

**THE NATIONAL COLLEGE OF ARTS ORDINANCE, 1985**

**ORDINANCE XXVIII OF 1985**

**[31<sup>st</sup> March, 1985]**

**An Ordinance to confer on the National College of Arts, Lahore, the power to award degrees.**

WHEREAS it is expedient to confer on the National College of Arts, Lahore, the power to award degrees and to provide for matters connected therewith or ancillary thereto;

AND WHEREAS the President is satisfied that circumstances exist which render it necessary to take immediate action ;

NOW, THEREFORE, in pursuance of the Proclamation of the fifth day of July, 1977, and in exercise of all powers enabling him in that behalf, the President is pleased to make and promulgate the following Ordinance:—

**1. Short title and commencement.**— (1) This Ordinance may be called the National College of Arts Ordinance, 1985.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

**2. Definitions.** In this Ordinance, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,—

(a) "Board" means the Board of Governors of the College;

(b) "Chairman" means Chairman of the Board;

(c) "College" means the National College of Arts, Lahore, established by the late Government of West Pakistan under letter No. C-II-26/58, dated the 14th October, 1958;

- (d) "Commission" means the University Grants Commission;
- (e) "Controlling Authority" means the Controlling Authority of the College ;
- (f) "Member" means member of the Board ;
- (g) "Patron" means the President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan ;
- (h) "prescribed" means prescribed by Regulations or Rules made under this Ordinance ; and
- (i) "Principal" means Principal of the College.

**3. Establishment of the College.** The National College of Arts Lahore as reconstituted in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance shall be a body corporate having perpetual succession and a common seal with power to acquire, hold and dispose of property, both movable and immovable, and shall by the said name sue and be sued.

**4. The purpose, powers and functions of the College.**— (1) The purpose of the College shall be to provide for instruction, training, research, demonstration and service in the fields of arts and allied disciplines at the under-graduate, graduate and post graduate levels.

(2) The College shall, under prescribed conditions, perform academic functions to achieve its objectives, in particular, to—

- (a) admit and examine students ;
- (b) award degrees, diplomas, certificates and other academic distinction;
- (c) select, appoint and promote academic and administrative staff;
- (d) frame and prescribe courses of study ;
- (e) pursue research ;
- (f) establish and support other sites and facilities for educations, training and research;
- (g) affiliate or associate itself with other institutions for better discharge of its functions and responsibilities;
- (h) decide teaching methods and strategies in order to ensure the most effective educational and other programmes ; and

- (i) undertake such other activities as would ensure effective and efficient operation of the College.

**5. Teaching and Examinations.**— (1) All academic programmes of the college shall be conducted in the prescribed manner and the Commission shall ensure that the courses of study, the curriculum, and the practical work at the college are comparable in standard with other similar institutions.

(2) The college shall associate external examiners in the conduct of its examinations.

(3) No degree shall be granted unless a student has passed an examination in Islamic and Pakistan Studies, or, in the case of a non-Muslim student, in Ethics and Pakistan Studies.

**6. Patron.** The President of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan shall be the Patron of the College.

**7. The Controlling Authority.**— (1) The Federal Minister for Education shall be the Controlling Authority of the College.

(2) The Controlling Authority shall preside at the Convocation and when present at the meetings of the Board or Committees.

(3) If the Controlling Authority is satisfied that the proceedings of the Board or Committees are not in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance, the Regulations and the Rules, it may annul such proceedings.

**8. Visitation.**— (1) The Controlling Authority may cause an inspection or inquiry to be made in respect of any matter connected with the affairs of the College and shall, from time to time, direct the Commission to carry out, or appoint such person or persons as it may deem fit for the purpose of carrying out, inspection of :—

- (i) the College, its buildings, laboratories, library and other facilities ;
- (ii) any department or teaching unit or hostel maintained by the College ;
- (iii) the instruction, training, research, curriculum, examinations and overall performance, of the College;
- (iv) such other matters as the Controlling Authority may determine.

(2) The Controlling Authority shall communicate to the Board its views with regard to the result of the inspection or the inquiry and, after ascertaining the views of the Board, advise the Board as to the action to be taken by it.

(3) Where the Board does not take action within a specified time, to the satisfaction of the Controlling Authority, the Controlling Authority may issue such directions as it may deem fit to the Principal who shall comply with all such directions.

**9. The Principal.**— (1) The Principal shall be appointed by the Controlling Authority in consultation with the Chairman, on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Controlling Authority.

(2) The Principal shall hold office during the pleasure of the Controlling Authority for a term not exceeding four years, and shall be eligible for re-appointment.

(3) The Principal shall be the academic and executive head of the College and shall be responsible to the Board for carrying out the day to day administration of the College.

(4) The Principal shall perform such other functions and exercise such powers as may be assigned to him by the Chairman.

(5) The Principal shall ensure that the provisions of this Ordinance and the Regulations and Rules framed thereunder are faithfully complied with by the College.

**10. Board of Governors.**— (1) There shall be a Board of Governors consisting of the following:

- (i) Chairman,  
University Grants Commission,  
Islamabad.
- (ii) Secretary, Ministry of Education,  
Government of Pakistan,  
or his nominee not below  
the rank of a Joint Educational  
Adviser.
- (iii) Vice-Chancellor,  
University of the Punjab.
- (iv) Vice-Chancellor,  
University of Engineering  
and Technology, Lahore.
- (v) One Judge of the Lahore High Court to be nominated  
by the Chief Justice of the Court.
- (vi) Principal,  
Pakistan Administrative Staff College,  
Lahore.

- (vii) Secretary Education,  
Government of the Punjab,  
Lahore.
- (viii) Chairman,  
Pakistan Television Corporation,  
Islamabad.
- (ix) Outstanding professionals, one  
each in the fields of Architecture,  
Commercial Design and Fine Arts,  
to be nominated by the Controlling  
Authority.
- (x) One outstanding industrialist to  
be nominated by the Controlling  
Authority.
- (xi) Two distinguished Educationists  
to be nominated by the Chairman.
- (xii) One outstanding alumnus to be  
nominated by the Chairman.
- (xiii) Secretary, Ministry of Finance,  
Government of Pakistan,  
or, if nominated by him, Financial Adviser  
to the Ministry of Education,  
Islamabad.
- (xiv) Two distinguished citizens to  
be nominated by the Controlling  
Authority.
- (xv) Two eminent women representatives  
to be nominated by the  
Controlling Authority.
- (xvi) Principal Member/Secretary.

(2) Members other than *ex-officio* member shall hold office for two years.

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

**11. Powers and functions of the Board.**— (1) The Board shall be the principal executive body of the College, and shall, subject to the provisions of this Ordinance and the Rules and Regulations made thereunder, exercise general supervision over the affairs of the College.