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No. PAP/Legis-3(89)/2021/2729. The University of Central Punjab (Amendment) Bill 2021, having been passed by the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab on December 28, 2021, and assented to by the Governor of the Punjab on January 12, 2022, is hereby published as an Act of the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab.

THE UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL PUNJAB (AMENDMENT) ACT 2021

ACT IV OF 2022

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**An
Act**

to amend the University of Central Punjab Ordinance 2002.

It is necessary to amend the University of Central Punjab Ordinance (Pb.Ord. XXIV of 2002), for the purposes hereinafter appearing.

Be it enacted by Provincial Assembly of the Punjab as follows:

1. Short title and commencement.— (1) This Act may be cited as the University of Central Punjab (Amendment) Act 2021.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Amendment in section 2 of Ordinance XXIV of 2002.— In the University of Central Punjab Ordinance, 2002 (Ordinance XXIV of 2002), hereinafter referred to as "the Ordinance", in section 2:

(i) After clause (a), the following new clause (aa) shall be added:

"(aa) "Affiliated College" means an Affiliated College of the University as may be approved by the Board.";

(ii) after clause (c), the following new clause (cc) shall be added:

"(cc) "College" means a Constituent College or an Affiliated College of the University";

- (iii) after clause (cc), the following new clause (ccc) shall be added:
“(ccc) “Constituent College” means a college maintained and/or administered by the University under approval of the Board”;
- (iv) in clause (d) after the word “Limited” the following shall be inserted:
“which shall be the sponsoring body of the University;”
- (v) after clause (h), the following new clauses shall be added:
“(hh) “Pro-Rector” means the Pro-Rector of the University, appointed by the Board on such terms as it may prescribe;
(hhh) “Provost” means the Provost of the University, appointed by the Board on such terms as it may prescribe;”
- (vi) after clause (i), the following new clause shall be added:
“(ii) “Registrar” means the Registrar of the University, appointed by the Board on such terms as it may prescribe;”
- (vii) after clause (j), the following new clause shall be added:
“(jj) “Treasurer” means the Treasurer of the University, appointed by the Board on such terms as it may prescribe;”

3. Amendment in section 4 of Ordinance XXIV of 2002.— In the Ordinance, in section 4:

- (a) Clause (a) shall be substituted with the following:
“(a) to provide for establishment, administration, instruction, training, courses of study, curriculum, examination and award of degrees in the academic programs offered in the following Faculties and their allied branches of knowledge as may be prescribed or determined by the Board from time to time-
 - (i) Science and Technology; Arts, Design and Architecture; Law; Social Sciences; Management Science; Public Relations; Languages and Literature; Humanities; Pharmaceutical Sciences; Professional Health Technologies; Medicine and Allied Health Sciences; Engineering; Information Technology and Computer Science; Media and Mass Communication; Strategic Planning; Aviation; Education; Hospitality and Tourism Management; Textile and Design.
 - (ii) Such other branches of knowledge and Faculties as the Board may determine, where applicable, subject to the prior approval of the relevant statutory body of a professional education i.e. Pakistan Medical Commission and Pakistan Engineering Council etc. The Board shall be competent to approve departments for the Faculties of the University on the recommendation of the Academic Council from time to time.”
- (b) clause (g) shall be substituted with the following:
“(g) to decide teaching methods and strategies including on-campus, online, distance learning, or any other teaching method as may be prescribed and approved by the Board;”
- (c) after clause (g) the following new clauses shall be inserted:
 - (h) to establish, maintain, manage, regulate and administer Authorities of the University, Faculties, departments, Colleges, teaching hospitals, laboratories, organizations, bodies, trusts, and such other facilities as the Board may determine and approve from time to time;
 - (i) to start Sandwich Programs and Split Programs between National and International Universities and to collaborate with other educational institutions in all academic matters;
 - (j) to award an honorary degree in recognition of outstanding performance or other distinctions, awards, prizes etc. on any person on the recommendations of the Board;
 - (k) to accept an examination and period of study spent by a student of the University at any other university or place of learning and

- prescribe conditions for such acceptance or withdrawal;
- (l) to publish research papers and other documents and get Intellectual Property Rights registered and protected under the relevant laws and to license them for consideration;
 - (m) to fix and demand such fees and other charges from the students as maybe determined by the Board from time to time. To provide for financial assistance, scholarships and awards for the deserving students;
 - (n) to affiliate other educational institutions, establish Constituent Colleges and otherwise admit any educational institution to the University's privileges or withdraw such privileges and to determine and demand such fees etc. as maybe prescribed for the said admission and/or related to the University's privileges;
 - (o) to engage, employ and appoint any appropriate person required for the operations of the University;
 - (p) to enter into lease agreements for property and equipment as maybe required for the operations and benefits of the University;
 - (q) to invest and manage the University Fund and/or seek loans and financial facilities in the manner as maybe prescribed by the Board;
 - (r) to enter into memorandums, agreements, contracts and commercial arrangements with other persons, institutions and organizations; and
 - (s) to exercise any other power ancillary to the above powers, University's status of a body corporate and such other functions as maybe prescribed by the Board."

4. Amendment in section 5 of Ordinance XXIV of 2002.— In the Ordinance, in section 5, for subsection (2), the following shall be substituted:

"(2) The University shall not open any sub-campus or affiliate any other educational institution for a period of ten years from the commencement of this Ordinance after which period it may have sub-campus and Affiliated Colleges as may be approved by the Board."

5. Amendment in section 7 of Ordinance XXIV of 2002.— In the Ordinance, in section 7, in subsection (5), the words "including its closure" appearing at the end, shall be omitted.

6. Amendment in section 8 of Ordinance XXIV of 2002.— (1) In the Ordinance, in section 8:

(i) subsection (1) shall be substituted with the following:

"(1) The Board of Governors of the University shall consist of the following:

- (i) Chairman of the Educational Excellence Limited;
- (ii) Members of the Board of Directors of the Company, subject to a maximum of eight members;
- (iii) Chairman Higher Education Commission or his nominee, not below the rank of BPS21;
- (iv) Chairman Punjab Higher Education Commission or his nominee, not below the rank of BPS20;
- (v) A Vice Chancellor of a University in Punjab, nominated by the Patron;
- (vi) The Rector;
- (vii) The Pro-Rector;
- (viii) Secretary to the Government of the Punjab Higher Education Department or his nominee not below the rank of an Additional Secretary;
- (ix) Member Pakistan Bar Council;
- (x) Member Pakistan Engineering Council;
- (xi) Member Pakistan Pharmacy Council;
- (xii) Members of such other professional bodies, like the Bar Council and Engineering Council, as maybe determined by the Chairman;

- (xiii) Representative of an NGO, appointed by the Chairman;
 - (xiv) President of the Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce or his nominee;
 - (xv) One Dean to be nominated by the Chairman;
 - (xvi) One person from the University Alumni, appointed by the Chairman;
 - (xvii) Four prominent citizens of Pakistan, appointed by the Chairman;
 - (xviii) Two eminent scholars of international standing, appointed by the Chairman;
 - (xix) Two University teachers, appointed by the Chairman.”; and
- (ii) for subsection (3) the following shall be substituted:
- “(3) The Board shall meet at least twice in a year on dates to be fixed by the Chairman provided that a special meeting may be called at any time by the Chairman to consider any matter of urgent nature.
 - (4) The quorum for a meeting of the Board shall be one-half of its members, a fraction being counted as one.
 - (5) The decisions of the Board shall be based on the majority vote of the members present and voting.
 - (6) In case of equality of votes the Chairman of the Board shall have and exercise a casting vote.”

7. Amendment in section 9 of Ordinance XXIV of 2002.— In the Ordinance, in section 9, subsection (1) shall be substituted with the following:

“(1) The Rector shall be appointed by the Board on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Board.”

8. Substitution of section 16 of Ordinance XXIV of 2002.— In the Ordinance, section 16 shall be substituted with the following:

“16. Statutes, Regulations and Rules.— The Board may from time to time make, amend and repeal Statutes, Regulations and Rules for the administration, management and regulation of the affairs of the University.”

9. Substitution of section 17 of Ordinance XXIV of 2002.— In the Ordinance, section 17 shall be substituted with the following:

“17. Removal of difficulties.— (1) If any question arises as to the interpretation of any of the provision of this Ordinance, it shall be placed before the Chairman and his decision shall be final.

(2) If any difficulty arises in giving effect to any of the provisions of this Ordinance, the Chairman may make such order after obtaining views of the Board; not inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, as may appear to him to be necessary for removing the difficulty.

(3) Where this Ordinance makes any provision for anything to be done but no provision or no sufficient provisions have been made in respect of the authority or the time at which it shall be done, then it shall be done by such authority, at such time, or in such manner as the Chairman may direct after obtaining the views of the Board.”

10. Amendment in section 18 of Ordinance XXIV of 2002.— (1) In the Ordinance, in section 18:

(i) subsection (1) shall be substituted with the following:

“(1) The Academic Council shall consist of

(i) The Rector, member/chairman of the Council;

(ii) The Pro-Rector;

(iii) The Provost;

(iv) All the Deans;

(v) All the Heads of the Departments/Institutes;

(vi) Three Professors of the University to be nominated by the Chairman;

(vii) Three Persons eminent in the fields of arts and sciences of whom at least one shall be from each category to be nominated by the

Chairman

- (viii) The Registrar of the University, who will also act as the Secretary.”; and
- (ii) subsection (3) shall be substituted with the following:
- “(3) The Academic Council shall meet at least twice in a year on dates to be fixed by the Rector provided that a special meeting may be called at any time by the Rector to consider any matter of urgent nature.
- (4) The quorum for a meeting of the Academic Council shall be one-half of its members, a fraction being counted as one.
- (5) The decisions of the Academic Council shall be based on the majority vote of the members present and voting.
- (6) In case of equality of votes the Rector shall have and exercise a casting vote.”

11. Amendment in the Schedule (First Statutes of the University of Central Punjab, Lahore) of Ordinance XXIV of 2002.— In the Ordinance, in Schedule, for paragraph 1, the following shall be substituted;

“1. **Faculties.**— There shall be a Faculty for a teaching department or a group of teaching departments. The University may include the following and/or such other Faculties as may be determined by the Board:

- a. Faculty of Science and Technology;
- b. Faculty of Arts, Design and Architecture;
- c. Faculty of Law;
- d. Faculty of Social Sciences;
- e. Faculty of Management Sciences;
- f. Faculty of Commerce;
- g. Faculty of Public Relations;
- h. Faculty of Languages and Literature;
- i. Faculty of Humanities;
- j. Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences;
- k. Faculty of Professional Health Technologies;
- l. Faculty of Medicine, Dentistry and Allied Health Sciences;
- m. Faculty of Engineering;
- n. Faculty of Information Technology and Computer Science;
- o. Faculty of Media and Mass Communication;
- p. Faculty of Strategic Planning;
- q. Faculty of Aviation;
- r. Faculty of Education;
- s. Faculty of Hospitality and Tourism Management;
- t. Faculty of Textile Technology.
- u. Such other Faculties and branches of knowledge, as the Board may determine from time to time and where applicable, subject to the prior approval of the relevant statutory body of professional education i.e. Pakistan Medical Commission and Pakistan Engineering Council etc.”

12. Amendment in the Schedule (First Statutes of the University of Central Punjab, Lahore) of Ordinance XXIV of 2002.— In the Ordinance, in Schedule, in paragraph 4, for subparagraph (1), the following shall be substituted;

- “(1) The Board of Advanced Studies and Research shall consist of:
- a) the Rector, member/chairman of the Board of Advanced Studies, or his nominee;
 - b) the Pro-Rector;
 - c) the Provost;
 - d) all the Deans;
 - e) one University Professor from each Faculty other than Dean to be appointed by the Chairman;
 - f) one member to be nominated by the Rector
 - g) three members from the relevant field, research Organizations and Government Departments to be nominated by the Chairman and

h) the Registrar, who will also act as the Secretary."

13. Amendment in the Schedule (First Statutes of the University of Central Punjab, Lahore) of Ordinance XXIV of 2002.— In the Ordinance, in Schedule, in paragraph 6, for subparagraph (1), the following shall be substituted;

"(1) The Selection Board shall consist of:

- a) the Rector, member/chairman, or his nominee;
- b) the Pro-Rector;
- c) the Provost;
- d) the Treasurer;
- e) the Registrar, who will also act as the Secretary;
- f) the Dean of the Faculty concerned in case of an academic post otherwise a nominee of the Chairman;
- g) one expert in the subject to be nominated by the Chairman."

14. Amendment in the Schedule (First Statutes of the University of Central Punjab, Lahore) of Ordinance XXIV of 2002.— In the Ordinance, in Schedule, in paragraph 8, for subparagraph (1), the following shall be substituted;

"(1) The Finance and Planning Committee shall consist of:

- a) the Rector, member/chairman, or his nominee;
- b) the Pro-Rector;
- c) the Treasurer, who shall also act as the Secretary;
- d) A nominee of the Chairman;
- e) All Deans."

15. Addition of new Paragraph 10 in the Schedule (First Statutes of the University of Central Punjab, Lahore) of Ordinance XXIV of 2002.— In the Ordinance, in Schedule, after paragraph 9, the following new Paragraph 10 shall be inserted:

- "10. **Meetings of the Authorities of the University.**— (1) The meetings of the Authorities of the University shall be conducted in such manner and at such times as may be prescribed by the Board.
- (2) A "chairman" of each Authority shall be entitled to call meetings of the respective Authorities as and when required.
- (3) Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, the University Authorities mentioned hereunder shall have the following minimum number of meetings:
- (a) Board of Faculty: Once every Semester;
 - (b) Board of Advanced Studies and Research: Quarterly;
 - (c) Selection Board: As and when required;
 - (d) Finance and Planning Committee: Biannually."

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