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NOTIFICATION

Karachi, the 25th October, 1995

No. PAS/Legis-B-14/95.—The Sir Syed University of Engineering and Technology Bill, 1995 having been passed by the Provincial Assembly of Sindh on 17th September, 1995 and assented to by the Governor of Sindh on 16th October, 1995 is hereby published as an Act of the legislature of Sindh.

THE SIR SYED UNIVERSITY OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY ACT, 1995.

SINDH ACT NO. X OF 1995

(First published after having received the assent of the Governor of Sindh in the Gazette of Sindh (Extra-Ordinary) dated 25th October, 1995)

AN

ACT

to provide for the establishment of Sir Syed University of Engineering and Technology at Karachi.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the establishment of Sir Syed University of Engineering and Technology at Karachi and for matters ancillary thereto;

It is hereby enacted as follows:—

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CHAPTER—I

PRELIMINARY

Short title
and commence-
ment.

1. (1) This Act may be called the Sir Syed University of Engineering and Technology Act, 1995.

(2) It shall come into force at once and shall be deemed to have taken effect on and from 5th day January, 1995.

Definitions.

2. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context:—

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

(ii) "affiliated college or institute" means the College or Institute affiliated to the University;

(iii) "Association" means the Aligarh Muslim University Old Boy's Association of Pakistan Karachi registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860;

(iv) "Authority" means any of the authorities of the University specified in section 11;

(v) "Board" means the Board of Governors of the University;

(vi) "Chancellor" means the Chancellor of the University;

(vii) "College" means a college and includes an institution in which arrangement exist for imparting instructions or practical training in courses of studies relating to engineering, technology and such other subjects as may be prescribed;

(viii) "Dean" means the Head of a Faculty;

(ix) "Director" means the Head of an Institute;

(x) "Faculty" means a Faculty of the University;

(xi) "Government" means the Government of Sindh;

(xii) "Institute" means an institute maintained and administered by the University;

(xiii) "Officer" means any of the officers of the University specified in section 6;

(xiv) "Prescribed" means prescribed by Statutes, Regulations or Rules;

(xv) "Professor Emeritus" means a retired Professor working in the University in an honorary capacity;

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(xvi) "Statutes, Regulations and Rules" means respectively the Statutes, Regulations and Rules made under this Act;

(xvii) "Teaching Department" means a Teaching Department established and maintained or recognised by the University;

(xviii) "University" means the Sir Syed University of Engineering and Technology, Karachi; and

(xix) "Vice Chancellor" means the Vice Chancellor of the University.

CHAPTER II

THE UNIVERSITY

3. (1) There shall be established a University to be called the Sir Syed University of Engineering and Technology, Karachi consisting of the Patron, the Chancellor, the Vice Chancellor, the Deans the Chairmen of the Teaching Departments and members of the Board, the members of the Academic Council and such other officers as may be prescribed. Establishment and incorporation of the University.

(2) The University shall be a body corporate by the name of the Sir Syed University of Engineering and Technology having perpetual succession and a common seal, with power, among others to acquire hold and dispose of any property vesting in it and shall by the said name, sue and be sued.

4. The University shall be open to all persons of either sex of whatever religion, race, creed, colour or domicile who are academically qualified for admission to the courses of study offered by the University, and no such person shall be denied the privilege on the ground only of sex, religion, creed, race, class, colour or domicile. University open to all.

5. The University shall be an autonomous body and shall have the powers:— Powers and Function of the University

- (i) to provide for instruction in Engineering and Technology and in such branches of learning as it may deem fit and to make provisions for the advancement and dissemination of knowledge in such manner as it may determine;
- (ii) to admit and examine students and to confer or award degrees, diplomas, certificate and other academic distinction on the persons, who have passed its examinations under the prescribed conditions;
- (iii) to affiliate itself or associate with other institutions and establish Faculties and the Teaching Departments to discharge its functions and responsibilities for the betterment of education;

- (iv) to confer honorary degrees or other distinctions on approved persons in the manner prescribed;
- (v) to prescribed courses of studies and undertake research as it may determine;
- (vi) to provide and support other facilities for education, professional training and research;
- (vii) to affiliate and dis-affiliate educational institutions and inspect such institutions or associate itself with other selected educational training and research institutions, provide them with services and facilities for the effective discharge of their functions and responsibilities and determine teaching methodology, techniques and strategies in order to ensure the most effective educational training and research programmes;
- (viii) to receive and manage property, grants, bequests, trusts, gifts, donations, endowments and other contributions made to the University and to invest them in such manner as it may deem fit;
- (ix) to enter into agreements, contracts and arrangements with Government, organisations, institutions, bodies, and individuals for carrying out its functions and activities;
- (x) demand and receive such fees and other charges as it may determine;
- (xi) to appoint members of the various bodies and committees as the Board may determine for instructional and co-curricular activities and admit students of the University and its constituent units;
- (xii) appoint such officers including teachers and members of the staff and prescribe terms and conditions, powers and duties of such officers and staff;
- (xiii) to do all such other acts and things as may be requisite to further its objectives.

CHAPTER—III

OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY

6. The following shall be the Officers of the University:—
- (i) the Patron;
 - (ii) the Chancellor;
 - (iii) the Vice Chancellor;

- (iv) the Deans;
- (v) the Directors;
- (vi) the Chairman of Teaching Departments;
- (vii) the Principals;
- (viii) the Registrar;
- (ix) the Director of Finance;
- (x) the Librarian;
- (xi) the Controller of Examinations;
- (xii) the Resident Auditor; and
- (xiii) such other persons as may be prescribed to be the officers of the University.

7. (1) The Governor of Sindh, shall be the Patron of the University. **The Patron**

(2) The Patron shall, when present, preside at the convocation of the University.

(3) Every proposal to confer an honorary degree shall be subject to confirmation by the Patron.

8. (1) The Patron may cause a visitation or enquiry to be made in respect of any matter connected with the affairs of the University and appoint such person or persons as may deem fit for the purpose. **Visitation**

(2) The parton shall on receipt of a report under sub-section (1) shall issue such directions as he thinks fit and Vice-Chancellor will comply with such direction.

9. (1) The Presdent of the Association shall be the Chancellor of the University. **The Chan-
ellor,**

(2) If the Chancellor is satisfied that the proceeding of any Authority or orders of any officer are not in accordance with the provisions of his Act. the statutes, the regulatons or the rules, he may, after calling upon such Authority or officer to show cause why such proceedings should not be annulled, by order in writing, annul such proceedings or orders.

(3) Should the Chancellor be incapacitated from acting as such due to absence or any other cause, the Vice-Chancellor shall act for him.

10. (1) The Vice Chancellor shall be appointed by the Chancellor for a period of four years on such terms and conditions as the Chancellor may determine and shall hold office during the pleasure of the Chancellor. **The Vice-
Chancellor**

(2) At any time when the office of the Vice Chancellor is vacant, or the Vice Chancellor is absent or is unable to perform the functions of his office due to illness or some other cause, the Chancellor shall make such arrangements for the performance of the duties of the Vice Chancellor as he may deem fit.

(3) The Vice Chancellor shall be the principal academic and administrative officer of the University, and shall be responsible for proper implementation of the provisions of this Act, directions of the Chancellor, decision of the University and execution of the policies and programmes of the University.

(4) The Vice Chancellor may, in an emergency which in his opinion requires immediate action, take such action as he may consider necessary and shall, thereafter as soon as possible, report his action to the officer, authority, or other body, which in the ordinary course would have dealt with the matter.

(5) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing powers, the Vice Chancellor shall also have the following power:

- (a) to create and fill temporary posts for period not exceeding six months;
- (b) to sanction all expenditure provided for in the approved budget and to re-appropriate funds within the same major head of expenditure;
- (c) to sanction re-appropriation of an amount not exceeding fifty thousand Rupees for an unforeseen item not provided for in the budget and report it to the Board at the next meeting;
- (d) to appoint paper setters and examiners for all examinations of the University after receiving panels of names from the relevant authorities;
- (e) to make such arrangement for the scrutiny of papers, marks and results as be necessary;
- (f) to direct teachers, officers and other employees of the University to take up such assignments in connection with teaching, research, examination and administration and such other activities in the University, as he may consider necessary;
- (g) to delegate, subject to such conditions if any as may be prescribed, any of his powers under this Act to an officer or other employee of the University;
- (h) to appoint employees of such categories in respect which powers have been delegated to him by the Board;
- (i) to exercise and perform such other powers and functions as may be prescribed.

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CHAPTER—IV

AUTHORITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY

11. The following shall be the Authorities of the University:--

Authority

- (i) the Board of Governors;
- (ii) the Academic Council;
- (iii) the Boards of Faculties;
- (iv) the Board of Advanced Studies and Research;
- (v) the Board of Studies;
- (vi) the Selection Board;
- (vii) the Finance and Planning Committee;
- (viii) Affiliation Committee; and
- (ix) such other Authorities as may be prescribed.

12. (1) The general supervision and control of the affairs of the University and its powers to lay down policies shall vest in the Board consisting of the following:--

Board of Governor

- (a) the Vice Chancellor;
- (b) the Chief Justice of the High Court of Sindh or a Judge of the High Court to be nominated by him;
- (c) the Secretary to the Government of Sindh, Education Department;
- (d) one Dean to be nominated by the Chancellor in consultation with the Vice Chancellor;
- (e) the Chairman, University Grants Commission, or whole time Member of the Commission to be nominated by him;
- (f) the President of the Chambers of Commerce and Industries, Karachi;
- (g) three persons of eminence to be nominated by the Chancellor on the recommendations of the Vice Chancellor;
- (h) three persons of outstanding merit, to be nominated by the Association.

(2) A nominated member shall hold office for a term of three years, and shall be eligible for renomination on the expiry of his term.

(3) The office of a nominated member shall become vacant if he resigns or fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the Board without sufficient cause or leave of absence or his nomination is changed by the authority which had nominated him.

(4) A casual vacancy of a member shall be filled by a person nominated by the authority which had nominated the member whose vacancy is to be filled.

(5) The Vice-Chancellor shall act as the Chairman of the Board.

(6) The Registrar shall act as the Secretary of the Board.

(7) No act or proceedings of the Board shall be invalid by reason only of the existence of a vacancy in or a defect in the constitution of the Board.

Power and
Function of
the Board

13. (1) In particulars without prejudice to the generality of the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 12, the Board shall exercise and perform the powers and functions as follows:—

- (a) to hold, control and administer the property, funds, assets and resources of the University;
- (b) transfer and accept transfer of movable or immovable property on behalf of the University;
- (c) to affiliate and disaffiliate college or institution;
- (d) to consider and approve, on the advice of the finance and planning committee, the annual and revised budget estimates and to lay down guideline or rules of business with financial matters;
- (e) to approve, carry out, vary or cancel contracts on behalf of the University;
- (f) to initiate and approve schemes for achievement of the objectives of the University;
- (g) to determine the form, and regulate the custody and use of common seal of the University;
- (h) to create professional research, administrative post and such other posts as may be required to carry out the purposes of the University, suspend or abolish such posts;
- (i) to appoint teachers, researchers and officers on the recommendations of the Selection Board;
- (j) to suspend, punish and remove from service the University employees whom it is empowered to appoint, in the manner prescribed after due enquiry and defence;
- (k) to propose statutes for submission to the Chancellor;
- (l) to approve Regulations or Rules on the recommendations of the appropriate bodies; and
- (m) to determine, regulate and administer all other matters concerning the University and, to this end exercise all necessary powers not specifically mentioned in this Act or the Statutes, the Regulations or the Rules.

(2) The Board may delegate any of its powers to an Authority or officers or a committee or a sub-committee.

14. (1) The Board shall meet at least twice in a year on the dates to be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor: Meetings of the Board.

Provided that a special meeting may be called at any time on the direction of the Chancellor or on a requisition made by not less than six members of the Board to consider a matter of urgent nature.

(2) Not less than ten clear days' notice of a special meeting shall be given to the members of the Board and the agenda of the meeting shall be restricted to the matter for which the special meeting is called.

(3) The quorum for a meeting of the Board shall be one half of its members, a fraction being counted as one.

(4) The decisions of the Board shall be expressed in terms of the views of the majority of the members present and voting and, if the members are equally divided, the Chairman of the Board shall have and exercise a casting vote.

15. (1) The Academic Council shall consist of—

- (a) the Vice Chancellor who shall be the Chairman;
 - (b) the Deans;
 - (c) the Directors;
 - (d) the Chairman of the teaching department;
 - (e) the University Professors including Professors Emeritus;
 - (f) Principal;
 - (g) the Registrar who shall be the Secretary;
 - (h) the Librarian;
 - (i) the Controller of Examinations;
 - (j) two eminent scholars nominated by the Board; and
 - (k) two persons of eminence to be nominated by the Chancellor;
- Academic Council.

(2) A nominated member shall hold office for a term of three years and shall be eligible for re-nomination.

(3) The office of a nominated member shall become vacant if he resigns or fails to attend three consecutive meetings of the Council without sufficient cause or leave of absence or his nomination is changed by the nominating authority.

(4) The quorum for a meeting of the council shall be one third of the total number of members, a fraction being counted as one.

Power and
functions of the
Academic
Council.

16. (1) The academic Council shall be the highest academic body of the University, and shall, subject to the provisions of this Act and the statutes, have the power to lay down proper standards of instruction, research and examinations, and to regulate and promote the academic life of the University.

(2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing provisions, the Council shall have the powers—

- (a) to advise the Board on academic matters;
- (b) to regulate the admission of students to the courses of studies and examination;
- (c) to propose the Board, schemes for the constitution and organization of Faculties, Teaching Departments, institutes and Board of Studies;
- (d) to consider or formulate proposals for the planning and development of teaching and research in the University;
- (e) to make Regulations on the recommendations of the Boards of Faculties and the Board of studies prescribing the course of studies and the syllabi for all University examination: provided that, if the recommendations of Board of Faculties and Board of Studies are not received by the prescribed date, the Council may, subject to the approval of the Board continue for the next year the courses of studies already prescribed for an examinations;
- (f) to recognize the examinations of other Universities or examining bodies as equivalent to the corresponding examinations of the University;
- (g) to frame Regulations for submission to the Board;
- (h) to appoint members to the various Authorities in accordance with the provisions of this Act, and to perform such other functions as may be prescribed by statutes;

Constitution
functions and
powers of
other
Authorities.

17. The constitution functions and powers of the Authorities for which no specific provision or insufficient provision has been made in this Act shall be such as may be prescribed by Statutes.

Appointment
of Committee
by the
Authorities.

18. The Board, the Academic Council and other Authorities may appoint such Standing, Special or advisory Committees as they may consider advantageous in the performance of their functions.

CHAPTER—V

STATUTES, REGULATIONS AND RULES

Statutes

19. (1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, statutes may be made to regulate or prescribe all or any of the following matters, namely—

