

A BILL

FOR

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH THE FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF SOLID MINERAL RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT, BUKURU GYEL, PLATEAU STATE AS A TRAINING INSTITUTION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SOLID MINERAL, MAKE COMPREHENSIVE PROVISIONS FOR MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF THE UNIVERSITY; AND FOR RELATED MATTERS

Sponsored by Hon Alfred AjangIliya

[] Commencement

ENACTED by the National Assembly of the Federal Republic of Nigeria -

1 PART I - ESTABLISHMENT, CONSTITUTION AND FUNCTIONS

2 OF THE UNIVERSITY

3 1.-(1) There is established the Federal University of Solid Mineral
4 Resources Development, Bukuru Gyel, Plateau State (in this Act referred to
5 as "the University").

Establishment of the Federal University of Solid Minral Development Bukuru Gyel, Plateau State

6 (2) The University is a body corporate with perpetual succession
7 and a common seal and may sue or be sued in its corporate name.

8 (3) The University is a training institution for the development of
9 Solid Mineral Development in Nigeria.

10 (4) The University shall be supervised by the Federal Ministry
11 responsible Education through the National Universities Commission
12 which shall be responsible for approving and regulating all academic
13 programmes run in the University, to ensure quality compliance and provide
14 funds for academic and research programmes, infrastructures and
15 remuneration of employees.

16 (5) The objectives of the University shall be to-

Objectives of the University

17 (a) encourage the advancement of learning and to hold out to all
18 persons without distinction of race, creed, sex or political conviction;

1 (b) develop and offer academic and professional programmes leading
2 to the award of certificates, first degrees, post-graduate diplomas and higher
3 degrees with emphasis on planning, developmental and adaptive skills in Solid
4 Mineral Development, applied science, social science, management and allied
5 professional disciplines;

6 (c) produce socially matured technologists with capabilities not to
7 only understand the technological needs of Nigeria as a nation, but to exploit
8 existing technological infrastructure and improve on it to develop new ones;

9 (d) act as agents and catalysts for effective technological system,
10 through post graduate training, research and innovation, for effective
11 economic utilisation and conservation of the country's human resources;

12 (e) bring quality change in Solid Mineral Development education by
13 focusing on practical teaching and learning innovations;

14 (f) collaborate with other national and international institutions
15 involved in training, research and development of Solid Mineral Development
16 with a view to promoting governance, leadership and management skills
17 among technologists;

18 (g) identify Solid Mineral Development needs of the society with a
19 view to finding solutions to them within the context of overall national
20 development;

21 (h) provide and promote sound basic Solid Mineral Development
22 training as a foundation for the development of Nigeria, taking into account
23 indigenous culture and the need to enhance national unity;

24 (i) provide higher education and foster a systematic advancement of
25 science and Solid Mineral Development education;

26 (j) provide for instruction in such branches of Solid Mineral
27 Development education as it may deem necessary to make provision for
28 research advancement and dissemination of knowledge in such manner as it
29 may determine;

30 (k) provide students with operational competence for applying

1 knowledge in the society and make technological changes in the society; and

2 (l) undertake other activities that are appropriate for a university of
3 education of the highest standard.

4 **2.-(1)** The University shall consist of-

Constitution and
Principal Officers
of the University

5 (a) a Chancellor;

6 (b) a Pro-Chancellor and a Council;

7 (c) a Vice-Chancellor and a Senate;

8 (d) Congregation;

9 (e) Convocation;

10 (f) the campuses and colleges of the University;

11 (g) the faculties, schools, institutes and other teaching and research
12 units of the University;

13 (h) the persons holding the offices constituted by the First Schedule First Schedule

14 to this Act other than those mentioned in paragraphs (a) - (c);

15 (i) all graduates and undergraduates; and

16 (j) all other persons who are members of the University in
17 accordance with provisions made by statute in that behalf.

18 (2) The First Schedule to this Act shall have effect with respect to First Schedule
19 the principal officers of the University.

20 (3) Provision shall be made by statute with respect to the
21 constitution of the Council, Senate, Congregation and Convocation.

22 **3.-(1)** For the carrying out of its objectives as specified under Powers of the
23 section 1 of this Act, the University shall- University

24 (a) offer courses of instruction, training and research in Solid
25 Mineral Development and allied areas for the production of quality and
26 skilled technologists required at lower, middle and higher levels of
27 manpower in Nigeria in particular and the world at large;

28 (b) establish such colleges, campuses, institutes, schools,
29 departments and other teaching and research units within the University as
30 may be deemed necessary or desirable subject to the approval of National

- 1 University Commission;
- 2 (c) institute professorships, readerships or associate professorships,
3 lectureships, and other posts and offices and to make appointments thereto;
- 4 (d) institute and award fellowships, scholarships, exhibitions,
5 bursaries, medals, prizes and other titles, distinctions, awards and forms of
6 assistance;
- 7 (e) provide for the discipline and welfare of members of the
8 University;
- 9 (f) hold examinations and grant degrees, diplomas, certificates and
10 other distinctions to persons who have pursued a course of study approved by
11 the University and have satisfied such other requirements as the University
12 may lay down;
- 13 (g) grant honorary degrees, fellowships or academic titles;
- 14 (h) demand and receive from any student or any other person
15 attending the University for the purposes of instruction, such fees as the
16 University may determine subject to the overall directives of the Minister;
- 17 (i) subject to section 19 of this Act, acquire, hold, grant, charge or
18 otherwise deal with or dispose of movable and immovable property wherever it
19 is situate;
- 20 (j) accept gifts, legacies and donations, but without obligation to
21 accept the same for a particular purpose unless it approves the terms and
22 conditions attached to it;
- 23 (k) enter into contracts, establish trusts, act as trustee, solely or jointly
24 with any other person, and employ and act through agents;
- 25 (l) erect, provide, equip and maintain libraries, laboratories,
26 workshops, lecture halls, halls of residence, refectories, sports grounds,
27 playing fields and other buildings or things necessary, suitable or convenient
28 for any of the objects of the University;
- 29 (m) hold public lectures, and print, publish and sell books;
- 30 (n) subject to any limitation or condition imposed by statute, invest

1 any moneys appertaining to the University by way of endowment, not being
2 immediately required for current expenditure in any investments, securities
3 or in the purchase or improvement of land, with power to vary any such
4 investments to deposit any money not invested with any bank on deposit or
5 current account;

6 (o) borrow, whether on interest or not and if need be upon the
7 security of any or all of the property, movable or immovable, of the
8 University, such money as the Council may, in its discretion, find necessary
9 or expedient to borrow or to guarantee any loan, advances or credit facilities;

10 (p) make gifts for any charitable purpose;

11 (q) do anything which it is authorised or required by this Act or by
12 statute to do; and

13 (r) do all acts or things, whether or not incidental to the foregoing
14 powers, as may advance the objects of the University.

15 (2) Subject to the provisions of this Act and Statute and without
16 prejudice to section 7 (2) of this Act, the powers conferred on the University
17 under subsection (1) are exercisable on behalf of the University by the
18 Council, the Senate or any other manner which may be authorised by
19 statutes.

20 (3) The power of the University to establish additional campuses
21 and colleges within the University is to be exercised in accordance with
22 statutes.

23 4.-(1) The Chancellor shall, in relation to the University, take
24 precedence before all other members of the University, and when he is
25 present, shall preside at all meetings of Convocation held for conferring
26 degrees.

Functions of the
Chancellor and
Pro-Chancellor

27 (2) The Pro-Chancellor shall, in relation to the University, take
28 precedence before all other members of the University, except the
29 Chancellor and the Vice-Chancellor when acting as chairman of
30 Congregation or Convocation and the Pro-Chancellor shall, when he is

Establishment,
Composition,
Tenure and powers
of the Council

1 present, be the chairman at all meetings of the Council.

2 **5.-(1)** There is established for the University a Governing Council (in
3 this Act referred to as "the Council") which shall consist of-

4 (a) the Pro-Chancellor appointed by the President on the
5 recommendation of the Minister;

6 (b) the Vice-Chancellor;

7 (c) the Deputy Vice-Chancellors;

8 (d) one person representing the Federal Ministry responsible for
9 Education;

10 (e) four persons representing a variety of interests and broadly
11 representative of the whole Federation to be appointed from -

12 (i) the Teacher's Registration Council, and

13 (ii) Tertiary Education Trust Fund;

14 (f) four persons appointed by the Senate from among its members;

15 (g) two persons appointed by Congregation from among its members;

16 (h) one person appointed by Convocation from among its members;

17 and

18 (i) two persons representing the host community appointed by the
19 President.

20 (2) Persons to be appointed to the Council shall be of proven integrity,
21 knowledgeable and familiar with the affairs and tradition of the University.

22 (3) The Council so constituted shall have a tenure of four years from
23 the date of its inauguration provided that where a Council is found to be
24 incompetent or corrupt, it shall be dissolved by the Visitor and a new Council
25 shall immediately be constituted for the effective functioning of the University.

26 (4) The powers of the Council shall be exercised as specified in this
27 Act and to that extent establishment circulars that are inconsistent with this Act
28 shall not apply to the University.

29 (5) The Council shall be free in the performance of its functions and
30 discharge of its responsibilities for the good management, growth and

1 development of the University.

2 (6) The Council, in the performance of its functions, shall ensure
3 that disbursement of funds of the University comply with the approved
4 budgetary ratio for-

5 (a) personnel cost;

6 (b) overhead cost;

7 (c) research and development;

8 (d) library developments; and

9 (e) the balance in expenditure between academic and non-
10 academic activities.

11 6.-(1) Subject to the provisions of this Act relating to the Visitor,
12 the Council is the governing body of the University and is charged with the
13 general control and superintendence of the policy, finances and property of
14 the University.

Functions of the
Council and its
Finance and General
Purposes Committee

15 (2) There shall be a committee of the Council known as the Finance
16 and General Purposes Committee, which shall, subject to the directions of
17 the Council, exercise control over the property and expenditure of the
18 University and perform such other functions as the Council may delegate to
19 it.

20 (3) The constitution of the Finance and General Purposes
21 Committee shall be made by statute.

22 (4) The Council shall ensure that proper accounts of the University
23 are kept and that the accounts of the University are audited annually by an
24 independent firm of auditors approved by the Council and that an annual
25 report is published by the University together with certified copies of the
26 said accounts as audited.

27 (5) Subject to this Act and the Statute, the Council and the Finance
28 and General Purposes Committee may each make rules for the purpose of
29 performing any of their functions or of regulating their own procedure.

30 (6) Rules made under subsection (5) by the Finance and General

1 Purposes Committee shall not come into effect unless approved by the Council
2 and rules made by the Committee that conflict with any direction given by the
3 Council, whether before or after the coming into effect of the rules in question,
4 the directions of the Council shall prevail.

5 (7) The members of the Council, the Finance and General Purposes
6 Committee and any other committee set up by the Council, shall be paid
7 allowances in respect of travelling and other reasonable expenses, at such rates
8 as may be fixed by the Minister.

9 (8) The Council shall meet as and when necessary for the
10 performance of its functions under this Act at least three times in every year.

11 (9) If requested in writing by any five members of the Council, the
12 chairman shall within 28 days after the receipt of such request call a meeting of
13 the Council.

14 (10) Any request made under subsection (9) shall specify the business
15 to be considered at the meeting and business not so specified shall not be
16 transacted at that meeting.

Functions of the
Senate of the
University

17 7.-(1) Subject to subsections (3) and (4) of this section, section 6 of
18 this Act and other provisions of this Act relating to the Visitor, the Senate shall
19 organise and control the teaching by the University, the admission of students
20 where no other enactment provides to the contrary and the discipline of
21 students and the promotion of research at the University.

22 (2) Without prejudice to subsection (1), the Senate shall make
23 provisions fo-

24 (a) the establishment, organisation and control of campuses, colleges,
25 schools, institutes and other teaching and research units of the University and
26 the allocation of responsibility for different branches of learning;

27 (b) the organisation and control of courses of study at the University
28 and of the examinations held in conjunction with those courses, including the
29 appointment of examiners, both internal and external;

30 (c) the award of degrees, and such other qualifications as may be

1 prescribed in connection with examinations held;

2 (d) the making of recommendations to the Council with respect to
3 the award to any person of an honorary fellowship or honorary degree or the
4 title of professor emeritus;

5 (e) the establishment, organisation and control of halls of residence
6 and similar institutions at the University;

7 (f) the supervision of the welfare of students at the University and
8 the regulation of their conduct;

9 (g) the granting of fellowships, scholarships, prizes and similar
10 awards if the awards are within the control of the University; and

11 (h) determining what description of dress shall be academic dress
12 for the purposes of the University, and regulating the use of the academic
13 dress.

14 (3) The Senate shall not establish any new campus, college, school,
15 department, institute or other teaching and research units of the University,
16 or any hall of residence or similar institution at the University without the
17 approval of the Council.

18 (4) Subject to this Act and Statute, the Senate may make
19 regulations for the purpose of performing any function conferred on it for
20 the purpose of making provision for any matter for which provision by
21 regulations is authorised or required by this Act or Statute.

22 (5) Regulations shall provide that at least one of the persons
23 appointed as the examiners at each final or professional examination held in
24 conjunction with any course of study at the University, is not a teacher at the
25 University but is a teacher of the branch of learning to which the course
26 relates at some other university of high repute or a person engaged in
27 practicing the profession in a reputable organisation or institution.

28 (6) Subject to right of appeal to the Council from a decision of the
29 Senate under this subsection, the Senate may deprive any person of any
30 degree, diploma or other award of the University which has been conferred

1 upon him if after due enquiry he is found to have been guilty of dishonourable
2 or scandalous conduct in gaining admission into the University or obtaining
3 that award.

Functions of the
Vice-Chancellor

4 **8.**-(1) The Vice-Chancellor shall, in relation to the University, take
5 precedence before all other members of the University except the Chancellor
6 and subject to section 4 of this Act except the Pro-Chancellor and any other
7 person for the time being acting as Chairman of the Council.

8 (2) Subject to this section, sections 7 and 13 of this Act, the Vice-
9 Chancellor shall have the general function, in addition to any other functions
10 conferred on him by this Act of directing the activities of the University and
11 shall be the Chief Executive and Accounting Officer of the University and ex-
12 officio chairman of the Senate.

13 (3) The Vice-Chancellor shall be the Chairman of the University
14 Tenders' Board, which is charged with the responsibility of approving the
15 conduct of public procurement of goods, works and services within the
16 approved threshold.

17 (4) The Vice-Chancellor shall establish and appoint members of the
18 Tenders' Board in line with the extant Public Procurement Rules and
19 Regulations.

20 PART II - GENERAL FUND OF THE UNIVERSITY

General fund
of the University

21 **9.**-(1) There shall be a general fund of the University which shall
22 consist of-

23 (a) grants-in-aid;

24 (b) fees;

25 (c) income derived from investments;

26 (d) gifts, legacies, endowments and donations not accepted for a
27 particular purpose;

28 (e) income derived from the exercise of any functions conferred or
29 imposed on the University by this Act;

30 (f) other amounts, charges or dues recoverable by the University;

- 1 (g) revenue, accruing to the University by way of subvention;
2 (h) interests on investments;
3 (i) donations and legacies accruing to the University from any
4 source for the general or special purposes of the University; and
5 (j) regular Tertiary Education Trust Fund interventions.
6 (2) The general fund shall be applied for the purpose of the
7 University.

8 PART III - STATUTES OF THE UNIVERSITY

- 9 **10.**-(1) Subject to this Act, the University may make statutes for-
10 (a) the composition and constitution of any authority of the
11 University;
12 (b) specifying and regulating the powers and duties of any
13 authority of the University, and regulating any other matter connected with
14 the University or any of its authorities;
15 (c) regulating the admission of students, where no other enactment
16 provides to the contrary, and their discipline and welfare;
17 (d) determining whether any particular matter is to be treated as an
18 academic or non-academic matter for the purpose of this Act and of any
19 statute, regulation or other instrument made under it; and
20 (e) making provision for any other matter for which provision by
21 statute is authorised or required by this Act.

Power of the
University to make
Statutes

- 22 (2) Subject to section 24 (6) of this Act, the Interpretation Act shall
23 apply in relation to any statute made under this section as it applies to a
24 subsidiary instrument.

Cap. 123 LFN,
2004

- 25 (3) The Statute contained in the Third Schedule to this Act shall be
26 deemed to have come into effect on the commencement of this Act and shall
27 be deemed to have been made under this section by the University.

Third Schedule

- 28 (4) The power to make statutes conferred by this section shall not
29 be prejudiced or limited in any way by reason of the inclusion or omission of
30 any matter in or from the Statute contained in the Third Schedule to this Act

Third Schedule

1 or any subsequent statute.

Mode of exercising
power to make
statutes

2 **11.**-(1) The power of the University to make statutes shall be
3 exercised in accordance with the provisions of this section.

4 (2) A proposed statute shall not become law unless it has been
5 approved at a meeting of the-

6 (a) Senate, by the votes of not less than two thirds of the members
7 present and voting; and

8 (b) Council, by the votes of not less than two thirds of the members
9 present and voting.

10 (3) A proposed statute may originate either in the Senate or in the
11 Council, and may be approved as required under subsection (2) by either one of
12 those bodies.

13 (4) A statute which-

14 (a) makes provision for or alters the composition or constitution of the
15 Council, the Senate or any other authority of the University; or

16 (b) provides for the establishment of a new campus or college or for
17 the amendment or revocation of any statute where a campus or college is
18 established,

19 shall not come into operation unless it has been approved by the Visitor.

Cap. 123 LFN,
2004

20 (5) For the purpose of section 2 (2) of the Interpretation Act, a statute
21 shall be treated as being made on the date on which it is duly approved by the
22 Council after having been duly approved by the Senate, or on the date on which
23 it is duly approved by the Senate after having been duly approved by the
24 Council, as the case may be or, in the case of a statute falling within subsection
25 (4) on the date on which it is approved by the President.

26 (6) In the event of any doubt or dispute arising at any time as to-

27 (a) the meaning of any provision of a statute; or

28 (b) whether any matter is for the purpose of this Act an academic or
29 non-academic matter as they relate to such doubt or dispute,

30 the matter may be referred to the Visitor, who shall take such advice and make

1 such decision as he thinks fit.

2 (7) The decision of the Visitor on any matter referred to him under
3 subsection (6) shall be binding upon the authorities, staff and students of the
4 University.

5 (8) Nothing in subsection (7) shall affect any power of a court of
6 competent jurisdiction to determine whether any provision of a statute is
7 wholly or partly void as being ultra vires or as being inconsistent with the
8 Constitution of the Federal Republic of Nigeria. Cap. C23 LFN,
2004

9 **12.** A statute may be proved in any court by the production of a Proof of Statute
10 copy bearing or having affixed to it a certificate purporting to be signed by
11 the Vice-Chancellor or the Secretary to the Council to the effect that the copy
12 is a true copy of a statute of the University.

13 **PART IV - SUPERVISION AND DISCIPLINE**

14 **13.**-(1) The President shall be the Visitor of the University. The Visitor

15 (2) The Visitor shall cause a visitation to the University when
16 necessary, at least every five years, or direct that such a visitation be
17 conducted by such persons as the Visitor may think fit and in respect of any
18 of the affairs of the University.

19 (3) The bodies and persons comprising the University shall make
20 available to the Visitor and to any other person conducting a visitation under
21 this section, such facilities and assistance as the Visitor may reasonably
22 require for the purpose of a visitation.

23 (4) The Visitor shall make the report of such visitations and white
24 paper thereon available to the Council which shall implement same.

25 **14.**-(1) Where it appears to the Council that a member of the Removal of certain
members of Council
26 Council, other than the Pro-Chancellor or the Vice-Chancellor, shall be
27 removed from office on the ground of misconduct or inability to perform the
28 functions of his office or employment, the Council shall make a
29 recommendation to that effect through the Minister to the Visitor, and the
30 Visitor, after making enquiries, may approve the recommendation and direct

1 the removal of the person in question from office.

2 (2) The Minister shall cause a copy of the instrument embodying a
3 direction under subsection (1) to be immediately served on the person to whom
4 it relates.

Removal and
discipline of
academic,
administrative
and professional
staff

5 15.-(1) Where it appears to the Council that there are reasons for
6 believing that any person employed as a member of the academic,
7 administrative or professional staff of the University, other than the Vice-
8 Chancellor, should be removed from his office or employment on the ground of
9 misconduct or of professional inability to perform the functions of his office or
10 employment, the Council shall-

11 (a) give notice of those reasons to the person in question,

12 (b) afford the person an opportunity of making representations in
13 person on the matter to the Council, and

14 (c) afford the person in question an opportunity of appearing before
15 and being heard by the investigating committee with respect to the matter,
16 and if the Council, after considering the report of the investigating committee,
17 is satisfied that the person in question be removed, the Council may remove
18 him by an instrument in writing signed on the directions of the Council.

19 (2) The Vice-Chancellor may, in a case of misconduct by a member of
20 staff which in the opinion of the Vice-Chancellor is prejudicial to the interest of
21 the University, suspend such member and any such suspension shall
22 immediately be reported to the Council.

23 (3) For good cause, a member of staff may be suspended from his
24 duties or appointment may be terminated by the Council, and for the purpose of
25 this subsection "good cause" means-

26 (a) conviction for any offence which the Council considers to be such
27 as to render the person concerned unfit for the discharge of the functions of his
28 office;

29 (b) any physical or mental incapacity which the Council, after
30 obtaining medical advice, considers to be such as to render the person

1 concerned unfit to continue to hold his office;

2 (c) conduct of a scandalous or other disgraceful nature which the
3 Council considers to be such as to render the person concerned unfit to
4 continue to hold his office;

5 (d) conduct which the Council considers to be such as to constitute
6 failure or inability of the person concerned to discharge the functions of his
7 office or to comply with the terms and conditions of his service; or

8 (e) conduct which the Council considers to be generally of such
9 nature as to render the continued appointment or service of the person
10 concerned prejudicial or detrimental to the interest of the University.

11 (4) Any person suspended under subsection (2) or (3) shall be on
12 half pay and the Council shall, before the expiration of a period of three
13 months after the date of such suspension, consider the case against that
14 person and come to a decision whether to-

15 (a) continue the person's suspension and if so, on what terms,
16 including the proportion of his emoluments to be paid to him;

17 (b) reinstate the person, in which case the Council shall restore his
18 full emoluments to him with effect from the date of suspension;

19 (c) terminate the appointment of the person, in which case the
20 person shall not be entitled to the proportion of his emoluments withheld
21 during the period of suspension; or

22 (d) take such lesser disciplinary action against such person,
23 including the restoration of such proportion of his emoluments that might
24 have been withheld, as the Council may determine.

25 (5) Where the Council, under this section, decides to continue a
26 person's suspension or decides to take further disciplinary action against a
27 person, the Council shall, before the expiration of a period of three months
28 from such decision, come to a final determination in respect of the case
29 concerning the person.

30 (6) The person by whom an instrument of removal is signed under

1 subsection (1) shall cause a copy of the instrument to be served immediately on
2 the person to whom it relates.

3 (7) Nothing in this section shall-

4 (a) apply to any directive given by the Visitor in consequence of any
5 visitation; or

6 (b) prevent the Council from making regulations for the discipline of
7 other categories of workers of the University as may be prescribed.

Removal of
examiners

8 **16.**-(1) Where, on the recommendation of the Senate, it appears to the
9 Vice-Chancellor that a person appointed as an examiner for any examination of
10 the University is to be removed from his office or appointment, then, except in
11 such cases as may be prescribed by the Senate, the Vice-Chancellor may, after
12 affording the examiner an opportunity of making representations in person on
13 the matter to the Vice-Chancellor, remove the examiner from the appointment
14 by an instrument in writing signed by the Vice-Chancellor.

15 (2) Subject to regulations made under section 7 (5) of this Act, the
16 Vice-Chancellor may, on the recommendation of the Senate, appoint an
17 appropriate person as examiner in place of the examiner removed under
18 subsection (1).

19 (3) The Vice-Chancellor, on signing an instrument of removal under
20 this section, shall cause a copy of the instrument to be immediately served on
21 the person to whom it relates.

Participation
and discipline
of students

22 **17.**-(1) The students shall-

23 (a) be represented in the University's Students Welfare Board and
24 other committees that deal with the affairs of students;

25 (b) participate in various aspects of curriculum development;

26 (c) participate in the process of assessing academic staff in respect of
27 teaching; and

28 (d) be encouraged to be more self-assured as part of the national
29 development process.

30 (2) Subject to the provisions of this section, where it appears to the

1 Vice-Chancellor that any student of the University is guilty of misconduct,
2 the Vice-Chancellor may, without prejudice to any other disciplinary
3 powers conferred on him by statute or regulations, direct that the-

4 (a) student shall not, during such period as may be specified in the
5 directions, participate in such activities of the University, or make use of
6 such facilities of the University, as may be so specified;

7 (b) activities of the student shall, during such period as may be
8 specified in the direction, be restricted in such manner as may be so
9 specified;

10 (c) student be rusticated for such period as may be specified in the
11 direction; or

12 (d) student be expelled from the University.

13 (3) Where a direction is given under subsection (2) (c) or (d) in
14 respect of any student, that student may, within the prescribed period and in
15 the prescribed manner, appeal to the Council and where such an appeal is
16 brought, the Council shall, after causing such inquiry to be made in the
17 matter as the Council considers just, confirm, set aside the direction or
18 modify it in such manner as the Council deems fit.

19 (4) An appeal from a direction brought under subsection (2) shall
20 not affect the operation of the direction while the appeal is pending.

21 (5) The Vice-Chancellor may delegate his powers under this
22 section to a disciplinary board consisting of such members of the University
23 as he may appoint.

24 (6) Nothing in this section shall be construed as preventing the
25 restriction or termination of students' activities at the University otherwise
26 than on the ground of misconduct.

27 (7) A direction under subsection (2) (a) may be combined with a
28 direction under subsection (2) (b).

29 PART V - MISCELLANEOUS AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

30 18.-(1) A person shall not be required to satisfy requirements as to

Exclusion of
discrimination

1 race, ethnic grouping, sex, place of birth, family origin, religious or political
2 persuasion, as a condition of becoming or continuing to be a student, holder of
3 any degree, any appointment or employment at the University, or a member of
4 anybody established by virtue of this Act, and no person shall be subject to any
5 disadvantage or accorded any advantage in relation to the University, by
6 reference to any of those matters.

7 (2) Nothing in subsection (1) shall be construed as preventing the
8 University from imposing any disability or restriction on any of the persons
9 mentioned in subsection (1) where such person wilfully refuses or fails, on
10 grounds of religious belief, to undertake any duty generally and uniformly
11 imposed on all such persons or any group of them which duty, having regard to
12 its nature and the special circumstances pertaining thereto, is in the opinion of
13 the University reasonably justifiable, in the national interest.

Restriction on
disposal of land
by the University

14 19. Without prejudice to the provisions of the Land Use Act, the
15 University shall not dispose of or charge any land or an interest in any land,
16 including any land transferred to the University by this Act, except with the
17 prior written consent, either general or special, of the President:

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2004

18 Provided that such consent shall not be required in the case of any
19 lease or tenancy at a rack-rent for a term not more than 21 years or any lease or
20 tenancy to a member of the University for residential purpose.

Quorum and
procedure of
bodies established
by this Act

21 20. Except as may be provided by statutes or regulations, the quorum
22 and procedure of any body of persons established under this Act shall be as
23 determined by that body.

Appointment
of Committees

24 21.-(1) Any body of persons established under this Act shall, without
25 prejudice to the generality of the powers of that body, have power to appoint
26 committees, which need not consist exclusively of members of that body, and
27 to authorise a committee established by it to-

28 (a) perform, on its behalf, such of its functions as it may determine;
29 and

30 (b) co-opt members.

1 (2) Any two or more bodies may arrange for the holding of joint
2 meetings of those bodies, or for the appointment of committees consisting of
3 members of those bodies, for the purpose of considering any matter within
4 the competence of those bodies or any of them, and either of dealing with it
5 or of reporting on it to those bodies or any of them.

6 (3) Except as provided by statutes or regulations, the quorum and
7 procedure of a committee established or meeting held under this section,
8 shall be determined by the bodies which have decided to establish the
9 committee or hold the meeting.

10 (4) Nothing in the provisions of subsections (1), (2) and (3) shall be
11 construed as enabling the-

12 (a) statutes to be made other than in accordance with section 11 of
13 this Act; or

14 (b) Senate to empower any other body to make regulations for the
15 award of degrees or other qualifications.

16 (5) The Pro-Chancellor and the Vice-Chancellor shall be members
17 of every committee of which the members are wholly or partly appointed by
18 the Council, other than a committee appointed to inquire into the conduct of
19 the officer in question, and the Vice-Chancellor shall be a member of every
20 committee of which the members are wholly or partly appointed by the
21 Senate.

22 **22.**-(1) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Pension
23 Reform Act, the compulsory retirement age of-

Retirement age
of academic staff
Act No. 4, 2014

24 (a) academic staff of the University in the non-professorial cadre is
25 65 years;

26 (b) academic staff of the University in the professorial cadre is 70
27 years; and

28 (c) non-academic staff of the University is 65 years.

29 (2) A law or rule requiring a person to retire from the public service
30 of the Federation after serving for 35 years shall not apply to an academic

	1	staff of the University.
Special provisions relating to pension of professors	2	23. An academic staff of the University who retires as a Professor in
	3	the University is entitled to pension at a rate equivalent to his annual salary
	4	provided that the Professor has served continuously in the University up to the
	5	retirement age.
Miscellaneous and administrative provisions	6	24. -(1) The seal of the University shall be determined by the Council
	7	and approved by the Chancellor, and the affixing of the seal shall be
	8	authenticated by any member of the Council, Vice-Chancellor, Secretary to the
	9	Council or any other person authorised by statute.
	10	(2) Any document purporting to be a document executed under the
	11	seal of the University shall be received in evidence and shall, unless the
	12	contrary is proved, be presumed to be so executed.
	13	(3) Any contract or instrument which if made or executed by a person
	14	not being a body corporate would not be required to be under seal, may be made
	15	or executed on behalf of the University by any person generally or specially
	16	authorised to do so by the Council.
	17	(4) The validity of any proceeding of any body established under this
	18	Act shall not be affected by any vacancy in the membership of the body, any
	19	defect in the appointment of a member of the body or by reason that any person
	20	not entitled to do so took part in the proceeding.
	21	(5) A member of any body who has a personal interest in any matter
	22	proposed to be considered by that body shall immediately disclose his interest
	23	to the body and shall not vote on any question relating to that matter.
Cap. 123 LFN 2004	24	(6) Nothing in section 12 of the Interpretation Act, which provides for
	25	the application in relation to subordinate legislation of certain incidental
	26	provisions, shall apply to statutes or regulations made under this Act.
Third Schedule	27	(7) The power conferred by this Act on any body to make statutes or
	28	regulations shall include power to revoke or vary such statute, including the
	29	Statute contained in the Third Schedule to this Act, or regulations, a subsequent

1 statute, and may make different provisions in relation to different
2 circumstances.

3 (8) No stamp or other duty shall be payable in respect of any Second Schedule
4 transfer of property to the University by virtue of section 27 (2) of this Act or
5 the Second Schedule to this Act.

6 (9) Any notice or other instrument authorised to be served by virtue
7 of this Act may, without prejudice to any other mode of service, be served by
8 post.

9 **25.-(1)** A legal proceeding shall not be instituted or commenced Restriction of
10 against the University or any of its agents in the course of their official duties suits and execution
11 unless a three months' pre-action notice of such intention is served on the
12 University by an aggrieved party;

13 (2) The notice shall state the reason and the cause of action
14 intended to be taken against the University, the particulars of the claim, the
15 name and place of abode of the intending plaintiff and the relief which he
16 claims.

17 (3) A suit shall not be commenced against an officer or servant of
18 the University, in any case where the University is vicariously liable for any
19 alleged act, neglect or default of the officer or servant in the performance or
20 intended performances of his duties, unless three months has elapsed after
21 written notice of intention to commence the same is served on the University
22 by the intending plaintiff or his agent.

23 (4) In any suit against the University, no execution, attachment or
24 process shall be issued against the University, but any sum of money which
25 may, by judgment of the court, awarded against the University shall, subject
26 to any direction given by the court where notice of appeal has been given by
27 the University in respect of the said judgment, be paid by the University
28 from its general fund.

29 (5) Service of notice, order or other document upon the University
30 may be effected by delivering same or sending it by registered post

	1	addressed to the Registrar and Secretary of the Council.
Interpretation	2	26. In this Act-
	3	"campus" means any campus which may be established by the University;
	4	"college" means the College established under section 3 (1) (b) of this Act for
	5	the University;
	6	"Council" means the Governing Council of the University established under
	7	section 5(1) of this Act;
	8	"functions" includes powers and duties;
	9	"graduate" means a person on whom a degree, other than an honorary degree,
	10	has been conferred by the University and any other person as may be
	11	designated as a graduate by the Council, acting in accordance with the
	12	recommendation of the Senate;
	13	"Minister" means the Minister responsible for Education;
	14	"notice" means notice in writing;
	15	"officer" does not include the Visitor;
	16	"prescribed" means prescribed by statutes or regulations;
	17	"professor" means a person designated as a professor of the University in
	18	accordance with provisions made in that behalf by statutes or by regulations;
	19	"property" includes rights, liabilities and obligations;
	20	"provisional council" means the provisional council appointed for the
	21	University;
	22	"regulations" means regulations made by the Senate or the Council;
	23	"Senate" means the Senate of the University established under section 2 (1)(c)
	24	of this Act;
	25	"school" means a unit of closely related academic programmes;
	26	"Statute" means a statute made by the University under section 10 of this Act,
	27	and "the statutes" means all such statutes as are in effect;
	28	"teacher" means a person holding a full-time appointment as a member of the
	29	teaching or research staff of the University;
	30	"undergraduate" means a person registered as a student undergoing a course of

1 study for a first degree of the University or such other course in the
2 University as may be approved by the Senate as qualifying a student
3 undergoing it for the status of an undergraduate; and
4 “University” means Federal University of Solid Mineral Resources
5 Development, Bukuru Gyel established under section 1 of this Act.

6 **27.** This Bill may be cited as Federal University of Solid Mineral Citation
7 Resources Development, Bukuru Gyel, Plateau State (Establishment) Bill,
8 2024

1 SCHEDULES

2 FIRST SCHEDULE

3 *Section 2 (1) (h) and (2)*

4 PRINCIPAL OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY

5 *The Chancellor*

6 1. The Chancellor shall be appointed by and hold office at the pleasure
7 of the President.

8 *The Pro-Chancellor*

9 2.-(1) The Pro-Chancellor who shall be the Chairman of the Council
10 shall be appointed or removed from office by the President on the
11 recommendation of the Minister.

12 (2) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the Pro Chancellor shall hold
13 office for a term of four years commencing from the date of his appointment.

14 *The Vice-Chancellor*

15 3.-(1) The Vice-Chancellor of the University shall be appointed by the
16 Council in accordance with the provisions of this paragraph.

17 (2) Where a vacancy occurs in the post of Vice-Chancellor, the
18 Council shall-

19 (a) advertise the vacancy in a reputable journal or a widely read
20 newspaper in Nigeria, specifying the-

21 (i) qualities of the persons who may apply for the post, and

22 (ii) terms and conditions of service applicable to the post,

23 and thereafter draw up a short list of suitable candidates for the post for
24 consideration;

25 (b) constitute a Search Team consisting of-

26 (i) a member of the Council, who is not a member of the Senate, as
27 chairman,

28 (ii) two members of the Senate who are not members of the Council,
29 one of whom shall be a professor, and

30 (iii) two members of Congregation who are not members of the

1 Council, one of whom shall be a professor,
2 to identify and nominate for consideration, suitable persons who are not
3 likely to apply for the post of their own volition because they feel that it is not
4 proper to do so.

5 (3) A Joint Council and Senate Selection Board consisting of-

6 (a) the Pro-Chancellor, as chairman;

7 (b) two members of the Council, not being members of the Senate;

8 and

9 (c) two members of the Senate who are professors, but who were
10 not members of the Search Team,

11 shall consider the candidates and persons in the short list drawn up under
12 subparagraph (2) through an examination of their curriculum vitae and
13 interaction with them, and recommend to the Council three candidates for
14 further consideration.

15 (4) The Council shall select and appoint as Vice-Chancellor one
16 from among the three candidates recommended to it under subparagraph (3)
17 and thereafter inform the Visitor.

18 (5) The Vice-Chancellor shall hold office for a single term of five
19 years only on such terms and conditions as may be specified in his letter of
20 appointment.

21 (6) The Vice-Chancellor may be removed from office by the
22 Council on the ground of gross misconduct or inability to discharge the
23 functions of his office as a result of infirmity of the body or mind at the
24 initiative of the Council, Senate or Congregation after due process.

25 (7) When the proposal for the removal of Vice-Chancellor is made,
26 the Council shall constitute a joint committee of Council and Senate
27 consisting of-

28 (a) three members of Council, one of whom shall be Chairman of
29 the Committee; and

30 (b) two members of Senate,

1 (c) perform such other functions as the Vice-Chancellor of the
2 Council may assign to him.

3 (5) A Deputy Vice-Chancellor-

4 (a) shall hold office for a term of two years commencing from the
5 date of his appointment and on such terms and conditions as may be
6 specified in his letter of appointment;

7 (b) may be re-appointed for another term of two years and no more;
8 and

9 (c) may be removed from office for good cause by the Council,
10 acting on the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor and Senate and "good
11 cause" for the purpose of this subparagraph, means gross misconduct or the
12 inability to discharge the function of his office arising from infirmity of the
13 body or mind.

14 *Office of the Registrar*

15 5.-(1) There shall be for the University, a Registrar, who shall be
16 the Chief Administrative Officer of the University and be responsible to the
17 Vice-Chancellor for the administrative work of the University except as
18 regards matters for which the Bursar is responsible in accordance with
19 paragraph 6 (2).

20 (2) The person holding the office of the Registrar shall by virtue of
21 that office be Secretary to the Council, the Senate, Congregation and
22 Convocation.

23 *Other Principal Officers of the University*

24 6.-(1) There shall be for the University other principal officers in
25 addition to the Registrar-

26 (a) the Bursar; and

27 (b) the University Librarian,

28 who shall be appointed by the Council on the recommendation of the
29 Selection Board constituted under paragraph 7.

30 (2) The Bursar shall be the Chief Financial Officer of the

1 University and be responsible to the Vice-Chancellor for the administration
2 and control of the financial affairs of the University.

3 (3) The University Librarian shall be responsible to the Vice-
4 Chancellor for the administration of the university library and the co-
5 ordination of the library services in the University, its campuses, colleges,
6 faculties, schools, departments, institutes and other teaching or research units.

7 (4) Any question as to the scope of the responsibilities of the officers
8 in this paragraph shall be determined by the Vice-Chancellor.

9 *Selection Board for other Principal Officers*

10 7.-(1) There shall be, for the University, a Selection Board for the
11 appointment of principal officers, other than the Vice-Chancellor or Deputy
12 Vice-Chancellor, which shall consist of-

13 (a) the Pro-Chancellor, as Chairman;

14 (b) the Vice-Chancellor;

15 (c) four members of the Council not being members of the Senate; and

16 (d) two members of the Senate.

17 (2) The functions, procedure and other matters relating to the
18 Selection Board constituted under subparagraph (1) shall be as the Council
19 may determine.

20 (3) The Registrar, Bursar and Librarian shall hold office for a single
21 term of five years only commencing from the date of their appointment and on
22 such terms and conditions as may be specified in their letters of appointment.

23 (4) Notwithstanding subparagraph (3), the Council may, upon
24 satisfactory performance, extend the tenure of the Registrar, Bursar or
25 Librarian for a further term of one year only and such principal officer shall
26 relinquish his post and be assigned other duties in the University.

27 *Resignation and Re-appointment*

28 8 -(1) Any officer mentioned under this Schedule may resign his
29 office-

1 (a) in the case of the Chancellor or Pro-Chancellor, by notice to the
2 President;

3 (b) in any other case, by notice to the Council and the Council shall,
4 in the case of the Vice-Chancellor, immediately notify the Visitor.

5 (2) Subject to subparagraph (1), a person who has ceased to hold
6 office other than by removal for misconduct shall be eligible for re-
7 appointment to that office.

8 SECOND SCHEDULE

9 *Sections 24 (8) and 27 (3)*

10 TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS AS TO PROPERTY, FUNCTIONS, ETC.

11 *Transfer of Property to University*

12 1. Without prejudice to the generality of section 10(1) of this Act-

13 (a) the reference in that subsection to property held by the
14 Provisional Council shall include a reference to the right to receive and give
15 a good discharge for any grant or contribution which may have been voted or
16 promised to the Provisional Council;

17 (b) all debts and liabilities of the Provisional Council outstanding
18 shall become debts or liabilities of the University.

1 THIRD SCHEDULE

2 *Sections 10 (3), (4) and 24 (7)*

3 FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF SOLID MINERAL RESOURCES

4 DEVELOPMENT, BUKURU GYEL

5 STATUTE NO. 1

6 ARRANGEMENT OF ARTICLES

7 Articles:

8 1. The Council

9 2. The Finance and General Purposes Committee

10 3. Audit

11 4. The Senate

12 5. Congregation

13 6. Convocation

14 7. Division of Colleges

15 8. College Boards

16 9. Deans of the Colleges

17 10. Departmental Board of studies

18 11. Selection of Directors of Physical Planning and Development,

19 Works and Services and Health

20 12. Tenure of Directors

21 13. Creation of academic posts

22 14. Appointment of administrative and professional staff

23 15. Interpretation.

24 16. Citation

25 *The Council*

26 1.-(1) The composition of the Council shall be as provided under
27 section 5 of this Act.

28 (2) A member of the Council holding office otherwise than as
29 provided under section 5 (1) (a), (b), (c), or (d) of this Act may, by notice to the
30 Council, resign his office.

1 (3) A member of the Council holding office otherwise than as
2 provided under section 5 (1) (a), (b), (c), or (d) of this Act shall, unless he
3 previously vacates it, vacate that office on the expiration of the term of four
4 years commencing from 1 August in the year which he was appointed.

5 (4) Where a member of the Council holding office otherwise than
6 as provided under section 5 (1) (a), (b), (g), or (h) of this Act vacates office
7 before the expiration of the period aforesaid, the body or person by whom he
8 was appointed may appoint a successor to hold office for the residue of the
9 term of his predecessor.

10 (5) A person ceasing to hold office as a member of the Council
11 other than by removal for misconduct shall be eligible for re-appointment
12 for another term of four years and no more.

13 (6) The quorum of the Council shall be five, at least one of whom
14 shall be a member appointed under section 5 (1) (d) or (e) of this Act.

15 (7) If the Pro-Chancellor is not present at a meeting of the Council,
16 other members of the Council present at the meeting may appoint the
17 chairman and subject to section 5 of this Act and the provisions of this
18 article, the Council may regulate its own procedure.

19 (8) Where the Council desires to obtain advice with respect to any
20 particular matter, it may co-opt not more than two persons for that purpose,
21 and the persons co-opted may take part in the deliberations of the Council at
22 any meeting but shall not be entitled to vote.

23 *The Finance and General Purposes Committee*

24 2.-(1) The Finance and General Purposes Committee of the
25 Council shall consist of-

26 (a) the Pro-Chancellor, who shall be the Chairman of the
27 Committee at any meeting at which he is present;

28 (b) the Vice-Chancellor and Deputy Vice-Chancellors;

29 (c) six other members of the Council appointed by the Council, two
30 of whom shall be selected from among the four members of the Council

1 appointed by the Senate and one member appointed to the Council by
2 Congregation;

3 (d) the Permanent Secretary of the Federal Ministry responsible for
4 Education, or his representative; and

5 (e) the Executive Secretary of the Petroleum Solid Mineral
6 Development Fund, or his representative.

7 (2) The quorum of the Committee shall be five.

8 (3) Subject to any directions given by the Council, the Committee
9 may regulate its own procedure.

10 *Annual budget and estimates, etc.*

11 (4) The estimates of income and expenditure for a financial year shall
12 be presented by the Vice-Chancellor to the Council and may be approved by the
13 Council before the beginning of that financial year:

14 Provided that the Vice-Chancellor may during any financial year,
15 present the supplementary estimates of income or expenditure.

16 (5) The annual and supplementary estimates shall be prepared in such
17 form and shall contain such information as the Council may direct.

18 *Gifts and donations*

19 (6) The Council may on behalf of the University accept by way of
20 grant, gift, testamentary disposition or otherwise, property and money in aid of
21 the finances of the University on such conditions as it may approve.

22 (7) Registers shall be kept of all donations to the University including
23 the names of donors and any special conditions under which any donation may
24 have been given:

25 Provided that the University shall not be obliged to accept a donation
26 for a particular purpose unless it approves of the terms and conditions attaching
27 to such donation.

28 (8) All property, money or funds donated for any specific purposes
29 shall be applied and administered in accordance with the purposes for which
30 they are donated and shall be accounted for separately.

1 *Payment into bank*

2 (9) All sums of money received on account of the University shall
3 be paid into such bank as may be approved by the Council for the credit of
4 the University's general, current or deposit account:

5 Provided that the Council may invest, as it deems fit, any money
6 not required for immediate use other than donations of money referred to in
7 subarticle (7).

8 *Audit*

9 3.-(1) The Council shall cause the accounts of the University to be
10 audited by auditors appointed by the Council immediately after the end of
11 each financial year or for any such other period as the Council may require.

12 (2) The appointment and other matters related to the auditors, their
13 continuance in office and functions, as the case may be, shall, subject to the
14 provisions of this article, be prescribed by statute.

15 *The Senate*

16 4.-(1) The Senate shall consist of-

17 (a) the Vice-Chancellor;

18 (b) Deputy Vice-Chancellors;

19 (c) the Deans of respective Colleges;

20 (d) the Professors in the University;

21 (e) heads of academic Departments and Units;

22 (f) the University Librarian;

23 (g) one elected representative of each College;

24 (h) two members of Academic Staff elected by Congregation;

25 (i) one elected representative of each department;

26 (j) two members representing a variety of interests of the
27 professional bodies outside the University appointed by the Senate on the
28 recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor; and

29 (k) the Registrar who shall be the Secretary.

30 (2) The procedure for election of members of Senate to the

1 Council shall be prescribed by Regulations.

2 (3) The Vice-Chancellor shall be the Chairman at all meetings of the
3 Senate when he is present, and in his absence any of the Deputy Vice-
4 Chancellors present at the meeting as the Senate may appoint for that meeting
5 shall be the Chairman at the meeting.

6 (4) The quorum of the Senate shall be one quarter or the nearest whole
7 number less than one quarter, and subject to subarticle (3), the Senate may
8 regulate its own procedure.

9 (5) An elected member may, by notice to the Senate, resign his office.

10 (6) Subject to subarticle (8), there shall be elections for the selection
11 of elected members which shall be held in the prescribed manner on a day in the
12 month of May or June in each year as the Vice-Chancellor may determine.

13 (7) An elected member shall hold office for a term of two years
14 commencing from 1 August in the year of his election, and may be a candidate
15 at any election held under subarticle (6) in the year in which his term of office
16 expires, but no person shall be such a candidate if at the end of his current
17 period of office he has held office as an elected member for a continuous period
18 of six years or would have so held office if he had not resigned.

19 (8) No election shall be held under this article in any year if the
20 number specified in the certificate given under subarticle (11) does not exceed
21 by more than one the figure which is thrice the number of those elected
22 members holding office on the date of the certificate who do not vacate office
23 during that year under subarticle (7).

24 (9) No person shall be precluded from continuing in or taking office
25 as an elected member by reason only of reduction in the number of non-elected
26 members occurring on or after 30 April in any year in which he is to continue in
27 or take office as an elected member.

28 (10) If so requested in writing by any 15 members of the Senate, the
29 Vice-Chancellor or in his absence any of the Deputy Vice-Chancellors duly
30 appointed by him, shall convene a meeting of the Senate to be held not later

1 than the 10th day after the request was received.

2 (11) In this article "total of non-elected members" means, in
3 respect of any year, such number as may be certified by the Vice-chancellor
4 on 30 April of that year to be the number of persons holding office as
5 members of the Senate on that day otherwise than as elected members.

6 *Congregation*

7 5.- (1) Congregation shall consist of-

8 (a) Vice-Chancellor;

9 (b) the Deputy Vice-Chancellors;

10 (c) the full-time members of the academic staff;

11 (d) the Registrar;

12 (e) the Librarian; and

13 (f) every member of the administrative staff who holds a degree,
14 other than honorary degree, of any University recognised for the purposes of
15 this statute by the Vice-Chancellor.

16 (2) Subject to section 5 of this Act, the Vice-Chancellor shall be the
17 Chairman at all meetings of Congregation when he is present, and in his
18 absence any of the Deputy Vice-Chancellors present at the meeting as
19 Congregation may appoint for that meeting, shall be the Chairman at the
20 meeting.

21 (3) The quorum of Congregation shall be one-third or the whole
22 number nearest to one-third of the total number of members of Congregation
23 of 50, whichever is less.

24 (4) A certificate signed by the Vice-Chancellor specifying the-

25 (a) total number of members of Congregation for the purpose of
26 any particular meeting or meetings of Congregation; or

27 (b) names of the persons who are members of Congregation during
28 a particular period, shall be conclusive evidence of that number or of the
29 names of those persons.

30 (5) The procedure for election of members of Congregation to the

1 Council and the Senate shall be prescribed by Regulations.

2 (6) Subject to this article, Congregation may regulate its own
3 procedure.

4 (7) Congregation is entitled to express, by resolutions, its opinion on
5 all matters affecting the interest and welfare of the University and shall have
6 other functions, in addition to the function of electing a member of the Council,
7 as may be provided by statute or regulations.

8 *Convocation*

9 6. -(1) Convocation shall consist of-

10 (a) the officers of the University mentioned in the First Schedule to
11 this Act;

12 (b) all teachers within the meaning of this Act; and

13 (c) all other persons whose names are registered in accordance with
14 subarticle (2).

15 (2) A person shall be entitled to have his name registered as a member
16 of Convocation if he-

17 (a) is either a graduate of a University or a person satisfying such
18 requirements as may be prescribed for the purpose of this article; and

19 (b) applies for the registration of his name in the prescribed manner
20 and pays the prescribed fees.

21 (3) Regulations shall provide for the establishment and maintenance
22 of a register for the purpose of this article and subject to subarticle (4) may
23 provide for the payment of fees by persons whose names are on the register and
24 for the removal from the register of the name of any person who fails to pay
25 those fees.

26 (4) The person responsible for maintaining the register shall, without
27 the payment of any fees, ensure that the names of all persons who are for the
28 time being members of Convocation by virtue of subarticle (2) (a) or (b) are
29 entered and retained on the register.

30 (5) A person who reasonably claims that he is entitled to have his

1 name on the register is entitled on demand to inspect the register or a copy of
2 the register at the principal office of the University at all reasonable times.

3 (6) The register shall, unless the contrary is proved, be sufficient
4 evidence that any person named or not named in it is not a member of
5 Convocation, but for the purpose of ascertaining whether a particular person
6 was such a member on a particular date, any entries in and deletions from the
7 register made on or after that date shall be disregarded.

8 (7) The quorum of Convocation shall be 50, one-third, the whole
9 number nearest to one-third or the whole number of members of
10 Convocation, whichever is less.

11 (8) Subject to section 4 of the Act, the Chancellor shall be chairman
12 at all meetings of Convocation when he is present, and in his absence the
13 Vice-Chancellor shall be the chairman at the meeting.

14 (9) Convocation shall have other functions, in addition to the
15 function of appointing a member of the Council, as may be provided by
16 statutes or regulations.

17 *Division of Colleges*

18 7. Each College shall be divided into such number of branches as
19 may be prescribed.

20 *College Boards*

21 8.-(1) There is established in respect of each College, a Board of
22 Studies which, subject to the provisions of this Statute, and the directions of
23 the Vice-Chancellor, shall-

24 (a) regulate the teaching, study and the conduct of examinations
25 connected with the subjects assigned to the college;

26 (b) deal with any other matter assigned to it by Statute, the Vice-
27 Chancellor or Senate; and

28 (c) advise the Vice-Chancellor or Senate on any matter referred to
29 it by the Vice-Chancellor or the Senate.

30 (2) Each College Board of Studies shall consist of-

- 1 (a) the Vice-Chancellor;
- 2 (b) the Dean;
- 3 (c) the persons severally in charge of the branches of the school;
- 4 (d) the College Examination Officer;
- 5 (e) such number of teachers assigned to the College and having the
- 6 prescribed qualifications as the Board may determine; and
- 7 (f) such persons, whether or not members of the University, as the
- 8 Board may determine with the general or special approval of the Senate.

9 (3) The quorum of the Board shall be eight members or one quarter,
10 whichever is greater, of the members for the time being of the Board, and
11 subject to the provisions of this Statute and to any provision made by
12 regulations in that behalf, the Board may regulate its own procedure.

13 *Deans of the Colleges*

14 9.-(1) The Board of each College shall, at a meeting in the last term of
15 any academic year which the term of office of the Dean expires, nominate one
16 of its members, being one of the Professors assigned to that teaching unit, for
17 appointment by the Senate as Dean of the College.

18 (2) The person appointed under subarticle (1) shall act as Dean of the
19 College and Chairman of all meetings of the College Board when he is present
20 and shall be a member of all committees and other boards appointed by the
21 College.

22 (3) The Dean shall hold office for two years and shall be eligible for
23 re-appointment for a further term of two years, and shall not be eligible for re-
24 appointment until two years have elapsed.

25 (4) The Dean of a College shall exercise general superintendence over
26 the academic and administrative affairs of the College.

27 (5) The Dean shall present to Convocation for the conferment of
28 degrees to persons who have qualified for degrees of the University at
29 examination held in the branches of learning for which responsibility is
30 allocated to that College.

1 (6) There shall be a Committee of Deans consisting of all the Deans
2 of the several Colleges and the Committee shall advise the Vice-Chancellor
3 on all academic matters and or particular matters referred to the University
4 by the Senate.

5 (7) The Dean of a College may be removed from office for good
6 cause by the College Board after a vote would have been taken at a meeting
7 of the Board, and in the event of a vacancy occurring following the removal
8 of a Dean, an acting Dean may be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor:

9 Provided that at the next College Board meeting an election shall
10 be held for a new Dean.

11 (8) In this article "good cause" has the same meaning as in section
12 15 (3) of the Act.

13 *Departmental Board of Studies*

14 10.-(1) There shall be a Departmental Board of Studies whose
15 membership shall be made up of all academic staff of the Department.

16 (2) The Departmental Board of Studies shall be headed by a
17 Professor who shall be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor and in the absence
18 of a Professor, a senior academic staff shall be appointed in acting capacity.

19 (3) Where the head of the Departmental Board of Studies is a
20 Professor, he shall head for a term of three years while a senior academic
21 staff on acting capacity is to head for one year.

22 (4) The Board shall handle all disciplinary matters in the
23 Department and make recommendations to the College where necessary.

24 (5) Allocation of courses in the department shall be done by the
25 Departmental Board on recommendation of the Head of Department.

26 *Selection of Directors of Physical Planning and Development, Works
27 and Services and Health*

28 11.-(1) Where a vacancy occurs in the office of the Directors of
29 Physical Planning and Development, Works and Services and Health, a
30 Selection Board shall be constituted by the Council which shall consist of-

- 1 (a) the Pro-Chancellor;
2 (b) the Vice-Chancellor;
3 (c) two members appointed by the Council, not being members of the
4 Senate;
5 (d) Two members appointed by the Senate.

6 (2) The Selection Board after making such inquiries as it deems fit,
7 shall recommend a candidate to the Council for appointment to the vacant
8 office, and after considering the recommendation of the Selection Board, the
9 Council may make an appointment to that office.

10 *Tenure of Directors*

11 12. A Director shall hold office on such terms and conditions as may
12 be specified in his letter of appointment subject to the extant Regulations.

13 *Creation of Academic Posts*

14 13. Recommendations for the creation of academic posts other than
15 principal officers shall be made by the Senate to the Council through the
16 Finance and General Purposes Committee.

17 *Appointment of Administrative and Professional Staff*

18 14.-(1) The administrative and professional staff of the University
19 other than principal officers shall be appointed by the Council or on its behalf
20 by the Vice-Chancellor in accordance with delegation of powers made by the
21 Council on its behalf.

22 (2) A Selection Board, with power to appoint, shall consist of-

- 23 (a) Vice-Chancellor;
24 (b) Deputy Vice-Chancellor;
25 (c) Registrar;
26 (d) Bursar;
27 (e) University Librarian;
28 (f) The Head of Department concerned; and
29 (g) Establishment and Human Resources Officer who shall serve as
30 Secretary.

