

14. The Controller may, by writing under his hand, inform the Vice-Chancellor his intention to resign or revert back to his parent department after giving three months' notice and it shall be competent for the Syndicate on the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor to accept his resignation or reversion.

It shall be in the power of the Syndicate to dispense with the services of the Controller at any time by giving a notice of three months to him and his parent organisation from which he was deputed.

CHAPTER XII

AUTHORITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY

1. *Act S. 17 — Authorities of University.* — The authorities of the University shall be

- The Senate
- The Syndicate
- The Standing Committee on Academic Affairs
- The Faculties
- The Finance Committee
- The Boards of Studies

and such other authorities as may be declared by the Statutes to be authorities of the University.

2. *Act S. 6 — Disqualification for Membership.* — (1) No person shall be qualified for nomination or election as a member of any of the authorities of the University, if, on the date of such nomination or election, he/she is

- (a) of unsound mind, a deaf-mute or suffering from leprosy, or
- (b) an applicant to be adjudicated as an insolvent or an undischarged insolvent or
- (c) sentenced by a criminal court to imprisonment for any offence involving moral turpitude

(2) In case of dispute or doubt the Syndicate shall determine whether a person is disqualified under sub-section (1) and its decision shall be final.

3.* *Act S. 7. — Disqualification for Election or nomination to Senate, Syndicate and Standing Committee on Academic Affairs.* (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in section 20, 23 or 24, no person who has held office as a member for a total period of six years in any one or more of the following authorities of the University of any other University in the State of Tamil Nadu established by or under, any law in force, namely:

- (i) the Senate;
- (ii) the Syndicate and
- (iii) the Standing Committee on Academic Affairs, shall be eligible for election or nomination to any of the said three authorities.

* Act S.7 :- "Restriction for election or nomination to Senate, Syndicate and Standing Committee on Academic Affairs. - (1) Notwithstanding anything contained in sections 20, 23 or 24, any person who has completed two terms of three years each, continuously in any one or two of the following authorities of the University, namely:-

- i) the Senate
- ii) the Syndicate; and
- iii) the Standing Committee on Academic Affairs,

shall be eligible, after a period of three years has elapsed from the date of his ceasing to be such member, for election or nomination to any of the above mentioned authorities.

Provided that for the purpose of this sub-section, if a person was elected or nominated to one authority and such person became a member of another authority by virtue of the membership in the first mentioned authority, the period for which he held office in the first mentioned authority alone shall be taken into account.

Explanation I — For the purpose of computing the total period of six years referred to in this sub-section, the period of three years during which a person held office in one authority either by election or nomination and the period of three years during which he held office in another authority either by election or nomination shall be taken into account and accordingly such person shall not be eligible for election or nomination to any two of the said three authorities:

Provided that for the purposes of this sub-section, a person who has held office for a period not less than one year in any one of the said three authorities in a casual vacancy, shall be deemed to have held office for a period of three years in that authority:

Provided further that, for the purposes of this sub-section, if a person was elected or nominated to one authority and such person become a member of another authority by virtue of the membership in the first mentioned authority, the period for which he held office in the first mentioned authority alone shall be taken into account.

Explanation II — For the purpose of this sub-section, the expression "period" shall include the period of office held by any person prior to the 5th July 1984.

(2) Nothing in sub-section (1) shall have application in respect of-

(i) ex-officio members referred to in section 20 (a) Class I, but not including members of the Syndicate who are not otherwise members of the Senate referred to in item (13); and

* Amendment: Chapter XII Authorities of the University:

Section 3 Act S. 7 Disqualification for Election or Nomination to Senate, Syndicate and Standing Committee on Academic Affairs -- omitted.

— vide S.15 of the Tamil Nadu Universities Laws (Amendment) Act 1989 (Tamil Nadu Act 29 of 1989) and shall come into force on the 11th September 1989.

(ii) ex-officio members referred to in section 23 (2) (a), Class I and section 24 (b) Class I.

4. *Act S. 47. — Filling of Casual Vacancies.* — All casual vacancies among the members (other than ex-officio members) of any authority or other body of the University shall be filled as soon as conveniently may be, by the person or body who or which nominated or elected the member whose place has become vacant and the person nominated or elected to a casual vacancy shall be a member of such authority or body for the residue of the term for which the person whose place he fills would have been a member.

Provided that vacancies arising by efflux of time among elected members of any authority or other body of the University may be filled at elections which may be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor to take place on such days not earlier than two months from the date on which the vacancies arise, as he thinks fit:

Provided further that no casual vacancy shall be filled if such vacancy occurs within six months before the date of expiry of the term of the member of any authority or other body of the University.

5. *Act S. 48. — Proceedings of Authorities and Bodies not invalidated by vacancies.* — No act or proceedings of any authority or other body of the University shall be invalidated merely by reason of the existence of any vacancy or of any defect or irregularity in the election or appointment of a member of any authority or other body of the University or of any defect or irregularity in such act or proceeding not affecting the merits of the case or on the ground only that the Senate did not meet twice in any year.

6. *Act S. 49. — Removal from Membership of the University.* — (1) The Syndicate may :

(a) On the recommendation of not less than two thirds of the members of the Syndicate remove by an order in writing, made in this behalf, the name of any person from the register of graduates; or

(b) remove by an order in writing made in this behalf any person from membership of any authority of the University by a resolution passed by a majority of the total membership of the Syndicate and by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the members of the Syndicate present and voting at the meeting, if such person has been convicted by a criminal court for an offence which in the opinion of the Syndicate involves moral turpitude or if he has been guilty of gross misconduct and for the same reason, the Syndicate may withdraw any degree or diploma conferred on or granted to that person by the University.

(2) The Syndicate may also by order in writing made in this behalf remove any person from the membership of any authority of the University if he becomes of unsound mind or deaf-mute or suffers from leprosy or has applied to be adjudicated or has been adjudicated as an insolvent.

(3) No action under this section shall be taken against any person unless he has been given a reasonable opportunity to show cause against the action proposed to be taken.

(4) A copy of every order passed under sub-section (1) or sub-section (2) as the case may be, shall, as soon as may be, after it is so passed, be communicated to the person concerned in the manner prescribed by the regulations.

7. *Act S. 50. — Disputes as to constitution of authorities and Bodies.* — if any question arises whether any person has been duly elected or nominated as or is entitled to be a member of any authority of the University or other body of the University the question shall be referred to the Chancellor whose decision thereon shall be final.

8. *Act S. 51. — Constitution of Committees.* — All the authorities of the University shall have power to constitute or reconstitute committees and to delegate to them such of their powers as they deem fit. Such Committees shall, save as otherwise provided, consist of members of the authority concerned and of such other persons, if any, as the authority in each case may think fit.

9. *Statute 1.* — Employees of the University shall not be eligible for election as a member of any of the University authorities except the Professors of the University as provided in Act S. 24 Class II (3) only.

CHAPTER XIII

THE SENATE

1. * *Act. S. 20. — Composition of the Senate.* — The Senate shall consist of the following persons, namely :-

Class I — Ex-officio Members.

- (1) The Chancellor;
- (2) The Pro-Chancellor;
- (3) The Vice-Chancellor;
- (4) The Director of Collegiate Education;
- (5) The Director of School Education
(in-charge of Higher Secondary Education);
- (6) The Director of Technical Education;
- (7) The Director of Legal Studies;
- (8) The Director of Medical Education;
- (9) Heads of University Departments of Study and Research;
- (10) Principals of all affiliated Colleges;
- (11) The Librarian of the University Library;
- (12) The Director of Physical Education of the University; and
- (13) Members of the Syndicate who are not otherwise members of the Senate.

Class II — Other Members.

- (1) One member elected by teachers of each affiliated College;