

THE PAKISTAN ENGINEERING COUNCIL ACT, 1975

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¹ACT No.V OF 1976

[10th January, 1976]

An Act to make provision for the regulation of the engineering profession

WHEREAS it is expedient to make provision for regulation of the engineering profession and for that purpose to constitute an Engineering Council;

²[WHEREAS the Council shall regulate the engineering profession with the vision that the engineering profession shall function as a key driving force for achieving rapid and sustainable growth in all national, economic and social fields;

WHEREAS the Council shall as its mission set and maintain realistic and internationally relevant standards of professional competence and ethics for engineers, and licence engineers and engineering institutions to competently and professionally promote and uphold the standards;

AND WHEREAS the Council, covering the entire spectrum of engineering disciplines, shall function as an apex body to encourage and promote the pursuit of excellence in engineering profession and to regulate the quality of engineering education and the practice of engineering and thereby promote rapid growth in economic and social fields in Pakistan.]

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

- **1. Short title, extent and commencement**.-(1) This Act may be called the Pakistan Engineering Council Act, 1975.
 - (2) It extends to the whole of Pakistan.
 - (3) It shall come into force at once.

¹For statement of Objects and Reasons, see Gaz. of P., 1975, Ext., Pt. III. p, 1500.

²Added by Act II of 2011, s. 2 shall be deemed to have taken effect of the 15th january, 2008.

- ¹[2. **Definitions**. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or the context,-
 - (i) "Accreditation Committee" means the Accreditation Committee constituted under sub-section (1) of section 14;
 - (ii) "accredited engineering qualification" means any of the qualification included in the First Schedule or the Second Schedule;
 - (iii) "bye-laws" means bye-laws made under this Act;
 - (iv) "Chairman" means the Chairman of the Council;
 - (v) "Constructor" means any person, partnership, corporate body or any other legal entity which or who is engaged in the business of construction and is licenced and registered as such;
 - (vi) "consulting engineer" means any person, partnership, corporate body or any other legal entity which independently performs study, prepares reports, makes design, supervises construction or undertakes any other similar advisory activities in engineering disciplines and is registered as such by the Council;
 - (vii) "continued professional development", means the systematic maintenance, improvement and broadening of knowledge, understanding and skill, and the development of personal qualities necessary for the execution of professional and technical duties throughout the individual's working life;
 - (viii) "Council" means the Pakistan Engineering Council constituted under section 3;
 - (ix) "creativity" means innovation, invention, hypothesis, theories and such other actions in the realm of engineering profession contributory to development;
 - (x) "engineering institution" means an institution within or without Pakistan which grants degree, diploma and certificate in engineering and related education and is accredited as such by the Council;
 - (xi) "engineering products" means the products as a result of or the outcome of professional engineering works or engineering profession or both;

¹Sub by Act II of 2011, s. 3 shall be deemed to have taken effect of the 15th january, 2008.

- (xii) "engineering profession" means engineering education and practices of engineering and technology;
- (xiii) "engineering public organization" means a department of the Federal Government or a Provincial Government, a Public Corporation, autonomous or semi-autonomous body, cantonment board, municipality, improvement trust or other local authority;
- (xiv) "engineering services" means services relating to study, preparation of reports, design, supervision, estimation, documentation, evaluation and advising in matters of engineering profession and engineering works;
- (xv) "engineering university" means a degree awarding university or institution as has more than fifty per cent of their undergraduate and postgraduate programmes as well as student population pertaining to engineering and are recognized as such;
- (xvi) "enrolment committee" means the enrolment committee referred to in subsection (1) of section 17;
- (xvii) "Governing Body" means the Governing Body of the Council;
- (xviii) "learned societies" means institutions and associations for promotion of knowledge and excellence in engineering and technology;
- (xix) "Management Committee" means the Management Committee of the Council;
- (xx) "member" means a member of the Council and includes the Chairman, Senior Vice-Chairman, Vice-Chairman, professional engineers and registered engineers;
- (xxi) "Operator" means any person, partnership, corporate body or any other legal entity which is engaged in the business of operating construction work and is licenced and registered as such;
- (xxii) "prescribed" means prescribed by bye-laws;
- (xxiii) "professional engineer" means a person who holds an accredited engineering qualification and after obtaining a professional experience of five years, whether working privately or in the employment of an engineering public organization, has passed the prescribed engineering practice examination and is registered as such by the Council;
- (xxiv) "professional engineering bodies" means professional engineering institutes, associations and such other bodies registered as such by the Council;