

The Jahangirnagar University Act, 1973

(ACT NO. XXXIV OF 1973)

An Act to repeal the Jahangirnagar Muslim University Ordinance, 1970 and to provide for reconstitution and reorganisation of the Jahangirnagar Muslim University

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

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

Short title and commencement

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

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

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

(d) “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;

(e) “Provost” means the head of a Hall;

- (f) “Registered Graduate” means a graduate registered under the provisions of this Act;
- (g) “Senate” means the Senate of the University constituted under this Act;
- (h) “Statutes”, “University Ordinances” and “Regulations” mean respectively the Statutes, Ordinances and Regulations of the University for the time being in force;
- (i) “Syndicate” means the Syndicate of the University constituted under this Act;
- (j) “teachers” include Professors, Associate Professors, Assistant Professors and Lecturers of the University and any other person declared to be teacher by the University;
- (k) “University” means the Jahangirnagar University;
- (l) “Warden” means an officer so designated and appointed by the University for management and administration of the affairs of a house of a Hall under the guidance and control of the Provost; and
- (m) “year” means academic year beginning on the 1st day of July.

The University

3. (1) The Jahangirnagar Muslim University shall be reconstituted at Savar in the district of Dacca in accordance with the provisions of this Act and the Campus of the University shall comprise its present site and such other areas as the Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, declare.
- (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 Jahangirnagar University.
- (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 be a residential one and shall exercise the powers conferred on it by or under this Act within the territorial limits of the University Campus.

**Powers of
the
University**

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

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

(b) to prescribe courses of studies to be taught by the University;

(c) to hold examinations and grant and confer certificates, diplomas, 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;

(d) to grant such diplomas to, and to provide such lectures and instructions for, persons not being students of the University as the University may determine;

(e) to confer honorary degrees or other distinctions on approved 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 or certificates to, persons as the University may determine;

(g) to co-operate with other Universities and authorities in such manner and for such purposes as the University may determine;

(h) to institute Professorships, Associate Professorships, Assistant Professorships, Lecturerships and any other teaching posts required by

the University, and to appoint persons to such posts and such other teaching posts;

(i) to institute and award Fellowships, Scholarships, Prizes, and Medals in accordance with the Statutes, University Ordinances and Regulations;

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

(k) to set up and maintain academic museums, laboratories, schools and institutes for the development of teaching and research and to hold exhibitions;

(l) to institute and maintain Halls for the residence of the students of the University;

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

(n) 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 teaching and examining body and to cultivate and promote arts, science and other branches of learning.

**University
open to all
classes and
creeds**

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

**Teaching of
the
University**

7. (1) All recognised teaching in connection with the University courses shall be conducted by the University and shall include lectures and work in the laboratories or workshops and other teaching conducted by the teachers thereof in such manner as may be prescribed 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 tutorial instructions to be given in accordance with conditions as may be provided by the University Ordinances and Regulations.

Visitation

8. (1) The Commission shall have the right to cause an inspection to be made by such person or persons, as it may direct, of the University, its buildings, laboratories and equipment, and of any institutions associated with the University, and also of the examinations, teaching and other work conducted or done by the University and to cause an inquiry to be made in like manner in respect of any matter connected with the University.

(2) The Commission shall in every case give notice to the University of its intention to cause an inspection or inquiry to be made and the University shall be entitled to be represented thereat.

(3) The Commission shall communicate to the Syndicate its views with reference to the results of any such inspection or inquiry, and shall, after ascertaining the opinion of the Syndicate thereon, advise the University upon the action to be taken in that behalf.

(4) The Syndicate shall report to the Commission the action, if any, which is proposed to be taken or has been taken upon the results of its inspection or inquiry.

Officers of the University

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

- (a) the Chancellor;
- (b) the Vice-Chancellor;
- (c) the Pro-Vice-Chancellor;
- (d) the Treasurer;
- (e) the Deans;
- (f) the Registrar;
- (g) the Director of Students Counselling and Guidance;
- (h) the Provosts;