

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL EDUCATION, PROFESSIONAL TRAINING, NATIONAL HERITAGE AND CULTURE ON THE IQBAL ACADEMY PAKISTAN BILL, 2022

I, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Federal Education, Professional Training, National Heritage and Culture have the honor to present this report on the Bill to establish Iqbal Academy for promotion of the thought of Allama Iqbal [The Iqbal Academy Pakistan Bill, 2022] (Government Bill) referred to the Committee on 29th September, 2021.

2. The Committee comprises the following:-

1.	Mian Najeeb Ud Din Awaisi	Chairman
2.	Mr. Ali Nawaz Awan	Member
3.	Mr. Sadaqat Ali Khan	Member
4.	Ms. Javairia Zafar Aheer	Member
5.	Mr. Umar Aslam Khan	Member
6.	Mr. Muhammad Farooq Azam Malik	Member
7.	Ms. Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak	Member
8.	Ms. Andleeb Abbas	Member
9.	Ms. Ghazala Saifi	Member
10.	Ms. Asma Qadeer	Member
11.	Ms. Tashfeen Safdar	Member
12.	Mrs. Farukh Khan	Member
13.	Ms. Mehnaz Akber Aziz	Member
14.	Ch. Muhammad Hamid Hameed	Member
15.	Ms. Kiran Imran Dar	Member
16.	Ms. Musarrat Asif Khawaja	Member
17.	Mr. Abid Hussain Bhayo	Member
18.	Ms. Mussarat Rafiq Mahesar	Member
19.	Dr. Shazia Sobia Aslam Soomro	Member
20.	Mr. Asmatullah	Member
21.	Mr. Shafqat Mahmood, Minister for Federal Education, Professional Training, National Heritage and Culture	Ex-officio Member

3. The Committee considered the Bill as introduced in the National Assembly, placed at 'Annex-A' in its meetings held on 11-10-2021, 30-11-2021, 08-12-2021 and recommends that the Bill may be passed by the National Assembly.

Sd/-
(TAHIR HUSSAIN)
Secretary
Islamabad, the 4th February, 2022

Sd/-
(MIAN NAJEEB UD DIN AWAI SI)
Chairman

[AS REPORTED BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE]

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Bill*

to establish Iqbal Academy for promotion of the thought of Allama Iqbal

Whereas it is expedient to establish the Iqbal Academy for the purpose of making concerted efforts for promotion of the thought of Allama Iqbal, for spreading the message of Shaire-e-Mashriq Allama Muhammad Iqbal for his struggle towards glory of Islam, unity of Ummah and revival of Islamic spirit, for upkeep and maintenance of Aiwan-e-Iqbal Complex, for bringing greater efficiency in administration of the Iqbal Academy and Aiwan-e-Iqbal Complex and for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

1. **Short title, extent and commencement.** - (1) This Act shall be called the Iqbal Academy Pakistan Act, 2022.

(2) It extends to the whole of Pakistan.

(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 Iqbal Academy Pakistan established under this Act;

(b) "Act" means the Iqbal Academy Pakistan Act, 2022;

(c) "Iqbal Academy" means the Iqbal Academy constituted under Iqbal Academy Ordinance 1962(XXVI of 1962);

(d) "Aiwan-e-Iqbal Complex" means "Aiwan-e-Iqbal Complex" constituted under the Ministry of Culture, Sports and Tourism's Resolution No.8-1/84.A.III, dated the 5th January, 1984 and the Ministry of Minorities, Culture, Sports, Tourism and Youth Affairs' Notification No. 8(4)/2000-A.III, dated the 17th August 2002;

(e) "Board" means the Board of Governors of the Academy constituted under this Act;

(f) "Chairman" means the Chairman of the Board;

(g) "Prime Minister" means the Prime Minister of Pakistan;

(h) "Director General" means Director General of the Academy;

(i) "member" means the member of the Board;

(j) "prescribed" means prescribed by rules or regulation made under this Act;

(k) "rules" means the rules made under this Act; and

(l) "regulations" means the regulations made under this Act.

3. **Establishment of the Academy.** - (1) After the commencement of this Act, the Prime Minister may, by notification in the official Gazette, establish an Academy to be called the Iqbal Academy Pakistan.

(2) In pursuance to the decision of the Federal Government to merge Aiwan-e-Iqbal Complex with the Iqbal Academy, the administrative, financial and operational control of Aiwan-e-Iqbal Complex and its affairs shall vest in the Academy which shall exercise all its powers and perform all its functions relating to research as defined under this Act.

(3) The Iqbal Academy Pakistan shall comprise the erstwhile Iqbal Academy and the Aiwan-e-Iqbal Complex.

(4) 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, and shall, by the said name, sue and be sued.

(5) No proceedings or decisions of the Academy shall be invalid by reason of the existence of any vacancy in, or defect in the establishment of, the Academy.

4. **Functions and objectives of the Academy.** – The functions and the objectives of the Academy shall include to -

- (a) promote the study and understanding of the works of Iqbal;
- (b) translate the works of Allama Iqbal from Persian language into Urdu language;
- (c) prepare material for easy understanding of Iqbal's works;
- (d) prepare material for inclusion in the curriculum for the students at various levels;
- (e) promote the contribution of Iqbal in the Pakistan Movement;
- (f) translate Allama Iqbal's books and to promote literature evolving around Iqbal Studies in Pakistani and international languages;
- (g) establish connections and collaborate with Iqbal Chairs abroad, with institutions working on Iqbal Studies within the country and Pakistani universities;
- (h) sign memoranda of understanding (MoUs) between Iqbal Academy Pakistan and different universities of Pakistan and with arts councils within the country;
- (i) publish books, pamphlets and periodicals and to produce digital products relating to the study of Iqbal;
- (j) prepare and arrange digital media for promotion of the study and works of Iqbal;
- (k) award prizes, medals, rewards and donations to authors who, in the opinion of the Academy, have made contributions to the study of the works and teachings of Iqbal,

- and to enter into contracts with authors in order to carry out the purposes of this Act;
- (l) organize lectures, talks, discussions, study groups, workshops and conferences on the study and teachings of Iqbal and to send delegates to conferences held in the country and abroad for the study of Iqbal's works and teachings, or for any matter to which that study is relevant or by which it may be advanced or profited;
 - (m) co-operate with, or grant amalgamation or affiliation to, any other association established for a purpose similar to that of the Academy, whether the purpose of that other association is confined to the works and teachings of Iqbal or not;
 - (n) manage affairs of the Academy, including maintenance of the building of Aiwan-e-Iqbal Complex;
 - (o) manage all the affairs of tenancy of Aiwan-e-Iqbal Complex;
 - (p) manage the investments and utilize its earning in line with provisions of the Public Finance Management Act, 2019 and other existing laws on subject matter-
 - (q) manage the grants from governments and other sources and approve the budget of the Academy with prior consultation with the Division concerned;
 - (r) develop and maintain Art Galleries of the Academy;
 - (s) publish pamphlets regarding Iqbal activities being conducted in every province to ensure that work on Iqbal is being produced all over;
 - (t) carry out such other activities that may further enhance the aims and objectives of the Academy; and
 - (u) do any other function, which may be assigned by the concerned Division in line with this Act.

5. **Board of Governors.** - (1) The management, overall control and supervision of the affairs of the Academy shall vest in a Board of Governors.

(2) The Prime Minister shall, by notification in the official Gazette, constitute a Board of Governors of the Academy consisting of the following, namely: -

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| (a) Federal Minister or Minister of State incharge; | Chairman
(ex-officio) |
| (b) A member to be nominated by the Chairman from amongst the non-official members; | Vice Chairman |
| (c) Secretary of the concerned Division; | Member
(ex-officio) |
| (d) Joint Secretary of the concerned Division; | Member
(ex-officio) |