

of the meeting. The minutes shall record the names of the mover, the seconder and persons participating in the debate on the item and record the decisions thereon. The minutes shall not record the proceedings verbatim, nor be a summary of the debates.

The Registrar shall, within a month after a meeting, send to each member a copy of the minutes of that meeting by post.

42. *Statute 40. Exception to correctness of minutes.* — If no exception is taken by any member who was present at the meeting to the correctness of the minutes within seven days of the sending of the minutes, they shall be deemed to be correct.

If exception be taken within the time aforesaid by means of a letter addressed to the Registrar, definitely specifying the points which require correction in the minutes, the minutes shall be brought forward by the Syndicate at the next meeting of the Senate for confirmation or correction by such of the members as were present at the meeting to which the minutes relate, and the business in question was transacted to which objections have been raised.

CHAPTER XIV

THE SYNDICATE

1. **Act S. 24 (b) Constitution.* — The Syndicate shall, in addition to the Vice-Chancellor consist of the following persons namely :-

Class I. — Ex-officio Members.

- (1) The Secretary to Government in-charge of Education;
- (2) The Director of Collegiate Education;
- (3) The Director of Technical Education;
- (4) The Director of Medical Education and

* Amendment: Chapter XIV The Syndicate

Section 1. Act S.24 (b) Constitution - Class I is modified as follows:

Class I - Ex-Officio members

- 1) The Secretary to Government in-charge of Education;
- 1-A) The Secretary to Government in-charge of Health and Family Welfare;
- 1AA) The Secretary to Government in-charge of Law;
- 2) The Director of Collegiate Education;
- 3) The Director of Technical Education;
- 4) The Director of Medical Education and
- 5) The Director of Legal Studies.

Class II. — Other Members

(1) Two members elected by principals of affiliated colleges from among themselves in accordance with the system of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote;

(2) Two members elected by teachers of affiliated colleges, other than principals, from among themselves who are members of the Senate in accordance with the system of proportional representation by means of the single transferable vote.

Explanation. — For the purpose of this item, “teachers” shall mean those teachers elected to the Senate, by the teachers of the affiliated colleges from among themselves;

(3) One University Professor for every ten Heads of Departments of Study and Research, Schools of Excellence or Centres of Advanced Studies or part thereof, to be nominated by rotation among such departments, schools and centres by the Chancellor on the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor.

(4) One member, not falling under any of the above three categories, elected by the Senate from among its members.

(5) Three members from among the Academic Experts to be nominated by the Chancellor.

(6) One University Reader to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor by rotation according to seniority; and

(7) One University Lecturer to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor by rotation according to seniority.

Act S. 24 (c). — The Vice-Chancellor shall be ex-officio Chairman of the Syndicate.

**Act S. 24 (d).* — In case the Secretary to Government, in-charge Education, the Secretary to Government in-charge of Health and Family Welfare or the Secretary to Government in-charge of Law is unable to attend the meeting of the Syndicate for any reason he may depute any officer of his department not lower in rank than that of a Deputy Secretary to Government to attend the meetings.

***Act S. 24 (e).* — Save as otherwise provided, the members of the Syndicate other than the ex-officio members shall hold office for a period of three years and such members shall be eligible for election or nomination for not more than another period of three years:

Provided that where a member is elected or nominated to the Syndicate to a casual vacancy, the period of office held for not less than one year by any such member shall be construed as a full period of three years for the purposes of this clause:

Provided further that where an elected or nominated member of the Syndicate is appointed temporarily to any of the offices by virtue of which he is entitled to be a member of the Syndicate *ex-officio*, he shall by notice in writing signed by him and communicated to the Vice-Chancellor within seven days from the date of his taking charge of his appointment, choose whether he will continue to be member of the

Syndicate by virtue of his election or nomination or whether he will vacate office as such member and become a member ex-officio by virtue of his appointment and the choice shall be conclusive. On failure to make such choice, he shall be deemed to have vacated his office as an elected or nominated member.

*Act S.24(d)

The words "the Secretary to Government, Education Department" are substituted with the words "the Secretary to Government in-charge of Education or the Secretary to Government in-charge of Health and Family Welfare, or the Secretary to Government in-charge of Law"

— vide S.4 of the Tamil Nadu Universities Laws (Amendment) Act 1986 (Tamil Nadu Act 75 of 1986) and shall come into force on the 1st January, 1987.

**Act S.24(e) : The expression "and such members shall be eligible for election or nomination for not more than another period of three years" — omitted.

The first proviso — omitted.

—vide S.16 of the Tamil Nadu Universities Laws (Amendment) Act 1989 (Tamil Nadu Act 29 of 1989) and shall come into force on the 11th September, 1989.

Act S.7 :- "Restriction for election or nomination to Senate, Syndicate and Standing Committee on Academic Affairs. - (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in sections 20, 23 or 24, any person who has completed two terms of three years each, continuously in any one or two of the following authorities of the University, namely:-

- i) the Senate
- ii) the Syndicate, and
- iii) the Standing Committee on Academic Affairs,

shall be eligible, after a period of three years has elapsed from the date of his ceasing to be such member, for election or nomination to any of the above mentioned authorities.

Provided that for the purpose of this sub-section, if a person was elected or nominated to one authority and such person became a member of another authority by virtue of the membership in the first mentioned authority, the period for which he held office in the first mentioned authority alone shall be taken into account.

Act S. 24 (f). — When a person ceases to be a member of the Syndicate, he shall cease to be a member of any of the authorities of the University of which he may happen to be a member by virtue of his membership of the Syndicate.

Act S. 24 (g). — The members of the Syndicate shall not be entitled to receive any remuneration from the University except such daily and travelling allowances as may be prescribed:

Provided that nothing contained in this clause shall preclude any member from drawing his normal emoluments to which he is entitled by virtue of the office he holds.

Act S. 24 (h). — A member of the Syndicate, other than *ex-officio* member, may render resignation of his membership at any time before the term of his office expires. Such resignation shall be conveyed to the Chancellor by a letter in writing by the members and the resignation shall take effect from the date of its acceptance by the Chancellor.

2. *Act S. 25. Powers of the Syndicate.* — The Syndicate shall have the following powers, namely :

- (a) (1) To make statutes and amend or repeal the statutes except the first statutes;
- (2) to make ordinances and amend or repeal the same;
- (3) to co-operate with other Universities, other academic authorities and Colleges in such manner and for such purposes as it may determine;
- (4) to provide for instruction and training in such branches of learning as it may think fit;
- (5) to prescribe the conditions for approving Colleges or institutions in which provision is made for the preparation of students for titles or diplomas of the University and to withdraw such approval.
- (6) to provide for research and advancement and dissemination of knowledge;
- (7) to institute Lecturerships, Readerships, Professorships and any other teaching posts required by the University;
- (8) to prescribe the conditions for affiliating Colleges to the University and to withdraw affiliation from Colleges;
- (9) to prescribe the manner in which and the conditions subject to which a College may be designated as an autonomous College and such designation may be cancelled;
- (10) to provide such lectures and instructions for students of University Colleges, affiliated Colleges and approved Colleges as the Senate may determine and also to provide for lectures and instructions to persons not being students of Colleges and to grant diplomas to them;
- (11) to institute degrees, titles, diplomas and other academic distinctions;

Amendment: Section 2 Act S.25 - Powers of the Syndicate - a(1)

The expression "except the first statutes" — omitted.

— vide S.6 of the Bharathiar University and the Bharathidasan University (Amendment) Act 1986 (Tamil Nadu Act 20 of 1986) and shall come into force on the 19th February, 1986.

(12) to confer degrees, titles, diplomas and other academic distinctions on persons who—

(a) shall have pursued an approved course of study in University College or Laboratory or in an affiliated or approved College or have been exempted therefrom in the manner prescribed and shall have passed the prescribed examinations of the University;

(b) shall have carried on research under conditions prescribed.

* (13) to confer honorary degrees or other distinctions on the recommendation of not less than two-thirds of the members of the Syndicate.

(14) to establish and maintain hostels;

(15) to institute Fellowships, Travelling Fellowships, Scholarships, Studentships, Bursaries, Exhibitions, Medals and Prizes;

(16) to prescribe the fees to be charged for the approval and affiliation of Colleges, for admissions to the examinations, degrees and diplomas of the University, for the registration of graduates, for the renewal of such registration and for all or any of the purposes specified in section 4;

(17) to consider and take such action as it may deem fit on the annual report, the annual accounts and the financial estimates;

(18) to institute a University Extension Board and to maintain it;

(19) to institute a publication bureau, students union, employment bureau and University athletic clubs and to maintain them;

(20) to enter into any agreement with the Central or any State Government or with a private management for assuming the management of any institution and for taking over its properties and liabilities or for any other purpose not repugnant to the provisions of this Act;

(21) to make Statutes regulating the method of election to the authorities of the University and the procedure at the meeting of the Senate, Syndicate and other authorities of the University and the quorum of members required for the transaction of business by the authorities of the University other than the Senate.

(22) to recommend to the Government the recognition of an area within the University area as University Centre;

(23) to hold, control, and administer the properties and funds of the University;

(24) to direct the form, custody, and use of the common Seal of the University;

(25) to regulate and determine all matters concerning the University in accordance with the Act, the Statutes, the Ordinances and the Regulations;

* After Item (13) of Act S.25(a) add:

"The conferment of the Honorary Degree by the Syndicate is subject to the approval of the Chancellor".

— vide assent of the Chancellor, communicated by the Secretary to the Governor in his Lr No.991/V2/88 dt. 29.12.1988.

(26) to administer all properties and funds placed at the disposal of the University for specific purposes;

(27) (a) to appoint the University Lecturers, University Readers, University Professors and the teachers of the University, fix their emoluments, if any, define their duties and the conditions of their service and provide for filling up of temporary vacancies;

(b) to make Ordinances specifying the mode of appointment of administrative and other similar posts and fixing their emoluments, if any, define their duties and the conditions of their service and provide for filling up of temporary vacancies;

(28) to suspend and dismiss the University Lecturers, University Readers, University Professors and the teachers and other employees of the University;

(29) to accept, on behalf of the University, endowments, bequests, donations, grants and transfers of any movable and immovable properties made to it;

Provided that all such endowments, bequests, donations, grants and transfers shall be reported to the Senate at the next meeting;

(30) (i) to raise on behalf of the University, loans from the Central or any State Government or the Public or any Corporation owned or controlled by the Central or State Government;

(ii) to borrow money with the approval of the Government, on the security of the property of the University, for the purpose of the University;

(31) to affiliate Colleges within the University area to the University and to recognise Colleges as approved Colleges;

(32) to designate any College as an autonomous College with the concurrence of the Government and to cancel such designation;

(33) to recognise hostels not maintained by the University and to suspend or withdraw recognition of any hostel which is not conducted in accordance with the Ordinances and the conditions imposed thereunder;

(34) to arrange for and direct the inspection of all University Colleges affiliated and approved Colleges and hostels;

(35) to prescribe the qualifications of teachers in University Colleges, affiliated and approved Colleges and hostels;

(36) to award fellowships, travelling fellowships, scholarships, studentships, bursaries, exhibitions, medals and prizes in accordance with the Statutes;

(37) to charge and collect such fees as may be prescribed;

(38) to conduct University Examinations and approve and publish results thereof;

(39) to make Ordinances regarding the admission of students to the University or prescribing examinations to be recognised as equivalent to University examinations;

(40) to appoint members to the Boards of Studies;

(41) (i) to appoint examiners, after consideration of the recommendations of the Boards of Studies; and

(ii) to fix their remuneration;

(42) to supervise and control the residence and discipline of the students of the University and make arrangements through the Colleges for securing their health and well-being;

(43) to institute and manage University Centres, University Colleges and Laboratories, Libraries, Museums, Institutes of research and other institutions established or maintained by the University;

(44) to manage hostels instituted by the University;

(45) to regulate the working of the University Extension Board;

(46) to manage any publication bureau, students' union, employment bureau and university athletic clubs instituted by the University;

(47) to review the instruction and teaching of the University;

(48) to promote research within the University and to require reports from time to time of such research;

(49) to exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as may be conferred or imposed on it by this Act or the Statutes, Ordinances or Regulations; and

(50) to delegate any of its powers to the Vice-Chancellor or to a Committee from among its own members or to a Committee appointed in accordance with the Statutes.

Act S. 25 (b). — (1) The Syndicate may consult the Standing Committee on Academic Affairs in respect of any academic matter, where it considers such consultation is necessary.

3. *Statute 1.* — (1) Subject to the provisions in the Laws, the Syndicate shall take cognisance of any misconduct or malpractice by any student in a College or in a hostel or approved lodging; or by any who seeks admission to a University course of study; or by a candidate for any University examination for a certificate, title or Diploma or for any Degree brought to its notice by any Officer of the Department of Education of any State or by any member of any authority of the University or by a Chief Superintendent/Invigilator at any University examination or Chairman of the Board of Examiners, and to punish such misconduct or malpractice, after due enquiry as it considers fit and appropriate by exclusion of such student from any course of study in a College or University Department, or from any University examination or from any convocation for conferring Degrees, either permanently or for a specified period, or by the cancellation of the University examination for which he appeared, or by the deprivation of any University scholarship held by him or by cancellation of any University Certificate, Diploma or degree or prize or medal gained fraudulently.

(2) The Syndicate shall also take cognisance of any malpractice indulged in by any member of the staff of the University or College or by any Superintendent at examinations or by any examiner and take appropriate action thereon.

(3) Subject to the provisions in the Laws, the Syndicate has the power to dispense with a strict compliance with the Laws of the University with reference to the time, place, and manner of examinations, hours of transaction of business in the office of the Registrar, the date for payment of examination fees or fees for convocations, for submission of applications for examinations and the convocations, and of attendance certificate, the recognition of examination, and exemption from the production of attendance certificates, submission of thesis for research degrees, applications for certificates of having passed the examination, application for affiliation or approval of Colleges in subjects or courses in which no College is already affiliated or approved, provided that any such resolution of the Syndicate passed in reference to such departure from the prescribed procedure shall be reported to the Senate at its next meeting.

(4) Notwithstanding anything contained in the Laws of the University, it shall be competent for the Syndicate in the case of Foreign Nationals or Indian Nationals whose Part I Language is other than the one offered by the University, the Vice-Chancellor may take such decision as necessary and fitting on individual merits. Such decision shall be reported to the Standing Committee on Academic Affairs.

4. *Act S. 49. Removal from membership of the University.* — (1) The Syndicate may —

(a) On the recommendation of not less than two-thirds of the members of the Syndicate, remove by an order in writing made in this behalf the name of any person from the Register of graduates; or

(b) remove by an order in writing made in this behalf any person from membership of any authority of the University by a resolution passed by a majority of the total membership of the Syndicate and by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the members of the Syndicate present and voting at the meeting, if such person has been convicted by a criminal court for an offence which in the opinion of the Syndicate involves moral turpitude or if he has been guilty of gross misconduct and for the same reason, the Syndicate may withdraw any degree or diploma conferred on or granted to the person by the University.

(2) The Syndicate may also by an order in writing made in this behalf remove any person from the membership of any authority of the University if he becomes of unsound mind or deaf-mute or suffers from leprosy or has applied to be adjudicated or has been adjudicated as insolvent.

(3) No action under this section shall be taken against any person unless he has been given a reasonable opportunity to show cause against the action proposed to be taken.

(4) A copy of every order passed under sub-section (1) or sub-section (2) as the case may be, shall, as soon as may be after it is so passed, be communicated to the person concerned in the manner prescribed by regulations.

5. *Act S. 63. Report on Affiliated Colleges.* — The Syndicate shall, at the end of every three years from the notified date, submit a report to the Government on the condition of affiliated and approved Colleges within the University area. The Government shall take such action on it as they deem fit.