

The Chittagong University Act, 1973

(ACT NO. XXXIII OF 1973)

An Act to repeal the Chittagong University Ordinance, 1966, and provide for reconstitution and reorganisation of the University of Chittagong.

WHEREAS it is expedient to reconstitute and reorganise the University of Chittagong for the purpose of improving the teaching and research provided thereby and the administration thereof;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

**Short title
and**

1. (1) This Act may be called the Chittagong University Act, 1973.

commencement

(2) It shall come into force at once and shall be deemed to have taken effect on the 16th day of December, 1972.

Definitions

2. In this Act and in all the Statutes made hereunder, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context-

(a) “Academic Council” means the Academic Council of the University constituted under this Act;

(b) “affiliated college” means an institution recognised by, and affiliated to, the University in accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Statutes and the University Ordinances;

(c) “Authority” means any of the Authorities of the University hereinafter specified in this Act or the Statutes;

(d) “Commission” means the University Grants Commission of Bangladesh constituted under the University Grants Commission of Bangladesh Order, 1973 (P.O. No. 10 of 1973);

- (e) “constituent college” means a college recognised by the University as an integral part thereof;
- (f) “Hall” means a unit of residence for students of the University provided or maintained by the University for the corporate life and extra-curricular instructions of its students;
- (g) “Hostel” means a unit of residence for the students of the University provided otherwise than by the University but approved and licensed by the University in accordance with the provisions of this Act;
- (h) “institution” means an institution recognised as such by the University;
- (i) “Principal” means the head of a College or Institution;
- (j) “Provost” means the head of a Hall;
- (k) “Registered Graduates” means graduates registered under the provisions of the Statutes;
- (l) “Senate” means the Senate of the University constituted under this Act;
- (m) “Statutes”, “University Ordinances” and “Regulations” mean respectively, the Statutes, Ordinances and Regulations of the University for the time being in force;
- (n) “Syndicate” means the Syndicate of the University constituted under this Act;
- (o) “University” means the University of Chittagong;
- (p) (i) “University teacher” means a teacher of the University and includes a University Professor, a University Associate Professor, a University Lecturer or any other person belonging to a University teaching department appointed by the University or recognised as such; and
- (ii) “college teacher” means a Professor, a Lecturer or any other person belonging to a college appointed or recognised in accordance with the Statutes, for imparting instruction at a constituent college, or any professional, technical or any other college affiliated to the University designated as college Professor and college Lecturer;
- (q) “Warden” means the head of a Hostel; and

(r) "year" means academic year beginning on and from the 1st day of July.

The University

3. (1) The University of Chittagong shall be reconstituted at Chittagong in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

(2) The Chancellor and the Vice-Chancellor of the University and the members of the Senate, the Syndicate and the Academic Council and all persons who may, hereafter, become such officers or members, so long as they continue to hold such office, or membership, shall constitute a body corporate by the name of the University of Chittagong.

(3) The University shall have perpetual succession and common seal and shall sue and be sued by the said name.

Jurisdiction

4. The University shall exercise the powers conferred on it by or under this Act within the territorial limits of Chittagong Division, as may be determined by the Government, from time to time, in respect of the institutions lying therein and imparting instruction and training above the Intermediate stage:

Provided that the University shall have power to frame Statutes for constituting one Governing Body for affiliated and constituent colleges and institutes.

Power to acquire and hold property by the University

5. The University shall be competent to acquire property, both movable and immovable, and hold property which has become vested in, or has been acquired by, it, and to contract, transfer and do all other things necessary for the purposes of this Act in connection with such property.

Powers of the University

6. Subject to such conditions as may be prescribed by or under the provisions of this Act, the University shall have the powers-

(a) to provide for instruction in such branches of learning, at degree and post-graduate level, as the University may think fit, and to make provision for research and for the advancement and dissemination of knowledge;

(b) to affiliate and disaffiliate colleges or institutes;

- (c) to prescribe courses of studies to be taught by the University and the affiliated colleges or institutes;
- (d) to hold examinations and grant to, and confer degrees and other academic distinctions on persons who,-
- (i) have pursued a course of study provided for or prescribed by the University, or
- (ii) have carried on research under conditions laid down in the Statutes, or
- (iii) have carried on private study under conditions laid down in the Statutes;
- (e) to confer honorary degree or other distinctions on persons in the manner as laid down in the Statutes;
- (f) to provide such lectures and instructions for and to grant, under conditions laid down in the Statutes, such diplomas to persons, not being students of an affiliated colleges as the University may determine;
- (g) to inspect affiliated colleges or institutes and hostels attached to them;
- (h) to co-operate with other Universities and Authorities, in such manner and for such purposes as the University may determine;
- (i) to institute Professorships, Associate Professorships, Assistant Professorships, Lecturerships and any other research and teaching posts required by the University, and to appoint persons to such Professorships, Associate Professorships, Assistant Professorships, Lecturerships and such other research and teaching posts;
- (j) to institute and maintain Halls for the residence of the students of the University and to approve and license Hostels maintained by other persons for the residence of such students;
- (k) to institute and award Fellowships, Scholarships, Prizes and Medals in accordance with the Statutes, University Ordinances and Regulations;
- (l) to set up and maintain academic museums, laboratories, schools and institutions for the development of teaching and research;

(m) to supervise and control the residence and discipline of the students of the University, to promote their extra-curricular activities, to make arrangements for promoting their health;

(n) to demand and receive such fees as may be prescribed in the University Ordinances; and

(o) to do all such other acts and things, whether incidental to the powers aforesaid or not, as may be required in order to further the objects of the University as an affiliating, teaching and examining body and to cultivate and promote arts, science and other branches of learning.

**University
open to all
classes,
castes and
creed**

7. The University shall be open to all persons of either sex and of whatever religion, race, caste, creed, class or colour.

**Teaching of
the
University**

8. (1) All recognised teaching in connection with examinations of the University shall be conducted by the University or constituent and affiliated colleges or institutes and shall include lecture and work in the laboratories and workshops; and the teaching shall be conducted by the teachers recognised in the manner as may be provided by the University Ordinances.

(2) The Authorities responsible for organising such teaching shall be prescribed by the Statutes.

(3) The courses and curricula shall be prescribed by the University Ordinances and the Regulations.

(4) Recognised teaching shall be supplemented by the tutorial instruction to be given in accordance with the conditions to be provided by the University Ordinances and Regulations.

(5) Teaching may be organised on co-operative basis, under the aegis of the University, for colleges or institutes among themselves or between the colleges, institutes and the University.

Visitation