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### PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION REGARDING THE NUR INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY LAHORE BILL 2014 (BILL NO. 25 OF 2014)

The Nur International University Lahore Bill 2014 (Bill No.25 of 2014) was referred to the Standing Committee on Education on 20 October 2014. The Committee considered the bill in its meetings held on 6 & 13 November 2014 and 13 & 21 January 2015.

2. The following were present:—

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| 1. | Engineer Qamar-ul-Islam Raja, MPA (PP-5)   | Chairman                 |
| 2. | Ms Mehwish Sultana<br>Parliamentary Secretary for Higher Education<br>(attended on 6, 13 November 2014 and 21 January 2015)        | <i>ex-officio</i> Member |
| 3. | Rana Munawar Hussain<br><i>alias</i> Rana Munawar Ghous Khan, MPA (PP-36)<br>(attended on 6 November 2014, 13 and 21 January 2015) | Member                   |
| 4. | Syed Tariq Yaqoob, MPA (PP-117)<br>(attended on 13 November 2014)  | Member                   |
| 5. | Chodhary Muhammad Akram, MPA (PP-122)  | Member                   |
| 6. | Mian Muhammad Kazim Ali Pirzada, MPA (PP-273)<br>(attended on 21 January 2015)   | Member                   |
| 7. | Mrs Shameela Aslam, MPA (W-312)<br>(attended on 6 & 13 November 2014 and 21 January 2015)  | Member                   |
| 8. | Mst Bushra Anjum Butt, MPA (W-354)<br>(attended on 6 November 2014 and 21 January 2015)  | Member                   |

3. Mr Abdullah Khan Sumbal, Secretary, Higher Education Department and Mr Mohsin Bukhari, Deputy Director, Law and Parliamentary Affairs Department represented their Departments. Hafiz Muhammad Shafiq Adil, Special Secretary, Provincial Assembly of the Punjab functioned as Secretary to the Committee.

4. The Secretary Higher Education Department apprised the Committee that the Nur International University had been registered under section 42 of the Companies Ordinance, 1984. The University had an internationally recognized set up imparting international level courses and its degrees would also be recognized internationally. The Accreditation Committee had recommended for grant of Charter to the University after its visit to the University. The University had a modern library having about more than four thousand books in it. He also explained before the Committee the establishment and functions of the

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University, Authorities of the University, Board of Governors and its powers and duties. He also explained the appointment of the Vice Chancellor, Controller of Examinations and composition of Board of Governors, its powers as well as composition of the Academic Council with its powers and duties. He further apprised the Committee about the financial provisions of the University. He requested the Committee that the bill, as introduced, may be recommended to be passed by the Assembly.

5. After detailed discussion on the aims and objects and clauses of the bill, the Committee unanimously decided to recommend that the bill may be passed by the Assembly, subject to the following amendments -

#### AMENDMENTS IN THE BILL

(1) **CLAUSE 1**

the figures "2014" be substituted by the figures "2015".

(2) **CLAUSE 2**

Clause 2 be substituted as under:

**"2. Definitions.**— In this Act:

- (a) "Academic Council" means the Academic Council of the University;
- (b) "Authority" means an Authority of the University specified in section 17;
- (c) "Board" means Board of Governors of the University;
- (d) "Chancellor" means Governor of the Punjab;
- (e) "constituent college" means a college established, maintained and administered by the University;
- (f) "Controller of Examinations" means Controller of Examinations of the University;
- (g) "Dean" means head of a faculty of the University;
- (h) "department" means a teaching department maintained and administered by the University in the prescribed manner;
- (i) "Faculty" means an administrative and academic unit of the University consisting of one or more departments;
- (j) "Foundation" means the NUR Foundation, registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan as a not for profit Company under section 42 of the Companies Ordinance, 1984 (XLVII of 1984);
- (k) "Government" means Government of the Punjab;
- (l) "head of department" means the head of a department and includes principal of a constituent college and director of an institute;

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- (m) "Higher Education Commission" means Higher Education Commission established under the Higher Education Commission Ordinance 2002 (LIII of 2002);
- (n) "institute" means an institute established, governed, maintained and administered by the University;
- (o) "prescribed" means prescribed by the rules, statutes or regulations;
- (p) "Registrar" means Registrar of the University;
- (q) "Schedule" means Schedule appended to the Act;
- (r) "Search Committee" means Search Committee constituted by the Board for making recommendations for appointment of the Vice Chancellor;
- (s) "statutes", "regulations" and "rules" mean respectively the statutes, regulations and rules made under the Act;
- (t) "teacher" includes a Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor or Lecturer engaged whole time by the University and such other person as may be prescribed;
- (u) "Treasurer" means the Treasurer of the University;
- (v) "University" means the NUR International University Lahore established under the Act; and
- (w) "Vice Chancellor" means the Vice Chancellor of the University."

**(3) CLAUSE 3**

in sub-clause (3):

- (i) in para (b), the word "Chairman" be substituted by the word "Chairperson"; and
- (ii) in para (d), the word "Chairpersons" be substituted by the words "heads of departments".

**(4) CLAUSE 4**

- (i) in para (m), the words "faculty of the University" be substituted by the word "teachers";
- (ii) in para (o), after the word "acceptance", occurring at the end, the words "as per policy of the Higher Education Commission;" be added;
- (iii) para (s) be substituted as under:  
"(s) institute and award financial assistance to students in need, fellowships, scholarships, bursaries, medals and prizes of an amount not less than five percent of the annual income of the University;";
- (iv) para (w) be substituted as under:  
"(w) demand and receive such fees and other charges from the students as mentioned in the annual prospectus of the University;"; and
- (v) in para (aa), the word "functions", be substituted by the word "function".

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(5) **CLAUSE 5**

- (i) in sub-clause (1), the comma and words “, colour or domicile” be substituted by the words “and colour”; and
- (ii) in sub-clause (2), the comma and words “, colour or domicile” be substituted by the words “and colour”.

(6) **CLAUSE 6**

in sub-clause (2), the word “Chancellor” be substituted by the word “Government”.

(7) **CLAUSE 7**

para (d) be substituted as under:

“(d) heads of departments;”.

(8) **CLAUSE 8**

in sub-clause (2), after the word “degree” the words “on a person of eminence”, be added.

(9) **CLAUSE 9**

- (i) in sub-clause (2), the word “recommend” occurring in line 3, be substituted by the word “direct”;
- (ii) in sub-clause (3), the word “recommendation” be substituted by the word “direction”; and
- (iii) in sub-clause (6) the word “Chairman” be substituted by the word “Chairperson”.

(10) **CLAUSE 11**

- (i) in sub-clause (3), the word “Chairman”, occurring in line 4 be substituted by the word “Chairperson”;
- (ii) sub-clauses (6) and (7) be re-numbered as sub-clauses (5) and (6); and
- (iii) in the re-numbered sub-clause (5), after the word “University” the words “including details of income and expenditures”, be added.

(11) **CLAUSE 12**

Clause 12 be substituted as under:

“12 **Acting Vice Chancellor.**- Subject to such conditions as may be prescribed, if 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 Board shall make arrangements for the performance of the duties of the Vice Chancellor by such other person as it may deem fit and the Board shall, within four months from the date of vacancy in the office of Vice Chancellor, send its recommendations to the Government for the appointment of the Vice Chancellor.”.

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(12) **CLAUSE 13**

in sub-clause (3):

- (i) in para (a), the word "secretariat" occurring in line 2, be substituted by the word "secretarial" and
- (ii) in para (e), after the word "may" occurring for the second time, the word "be", be added.

(13) **CLAUSE 15**

in sub-clause (3), in para (e), the words "as my be", at the end of line 1, be omitted.

(14) **CLAUSE 18**

Clause 18 be substituted as under:

"18. **Board of Governors.**~ (1) The Board of Governors of the University shall consist of the following:

- (a) Chairman, Board of Directors of the Foundation;
- (b) one member of the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab to be nominated by the Speaker;
- (c) Vice Chancellor;
- (d) four members of the Foundation to be nominated by the Foundation;
- (e) four persons including at least two women from amongst eminent scholars, business persons or academicians to be nominated by the Foundation;
- (f) Chairman, Higher Education Commission or his nominee not below the rank of a Director;
- (g) Chairperson, Punjab Higher Education Commission or his nominee;
- (h) Vice Chancellor of a public sector university in the Punjab nominated by the Chancellor; and
- (i) Secretary to the Government, Higher Education Department or his nominee not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary.

(2) The Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Foundation shall be the Chairperson of the Board and the Vice Chancellor shall be the Vice Chairperson of the Board.

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

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(4) The quorum for a meeting of the Board shall be one half of the total number of members with at least three ex-officio members.

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

(6) The Foundation may fill a casual vacancy occurring because of death or resignation of a member of the Board nominated by the Foundation to the extent of the remainder of the term of the former member.”

**(15) CLAUSE 20**

sub-clause (1) be substituted as under:

“(1) The meetings and business of the Board shall be conducted in such manner and in accordance with such procedure as may be prescribed in the regulations.”

**(16) CLAUSE 21**

Clause 21 be substituted as under:

“21. **Delegation of powers.**– (1) Subject to subsection (2), the Board may delegate to any person or a committee any of its powers, duties or functions.

(2) The Board shall not delegate the following functions-

- (a) to make regulations;
- (b) to recommend any action to the Chancellor or Government;
- (c) to appoint Registrar, Controller of Examinations or Treasurer;
- (d) to approve annual budget and consideration of audit reports.”

**(17) CLAUSE 22**

in sub-clause (1):

- (i) in para (c), the word “Chairpersons” be substituted by the words “head of departments”;
- (ii) in para (f), before the word “Education” the word “Higher” be added; and
- (iii) para (h) be substituted as under :
  - “(h) three persons including at least one woman, eminent in the field of art or science of whom at least one shall be from each category, to be nominated by the Board;”

**(18) CLAUSE 23**

in sub-clause (2):

- (i) in para (d), the words “of the University” be omitted; and

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(ii) para (i) be substituted as under:

“(i) recommend regulations to the Board for approval;”

(19) **CLAUSE 28**

the words “this Act” occurring at the end, be substituted by the words “the Act”.

(20) **CLAUSE 30**

the words “this Act” occurring in line 3, be substituted by the words “the Act”.

(21) **SCHEDULE**

(i) **Para 1**

sub-para (2) be substituted as under:

“(2) The University shall have the following faculties and such other faculties as may be prescribed:

- (a) Faculty of Basic Sciences (Departments of Bio-Chemistry and Physiology);
- (b) Faculty of Applied Sciences (Department of Clinical Nutrition);
- (c) Faculty of Management Sciences (Department of Business Administration); and
- (d) Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences (Department of Sociology).”

(ii) **Para 2**

(a) in sub-para (1):

- (i) in clause (b), the word “Chairpersons” be substituted by the words “heads of departments”;
- (ii) in clause (c), after the word “teachers”, the words and comma “including at least one woman,”, be added; and
- (iii) in clause (d), after the word “experts”, the words and comma “including at least one woman,”, be added.

(b) in sub-para (4):

- (i) in clause (b), the words “comprising a faculty”, occurring in line 1, be omitted; and
- (ii) clause (d) be substituted as under:

“(d) prepare a comprehensive annual report regarding the performance of each department, faculty, constituent college or institute for presentation to the Academic Council; and”;

(c) in sub-para (6), the words “three senior most”, occurring in line 2, be omitted.

(iii) **Para 3**

(a) in sub-para (1), the word "Chairpersons", occurring at the end, be substituted by the words "heads of departments";

(b) sub-para (2) be substituted as under:

"(2) The Board shall, on the recommendations of the Vice Chancellor, appoint the Head of department from amongst Professors or Associate Professors other than a Professor already working as Dean for a period of three years and the head of department shall be eligible for re-appointment."; and

(c) in sub-paras (3), (4) and (5), the word "Chairpersons", be substituted by the words "head of departments".

(iv) **Para 4**

in sub-para (1), in clause (f) after the word "members", the words and comma "including at least one woman," be added.

(v) **Para 6**

in sub-para (1):

(a) in clause (c), the word "Chairperson" be substituted by the words "head of department";

(b) in clause (e), the word "Society", be substituted by the word "Foundation"; and

(c) in clause (f), before the word "Education", the word "Higher", be added.

(vi) **Para 8**

in sub-para (1):

(a) in clause (f), before the word "Education", the word "Higher", be added; and

(b) in clause (i), the word "Society", be substituted by the word "Foundation".

5. A copy of the bill as introduced in the Assembly is at Annexure-A and a copy of the bill as recommended by the Committee is at Annexure-B.

Lahore  
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Chairman  
Standing Committee on Education

Lahore  
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Secretary



## PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB

BILL NO. 25 OF 2014

### THE NUR INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY LAHORE BILL 2014

A  
BILL

*to provide for the establishment of NUR International University Lahore.*

Whereas it is expedient to provide for the establishment of *NUR International University Lahore* in the private sector and to provide for connected matters;

It is enacted as follows:

#### CHAPTER I PRELIMINARY

1. **Short title and commencement.**— (1) This Act may be cited as the NUR International University Lahore Act 2014.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Definitions.**— In this Act:

- (a) "Academic Council" means the Academic Council of the University;
- (b) "Authority" means an Authority of the University specified in section 17;
- (c) "Board" means Board of Governors of the University;
- (d) "Chairperson" means the head of a department;
- (e) "Chancellor" means Governor of the Punjab;
- (f) "Controller of Examinations" means Controller of Examinations of the University;
- (g) "Dean" means head of a faculty of the University;
- (h) "department" means a teaching department maintained and administered by the University in the prescribed manner;
- (i) "Faculty" means an administrative and academic unit of the University consisting of one or more departments;
- (j) "Government" means Government of the Punjab;
- (k) "Higher Education Commission" means Higher Education Commission established under the Higher Education Commission Ordinance 2002 (LIII of 2002);
- (l) "prescribed" means prescribed by the rules, statutes or regulations;
- (m) "Registrar" means Registrar of the University;
- (n) "Schedule" means Schedule appended to the Act;
- (o) "Search Committee" means Search Committee constituted by the Board for making recommendations for appointment of the Vice Chancellor;
- (p) "Society" means the NUR Foundation, registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan as a non-governmental, non-profit, and charitable Company under section 42 of the Companies Ordinance, 1984 (XLVII of 1984);
- (q) "statutes", "regulations" and "rules" mean respectively the statutes, regulations and rules made under the Act;
- (r) "teacher" includes a Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor or Lecturer engaged whole time by the University and such other person as may be prescribed;
- (s) "Treasurer" means the Treasurer of the University;
- (t) "University" means the NUR International University Lahore established

- under the Act; and
- (u) "Vice Chancellor" means the Vice Chancellor of the University.

## CHAPTER II THE UNIVERSITY

**3. Establishment of the University.**— (1) The Government shall, by notification, establish a university to be called NUR International University Lahore with its campus located in Lahore.

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

(3) The University shall consist of the following:

- (a) Chancellor;
- (b) Chairman and members of the Board;
- (c) Vice Chancellor;
- (d) Chairpersons and Deans;
- (e) members of an Authority;
- (f) teachers and the students of the University; and
- (g) officers and members of the staff of the University.

**4. Functions of the University.**— The University shall:

- (a) provide instruction and training in:
  - (i) basic sciences, applied sciences, management sciences, humanities and social sciences; and
  - (ii) such other branches of knowledge, except medical, dental, allied health sciences or nursing education, as the Board may determine with the approval of the Chancellor given on the recommendation of a committee constituted by the Government and, where applicable, subject to the prior approval of the relevant statutory body of professional education;
- (b) establish, maintain and administer a department, constituent college or an institute;
- (c) establish and support other facilities for education, training and research;
- (d) prescribe courses of studies;
- (e) decide teaching methods and strategies to ensure the most effective educational and training programmes;
- (f) hold examinations in the prescribed manner and, if a person qualifies the examination, award degree, diploma, certificate and other academic distinction to the person;
- (g) prescribe the terms and conditions of employment of the officers, teachers and other employees of the University;
- (h) engage, where necessary, a person on contract of specified duration and to specify the terms of the engagement;
- (i) institute programmes for the exchange of students and teachers between the University and any other university, educational institution or research organization;
- (j) provide career counseling and job search services to the students and alumni;
- (k) maintain linkages with alumni;
- (l) develop and implement fund-raising plans;
- (m) provide and support the academic development of the faculty of the University;

- (n) confer degree on a person who has successfully conducted research in the prescribed manner;
- (o) accept an examination and the period of study spent by a student of the University at any other university or place of learning equivalent to an examination or period of study of the University and may withdraw such acceptance;
- (p) cooperate with a public authority, university or private organization in the manner and for such purpose as may be prescribed;
- (q) institute Professorship, Associate Professorship, Assistant Professorship and Lecturership or any other post and may appoint a person on the post;
- (r) create a post for research, extension, administration or other related purpose and may appoint a person on the post;
- (s) institute and award financial assistance to students in need, fellowships, scholarships, bursaries, medals and prizes in the prescribed manner;
- (t) provide for the residence of the students, establish and maintain halls of residence and may approve or licence a hostel, lodging or boarding place;
- (u) maintain order, discipline and security in a campus of the University;
- (v) promote extra-curricular and recreational activities of the students and make arrangements for promoting health and general welfare of the students;
- (w) demand and receive such fees and other charges from the students as it may determine;
- (x) make provision for research, advisory or consultancy services and enter into arrangements with any other institution, public or private body, commercial or industrial enterprise in the prescribed manner;
- (y) receive and manage property transferred and grants, contributions made to the University and to invest any fund in the manner as it may deem fit;
- (z) print and publish research or any other work; and
  - (aa) perform any other prescribed or an ancillary functions.

**5. University open to all.**— (1) Subject to such reasonable restrictions as may be prescribed, the University shall be open to all persons; and, admission to the University shall not be denied merely on the basis of gender, religion, race, creed, colour or domicile.

(2) The University shall not discriminate against any person solely on the basis of gender, religion, race, creed, colour or domicile.

**6. Jurisdiction.**— (1) The jurisdiction of the University shall be restricted to the Province of the Punjab.

(2) The University shall not open any sub-campus for a period of ten years from the commencement of this Act after which period it may open a sub-campus with the approval of the Chancellor.

### CHAPTER III OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY

**7. Officers of the University.**— The following shall be the officers of the University:

- (a) Chancellor;
- (b) Vice Chancellor;
- (c) Deans;
- (d) Chairpersons;
- (e) Registrar;
- (f) Treasurer;
- (g) Controller of Examinations; and

- (h) such other persons as may be prescribed by the statutes or regulations to be the officers of the University.

**8. Chancellor.**— (1) The Chancellor or his nominee shall preside at a convocation of the University.

(2) The University may confer honorary degree subject to the prior approval of the Chancellor.

(3) The Chancellor may approve the draft statutes submitted by the Board or refer the statutes back to the Board for reconsideration.

(4) In the performance of his functions under the Act, the Chancellor shall act and be bound in the same manner as the Governor of the Province acts and is bound under Article 105 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

**9. Inspection and inquiry.**— (1) The Chancellor may direct inspection or inquiry into the affairs of the University.

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

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

(4) If the Board fails to take action to the satisfaction of the Chancellor within the specified time, the Chancellor may issue such direction as he thinks fit and the Board shall comply with the direction.

(5) The Chancellor may, on the recommendation of a committee constituted by him and comprising a nominee of the Board, a Judge of the Lahore High Court to be nominated by the Chief Justice of the High Court and a Professor Emeritus or Vice Chancellor of any university, take action against the University by appointing an administrator, who shall exercise the powers of the Board to run the affairs of the University till such time as may be specified by the Chancellor.

(6) The Chancellor shall not take any action under subsection (5), unless the Chairman of the Board is afforded an opportunity of hearing.

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

**10. Vice Chancellor.**— (1) The Government shall, on the recommendations of the Board, appoint a person as Vice Chancellor for a term of four years on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Board.

(2) The Board shall recommend a person for appointment as Vice Chancellor from amongst the panel of three persons recommended by the Search Committee.

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

(4) The Vice Chancellor shall perform functions under this Act or any other function as may be assigned to him by the Board.

**11. Powers of the Vice-Chancellor.**— (1) The Vice Chancellor shall be the chief executive officer of the University responsible for administrative and academic functions of the University and for ensuring that the provisions of the Act, rules, statutes and regulations are observed in all the affairs of the University.

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

(3) Subject to the conditions as may be prescribed by the Board, the Vice Chancellor may, in an emergency, take an action which is not otherwise in the



competence of the Vice Chancellor and, within three days of taking of such action, submit a report of the action taken to the Chairman of the Board.

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

- (a) direct a teacher, officer or other employee of the University to take up such assignment in connection with examination, administration or any other activity in relation to the University;
- (b) sanction by re-appropriation an amount for an unforeseen item not provided for in the budget of the University;
- (c) make appointments of such categories of employees of the University in such manner as may be prescribed;
- (d) take disciplinary action against a teacher, officer or any other employee of the University in the prescribed manner;
- (e) delegate, subject to such conditions as may be prescribed, any of his powers to a teacher or officer of the University; and
- (f) exercise such other powers as may be prescribed.

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

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

**12. Acting Vice Chancellor.**— Subject to such conditions as may be prescribed, if 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 Board shall make arrangements for the performance of the duties of the Vice Chancellor by such other person as it may deem fit.

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

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

(3) The Registrar shall be a full-time officer of the University and shall:

- (a) be the administrative head of the Secretariat of the University and be responsible for the provision of secretariat support to the Board and the Vice Chancellor;
- (b) be the custodian of the common seal and the academic records of the University;
- (c) maintain a register of the students and graduates in the prescribed manner;
- (d) supervise the process of election, appointment or nomination of a member to an Authority or body of the University in the prescribed manner; and
- (e) perform such other duties as may be prescribed or as may assigned by the Vice Chancellor or the Board.

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

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

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

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

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

**15. Treasurer.**— (1) The Board shall, on the recommendation of the Vice Chancellor, appoint Treasurer of the University on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed and until so prescribed as may be determined by the Board.

(2) The Board shall not appoint a person as Treasurer unless he possesses the prescribed qualifications and experience and until so prescribed as may be determined by the Board.

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

- (a) manage the assets, liabilities, receipts, expenditures, funds and investments of the University;
- (b) prepare the annual and revised budget estimates of the University and present the estimates to the Board;
- (c) ensure that the funds of the University are spent according to the budget or any other special arrangement;
- (d) ensure that the accounts of the University are audited annually and are available for submission to the Board within six months of the end of a financial year; and
- (e) perform such other functions as may be prescribed or as may be assigned to him by the Vice Chancellor or the Board.

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

**16. Appointments.**— The University may appoint such persons in its services as may be necessary on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Board.

#### CHAPTER IV AUTHORITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY

**17. Authorities of the University.**— The following shall be the Authorities of the University:

- (a) Board of Governors;
- (b) Academic Council;
- (c) Boards of Faculties;
- (d) Board of Advanced Studies and Research;
- (e) Selection Board;
- (f) Finance and Planning Committee; and
- (g) any other prescribed Authority.

**18. Board of Governors.**— (1) The Board of Governors of the University shall consist of the following:

- (a) Chairman, Board of Trustees of the Society;
- (b) Vice Chancellor;
- (c) four members of the Society to be nominated by the Society;
- (d) four persons including at least one woman from amongst eminent scholars, business persons or academicians to be nominated by the Society;
- (e) one member of the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab to be nominated by the Speaker;



- (f) Chairman, Higher Education Commission or his nominee not below the rank of a Director;
  - (g) Vice Chancellor of a public sector university in the Punjab nominated by the Chancellor; and
  - (h) Secretary to the Government, Higher Education Department or his nominee not below the rank of an Additional Secretary.
- (2) The Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Society shall be the Chairman of the Board and the Vice Chancellor shall be the Vice Chairman of the Board.
- (3) The members of the Board other than *ex-officio* members shall hold office for a term of three years and shall be eligible for re-appointment on the expiry of their term of office.
- (4) The quorum for a meeting of the Board shall be one half of the total number of members with at least three *ex-officio* members.
- (5) The Registrar shall be the Secretary of the Board and the Secretary shall, with the approval of the Chairman of the Board, call the meeting of the Board.
- (6) The Society may fill a casual vacancy occurring because of death or resignation of a member of the Board nominated by the Society to the extent of the remainder of the term of the former member.

**19. Powers and duties of the Board.**— (1) The administration and management of the affairs of the University shall vest in the Board.

- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the aforesaid power, the Board may:
- (a) formulate or approve the principles, policies and plans governing the activities and operations of the University so as to facilitate research, teaching and other academic work;
  - (b) recommend the statutes to the Chancellor;
  - (c) make or approve regulations;
  - (d) create a component of the University such as faculty, department, constituent college or Institute, subject to the provisions of the Act;
  - (e) constitute a committee, council and any other administrative or academic advisory body;
  - (f) create such academic or administrative posts as it may deem necessary and to approve appointments to such posts as it may specify;
  - (g) hold, control and administer the property, funds and resources of the University and raise funds for the purpose of the University upon such security as may be required under the regulations;
  - (h) undertake the responsibility for the financial viability of the University including responsibility for ensuring effectiveness of its operations, their continuity and preservation of the autonomy of the University;
  - (i) consider and pass through a resolution the annual report, plan of work, statement of accounts and the annual budget estimates;
  - (j) call for and consider reports relating to the activities of the University and may direct the Vice Chancellor to furnish information relating to any matter specified by the Board; and
  - (k) take all such initiatives as it may consider necessary or desirable for efficient and effective management and functioning of the University.
- (3) The Board shall recommend statutes to the Chancellor and the statutes shall come into force if the same are approved by the Chancellor.

**20. Business of the Board.**— (1) The meetings and business of the Board shall be conducted in such manner and in accordance with such procedure as may be prescribed in the regulations and until these matters are prescribed, as may be determined by the Board.

(2) The statutes, regulation or proceedings of the Board shall not be invalid merely by reason of any vacancy or defect in the constitution of the Board.

**21. Delegation of powers.**— The Board may delegate to any person or a committee any of its powers, duties or functions.

**22. Academic Council.**— (1) The Academic Council shall consist of:

- (a) Vice Chancellor (Chairman);
  - (b) all the Deans;
  - (c) all the Chairpersons;
  - (d) Controller of Examinations;
  - (e) all the Professors of the University;
  - (f) nominee of the Secretary to the Government, Education Department not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary;
  - (g) two Associate Professors, two Assistant Professors and two Lecturers to be nominated by the Board;
  - (h) three persons eminent including at least one woman in the field of art or science of whom at least one shall be from each category, to be nominated by the Board;
  - (i) Director Academics of Higher Education Commission; and
  - (j) Registrar (Member/Secretary).
- (2) A nominated member shall hold office for a renewable term of three years.
- (3) The quorum for a meeting of the Academic Council shall be one half of the

total number of members of the Academic Council.

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

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

- (a) advise the Board on academic matters;
- (b) regulate the conduct of teaching, research and publication;
- (c) regulate the admission of students to the courses of studies and examinations in the University;
- (d) regulate the conduct and discipline of the students of the University;
- (e) propose to the Board, a scheme for the constitution and organization of faculties, teaching departments, constituent colleges and institutes;
- (f) consider or formulate proposals for planning and development of teaching and research in the University;
- (g) recommend to the Board regulations prescribing the courses of studies, the syllabi and the outlines of tests for the University examinations;
- (h) regulate the award of studentships, scholarships, exhibitions, medals and prizes;
- (i) frame Regulations for submission to the Board;
- (j) appoint or nominate members to various Authorities in accordance with the provisions of this Act; and

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

#### **CHAPTER V FINANCIAL PROVISIONS**

**24. University Fund.**— (1) There shall be a fund to be known as the NUR International University Fund which shall vest in the University and to which shall be credited all sums received by the University.

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

**25. Budget, audit and accounts.**— (1) The budget of the University shall be approved and its accounts shall be maintained and audited in such manner as may be prescribed by the Board.

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

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

#### **CHAPTER VI MISCELLANEOUS**

**26. Rules.**— The Government may, by notification, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

**27. Statutes.**— Subject to the rules, the Chancellor may approve statutes on the recommendation of the Board in order to provide for and to regulate any matter relevant to the University.

**28. First statutes.**— Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Act, the statutes set out in the Schedule shall be deemed to be the statutes made under section 27 and shall continue to remain in force until amended or repealed in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

**29. Regulations.**— Subject to the rules and the statutes, the Board may make regulations for the proper administration and management of the affairs of the University.

**30. Removal of difficulties.**— If any difficulty arises in giving effect to any of the provisions of this Act, the Board may, with the approval of the Government, give such directions, not inconsistent with this Act, as it may consider necessary for the removal of such difficulty.

**31. Savings.**— Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, an examination conducted by the proponents of the University prior to the coming into force of this Act, shall be deemed to be the examination conducted by the University under this Act and the University may award degree, diploma or certificate on the basis of such examination.

**SCHEDULE**  
(see section 28)  
**THE FIRST STATUTES**

**1. Faculties.**— (1) There shall be a faculty for a teaching department or a group of teaching departments.

(2) The University shall have the following faculties and such other faculties as may be prescribed:

- (a) Faculty of Basic Sciences;
- (b) Faculty of Applied Sciences;
- (c) Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences; and
- (d) Faculty of Management Sciences.

**2. Board of Faculty.**— (1) There shall be a Board of Faculty for each faculty which shall consist of:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**3. Academic department, constituent college and institute.**— (1) There shall be an academic department, constituent college or an Institute for each subject or a group



of subjects, as may be prescribed by the regulations and each academic department, constituent college or institute shall be headed by a head of department, principal of the constituent college and director of the institute, collectively called Chairpersons.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

- (a) advise an Authority on all matters connected with the promotion of advanced studies and research publication in the University;
- (b) consider and report to an Authority with regard to a research degree of the University;
- (c) propose regulations regarding the award of a research degree;
- (d) appoint supervisors for a postgraduate research student and to approve title and synopses of a thesis or dissertation;
- (e) recommend panels of names of examiners for evaluation of a research examination; and
- (f) perform such other functions as may be prescribed by the statutes.

**6. Selection Board.**— (1) The Selection Board shall consist of:

- (a) Vice Chancellor (Chairman);

- (b) the Dean of the faculty concerned;
  - (c) the Chairperson concerned;
  - (d) one member of the Board to be nominated by the Board;
  - (e) one eminent scholar to be nominated by the Society; and
  - (f) one expert in the subject to be nominated by the Secretary to the Government, Education Department.
- (2) The Registrar shall be the Secretary of the Selection Board.
  - (3) The members other than ex-officio members shall hold office for a period of three years.
  - (4) Four members of the Selection Board shall constitute the quorum for a meeting of the Selection Board.
  - (5) No member who is a candidate or whose family member is a candidate, for a post to which appointment is to be made, shall take part in the proceedings of the Selection Board for selection of a candidate on such post.
  - (6) In selection of candidates for the post of Professor or Associate Professor, the Selection Board shall co-opt or consult three experts in the subject concerned and in selecting candidates for any other teaching post, two experts in the subject concerned, to be nominated by the Vice Chancellor from a standing list of experts for each subject approved by the Board on the recommendation of the Selection Board.
  - (7) The Board may revise the standing list of experts of a subject on the recommendation of the Selection Board.

7. **Functions of the Selection Board.**— The Selection Board shall:
- (a) consider the applications and recommend to the Board, the names of suitable candidates for appointment to teaching and other posts and recommend suitable salary for the selected candidate; and
  - (b) consider all cases of promotion or selection of officers of the University and recommend the names of suitable candidates for such promotion or selection to the Board.

8. **Finance and Planning Committee.**— (1) The Finance and Planning Committee shall consist of:

- (a) Vice Chancellor (Chairman);
  - (b) all the Deans;
  - (c) Treasurer;
  - (d) one member of the Board to be nominated by the Board;
  - (e) one member of the Academic Council to be nominated by the Academic Council;
  - (f) one representative each from Education Department and Finance Department of the Government of the Punjab not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary;
  - (g) Director Planning of Higher Education Commission;
  - (h) Registrar; and
  - (i) one nominee of the Society.
- (2) The term of office of the nominated members shall be three years.
  - (3) Five members of the Finance and Planning Committee shall constitute the quorum for a meeting of the Finance and Planning Committee.

9. **Functions of the Finance and Planning Committee.**— The Finance and Planning Committee shall:

- (a) prepare the annual statement of accounts and propose annual budget estimates and advise the Board thereon;
- (b) review periodically the financial position of the University;



- (c) advise the Board on all matters relating to finance, investments and accounts of the University; and
- (d) perform such other functions as may be prescribed by the statutes.

**MINISTER INCHARGE**

**Lahore:**  
**20 October 2014**

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**RAI MUMTAZ HUSSAIN BABAR**  
**Secretary**

**(BILL AS RECOMMENDED BY THE  
STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION)**

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*to provide for the establishment of NUR International University Lahore.*

Whereas it is expedient to provide for the establishment of *NUR International University Lahore* in the private sector and to provide for connected matters;

It is enacted as follows:

**CHAPTER I  
PRELIMINARY**

**1. Short title and commencement.**— (1) This Act may be cited as the *NUR International University Lahore Act 2015*.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Definitions.**— In this Act:

- (a) "Academic Council" means the Academic Council of the University;
- (b) "Authority" means an Authority of the University specified in section 17;
- (c) "Board" means Board of Governors of the University;
- (d) "Chancellor" means Governor of the Punjab;
- (e) "constituent college" means a college established, maintained and administered by the University;
- (f) "Controller of Examinations" means Controller of Examinations of the University;
- (g) "Dean" means head of a faculty of the University;
- (h) "department" means a teaching department maintained and administered by the University in the prescribed manner;
- (i) "Faculty" means an administrative and academic unit of the University consisting of one or more departments;
- (j) "Foundation" means the NUR Foundation, registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan as a not for profit Company under section 42 of the Companies Ordinance, 1984 (XLVII of 1984);
- (k) "Government" means Government of the Punjab;
- (l) "head of department" means the head of a department and includes principal of a constituent college and director of an institute;
- (m) "Higher Education Commission" means Higher Education Commission established under the Higher Education Commission Ordinance 2002 (LIII of 2002);
- (n) "institute" means an institute established, governed, maintained and administered by the University;
- (o) "prescribed" means prescribed by the rules, statutes or regulations;
- (p) "Registrar" means Registrar of the University;
- (q) "Schedule" means Schedule appended to the Act;
- (r) "Search Committee" means Search Committee constituted by the Board for making recommendations for appointment of the Vice Chancellor;
- (s) "statutes", "regulations" and "rules" mean respectively the statutes, regulations and rules made under the Act;
- (t) "teacher" includes a Professor, Associate Professor, Assistant Professor or Lecturer engaged whole time by the University and such other person as may be prescribed;
- (u) "Treasurer" means the Treasurer of the University;
- (v) "University" means the NUR International University Lahore established under the Act; and
- (w) "Vice Chancellor" means the Vice Chancellor of the University.

## CHAPTER II THE UNIVERSITY

**3. Establishment of the University.**— (1) The Government shall, by notification, establish a university to be called NUR International University Lahore with its campus located in Lahore.

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

(3) The University shall consist of the following:

- (a) Chancellor;
- (b) Chairperson and members of the Board;
- (c) Vice Chancellor;
- (d) heads of departments and Deans;
- (e) members of an Authority;
- (f) teachers and the students of the University; and
- (g) officers and members of the staff of the University.

**4. Functions of the University.**— The University shall:

- (a) provide instruction and training in:
  - (i) basic sciences, applied sciences, management sciences, humanities and social sciences; and
  - (ii) such other branches of knowledge, except medical, dental, allied health sciences or nursing education, as the Board may determine with the approval of the Chancellor given on the recommendation of a committee constituted by the Government and, where applicable, subject to the prior approval of the relevant statutory body of professional education;
- (b) establish, maintain and administer a department, constituent college or an institute;
- (c) establish and support other facilities for education, training and research;
- (d) prescribe courses of studies;
- (e) decide teaching methods and strategies to ensure the most effective educational and training programmes;
- (f) hold examinations in the prescribed manner and, if a person qualifies the examination, award degree, diploma, certificate and other academic distinction to the person;
- (g) prescribe the terms and conditions of employment of the officers, teachers and other employees of the University;
- (h) engage, where necessary, a person on contract of specified duration and to specify the terms of the engagement;
- (i) institute programmes for the exchange of students and teachers between the University and any other university, educational institution or research organization;
- (j) provide career counseling and job search services to the students and alumni;
- (k) maintain linkages with alumni;
- (l) develop and implement fund-raising plans;
- (m) provide and support the academic development of the teachers;
- (n) confer degree on a person who has successfully conducted research in the prescribed manner;
- (o) accept an examination and the period of study spent by a student of the University at any other university or place of learning equivalent to an

- examination or period of study of the University and may withdraw such acceptance as per policy of the Higher Education Commission;
- (p) cooperate with a public authority, university or private organization in the manner and for such purpose as may be prescribed;
  - (q) institute Professorship, Associate Professorship, Assistant Professorship and Lecturership or any other post and may appoint a person on the post;
  - (r) create a post for research, extension, administration or other related purpose and may appoint a person on the post;
  - (s) institute and award financial assistance to students in need, fellowships, scholarships, bursaries, medals and prizes of an amount not less than five percent of the annual income of the University;
  - (t) provide for the residence of the students, establish and maintain halls of residence and may approve or licence a hostel, lodging or boarding place;
  - (u) maintain order, discipline and security in a campus of the University;
  - (v) *promote extra-curricular and recreational activities of the students and make arrangements for promoting health and general welfare of the students*;
  - (w) demand and receive such fees and other charges from the students as mentioned in the annual prospectus of the University;
  - (x) make provision for research, advisory or consultancy services and enter into arrangements with any other institution, public or private body, commercial or industrial enterprise in the prescribed manner;
  - (y) receive and manage property transferred and grants, contributions made to the University and to invest any fund in the manner as it may deem fit;
  - (z) print and publish research or any other work; and
  - (aa) perform any other prescribed or ancillary function.

**5. University open to all.**— (1) Subject to such reasonable restrictions as may be prescribed, the University shall be open to all persons; and, admission to the University shall not be denied merely on the basis of gender, religion, race, creed and colour.

(2) The University shall not discriminate against any person solely on the basis of gender, religion, race, creed and colour.

**6. Jurisdiction.**— (1) The jurisdiction of the University shall be restricted to the Province of the Punjab.

(2) The University shall not open any sub-campus for a period of ten years from the commencement of this Act after which period it may open a sub-campus with the approval of the Government.

### CHAPTER III OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY

**7. Officers of the University.**— The following shall be the officers of the University:

- (a) Chancellor;
- (b) Vice Chancellor;
- (c) Deans;
- (d) heads of departments;
- (e) Registrar;
- (f) Treasurer;
- (g) Controller of Examinations; and
- (h) such other persons as may be prescribed by the statutes or regulations to be the officers of the University.



**8. Chancellor.**— (1) The Chancellor or his nominee shall preside at a convocation of the University.

(2) The University may confer honorary degree on a person of eminence subject to the prior approval of the Chancellor.

(3) The Chancellor may approve the draft statutes submitted by the Board or refer the statutes back to the Board for reconsideration.

(4) In the performance of his functions under the Act, the Chancellor shall act and be bound in the same manner as the Governor of the Province acts and is bound under Article 105 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

**9. Inspection and inquiry.**— (1) The Chancellor may direct inspection or inquiry into the affairs of the University.

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

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

(4) If the Board fails to take action to the satisfaction of the Chancellor within the specified time, the Chancellor may issue such direction as he thinks fit and the Board shall comply with the direction.

(5) The Chancellor may, on the recommendation of a committee constituted by him and comprising a nominee of the Board, a Judge of the Lahore High Court to be nominated by the Chief Justice of the High Court and a Professor Emeritus or Vice Chancellor of any university, take action against the University by appointing an administrator, who shall exercise the powers of the Board to run the affairs of the University till such time as may be specified by the Chancellor.

(6) The Chancellor shall not take any action under subsection (5), unless the Chairperson of the Board is afforded an opportunity of hearing.

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

**10. Vice Chancellor.**— (1) The Government shall, on the recommendations of the Board, appoint a person as Vice Chancellor for a term of four years on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Board.

(2) The Board shall recommend a person for appointment as Vice Chancellor from amongst the panel of three persons recommended by the Search Committee.

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

(4) The Vice Chancellor shall perform functions under this Act or any other function as may be assigned to him by the Board.

**11. Powers of the Vice-Chancellor.**— (1) The Vice Chancellor shall be the chief executive officer of the University responsible for administrative and academic functions of the University and for ensuring that the provisions of the Act, rules, statutes and regulations are observed in all the affairs of the University.

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

(3) Subject to the conditions as may be prescribed by the Board, the Vice Chancellor may, in an emergency, take an action which is not otherwise in the competence of the Vice Chancellor and, within three days of taking of such action, submit a report of the action taken to the Chairperson of the Board.

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

- (a) direct a teacher, officer or other employee of the University to take up such assignment in connection with examination, administration or any other activity in relation to the University;
- (b) sanction by re-appropriation an amount for an unforeseen item not provided for in the budget of the University;
- (c) make appointments of such categories of employees of the University in such manner as may be prescribed;
- (d) take disciplinary action against a teacher, officer or any other employee of the University in the prescribed manner;
- (e) delegate, subject to such conditions as may be prescribed, any of his powers to a teacher or officer of the University; and
- (f) exercise such other powers as may be prescribed.

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

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

**12. Acting Vice Chancellor.**— Subject to such conditions as may be prescribed, if 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 Board shall make arrangements for the performance of the duties of the Vice Chancellor by such other person as it may deem fit and the Board shall, within four months from the date of vacancy in the office of Vice Chancellor, send its recommendations to the Government for the appointment of the Vice Chancellor.

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

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

(3) The Registrar shall be a full-time officer of the University and shall:

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

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

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

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

(3) The Controller shall be a full-time officer of the University and shall be responsible for all matters connected with the conduct of examinations and perform



such other duties as may be prescribed or assigned by the Vice Chancellor or the Board.

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

**15. Treasurer.**— (1) The Board shall, on the recommendation of the Vice Chancellor, appoint Treasurer of the University on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed and until so prescribed as may be determined by the Board.

(2) The Board shall not appoint a person as Treasurer unless he possesses the prescribed qualifications and experience and until so prescribed as may be determined by the Board.

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

- (a) manage the assets, liabilities, receipts, expenditures, funds and investments of the University;
- (b) prepare the annual and revised budget estimates of the University and present the estimates to the Board;
- (c) ensure that the funds of the University are spent according to the budget or any other special arrangement;
- (d) ensure that the accounts of the University are audited annually and are available for submission to the Board within six months of the end of a financial year; and
- (e) perform such other functions as may be prescribed or assigned to him by the Vice Chancellor or the Board.

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

**16. Appointments.**— The University may appoint such persons in its services as may be necessary on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Board.

#### CHAPTER IV AUTHORITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY

**17. Authorities of the University.**— The following shall be the Authorities of the University:

- (a) Board of Governors;
- (b) Academic Council;
- (c) Boards of Faculties;
- (d) Board of Advanced Studies and Research;
- (e) Selection Board;
- (f) Finance and Planning Committee; and
- (g) any other prescribed Authority.

**18. Board of Governors.**— (1) The Board of Governors of the University shall consist of the following:

- (a) Chairman, Board of Directors of the Foundation;
- (b) one member of the Provincial Assembly of the Punjab to be nominated by the Speaker;
- (c) Vice Chancellor;
- (d) four members of the Foundation to be nominated by the Foundation;
- (e) four persons including at least two women from amongst eminent scholars, business persons or academicians to be nominated by the Foundation;
- (f) Chairman, Higher Education Commission or his nominee not below the rank of a Director;
- (g) Chairperson, Punjab Higher Education Commission or his nominee;

- (h) Vice Chancellor of a public sector university in the Punjab nominated by the Chancellor; and
- (i) Secretary to the Government, Higher Education Department or his nominee not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary.
- (2) The Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Foundation shall be the Chairperson of the Board and the Vice Chancellor shall be the Vice Chairperson of the Board.
- (3) The members of the Board other than *ex-officio* members shall hold office for a term of three years and shall be eligible for re-appointment on the expiry of their term of office.
- (4) The quorum for a meeting of the Board shall be one half of the total number of members with at least three *ex-officio* members.
- (5) The Registrar shall be the Secretary of the Board and the Secretary shall, with the approval of the Chairperson of the Board, call the meeting of the Board.
- (6) The Foundation may fill a casual vacancy occurring because of death or resignation of a member of the Board nominated by the Foundation to the extent of the remainder of the term of the former member.

**19. Powers and duties of the Board.**— (1) The administration and management of the affairs of the University shall vest in the Board.

- (2) Without prejudice to the generality of the aforesaid power, the Board may:
- (a) formulate or approve the principles, policies and plans governing the activities and operations of the University so as to facilitate research, teaching and other academic work;
  - (b) recommend the statutes to the Chancellor;
  - (c) make or approve regulations;
  - (d) create a component of the University such as faculty, department, constituent college or Institute, subject to the provisions of the Act;
  - (e) constitute a committee, council and any other administrative or academic advisory body;
  - (f) create such academic or administrative posts as it may deem necessary and to approve appointments to such posts as it may specify;
  - (g) hold, control and administer the property, funds and resources of the University and raise funds for the purpose of the University upon such security as may be required under the regulations;
  - (h) undertake the responsibility for the financial viability of the University including responsibility for ensuring effectiveness of its operations, their continuity and preservation of the autonomy of the University;
  - (i) consider and pass through a resolution the annual report, plan of work, statement of accounts and the annual budget estimates;
  - (j) call for and consider reports relating to the activities of the University and may direct the Vice Chancellor to furnish information relating to any matter specified by the Board; and
  - (k) take all such initiatives as it may consider necessary or desirable for efficient and effective management and functioning of the University.

(3) The Board shall recommend statutes to the Chancellor and the statutes shall come into force if the same are approved by the Chancellor.

**20. Business of the Board.**— (1) The meetings and business of the Board shall be conducted in such manner and in accordance with such procedure as may be prescribed in the regulations.

(2) The statutes, regulation or proceedings of the Board shall not be invalid merely by reason of any vacancy or defect in the constitution of the Board.

**21. Delegation of powers.**— (1) Subject to subsection (2), the Board may delegate to any person or a committee any of its powers, duties or functions.

(2) The Board shall not delegate the following functions-

- (a) to make regulations;
- (b) to recommend any action to the Chancellor or Government;
- (c) to appoint Registrar, Controller of Examinations or Treasurer;
- (d) to approve annual budget and consideration of audit reports.

**22. Academic Council.**— (1) The Academic Council shall consist of:

- (a) Vice Chancellor (Chairman);
  - (b) all the Deans;
  - (c) all the heads of departments;
  - (d) Controller of Examinations;
  - (e) all the Professors of the University;
  - (f) nominee of the Secretary to the Government, Higher Education Department not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary;
  - (g) two Associate Professors, two Assistant Professors and two Lecturers to be nominated by the Board;
  - (h) three persons including at least one woman, eminent in the field of art or science of whom at least one shall be from each category, to be nominated by the Board;
  - (i) Director Academics of Higher Education Commission; and
  - (j) Registrar (Member/Secretary).
- (2) A nominated member shall hold office for a renewable term of three years.
- (3) The quorum for a meeting of the Academic Council shall be one half of the

total number of members of the Academic Council.

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

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

- (a) advise the Board on academic matters;
- (b) regulate the conduct of teaching, research and publication;
- (c) regulate the admission of students to the courses of studies and examinations in the University;
- (d) regulate the conduct and discipline of the students;
- (e) propose to the Board, a scheme for the constitution and organization of faculties, teaching departments, constituent colleges and institutes;
- (f) consider or formulate proposals for planning and development of teaching and research in the University;
- (g) recommend to the Board regulations prescribing the courses of studies, the syllabi and the outlines of tests for the University examinations;



- (h) regulate the award of studentships, scholarships, exhibitions, medals and prizes;
- (i) recommend regulations to the Board for approval;
- (j) appoint or nominate members to various Authorities in accordance with the provisions of this Act; and
- (k) perform such other functions as may be prescribed by the statutes.

#### CHAPTER V FINANCIAL PROVISIONS

**24. University Fund.**— (1) There shall be a fund to be known as the NUR International University Fund which shall vest in the University and to which shall be credited all sums received by the University.

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

**25. Budget, audit and accounts.**— (1) The budget of the University shall be approved and its accounts shall be maintained and audited in such manner as may be prescribed by the Board.

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

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

#### CHAPTER VI MISCELLANEOUS

**26. Rules.**— The Government may, by notification, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

**27. Statutes.**— Subject to the rules, the Chancellor may approve statutes on the recommendation of the Board in order to provide for and to regulate any matter relevant to the University.

**28. First statutes.**— Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in this Act, the statutes set out in the Schedule shall be deemed to be the statutes made under section 27 and shall continue to remain in force until amended or repealed in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

**29. Regulations.**— Subject to the rules and the statutes, the Board may make regulations for the proper administration and management of the affairs of the University.

**30. Removal of difficulties.**— If any difficulty arises in giving effect to any of the provisions of this Act, the Board may, with the approval of the Government, give such directions, not inconsistent with the Act, as it may consider necessary for the removal of such difficulty.

**31. Savings.**— Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, an examination conducted by the proponents of the University prior to the coming into force of this Act, shall be deemed to be the examination conducted by the University under this Act and the University may award degree, diploma or certificate on the basis of such examination.

**SCHEDULE**  
(see section 28)  
**THE FIRST STATUTES**

1. **Faculties.**— (1) There shall be a faculty for a teaching department or a group of teaching departments.

(2) The University shall have the following faculties and such other faculties as may be prescribed:

- (a) Faculty of Basic Sciences (Departments of Bio-Chemistry and Physiology);
- (b) Faculty of Applied Sciences (Department of Clinical Nutrition);
- (c) Faculty of Management Sciences (Department of Business Administration); and
- (d) Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences (Department of Sociology).

2. **Board of Faculty.**— (1) There shall be a Board of Faculty for each faculty which shall consist of:

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

**3. Academic department, constituent college and institute.**— (1) There shall be an academic department, constituent college or an Institute for each subject or a group of subjects, as may be prescribed by the regulations and each academic department, constituent college or institute shall be headed by a head of department, principal of the constituent college and director of the institute, collectively called heads of departments.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

- (a) advise an Authority on all matters connected with the promotion of advanced studies and research publication in the University;
- (b) consider and report to an Authority with regard to a research degree of the University;
- (c) propose regulations regarding the award of a research degree;
- (d) appoint supervisors for a postgraduate research student and to approve title and synopses of a thesis or dissertation;
- (e) recommend panels of names of examiners for evaluation of a research examination; and
- (f) perform such other functions as may be prescribed by the statutes.

**6. Selection Board.**— (1) The Selection Board shall consist of:

- (a) Vice Chancellor (Chairman);
- (b) the Dean of the faculty concerned;
- (c) the head of department concerned;



- (d) one member of the Board to be nominated by the Board;
  - (e) one eminent scholar to be nominated by the Foundation; and
  - (f) one expert in the subject to be nominated by the Secretary to the Government, Higher Education Department.
- (2) The Registrar shall be the Secretary of the Selection Board.
- (3) The members other than ex-officio members shall hold office for a period of three years.
- (4) Four members of the Selection Board shall constitute the quorum for a meeting of the Selection Board.
- (5) No member who is a candidate or whose family member is a candidate, for a post to which appointment is to be made, shall take part in the proceedings of the Selection Board for selection of a candidate on such post.
- (6) In selection of candidates for the post of Professor or Associate Professor, the Selection Board shall co-opt or consult three experts in the subject concerned and in selecting candidates for any other teaching post, two experts in the subject concerned, to be nominated by the Vice Chancellor from a standing list of experts for each subject approved by the Board on the recommendation of the Selection Board.
- (7) The Board may revise the standing list of experts of a subject on the recommendation of the Selection Board.

**7. Functions of the Selection Board.**— The Selection Board shall:

- (a) consider the applications and recommend to the Board, the names of suitable candidates for appointment to teaching and other posts and recommend suitable salary for the selected candidate; and
- (b) consider all cases of promotion or selection of officers of the University and recommend the names of suitable candidates for such promotion or selection to the Board.

**8. Finance and Planning Committee.**— (1) The Finance and Planning Committee shall consist of:

- (a) Vice Chancellor (Chairman);
- (b) all the Deans;
- (c) Treasurer;
- (d) one member of the Board to be nominated by the Board;
- (e) one member of the Academic Council to be nominated by the Academic Council;
- (f) one representative each from Higher Education Department and Finance Department of the Government not below the rank of a Deputy Secretary;
- (g) Director Planning of Higher Education Commission;
- (h) Registrar; and
- (i) one nominee of the Foundation.

- (2) The term of office of the nominated members shall be three years.
- (3) Five members of the Finance and Planning Committee shall constitute the quorum for a meeting of the Finance and Planning Committee.

**9. Functions of the Finance and Planning Committee.**— The Finance and Planning Committee shall:

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