



**PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF SINDH
NOTIFICATION
KARACHI, THE 04TH DECEMBER, 2019**

SCAN TO VERIFY
LAW DEPARTMENT
GOVERNMENT OF SINDH
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NO.PAS/LEGIS-B-16/2019-The Sindh Institute of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences (Amendment) Bill, 2019 having been passed by the Provincial Assembly of Sindh on 13th November, 2019 and assented to by the Governor of Sindh on 27th November, 2019 is hereby published as an Act of the Legislature of Sindh.

**THE SINDH INSTITUTE OF OPHTHALMOLOGY
AND VISUAL SCIENCES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2019**

SINDH ACT NO. XIV OF 2019

**AN
ACT**

to amend the Sindh Institute of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Act, 2013.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Sindh Institute of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Act, 2013, in the manner hereinafter appearing; **Preamble.**

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. (1) This Act may be called the Sindh Institute of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences (Amendment) Act, 2019. **Short title and commencement.**

(2) It shall come into force at once.
2. In the Sindh Institute of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences Act, 2013, hereinafter referred to as the said Act, throughout the Act, for the word “Director”, the words “Executive Director” shall be substituted. **Amendment of Sindh Act No.XXVI of 2013.**
3. In the said Act, in section 3, after sub-section (2), the following new sub-section shall be added:-
“(3) The Institute of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences shall be an independent degree awarding Institute.”. **Amendment of section 3 of Sindh Act No.XXVI of 2013.**
4. In the said Act, in section 5 – **Amendment of section 5 of Sindh Act No.XXVI of 2013.**
 - (a) for clause (iv), the following shall be substituted:-
“(iv) to undertake postgraduate teaching and training programme such as M.S., MCPS, FCPS, Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, diploma in Ophthalmology, B.S. (Visual Sciences) and Ph.D. in Ophthalmology in collaboration with College of Physicians and Surgeons of Pakistan and affiliated Medical or Health Sciences University recognized under Higher Education Commission and in accordance with Pakistan and Medical Dental Council criteria”;
 - (b) after clause (iv), the following new clauses shall be inserted:-
“(iv-a) to undertake undergraduate teaching and training programme in the subject of ophthalmology;

(iv-b) to hold examinations and to award and confer degree, in Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences diploma certificate and other academic distinctions to and on the persons who have been admitted to and have passed its examinations under prescribed conditions;

(iv-c) to establish the satellite ophthalmology centers of the Institute at other districts of the Province of Sindh and to operate a regional centre of excellence and tertiary level facility in any taluka or district and to administer the eye units or hospitals in the Province of Sindh as may be considered necessary or expedient by Government;

(iv-d) to coordinate and collaborate with Provincial, National and International organizations in the field of ophthalmology with the approval of the Board;”.

(iv-e) Eye Hospital Khairpur be handovered to the Sindh Institute of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences.

5. In the said Act, in section 7, in sub-section (1), for the word “Governor”, the words “Chief Minister” shall be substituted. **Amendment of section 7 of Sindh Act No.XXVI of 2013.**

6. In the said Act, in section 8, for sub-section (2), the following shall be substituted:- **Amendment of section 8 of Sindh Act No.XXVI of 2013.**

“(2) The Board shall consist of the following:-

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| (i) Secretary Health Department or his representative. | Chairperson |
| (ii) President of the Society for welfare of the patients of ophthalmology | Vice-Chairperson |
| (iii) Commissioner of Hyderabad Division. | Member |
| (iv) Nominee of Secretary Health not below the rank of an officer BS-19. | Member |
| (v) One reputed senior ophthalmologist of the Province to be nominated by the Chief Minister. | Member |
| (vi) Three members of Provincial Assembly of Sindh of which one will be the female nominated by the Speaker. | Members |
| (vii) One nominee of Pakistan Medical Association. | Member |
| (viii) One nominee of non-governmental organization supporting the Institute to be approved by the Board. | Member |
| (ix) One nominee of the Academic Council of the Institute. | Member |

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| (x) One nominee of the Academic Council of Liaquat University of Medical & Health Sciences, Jamshoro not below the rank of a Professor. | Member |
| (xi) One eminent person to be nominated by the Chief Minister. | Member |
| (xii) Executive Director | Member/
Secretary |

7. In the said Act, in section 10, for sub-section (1), the following shall be substituted:

- (1) The Board shall meet at least twice in a year with gap of at least three months on the date to be fixed by the Executive Director and shall be communicated to Chairman at least two weeks in advance. The meetings of the Board shall be held at the Institute.

8. In the said Act, in section 24, before the word “regulations” wherever appearing, the words “rules and regulations or” shall be substituted.

**Amendment of
section 24 of Sindh
Act No.XXVI of
2013.**

**BY ORDER OF THE SPEAKER
PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF SINDH**

**G.M.UMAR FAROOQ
SECRETARY
PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF SINDH**