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[28TH MAY, 2018.]

AN ACT to provide for the establishment of UIT University at Karachi.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the establishment of the UIT University at Karachi and to provide for matters ancillary thereto;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

CHAPTER-I
PRELIMINARY

Short title and Commencement.

1. (1) This Act maybe called the UIT University Act, 2017.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

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) "Authority" means any of the authorities of the University as specified in section 7;

(iii) "Board" means the Board of Governor of the University;

(iv) "Chairperson" means the Chairperson of the Board;

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

(vi) "Commission" means the Higher Education Commission, Islamabad;

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

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

(ix) "Foundation" means the Usman Memorial Foundation, established under the Societies Act of 1860, with registration number 3848;

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

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(xi) "Head" means Head of a Teaching Department;

(xii) "University" means the UIT University;

(xiii) "Officer" means any of the officers of the University specified in section 8;

(xiv) "Patron" means the Patron of the University;

(xv) "proscribed" means prescribed by statutes, regulations or rules;

(xvi) "Vice Chancellor" means the Vice Chancellor of the University;

(xvii) "Provost" means Provost of the University;

(xviii) "Registrar" means the Registrar of the University;

(xix) "statutes, regulations and rules" means respectively the statutes, regulations and rules made under this Act;

(xx) "teacher" means the Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor and Lecturer engaged by the University and such persons as may be declared to be the teacher by regulations;

(xxi) "Teaching Department" means a Teaching Department established and maintained or recognized by the University;

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CHAPTER-II
THE UNIVERSITY

Incorporation.

3. (1) There shall be established a University to be called the UIT University, Karachi, consisting of the Patron, the Chancellor, the Vice Chancellor, the Provost, the Deans, the Heads of the Teaching Departments and members of the Board, the members of the Academic Council and such other officers as may be prescribed.

(2) The University shall be a body corporate owned, managed and administered, by the Foundation, having perpetual succession in fact, deed, and by the name of UIT University and a common seal, with power, amongst others to acquire, and hold property both movable and immovable to lease, sell or otherwise

transfer any property vesting in it, owned by it or having been acquired by it, and shall by the said name, sue and be sued.

(3) The University shall take measures to setup campuses, virtual campuses or study centers at such places in or outside Pakistan.

4. The University shall be an autonomous body shall have the powers – **Powers of the University.**

(i) to promote the advancement of learning by teaching and research, promotion of entrepreneurship and its dissemination by every means and work and to achieve and maintain national academic standards;

(ii) to provide for instructions and training in such branches of learning as it may deem fit for the advancement of knowledge as it may determine;

(iii) to make provision for research, demonstration and for the advancement and dissemination of knowledge in such manner as it may determine;

(iv) to admit and examine students and to confer or award degrees, diplomas, certificates, joint degrees, co-terminal degrees, dual degrees, multiple degrees and other academic distinctions on and to persons, who have passed its examination under prescribed conditions;

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(v) to develop curricula and prescribe courses of studies and undertake research as it may determine;

(vi) to appoint such officers including teachers and members of the staff as necessary and prescribe terms and conditions and powers and duties of such officers and staff;

(vii) to affiliate or associate itself with other institutions and establish Faculties and Teaching Departments to discharge its functions and responsibilities for the betterment of education;

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(viii) to control the discipline of the students of the University and the University in the prescribed manner;

(ix) to confer honorary degrees or other distinctions on approved persons in the manner prescribed;

(x) to provide and support other facilities for education, professional training and research;

(xi) to receive and manage property, grants, bequests, trusts, gifts, donations, endowments and other contributions made to the University and to invest them or dispose of them in such manner as it may deem fit;

(xii) to enter into agreements, contracts and arrangements with organizations, institutions, bodies and individuals for carrying out its functions and activities;

(xiii) to cooperate and collaborate with Universities and institute and authorities or organizations in public and private sector;

(xiv) to affiliate and disaffiliate educational institutions and inspect colleges and other educational institutions affiliated or seeking affiliation with it;

(xv) to create posts for research, extension, administration and other related purposes and to appoint persons thereto;

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(xvi) to set up electronic media channels such as television station, radio station either through national broadcasting medium or internet for the purpose of dissemination of education to the public and in accordance with the mission of the University subject to laws, rules and regulations for the time being apply for the purpose;

(xvii) to undertake such research as it may determine in any and all branches of learning;

(xviii) to demand and receive such fees and other charges as it may determine;

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(xix) to appoint members of the various bodies and communities for instructional and con-curricular activities;

(xx) to provide for the printing and publication of research and other works; and

(xxi) to do all such other acts and things as may be requisite to further the objectives of the University as a place of education and learning;

(xxii) to develop and offer online and distant learning programmes, courses, diplomas, certifications, enroll students into online and distant learning programmes and award degrees, diplomas, certifications.

University open to all.

5. The University shall be open to all persons of all genders, 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 grourd only of gender, religion, creed, race, class, colour or domicile.

Teaching at the University.

6. (1) The Academic programmes of the University shall be conducted in the prescribed manner.

(2) The University may associate external examinations for the conduct of examinations.

(3) No degree shall be granted unless a student has passed an examination in Islamic Studies and Pakistan Studies at Bachelor's degree level or, in the case of non-Muslim student, in ethics or Pakistan Studies at his option.

Authorities.

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

(i) The Board of Governors;

(ii) The Academic Council;

(iii) The Boards of Faculties;

(iv) The Boards of Studies;

(v) The Selection Board;

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(vi) The Board of Advanced Studies and Research;

(vii) The Finance and Planning Committee;

(viii) The discipline Committee;

(ix) The Affiliation Committee; and

(x) such other Authorities as may be prescribed by the statutes.

CHAPTER-III
OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY

Officers of the University.

8. The following shall be the officers of the University: -

(i) the Chancellor;

(ii) the Vice Chancellor;

(iii) the Provost;

(iv) the Vice Provost;

(v) the Deans;

(vi) the Head of the Teaching Departments;

(vii) the Registrar;

(viii) the Director of Finance;

(ix) the Controller of Examination;

(x) the Resident Auditor;

(xi) the Librarian; and

(xii) such other persons as may be prescribed to be officers of the University.

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Patron.

9. (1) The patron of the University will be appointed by the Foundation whose tenure, terms and conditions will be determined and fixed by the Foundation.

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

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Visitation.

10. (1) The Patron may cause an inspection or inquiry to be made in respect of any matter connected with the affairs of the University and shall; from time to time direct any person or persons to inquire into or carry out inspection of –

(i) the University, its building, libraries and other facilities;

(ii) any institution, department or hostel maintained by the University;

(iii) the adequacy of financial and human resources;

(iv) the teaching, research, curriculum, examination and other matters of the University; and

(v) such other matters as may be specified by him.

(2) The Patron shall communicate to the Board his views with regard to the result of visitation and shall after ascertaining the views of the Board, advise the Board on the action to be taken by it.

(3) The Board shall, within such time as may be specified by the Patron, communicate to him such action, if any, as has been taken or may be proposed to be taken upon the results of visitation.

Chancellor.

11. (1) The Chancellor shall be a person of eminence, known for his contribution in the field of knowledge or service to society and appreciated for high moral and his intellectual calibre.

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(2) Subject to sub-section (1), the Chancellor shall be appointed by the Foundation for a period of four years on the terms and conditions as the Foundation may determine.

(3) The Chancellor shall, in the absence of the Patron, preside at the convocation of the University.

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

(5) The Chancellor may remove any person from the membership of any Authority if such person:-

(i) has become unsound mind; or

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(ii) has been incapacitated or is unable to function as member; or

(iii) has been convicted by a court of law in Pakistan of an offence involving moral turpitude.

(6) If the Chancellor is satisfied that the proceedings of any Authority are not in accordance with the provisions of this Act, the statutes, the regulation or the rules, he may, after calling upon such Authority to show cause why such proceedings should not be annulled, by order in writing, annual the proceedings.

(7) Should the Chancellor be incapacitated from acting as such due to absence or any other cause, the Vice Chancellor or any person authorized by the Board shall exercise all the powers and perform all the duties and functions of the Chancellor.

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

(9) The Chancellor shall, on receipt of a report under sub-section (6) above, issue such directions as he thinks fit and the Vice Chancellor will comply with such directions through the Board.

12. (1) The Vice Chancellor shall be appointed by the Foundation for a period of four years on such terms and conditions as the Foundation may determine and shall be eligible for re-appointment subject to the approval of the Foundation. **Vice Chancellor.**

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(2) The vice Chancellor shall, in the absence of the Patron Chancellor, preside at the convocation of the University.

(3) The Vice Chancellor shall be responsible for the proper administration of the University its financial management and the implementation of the provisions of this act, the statutes, the regulations, the rules and the decisions, guidelines and policies framed by the Board.

(4) The Vice Chancellor shall be a full-time paid officer of the University and his remuneration and allowances shall be determined by the Board, with approval of the Foundation.

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(5) The Vice Chancellor, in his ex-officio capacity, shall represent the University on the Board of Governors of the Foundation and shall attend all its meetings, as a member, to keep the Foundation informed of the activities of the University.

(6) The Vice Chancellor shall appoint, on the recommendations of the Selection Board, teachers, officers and members of the staff of the University and such other persons as may be necessary in accordance with policies and procedures approved by the Board so as to ensure the highest intellectual and moral qualities in the persons appointed.

(7) Should the Vice Chancellor be incapacitated from acting as such due to absence, death or nay other cause, the Provost or any person authorized by the Board shall exercise all the powers and perform all the duties and functions of the Vice Chancellor.

13. **Provost.**

(1) The Provost shall be appointed by the Vice Chancellor on the recommendations of the Board, for a period of four years on such terms and conditions as the Board may determine.

(2) The Provost shall be the Chief Academic Officer of the University and shall be responsible for maintaining a proper standard of education and for the implementation of the provisions of this Act, the statutes, the regulations, the rules and the decisions of the Board and for the execution of the programs of the University in accordance with the guidelines and policies formulated by the Board.

(3) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing powers, the Provost shall also have the powers –

(i) to submit plans of work which may improve standard of learning and teaching of the University to the Vice Chancellor;

(ii) to direct the activities connected with the execution of programmes for instructions, training, research, services to the community;

(iii) to submit to the Board, in accordance with the rules of procedure, reports on the activities of the University and the execution of the plans of work;

(iv) to undertake any work assigned by the Board;

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(v) 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; and

(vi) to exercise and perform such other powers and functions as may be prescribed.

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

Vice-Provost.

14. (1) The Vice Chancellor may, in consultation with the Provost, appoint a Vice-Provost for the main campus or additional campuses, if any, or for all the campuses jointly or separately, on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Vice Chancellor.

(2) Where a Vice-Provost is appointed under sub-section (1), hell shall, notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, exercise such powers and perform such functions as the Vice Chancellor may delegate to him.

Registrar.

15. (1) The Registrar shall be a whole-time officer of the University and shall be appointed by the Board on such terms and conditions as the Board may determine.

(2) The Registrar shall –

(i) be the custodian of the common seal and the academic records of the University;

(ii) maintain the register of registered graduates in the prescribed manner and register of the minutes of all meetings of the Board and other Authorities in which he is required to attend under this Act and preserve all records and data of the University;

(iii) supervise and process of appointment or nomination of members to the various authorities and other bodies in the prescribed manner; and

(iv) perform such other duties as may be prescribed.

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Director Finance.

16. (1) The Director of Finance shall be a whole-time officer of the University who shall preferably be a Chartered Accountant or a Cost and Management Accountant and shall be appointed by the Board on such terms and conditions as the Board may determine.

(2) The Director of Finance shall be the Chief Financial Officer and shall-

(i) manage the assets, property, the finances and the investments of the University;

(ii) prepare the annual and revised budget estimates of the University and present them to the Finance and Planning Committee and the Board;

(iii) ensure that the funds of the University are expended for the purposes for which they are provided; and

(iv) perform such other duties as may be prescribed.

Controller of Examination.

17. (1) The Controller of Examination shall be an officer of the University who shall be appointed by the Board on the recommendations of the Vice Chancellor, on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed.

(2) The Controller of Examination shall be responsible for all matters connected with the conduct of examinations and perform such other duties as may be prescribed.

Resident Auditor.

18. The Resident Auditor shall be an officer of the University and shall be responsible for internal audit of the University.

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CHAPTER-IV
AUTHORITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY

Authorities.

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

(i) the Board of Governors;

(ii) the Academic Council;

(iii) the Boards of Faculties;

(iv) the Board of advanced Studies and Research;

(v) the Boards of Studies;

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(vi) the Selection Board;

(vii) the Finance and Planning Committees; and

(viii) such other Authorities as may be prescribed.

Board of Governors.

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

(i) The Chancellor who shall be its Chairperson;

(ii) The Vice Chancellor;

(iii) the Provost;

(iv) a sitting or retired Judge of the High Court nominated by the Chief Justice of the High Court of Sindh;

(v) the Chairperson of the Commission or whole time member of the Commission nominated by him;

(vi) the Secretary Education Department Government of Sindh, or his representative of not below the Rank of Grade 19 officer of the Department;

(vii) two Members of the Provincial Assembly of Sindh are to be nominated by the Speaker, Provincial Assembly of Sindh;

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(viii) two persons of national or international eminence to be nominated by the Vice Chancellor;

(ix) four persons to be nominated by the Foundation;

(x) Chairperson or his nominee of a relevant industry or trade association nominated by the Vice Chancellor;

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

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

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

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

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

Powers and duties of the Board.

21. (1) The Board shall be the executive and governing body of the University and shall be subject to the provisions of this Act and the statutes exercise general supervision over the affairs and management of the University.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing powers and subject to the provisions of this Act and the statutes, the Board shall have the powers –

(i) to hold control and administer the property and funds of the University;

(ii) to govern and regulate, with due regard to the advice of the relevant Committees, the finances, accounts and investments of the University and for that purpose to appoint such agents as it may think fit;

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(iii) to consider annual and revised budget estimates and to re-appropriate funds from one major head of expenditure to another;

(iv) to transfer and accept transfer of movable or immovable property on behalf of the University;

(v) to enter into vary carry out and cancel contracts on behalf of the University;

(vi) to cause proper books of accounts to be kept for all sums of money received and expended by the University and for the assets and liabilities of the University;

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(vii) to receive, manage and dispose of any property transferred and grants, bequests, donations, endowments and other contributions made to the University;

(viii) to administer any funds placed at the disposal of the University for specified purposes;

(ix) to determine the form provide for the custody and regulate the sue of the common seal of the University;

(x) to provide the buildings, libraries, premises, furniture, apparatus, equipment and other means required for carrying out the work of the University;

(xi) to University programmes for the exchange of students and teachers between the University and other Universities and other educational Institutes and research organization whether in Pakistan or abroad;

(xii) to create posts for Professorship, Associate Professorship, Assistant Professorship, Lectureship and other teaching posts or to suspend or abolish such posts;

(xiii) to create suspend or abolish such administrative, teaching, research or other posts as may be necessary;

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(xiv) to make appointments on the recommendation of the Selection Board to the posts of teachers, officers and such other cadres as may be determined by the Board;

(xv) to establish and maintain halls of residence and hostels or approve or license hostels or lodgings for the residence of students;

(xvi) to confer honorary degrees, on the recommendation of the academic council in accordance with the prescribed conditions;

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(xvii) to cooperate with other charitable trusts, societies, associations, instructions or companies formed for all or any of these objects and statutory authorities operating for similar purposes and to exchange any advice or information with them;

(xviii) to prescribed the duties of officers teachers and other employees of the University;

(xix) to suspend impose penalty and remove front service officers (other than the Vice Chancellor), teachers and other employees in the manner prescribed;

(xx) to appoint members of the various Authorities in accordance with the provisions of this Act;

(xxi) to create component of the University such as faculties, departments, campuses and universities under its jurisdiction and to constitute such standing committees, councils and other administrative or academic advisory bodies as it may deem necessary and review their work;

(xxii) to propose statutes for submission to the Chancellor;

(xxiii) to consider and dispose of the regulations made by the Academic Council; provided that the Board may frame the Regulations on its own initiative and approve it after consulting the Academic Council;

(xxiv) to regulate, determine and administer all other matters concerning the University and, to this end, exercise all other powers not specifically mentioned in this Act and the statutes;

(xxv) to delegate any of its powers to an Authority or Officer or a Committee or Sub-Committee or withdraw the same at any time; and

(xxvi) to perform such other functions as have been assigned to it under this Act, or may be assigned to it by the statutes.

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Meetings of the Board.

22. (1) The Board shall meet at least three times in a year on the dates to be fixed by the Vice Chancellor; 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 four 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 the total membership of the Board, a fraction be 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 equality divided, the Chairperson shall have and exercise a casting vote.

Academic Council.

23. (1) The Academic Council shall consist of :-

(i) the Vice Chancellor who shall be the Chairperson;

(ii) the Provost;

(iii) the Vice-provost;

(iv) all the Deans;

(v) the Head of the Teaching Departments;

(vi) selected University Professors and Associate Professors;

(vii) the Registrar who shall be the Secretary;

(viii) four eminent persons in the field of studies of the Faculties nominated by the Board; and

(ix) the Controller of Examinations;

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

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(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 when his nomination is charged 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.

(5) Subject to sub-section (3), a member may take part in meeting of the Academic Council by using any communication equipment and he shall be deemed to have participated in the meeting.

Powers and duties of the Academic Council.

24. (1) The Academic Council shall be the highest academic body of the University, and shall, subject to the provisions of this Act and statutes, have power to lay down standards of instruction, publication, 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 power –

(i) to advise the Board on academic matters;

(ii) to regulate the admission of students to the courses of studies and examinations and conduct of teaching, research, publication and examination as to preserve high standards of learning and education with the approval of the Board;

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(iii) to propose the Board, schemes for the constitution and organization of colleges, faculties, teaching departments, universities and Board of Studies;

(iv) to consider or formulate proposals for the planning and development of teaching and research in the University;

(v) to make regulations on the recommendations of the Boards of Faculties and the Boards of Studies, prescribing the courses of studies and the syllabi for all University examinations; provided that, if the recommendations of Boards of Faculties and

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Boards of Studies are not received by the prescribed date, the Academic Council may, subject to the approval of the Board, continue for the next year the courses of studies already prescribed for an examination;

(vi) to recognize examinations of other University of examining bodies as equivalent to corresponding examinations of the University;

(vii) to frame Regulations for submission to the Board;

(viii) to appoint members to the various Authorities in accordance with the Provisions of this Act and to perform such other function as may be prescribed by statutes;

25. 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. **Constitution, functions and powers other authorities.**

26. 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. **Appointment of Committees by it authority.**

CHAPTER-V
STATUTES, REGULATIONS AND RULES

27. (1) Subject to provisions of this Act, statutes may be made to regulate or prescribe all or any of the following matters, namely:- **Statues.**

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(i) the terms and conditions of service of officers, teachers and other employees of the University;

(ii) the terms and conditions of contractual appointments of teachers, researches and officers,

(iii) the maintenance of register of registered graduates;

(iv) the establishment of colleges, Faculties, teaching departments, universities, campuses and other academic units and divisions;

(v) the powers and duties of officers and teachers;

(vi) the conditions under which the University may enter into arrangements with other public or private organizations for purposes of instructions, research and other scholarly activities;

(vii) the general schemes of studies including the duration of courses and number of subjects and papers for examinations;

(viii) the efficiency and discipline of the employees of the University;

(ix) the acquisition and administration of properties and investment of the University; and

(x) all other matters which under this Act are required to be done or may be prescribed or regulated by statutes.

(2) The draft of the statutes shall be proposed by the Board for the approval of the Chancellor.

(3) The Chancellor shall have the power to assent to the statutes submitted to him for approval, or refer them back to the Board for reconsideration.

(4) No Statute shall be valid until it has been approved by the Chancellor.

Regulations.

28. (1) Subject to provisions of this Act and the statutes, regulations may be made for all or any of the following matters:-

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(i) schemes of studies and research, including the duration of courses, number of subject or papers for examination;

(ii) syllabi and courses of study and research programmes leading to degrees, diplomas or certificates;

(iii) conduct and supervision of examination, appointment of examiners, scrutiny, tabulation and declaration of result;

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(iv) determination of fees and other charges for admission to various courses, examination and hostels;

(v) maintenance of discipline among students and schemes for their welfare;

(vi) conditions under which a person should carry on independent research to entitle him to a degree;

(vii) institution of fellowships, scholarships, prizes, medals, honoraria and other financial assistance for students and research scholars;

(viii) conduct of convocation and form of academic costumes;

(ix) conditions of residence of students;

(x) use or library; and

(xi) all other academic matters which by this Act or statutes are to be or may be prescribed by regulation.

(2) The Board shall have powers to approve the regulations submitted to it with or without modification or refer them back to the Academic Council for reconsideration or reject them.

(3) No regulation shall be valid until they have been approved by the Board.

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Rules.

29. (1) The Authorities and the other bodies of the University may make rules consistent with this Act, the statutes and the regulations, to regulate the conduct of their business and the time and place of meetings and related matters:

Provided that the Board may direct the amendment or annulment of any rules made by any authority or body, under this section:

Provided further that if such other Authority or body is dissatisfied with such directions, it may appeal to the Foundation whose decision in the matter shall be final.

(2) The Board may make rules to regulate any matter relating to the affairs of the University which under this Act is not specifically required to be provided for by the statutes or regulations.

30. The procedure for adding to, amending, or repealing the statutes and the regulations shall be the same as that prescribed respectively for framing or making the statutes and regulations. **Amendment and repeal of Statute and Regulations.**

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THE UNIVERSITY FUND

31. (1) The University shall have a Fund to which shall be credited its income from fees, donations, trusts, bequests, endowments, grant, contributions and all other sources. **Fund, Audit an Accounts.**

(2) Capital and recurrent expenditure of the University shall be met from the contribution made by the Board and any other foundations, universities, individuals, Government and from the income derived from such sources including the Foundation.

(3) No contribution, donation or grant which may directly or indirectly involve any immediate or subsequent financial liability for the University, or which may involve an activity not included in the programmes for the time being, shall be accepted without the prior approval of the Board.

(4) The accounts of the University shall be maintained in such from and manner as may be determined by the Board and shall be audited each year within four months of the closing of the financial year of the University by the registered Chartered Accountant or Cost and management Accountant appointed by the Board.

(5) The accounts, together with the report of the auditor thereon shall be submitted to the Board for approval.

(6) The auditor's report shall certify that the auditor has complied with the standards of audit and certification laid down by the institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan.

32. Any casual vacancy among the appointed or nominated members of any Authority shall be filled as soon as conveniently may be possible by the person or the body who appointed or nominated the member whose place has become vacant and the person appointed or nominated to the vacancy shall be member **Filling of casual vacancies in Authorities.**

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of such Authority for the residue of the term for which the person whose place he fills would have been a member:

Provided that where a vacancy in the membership of an Authority other than the Board cannot be filled for the reason that the member was ex-officio and the office has ceased to exist or the organization in institution or other body other than the University has ceased to exist or has ceased to function, or for any other circumstance which make it impracticable to fill the vacancy, the vacancy shall be filled in such manner as the Board, may direct on the recommendation of the Vice Chancellor.

33. When number of a newly constituted Authority is appointed or nominated his term of office, as fixed under this Act shall commence from such date as may prescribed. **Commencement term of member Authorities.**

34. No act, proceeding, resolution or decision of any Authority shall be invalid by reason only of any vacancy or defect in the constitution of or in the appointment or nomination of any member of the Authority. **Validity of proceedings of Authorities.**

35. (1) The University shall work within the framework of the Education policy and other law or policy framed by Government or Commission from time to time. **General Provisions.**

(2) Annual monitoring charges as fixed by Government from time to time shall be paid by the University through pay order in the name of Secretary, Education Department, Government of Sindh.

(3) The academic qualifications, salaries and fringe benefits of the academic staff shall not be less than those admissible to such staff in public University in the Province.

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36. If any question arises as to the interpretation of any of the provisions of this Act, it shall be placed before the Chancellor whose decision thereon shall be final. **Interpretation.**

37. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, the statutes set out in the Schedule, shall be deemed to be the statutes framed under this Act and shall remain in force until they are amended or replaced by new statutes framed in accordance with this Act. **Frist Statutes**

38. No court shall have jurisdiction to entertain any proceeding, grant any injunction or make any order in relation to anything done in good faith or purported to have been done or intended to be done under this Act. **Bar of Jurisdiction.**

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39. No suit or legal proceedings, shall lie against Government, the University, or any Authority or an employee of the University or any person, in respect of anything which is done, or purported to have been done in good faith or is intended to have been done under this Act. **Indemnity.**

40. In case of winding up or dissolution of the University, the surplus assets or property, after the satisfaction of all debts and liabilities, shall not be paid or disbursed among the members, but shall stand transferred to the Foundation. **Dissolution or Winding up of University.**

41. If any difficulty arises as to the first constitution or reconstitution of any Authority upon coming into force of this Act or otherwise in giving effect to any provision of this Act, the Chancellor may give appropriate directions to remove such difficulty. **Removal of difficulty.**

THE SCHEDULE
THE FIRST STATUTES
(see section 37)

1. (1) The University shall include the following Faculties:- **Faculties.**

(i) Faculty of Engineering and Technology;

(ii) Faculty of Sciences and Mathematics;

(iii) Faculty of Computing Sciences;

(iv) Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities;

(v) Faculty of Fashion, Interior and Textile Design;

(vi) Faculty of Arts and Architecture;

(vii) Faculty of Health and medical Sciences;

(viii) Faculty of Management Sciences and Economics;

(ix) Faculty of Law;

(x) Faculty of Education;

(xi) Faculty of Agriculture and Veterinary Sciences;

(xii) Faculty of Sports Sciences and Physical Education;

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(xiii) Faculty of performing Arts;

(xiv) Such other Faculties as may be prescribed by statutes.

(2) The Islamic Education and Pakistan Studies shall be compulsory for Muslim students Non-Muslim students shall in lieu of these subjects have option to take ethics and Pakistan Studies subjects in all faculties. This applies to Bachelor Degrees only.

(3) Each college or faculty shall include such institutes, teaching departments, centres or other teaching or research units as may be prescribed by statutes.

Boar of Faculty

2. (1) There shall be a Board of Each faculty which shall consist of:-

(i) the Dean of the Faculty;

(ii) the Professors and Heads of the Teaching Departments of the faculty;

(iii) two members of each Board of Studies that comprise the Faculty to be nominated by the Board of Studies concerned;

(iv) three teachers to be nominated by the Academic Council by reason of their specialized knowledge of subjects which, though not assigned to the Faculty, have in the opinion of the Academic Council, important bearing on the subjects assigned to the Faculty;

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(v) two experts in the relevant field from outside the University to be appointed by the Board; and

(vi) one member to be nominated by the Provost.

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

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

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(4) The Board of Faculty shall, subject to the general control of the Academic Council and the Board, have the powers to:-

(i) co-ordinate the teaching and research work in the subjects assigned to the Faculty;

(ii) scrutinize the recommendations of the Board of the Studies comprising the Faculty with regard to the appointment of paper-setters, and examiners for graduate and Post graduate examinations and to forward the panels of suitable paper-setters and examiners for each examination to the Provost;

(iii) consider any other academic matter relating to the Faculty and report thereon to the Academic Council;

(iv) prepare a comprehensive annual report regarding the performance of each department, comprising the faculty for presentation to the Academic council; and

(v) perform such other functions as may be prescribed by the statutes.

3. **Dean of Faculty.**

(1) There shall be a Dean of each faculty who shall be the Chairperson and convener of the Board of Faculty.

(2) The Dean shall be appointed by the Board and shall hold office for a period of three years and shall be eligible for reappointment.

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

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

4. **Teaching Department.**

(1) There shall be a Teaching Department for each subject or a group of allied subjects, as may be prescribed by the regulations and shall be headed by a Head of Department.

(2) The Head of Teaching Department shall be appointed by the Vice Chancellor on the recommendation of the respective Dean for a period of three years and shall be eligible for reappointment:

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In case the Head of Teaching Department is absent or not available the department shall be looked after by the Dean unless otherwise directed by the Vice Chancellor.

(3) The Head of the Department shall-

(i) plan, organize and supervise the work of the department and shall be responsible to the Dean for the work of his Department;

(ii) under the general supervision of the Provost and the Dean, shall exercise all administrative, financial and academic powers and such other duties or powers as may be delegated to him; and

(iii) prepare a comprehensive annual report on the performance of the Department at graduate and postgraduate levels, and faculty research and development and submit it to the Dean of the Faculty for evaluation.

5. **Board of Studies.** (1) There shall be a Board of Studies for each subject or a group of subjects as may be prescribed by regulations.

(2) Each Board of Studies shall consist of –

(i) the Head of the Teaching Department concerned;

(ii) all Professors and Associate Professors in the Teaching Department concerned;

(iii) two University teachers, other than professors or Associate Professors to be appointed by the Academic Council;

(iv) two experts, other than University teachers, to be appointed by the Provost.

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

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

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(5) The Head of the teaching department concerned shall be the Chairperson and convener of the Board of Studies.

(6) The functions of the Board of Studies shall be –

(i) to advise Authorities on all academic matters connected with instruction, research and examination in the subjects concerned;

(ii) to propose curricula and syllabi for all degree, diploma and certificate courses in the subject or subjects concerned;

(iii) to suggest a panel of names of papers setters and examiners in the subjects concerned; and

(iv) to perform such other functions as may be prescribed by regulations.

6. (1) There shall be a Board of Advance Studies and Research consisting of – **Board of Advanced Studies and Research.**

(i) the Vice Chancellor, who shall be its Chairperson;

(ii) the Provost;

(iii) all the Deans;

(iv) one Professor from each faculty having experience in research in relevant field to be appointed by the Academic Council;

(v) one Professor from each faculty other than the Dean to be appointed by the Board;

(vi) one member to be nominated by the Provost;

(vii) three members from the relevant field from the Research Organizations or Universities, to be nominated by the Board; and

(viii) the Registrar, who shall act as its Secretary.

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

(3) The quorum for a meeting of the Advance Studies and Research Board shall be one half of the total number of members, a fraction being counted as one.

(4) The functions of the Advanced Studies Research Board shall be –

(i) to advise the Authorities on all matters connected with the promotion of Advance Studies and research in the University;

(ii) to propose regulations regarding the award of research degrees;

(iii) to appoint supervisors for research students to determine the subject of their thesis;

(iv) to recommend panels of names of paper setters and examiners for research degrees; and

(v) to perform such other functions as may be prescribed by statutes.

Selection Board.

7. (1) There shall be a Selection Board consisting of –

(i) the Vice Chancellor who shall be its Chairperson;

(ii) the Provost;

(iii) the Dean of the Faculty concerned;

(iv) the Head of the teaching Department concerned;

(v) two members of the Board to be nominated by the Board;

(vi) two eminent scholars to be nominated by the Board;

(vii) the Registrar shall be the Secretary of the Selection Board.

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(2) The members of the Selection Board other than ex-officio members shall hold office for three years.

(3) The quorum for a meeting of Selection Board shall be four members.

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

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

(6) The functions of the Selection Board shall be –

(i) to consider all applications for teaching and other post received and shall recommend to the Board the names of suitable candidates for appointment to such posts;

(ii) to recommend to the Board the grant of higher initial pay in a suitable case for reasons to be recorded in writing;

(iii) to recommend to the Board the appointment of an eminently qualified person to a position in the University on the terms and conditions as may be prescribed;

(iv) to consider all cases of promotion of academic staff and officer of the University and recommend to the Board the names of suitable candidates for such promotions; and

(v) that in the event of an unresolved difference of opinion between the Selection Board and the Board, the matter shall be referred to the Vice Chancellor whose decision in the matter shall be final.

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Finance and Planning Committee.

8. (1) There shall be Finance and Planning Committee –

(i) the Vice Chancellor who shall be its Chairperson;

(ii) the Provost;

(iii) all the Deans;

(iv) one member of the Board to be nominated by the Board;

(v) one member of the Academic Council to be nominated by the Academic Council;

(vi) one representative each from Education and Finance Departments not below the rank of Deputy Secretary;

(vii) the Director Finance of the Institute shall be a member and Secretary of the Board.

(2) The term of the office of the members of the Finance and Planning Committee, other than ex-officio members shall be for a period of three years.

(3) The quorum for a meeting of the Finance and Planning Committee shall be three members.

(4) The functions of the Finance and Planning Committee shall be –

(i) to consider annual statement of accounts and annual and revised budget estimates and advise the Board thereon;

(ii) to review periodically the financial position of the University;

(iii) to advise the Board on all matters relating to planning development, finance investment and accounts of the University;

(iv) to prepare short term and long term development plans;

(v) to prepare staff and resource development plans; and

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(vi) to perform such other functions as may be prescribed by statutes.

Discipline Committee and its functions.

9. (1) The Discipline Committee shall consist of :-

(i) the Provost or his nominee;

(ii) two Professors to be nominated by the Academic Council;

(iii) one member to be nominated by the Foundation; and

(iv) the Teacher or Officer In charge of Student Affairs.

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

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

(4) The functions of the Discipline Committee shall be –

(i) to propose regulations to the Academic Council for the conduct of University students, maintenance of discipline and for dealing with cases of discipline; and

(ii) to perform such other functions as may be assigned to it by the statutes or regulations.

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Affiliation Committee.

10. (1) There shall be an Affiliation Committee which shall consist of –

(i) the Vice Chancellor who shall be the Chairperson;

(ii) the Provost;

(iii) one member of the Board to be nominated by the Board;

(iv) two Professors to be nominated by the Academic Council;

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(v) the Director Education (Colleges) of the region concerned.

(2) The term of the office of the appointed members of the Affiliation Committee excluding ex-officio members shall be two years.

(3) The Affiliation Committee may co-opt not more than three experts.

(4) The quorum for a meeting of the Affiliation Committee shall be three members.

(5) An officer of the University to be designated by the Vice Chancellor for this purpose shall act as the Secretary of the Committee.

(6) The Affiliation Committee shall perform the following functions:-

(i) to frame rules governing the affiliations for institutions seeking affiliations with the University;

(ii) to inspect and affiliate Institutions seeking affiliations with the University;

(iii) to enquire into the complaints alleging breach of conditions of affiliations by affiliated colleges; and

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(iv) to perform such other functions as may be prescribed by the regulations.