

¹[**15. The Registrar.**—²(1) Notwithstanding any provisions of the Act, if the Chancellor thinks fit, he may request the State Government, Central Government, University Grants Commission or any University to send names of suitable officers including the retired officers of Bihar Administrative Services for the post of Registrar, and in that case State Government, Central Government, University Grants Commission or any University may send the name of one or more officers for consideration for appointment as Registrar under such terms and conditions of service, as he may consider fit, and then the Chancellor shall appoint the Registrar from amongst them.

(2) The Registrar shall be wholetime officer of the University and he shall act as Secretary to the Senate, the Syndicate and the Academic Council and shall :—

- (a) be the custodian of the records, the common seal and such other properties of the University as the Vice-Chancellor and the Syndicate shall commit to his charge ;
- (b) conduct the official correspondence of the University, and shall maintain the proper investment of the University ;
- (c) perform such other duties as may be specified in the Statutes or prescribed by the Ordinance or the Regulation or as may be required from time to time by the Vice-Chancellor, Pro-Vice-Chancellor or the Syndicate ;
- (d) represent the University in suits or proceedings by or against the University, sign powers of Attorney and verify pleadings or depute his representative for the purpose ;
- (e) render assistance to the Vice-Chancellor and Pro-Vice-Chancellor in discharge of their duties in regard to the conduct of the examination and the publication of the results ;
- (f) look after the proper functioning of the institutions affiliated to the other than the Constituent Colleges and the Departments of University and shall report to the Vice-Chancellor ;
- (g) have power to take disciplinary action against the employees belonging to the Ministerial staff and to suspend them pending inquiry to administer warning to them or to impose on them the penalty of censure or the withholding of increment :

Provided that no such penalty shall be imposed unless the person concerned has been given a reasonable opportunity of showing cause against the action proposed to be taken against him.

(3) (a) An appeal shall lie to the Vice-Chancellor against any order of the

1. Subs. by Act 3 of 1990.

2. Subs. by Act 14 of 2017.

- Registrar imposing the penalty of withholding the increment.
- (b) In a case where the inquiry discloses that a punishment beyond the powers of the Registrar is called for, the Registrar shall, upon conclusion of the enquiry make a report to the Vice-Chancellor alongwith his recommendation for such action as the Vice-Chancellor may deem fit.
- (c) The Registrar may be transferred by the Chancellor from one University to another University, on the same or on any equivalent post or within the same University on any other equivalent post.]

Legislative changes (after 1982)—This section originally read as follows:—

"15. The Registrar:—Registrar shall be a whole-time officer of the University and he shall act as Secretary to the Senate, the Syndicate and the Academic Council and he—

- (a) shall manage the property and investment of the University;
- (b) shall sign all contracts made on behalf of the University;
- (c) shall exercise and perform such other powers and duties as may be prescribed by the Statutes, the Ordinance, the Regulations or the Rules, or as may, from time to time, be conferred and imposed on him by the Senate, the Syndicate and the Academic Council;
- (d) shall generally render such assistance to the Vice-Chancellor as may be desired by him in the performance of his duties; and.
- (e) The Registrar may, on the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor or otherwise, be transferred by the Chancellor from one University to another University on the same or any other equivalent post, or within the same University to any other equivalent post."

The first change in this section was brought by Ordinance 29 of 1986 (w.e.f. 1.10.1986) by which a new clause (f) was inserted which reads as follows:—

- (f) Notwithstanding any provisions of the Act, if the Chancellor thinks fit, he may request the State Government, Central Government, University Grant Commission or any University to send names of suitable officers for the post of Registrar, and in that case the State Government, Central Government, University Grants Commission or any University may send the names of one more officer for consideration for appointment of Registrar under such terms and conditions of service as he may consider fit and then, the Chancellor may appoint the Registrar from amongst them."

By Ordinance 39 of 1986 (w.e.f. 17.12.1986) the whole section was substituted and it read as follows:—

"15. The Registrar:—(i) The Registrar shall be a wholetime officer of the University and he shall act as Secretary to the Senate, the Syndicate and the Academic Council and shall,—

- (a) be the custodian of the records, the common seal and such other properties of the Universities as the Vice-Chancellor and the Syndicate shall commit to his charge;
- (b) conduct the official correspondence of the University and shall maintain the proper investment of the University;
- (c) perform such other duties as may be specified in the Statutes or prescribed in the Statutes or prescribed by the Ordinance or the Regulation or as may be required from time to time by the Vice-Chancellor, Pro-Vice-Chancellor or the Syndicate;
- (d) represent the University in suits or proceedings or against the University sign Powers of Attorney and verify pleadings or depute his representative for the purpose;
- (e) render assistance to the Vice-Chancellor and Pro-Vice-Chancellor in discharge of their duties in regard to the conduct of the examination and the publication of the results;
- (f) look after the proper functioning of the institutions affiliated to the University other than the Constituent Colleges and the Department of University and shall report to the Vice-Chancellor;
- (g) have power to take disciplinary action against the employees belonging to the ministerial staff and to suspend them pending inquiry, to administer warning to them or to impose on them the penalty of censure or the withholding of increment :

Provided that no such penalty shall be imposed unless the person concerned has been given a reasonable opportunity of showing cause against the action proposed to be taken against him;

- (ii) (a) An appeal shall lie to the Vice-Chancellor against any order of the Registrar imposing the penalty of the withholding of increment;
- (b) In a case where the inquiry discloses that a punishment beyond the powers of the Registrar is called for, the Registrar shall, upon conclusion of the enquiry make a report to the Vice-Chancellor along with his recommendation for such action as the Vice-Chancellor may deem fit.
- (c) The Registrar may be transferred by the Chancellor from one University to another University, on the same or on any equivalent post or within the same University on any other equivalent post."

The next Ordinance in the series i.e. 13 of 1987 (w.e.f. 18.4.1987) again substituted this section and it continued till Act 3 of 1990 was passed and exists till today.