

**THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA JUDICIAL ACADEMY ACT,2012-02-22
(KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA ACT NO. IV OF 2012)**

NOTIFICATION

Dated Peshawar, the 17th January,2012

No.PA/Khyber Pakhtunkhwa/Bills/2012/2330-31.- The Khyber Pakhtukhwa Judicial Academy Bill,2012 having been passed by the Provincial Assembly of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on 6th January,2012 and assented to by the Governor of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on 14th January,2012 is hereby published as an Act of the Provincial Legislature of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

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to provide for the establishment of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Judicial Academy.

WHEREAS it is expedient to establish an academy for imparting training to the judicial officers and personnel concerned with the system of administration of justice with a view to develop their capacity, professional competence and ethical standard for efficient dispensation of justice and matters connected therewith or incidental thereto;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. Short title, extent and commencement.---(1) This Act may be called the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Judicial Academy Act, 2012.

(2) It shall extend to the whole Province of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

(3) It shall come into force at once.

2. Definitions.---In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,-

(a) “Academy” means the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Judicial Academy established under section 3;

(b) “Board” means the Board of Governors of the Academy;

(c) “Chairman” means the Chairman of the Board;

(d) “Director General” means the Director General of the Academy;

(e) “faculty” means members of the teaching staff of the Academy;

(f) “Fund” means the Fund of the Academy established under section 11;

(g) “Government” means the Government of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa;

- (h) “member” means a member of the Board;
- (i) “prescribed” means prescribed by rules made under this Act; and
- (j) “staff” means members of the staff of the Academy, including employees on contract, part time and deputation.

3. Establishment of the Academy.---(1) Government shall, by notification in the official Gazette, establish an Academy to be known as the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Judicial Academy.

(2) The Academy 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 in its name, and shall by its name sue and be sued.

(3) The main office of the Academy shall be at Peshawar. The Academy shall have its regional offices at such places as the Board may deem fit.

4. Aims and objectives of the Academy.---The aims and objectives of the Academy shall be-

- (a) to provide training to the judicial officers and court personnel and the personnel of all those departments, organizations, bodies and institutions, which are directly or indirectly connected with the system of administration of justice like Police, Prosecutors, Government Pleaders, Probation Officers, Medico Legal Experts and others;
- (b) to award certificates and other distinctions to the trainees and to prescribe standards of proficiency before awarding such certificates and distinctions,

which may also form yardstick for future promotion of such officers subject to rules of respective services;

- (c) to hold conferences, seminars, lectures, workshops and symposia in matters relating to court management, administration of justice, law and development of skills in legislative drafting;
- (d) to initiate, promote and encourage research, publication of books, journals, research papers and reports on important topics relating to administration of justice;
- (e) to establish liaison with research institutions, universities and other bodies including the Federal Judicial Academy, towards the cause of administration of justice; and
- (f) to inculcate and promote ethical values and standards in judicial officers and in personnel connected with the system of administration of justice.

5. The Board.---The Board shall consist of the following:

- (a) Chief Justice of the Peshawar High Court; Chairman
- (b) Senior most Judge of the Peshawar High Court; Vice-Chairman
- (c) Additional Chief Secretary to Government; Member
- (d) Secretary to Government Law, Parliamentary Affairs and Human; Member

Rights Department;

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| (e) | Secretary to Government Finance Department; | Member |
| (f) | Advocate General, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa; | Member |
| (g) | Registrar, Peshawar High Court; | Member |
| (h) | the Additional Registrar (Admn), Peshawar High Court; | Member |
| (i) | Member Inspection Team, Peshawar High Court; | Member |
| (j) | the Principal/Dean, Faculty of Law, University of Peshawar; and | Member |
| (k) | Director General of the Academy. | Member-cum-Secretary |

6. Powers and functions of the Board.---(1) For carrying out the aims and objectives of the Academy, the Board shall-

- (a) exercise supervision and control over the affairs of the Academy;
- (b) lay down the policy and programme for training;
- (c) initiate, modify, adopt the curriculum, courses, modules, clinics, for orientation and training;

- (d) organize and carry out the activities and performance of the Authority;
- (e) consider and approve the annual budget and revised budget estimate of the Academy;
- (f) manage financial affairs;
- (g) cause proper books of account to be maintained for all sums of money received and expenditure incurred by the Academy and arrange for audit of accounts;
- (h) specify qualifications, conditions of service and matters relating to the Director General, faculty members and staff of the Academy;
- (i) create, abolish, suspend and upgrade posts;
- (j) purchase, hire, construct or alter any building for the use of the Academy;
- (k) acquire, hold, control, maintain, administer, construct or dispose of any property, or other assets;
- (l) acquire, maintain and dispose of any vehicle;

- (m) affiliate the Academy with other academies, institutions and centers of the Federal, Provincial or Foreign Government and Organizations;
- (n) appoint advisors, consultants and experts and specify their terms and conditions;
- (o) appoint or hire permanent or visiting faculty and specify their terms and conditions; and
- (p) decide any other matter ancillary or incidental to aims and objectives of the Academy.

(2) The Board may delegate any of its powers or functions to the Chairman, member or the Director General, as it may deem fit.

7. Appointment of the Director General.---(1) The Director General shall be appointed by the Chairman from amongst the serving or retired District and Sessions Judges on such terms and conditions as may be determined by the Board.

(2) The Director General may resign from his office by writing under his hand, addressed to the Chairman.

8. Powers and functions of the Director General.---The Director General shall-

- (i) manage the affairs of the Academy under the general directions of the Chairman;
- (ii) be the academic and administrative head of the Academy and shall be responsible for administration, maintenance, order and discipline;

(iii) be the Drawing and Disbursing Officer of the Academy; and

(iv) execute the policy, set out by the Board.

9. Meetings of the Board.---(1) A meeting of the Board shall be called by the Chairman on such date and at such time and place as he may deem appropriate:

Provided that the intervening period between two meetings of the Board, shall not exceed six months.

(2) In the absence of the Chairman, the Vice-Chairman and in his absence, the nominee of the Chairman shall preside over the meeting of the Board.

(3) The quorum of the meeting of the Board shall be six members.

(4) All decisions shall be made by simple majority present and voting.

(5) The Chairman or the Vice-Chairman or member, as the case may be presiding over the meeting, shall have a casting vote in case of tie.

10. Appointing authority.---(1) The Appointing authority of the staff shall be the Chairman.

(2) The Chairman may delegate his power to the Director General for appointment of any class of staff.

11. Application of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government servants (Efficiency and Discipline) Rules.---The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency and Discipline) Rules shall, mutatis mutandis apply to the employees serving in the Academy.

12. Fund.---(1) There shall be a Fund to which all its income shall be credited and from which all its expenditures shall be met.

(2) The sources of income of Funds shall be-

(a) grants made by the Federal Government;

(b) grants made by Government;

(c) sale proceeds of the property and publications of the Academy; and

(d) fees, charges or any other sum received by the Academy from any lawful source.

(3) The Fund shall vest in the Academy and the money to the credit of the Fund shall be kept in a personal ledger account in the Government Treasury or with the approval of the Board, in a Scheduled Bank.

13. Budget.---(1) The Director General shall, in respect of each fiscal year, submit for approval of the Board, by such date and in such manner as may be prescribed, a statement showing the estimated receipts, the current and development expenditures and the sums required as grants-in-aid from the Federal Government and Government.

(2) The Director General shall not incur any expenditure from the Fund which is not provided for in the Budget approved by the Board except in certain conditions, situations and to such limit as may be prescribed.

14. Audit.--- The accounts of the Academy shall be audited by the Director General, Provincial Audit in such a manner as may be prescribed.

15. Annual Reports, etc.---(1) Within two months of the conclusion of each calendar year, the Director General shall submit the annual report to the Board, in respect of various activities carried out by the Academy during the previous year.

(2) The Board shall submit such annual report within period of six months of the close of the calendar year, to Government.

16. Power to make rules.--- The Board may, by notification in the official Gazette, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

17. Repeal.-- The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Judicial Academy Ordinance, 2011 (Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Ordinance No. II of 2011) is hereby repealed.

**BY THE ORDER OF
MR.SPEAKER
PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY KHYBER
PAKHTUNKHWA**