c) three experts (of whom at least one shall be from outside the country) to be nominated by the Syndicate on the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor; and
- (d) the Director of the Institute.

(3) The Selection Committee for appointment of employees other than teachers shall consist of-

- (a) the Director of the Institute – *Chairman*;
- (b) two nominees of the Board of Governors;
- (c) one nominee of the Syndicate; and
- (d) the Registrar of the University.

(4) Two members including the Chairman shall form the quorum for meeting of each Selection Committee.

(5) The term of office of the nominated members of each Selection Committee shall be one year.

**7.** The recommendations of the Selection Committees shall go to the Board of Governors. In case of an unresolved difference of opinion between the Board of Governors and the Selection Committees, the matter shall be referred to the Chancellor whose decision shall be final.

Recommendations of the Selection Committees

**8.** The Institute shall have a full-time Director with the status of a Professor, two Joint Directors, and an adequate number of teachers of the categories of Professor and Associate Professor.

Director etc.

**9.** The Institute shall have another category of teachers to be known as Senior Fellows and Fellows who shall ordinarily be drawn from among scholars not attached to any institution. A Senior Fellow shall have the status of a Professor of the University while a Fellow shall have the status of an Assistant Professor or Associate Professor depending upon his qualifications and experience.

Fellows etc.

**10.** Teachers of the University not below the rank of Associate Professors may be seconded to the Institute for a specific period to guide research, or teach or to do both, while an Assistant Professor may be seconded to the Institute to do research if facilities exist for such research only in the Institute.

Secondment of Teachers of the University

**11.** (1) The Director of the Institute shall be assisted by a Committee of the Institute consisting of the Professors, Senior Fellows, Associate Professors and Fellows of the Institute.

Committee of the Institute and its function

(2) The function of the Committee shall be to help prepare the budget, organise academic programmes, determine admission of students, hold examinations and term tests, and generally to formulate the academic and development policies of the Institute.

(3) The Director of the Institute shall convene a meeting of the Committee at least once a month during an academic session.

**12.** These Statutes can be amended, altered, added to or otherwise revised as and when necessary on the recommendation of the Board of Governors.

Amendment etc. of this Statutes

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