

THE UNANI, AYURVEDIC AND HOMOEOPATHIC PRACTITIONERS ACT, 1965



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¹ACT No. II OF 1965

[28th January 1965]

An Act to regulate the qualifications and to provide for the registration of practitioners of Unani, Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic systems of medicine.

² [WHEREAS it is expedient to promote and popularise the Unani, Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic systems of medicine, to regulate education and research in, and to provide for the registration of practitioners of, those systems of medicine;]

AND WHEREAS the national interest of Pakistan in relation to the achievement of uniformity within the meaning of clause (2) of Article 131 of the Constitution requires Central legislation in the matter;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

PART I

PRELIMINARY

- **1. Short title, extent and commencement.**—(1) This Act may be called the Unani, Ayurvedic Homoeopathic Practitioners Act, 1965.
 - (2) It extends to the whole of Pakistan.
 - ³[(3) It shall come into force on the twenty first day of July, 1965.]

¹For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Gaz. of P., 1965, Ext. p. 525

² Subs. by the Unani, Ayurvedic and Homeopathic Practitioners (Amdt.) Ordinance, 1978 (22 of 1978),s.2. for first paragraph.

³ Subs. and shall be deemed always to have been so subs. by Unani, Ayurvedic and Homeopathic Practitioners (Amdt.) Ordinance, 1966 (2 of 1966),s.2, for the original sub-section

- 2. Definitions.-In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant the subject or context,-
 - (a) "approved" means approved by the ¹[Federal Government] on the recommendation of the ²[Council];
 - ³ [(b) "Committee" means the Committee appointed by the Council;
 - **(bb)** "Council" means the National Council for *Tib* or, as the case may be, the National Council for Homoeopathy, established under section 3;]
 - (c) "Homoeopathy" means the Homoeopathic system of medicine ⁴[including the Bio-Chemic system of medicine,] and "Homoeopath" means a practitioner of Homoeopathy ⁵[or the Bio-Chemic system of medicine];
 - ⁴[(cc) "list" means the list of Homoeopaths prepared under section 27 as that list existed immediately before the commencement of the Unani Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic Practitioners (Amendment) Ordinance, 1978, and "listed" shall be construed accordingly;
 - (ccc) "meeting" means meeting of the ²[Council];
 - (cccc) "misconduct" means conduct contrary to the provisions of this Act, the rules and regulations made under this Act and the Code of Ethics adopted by the ²[Council];
 - (d) "prescribed" means prescribed by rules or regulations made under this Act;
 - (e) "President" means the President of the ²[Council];
 - ⁵[(ee) "qualified" means qualified from any approved or recognized teaching institutions imparting instruction in the Unani, Ayurvedic or Homoeopathic system of medicine;]

¹Subs. by F.A.O., 1975, Art. 2 and Table, for "Central Government".

² Subs. by the Unani, Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic Practitioners (Amdt.) Ordinance, 1982 (27 of 1982), s. 5 for "Board".

³Subs. ibid., s. 2. for cls. (b) and (bb.) which were previously amended by various enactments.

⁴ Ins. by the Unani, Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic Practitioners (Amdt.) Ordinance, 1978 (22 of 1978), s.3.

⁵Added ibid.

- (f) "recognized" means recognized by the ¹[Federal Government] for the purposes of this Act;
- (g) "register" means a register of practitioners of the Unani or Ayurvedic or Homoeopathic system of medicine maintained under this Act;
- **(h)** "registered practitioner" means a practitioner whose name is for the time being entered in a register;
- (i) "Registrar" means the Registrar of the ²[Council];
- (j) "Tabib" means a practitioner of the Unani system of medicine;
- (k) "Unani and Ayurvedic systems of medicine" means the Unani *Tib* and Ayurvedic (including the Siddha) system of medicine, whether supplemented or not by such modern advances as the ²[Council] may, from time to time, determine;
- (1) "Vaid" means a practitioner of the Ayurvedic system of medicine ³[;]
- ⁴ [(m) 'Vice-President' means Vice-President of the ²[Council].
- **3. Establishment and incorporation of ²[Councils].** (1) As soon as may be after the commencement of this Act, the ¹[Federal Government] shall, by notification in the official Gazette, establish a ⁵[Council to be called the National Council for *Tib*] and, by a like notification, ⁶[another Council to be called the National Council for Homoeopathy] for the purposes of this Act.
- (2) Each of the two ²[Councils] shall be a body corporate, having perpetual succession and a common seal, and shall, by its name as specified in sub-section (1), sue and be sued.

¹Subs. by F.A.O., 1975, Art. 2 and Table for "Central Government".

²Subs. by the Unani, Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic Practitioners (Amdt.) Ordinance, 1982 (27 of 1982), s. 5 for "Board" and "Boards" respectively.

³Subs. by the Unani, Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic Practitioners (Amendment.) Ordinance, 1978 (22 of 1978).

⁴ Added ibid.

⁵Subs. by the Unani, Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic Practitioners (Amdt.) Ordinance, 1979 (66 of 1979), s. 3, for certain words.

⁶ Subs. by Ord. 27 of 1982, s.3, for certain words which were previously amended by Ord. 66 of 1979, s. 3, for "another".