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THE ASSAM UNIVERSITY ACT 1989

Passed by the Houses of Parliament

THE RAJYA SABHA 11TH MAY 1989

THE LOK SABHA 15TH MAY 1989

Assented to by

THE PRESIDENT OF INDIA 23RD MAY 1989

Notified in OFFICIAL GAZETTE 15TH JANUARY 1994

ESTABLISHED 21ST JANUARY 1994



PREFACE

Assam University was set up by an Act of Union Parliament (ACT XIII of 1989). It fructified the long-cherished aspiration of a large section of educationally and economically disadvantaged community and has carried with it the noble mandate to bring in this culturally rich region to the mainstream of national development. Its journey over the last sixteen years has been one of struggle towards meeting these aspirations and goals.

The Act and the Statutes are the legal foundation on which the University system works. Over the period of time, some of the provisions of these rules undergo amendments. The functional requirements of the University demand that these changes are always in the fore of our knowledge, so that the legal standing of all its activities remains unquestioned. This Edition of the Act and Statutes, which incorporates all amendments and insertions upto 31st December 2010 is an attempt in this direction.

Compilation of a volume of this nature, which was first published more than a decade back, has needless to say, been a stupendous task and a collective effort. While a large number of persons were associated with it, I feel happy to record with appreciation the contributions made by Shri Joydip Choudhury, Shri Pronab Bhattacharjee, Shri Biswajit Roy and Shri Sojib Roy in particular for their untiring efforts in bringing out the volume in presentable form within a steep dateline.

I trust this Volume will be an useful addition to every functionary of the University in discharging their responsibilities more effectively.



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VICE-CHANCELLOR

JANUARY 21, 2011

FOREWORD OF FIRST EDITION

A Central University in our country is established by an Act of Parliament. This Act and the Statutes, Ordinances and Regulations constitute the four-tier legislations of the University. The Act and the first set of Statutes, which are made along with the Act, provide the basic frame for functioning of the University as an autonomous organisation. The subordinate legislations, viz. Additional Statutes, Ordinances and Regulations must be consistent with the provisions of the original Act and the original Statutes and must be made in the manner laid down in that Act and those Statutes. It is, therefore, essential that the Act and the first set of Statutes, in their original form, must be available to the authorities of the University for all time to come. After all, the first Chancellor and the first Vice-Chancellor and the first members of the Court, the Executive Council, the Academic Council and the Planning Board and all persons who may hereafter become such officers and members, so long as they continue to hold such office or membership, are constituted into a body corporate by the name of the University which has a perpetual succession.

The Assam University Act (XIII of 1989), passed by both Houses of Parliament (Rajya Sabha on 11th May 1989 & Lok Sabha on 15th May 1989), received the assent of the President of India on 23rd May 1989. It was enforced by the Government of India by a notification on 15th January 1994. The University was formally established on 21st January 1994. Section 6 of the Act was partially amended by the Assam University (Amendment) Act 1995. In this volume, we have printed the full text of amendment immediately after the original text of the Section so that the amended text should be followed for all formal purposes and at the same time, the original is also available for historical interests. For the same reason, the official memoranda and notes, which formed the concluding portions of the original Bill, have been retained as such. Statutes 6A and 9A have been added later on as new Statutes and some additional clauses have been inserted in Statutes 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 with approval of the President of India, through the Central Government, in the manner prescribed by the Act for Additional Statutes and Amendment of Statutes. These additions and insertions are indicated in the relevant pages of this volume.

I hope that the members of the Assam University family will find this publication useful to work with conviction, confidence and creativity.

Dated, Silchar
March 15, 1998


(**J.B. Battacharjee**)
VICE-CHANCELLOR

THE ASSAM UNIVERSITY BILL 1989

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THE ASSAM UNIVERSITY BILL, 1989

(AS PASSED BY THE HOUSES OF PARLIAMENT)

A

BILL

to establish and incorporate a teaching and affiliating University in the State of Assam and to provide for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

Be it enacted by Parliament in the Fortieth Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

Short title and Commencement

1. (1) This Act may be called the Assam University Act, 1989;

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Central Government may, by notification* in the Official Gazette, appoint.

Definition

2. In this Act, and in all Statutes made here under, unless the context otherwise requires-

(a) "*Academic Council*" means the Academic Council of the University;

(b) "*Academic Staff*" means such categories of staff as are designated as academic staff by the Ordinances;

(c) "*Board of Studies*" means the Board of Studies of the University;

(d) "*Chancellor*", "*Vice-Chancellor*", "*Pro-Vice-Chancellor*", means respectively, the Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor and Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University;

(e) "*College*" means a college maintained by or admitted to the privileges of the University;

(f) "*Court*" means the Court of the University;

(g) "*Department*" means a Department of Studies and includes a Centre of Studies;

* Notified by the Central Government in the official Gazette on 15th January 1994.

(h) “*Distance Education System*” means the system of imparting education through any means of communication, such as broadcasting, telecasting, correspondence courses, seminars, contact programmes or the combination of any two or more such means;

(i) “*Employee*” means any person appointed by the University and includes teachers and other staff of the University;

(j) “*Executive Council*” means the Executive Council of the University;

(k) “*Hall*” means a unit of residence or of corporate life for the students of the University or of a college or an institution, maintained by the University;

(l) “*Institution*” means an academic institution, not being a college maintained by or admitted to the privileges of the University;

(m) “*Planning Board*” means the Planning Board of the University;

(n) “*Principal*” means the Head of a College or an Institution maintained by the University and includes, where there is no Principal, the person for the time being duly appointed to act as Principal and in the absence of the Principal or the acting Principal, a Vice-Principal duly appointed as such;

(o) “*Recognised Institution*” means an Institution of higher learning recognised by the University;

(p) “*Recognised Teachers*” means such persons as may be recognized by the University for the purpose of imparting instructions in a college or an Institution admitted in the privileges of the University;

(q) “*Regulations*” means the Regulations made by any authority of the University under this Act for the time being in force;

(r) "*School*" means a School of Studies of the University;

(s) "*Statutes*" and "*Ordinances*" mean respectively, the Statutes and the Ordinances of the University for the time being in force;

(t) "*Teachers of the University*" means Professors, Readers, Lecturers and such other persons as may be appointed for imparting instruction or conducting research in the University or in any College or Institution maintained by the University and are designated as teachers by the Ordinances;

(u) "*University*" means the Assam University established* under this Act.

The University

3. (1) There shall be established a University by the name of "Assam University";

(2) The headquarters of the University shall be at Silchar and it may also establish campuses at such other places within its jurisdiction as it may deem fit;

(3) The first Chancellor and the first Vice-Chancellor and the first members of the Court, the Executive Council, the Academic Council and the Planning Board and all persons who may hereafter become such officers or members so long as they continue to hold such office or membership are hereby constituted a body corporate by the name of "Assam University".

(4) The University shall have perpetual succession and a common seal and shall sue and be sued by the said name.

Objects

4. The objects of the University shall be

- to disseminate and advance knowledge by providing instructional and research facilities in such branches of learning as it may deem fit and by the example of its corporate life to make provisions for

* Established on 21st January 1994, on assumption of charge by the first Vice-Chancellor.

integrated courses in Humanities, Natural and Physical Sciences and Social Sciences in the educational programmes of the University;

- to take appropriate measures for promoting inter-disciplinary studies and research in the University;

- to educate and train manpower for development of the State of Assam; and

- to pay special attention to the improvement of the social and economic conditions and welfare of the people of that state, their intellectual, academic and cultural development.

Powers of the University

5. The University shall have the following powers namely :-

(i) to provide for instruction in such branches of learning as the University may from time to time determine and to make provision for research and for the advancement and dissemination of knowledge;

(ii) to grant, subject to such conditions as the University may determine, diplomas or certificates to and confer degrees or other academic distinctions on the basis of examinations, evaluation or any other method of testing, on persons, and to withdraw any such diplomas, certificates, degrees or other academic distinctions for good and sufficient cause;

(iii) to organise and to undertake extra-mural studies, training and extension service;

(iv) to confer honorary degrees or other distinctions in the manner prescribed by the Statutes;

(v) to provide facilities through the distance education system to such persons as it may determine;

(vi) to institute Principalships, Professorships, Readerships, Lecturerships and other teaching or academic positions, required by the University and to appoint persons to such Principalships, Professorships, Readerships, Lecturerships or other teaching or

academic positions;

(vii) to recognise an institution of higher learning for such purposes as the University may determine and to withdraw such recognition;

(viii) to recognise persons for imparting instructions in any college or institution admitted to the privileges of the University;

(ix) to appoint persons working in any other University or organisation as teachers of the University for a specified period:

(x) to create administrative, ministerial and other posts and to make appointments thereto;

(xi) to co-operate or collaborate or associate with any other University or authority or institution of higher learning in such manner and for such purposes as the University may determine;

(xii) to establish such campuses, special centres, specialised laboratories or other units for research and instruction as are, in the opinion of the University, necessary for the furtherance of its objects;

(xiii) to institute and award fellowships, scholarships, studentships, medals and prizes;

(xiv) to establish and maintain Colleges, Institutions and Halls;

(xv) to make provision for research and advisory services and for that purpose to enter into such arrangements with other institutions, industrial or other organisations, as the University may deem necessary;

(xvi) to organise and conduct refresher courses, workshops, seminars and other programmes for teachers, evaluators and other academic staff;

(xvii) to admit to its privileges colleges and institutions not maintained by the University; to withdraw all or any of those privileges in accordance with such conditions as may be prescribed by the