

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON DEFENCE ON THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2016

I, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Defence, have the honor to present this report on the Bill to amend the National University of Medical Sciences Act, 2015 (XVII of 2015) [The National University of Medical Sciences (Amendment) Bill, 2016] passed by the Senate of Pakistan and referred to the Committee on 14th March, 2017.

2. The Committee comprises the following members: -

1)	Shaikh Rohale Asghar	Chairman
2)	Mr. Tahir Bashir Cheema	Member
3)	Mr. Isphanyar M. Bhandara	Member
4)	Mir Dostain Domki	Member
5)	Ms. Surriya Asghar	Member
6)	Sardar Muhammad Shafqat Hayat Khan	Member
7)	Syed Mustafa Mehmud	Member
8)	Mr. Nawab Ali Wassan	Member
9)	Dr. Fehmida Mirza	Member
10)	Dr. Shireen Mehrunnisa Mazari	Member
11)	Mr. Sanjay Perwani	Member
12)	Ms. Kishwer Zehra	Member
13)	Mr. Mahmood Khan Achakzai	Member
14)	Ch. Pervez Elahi	Member
15)	Mr. Muhammad Ijaz-ul-Haq	Member
16)	Mr. Muhammad Junaid Anwar Chaudhary	Member
17)	Lt. Col. (Retd) Ghulam Rasul Sahi	Member
18)	Saeed Ahmed Khan Manais	Member
19)	Malik Muhammad Amir Dogar	Member
20)	Mr. Shafqat Mahmood	Member
21)	Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister for Defence	Ex-officio Member

3. The Committee considered the Bill on 2nd May, 2017 and 15th May, 2017. The Committee recommends that the Bill placed at Annex-A, may not be passed by the Assembly.

Sd/-

(JAWAD RAFIQUE MALIK)

Secretary

Islamabad; the 15th May, 2017

Sd/-

(SHAIKH ROHALE ASGHAR)

Chairman

Standing Committee on Defence

[AS REPORTED BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE]

A

BILL

to amend the National University of Medical Sciences Act, 2015

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the National University of Medical Sciences Act, 2015 (XVII of 2015) for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. Short title and commencement.- (1) This Act may be called the National University of Medical Sciences (Amendment) Act, 2016.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. Amendment of Section 2, Act XVII of 2015.- In the National University of Medical Sciences Act, 2015 (XVII of 2015), hereinafter referred to as the said Act, in section 2, after paragraph (xviii), the following new paragraph shall be inserted, namely:-

“(xviiiia) “PMDC” means the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council;”

3. Addition of new Section 31A, in Act XVII of 2015.- In the said Act, after section 31, the following new section shall be added, namely:-

“31A. Application of the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Ordinance, 1962.- Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, the provisions of the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Ordinance, 1962 (XXXII of 1962), shall apply to the National University of Medical Sciences”.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (PMDC) is a body formed under an Act of the Parliament and responsible for the crucial oversight role in medical education including prescribing a uniform minimum standard of courses, conditions of admission and minimum qualifications and experience required of teachers for appointment in any institution for imparting medical education whether in the public or private sector.

These multifarious roles of the PMDC have been laid down in the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Ordinance, 1962 amended from time to time, the last amendment made in August, 2015.

It is imperative that the National University of Medical Sciences (NUMS) being a university of medical education in the public sector should also submit to the oversight and guidance role of the PMDC. Not doing so will not only be a violation of the norm, practice and obligation but also send a wrong message that is best avoided.

SENATOR FARHATULLAH BABAR
AND
SENATOR ATTA UR REHMAN
Members-in-charge