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### THE SCHEDULE

TAMIL NADU ACT No. 8 OF 1971.

THE TAMIL NADU AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY ACT, 1971.\*

[Received the assent of the Governor on the 26<sup>th</sup> April 1971,  
first published in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette  
Extraordinary on the 26<sup>th</sup> April 1971 (Vaisakha 6, 1893).]

An Act to provide for the establishment of a University for the  
development of agriculture and for the furtherance of the  
advancement of learning and prosecution of research in  
agriculture and allied sciences in the State of Tamil Nadu.

BE it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Tamil Nadu in  
the Twenty-second Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

CHAPTER I

PRELIMINARY

1. (1) This Act may be called the Tamil Nadu Agricultural  
University Act, 1971.

Short title,  
extent, applicat-  
ion and  
commencement

(2) It extends to the whole of the State Tamil Nadu.

(3) It applies to the agricultural colleges and institutions  
specified in the Schedule.

(4) It shall come into force on such date as the Government  
may, by notification, appoint.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,

Definitions.

(a) “affiliated college” means any college affiliated to the  
University and providing courses of study for admission to the  
examinations for degrees, diplomas or other academic  
distinctions of the University ;

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\* For Statement of Objects and Reasons, see Tamil Nadu Government  
Gazette Extraordinary, dated the 29<sup>th</sup> March 1971, Part IV-Section 3, page 117.

(b) “agriculture” means the basic and applied sciences of the soil and water management, crop production including production of all garden crops, control of plants, pests and diseases, horticulture including floriculture, animal husbandry including veterinary and dairy science, fisheries, forestry including farm forestry, home science, agricultural engineering and technology, marketing and processing of agricultural and animal husbandry products, co-operation, land use and management and the economic and social uplift of the rural people;

(c) “appointed day” means such date as the Government may, by notification, appointment under sub-section (4) of section 1 ;

(d) “Board” means the Board of Management of the University ;

(e) “college” means any college or institution imparting education or prosecuting research or providing extension education, in agriculture ;

(f) “constituent college” means the Agricultural College and Research Institute, Coimbatore and the Agricultural College, Madurai and includes such other college as may be declared by the Board from time to time ;

(g) “corresponding University” means,--

(i) In relation to the Agricultural College and Research Institute, Coimbatore, the University of Madras ;

(ii) in relation to the Agricultural College, Madurai, the \*Madurai University;

(h) “Dean” means the Dean of each college and includes the Dean of each Faculty ;

(i) “extension education” means the educational activities concerned with the training of farmers and home makers and other groups serving agriculture in improved agricultural practices and the various phases of scientific technology related to agriculture and agricultural production and marketing and includes demonstration to carry the new technology and innovation to farms and farm homes through the Government Departments of Agriculture, Animal Husbandry, Fisheries, Forests and the like ;

(j) “Faculty” means a Faculty of the University ;

(k) “Government” means the State Government ;

(l) “hostel” means a unit of residence for students of the University maintained or recognized by it either as part of, or separate from, a college of the University ;

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\*Any reference to the Madurai University shall be construed as a reference to the Madurai-Kamaraj University by virtue of section 5 of the Madurai University (Amendment and Special Provisions) Act, 1978 (Tamil Nadu Act 38 of 1978) which was deemed to have come into force on the 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1978.

(m) “prescribed” means prescribed by the statutes or regulations made under this Act ;

(n) “regulations” and “statutes” mean respectively the regulations and statutes made under this Act ;

(o) “Schedule” means the Schedule appended to this Act ;

(p) “State” means the State of Tamil Nadu ;

(q) “University” means the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University established under section 3.

## CHAPTER II THE UNIVERSITY

**3.** (1) For the development of agriculture and for furthering the advancement of learning and prosecution of research in agriculture and allied sciences, on and from the appointed day, there shall be established a University by the name Tamil Nadu Agricultural University.

Establishment  
of University.

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

(3) The principal seat of the University shall be located within the town limits of Coimbatore or in any place, within a radius of twenty-five kilometers around the town limits of Coimbatore.

**4.** The objects of the University shall be--

Objects of  
University

(a) to impart education in different branches of agriculture and allied sciences as the University may determine ;

(b) to further the advancement of learning and prosecution of research in agriculture and allied sciences ;

(c) to undertake the extension of such sciences to the rural people in co-operation with the concerned Government departments.

**5.** The powers and functions of the University shall be--

Powers and  
functions of  
University

(a) to provide for instruction and training in agriculture and allied sciences ;

(b) to provide for instruction and training in agriculture and dissemination of knowledge in agriculture and allied sciences ;

(c) to provide for dissemination of the findings of research and technical information through extension education ;

(d) to institute degrees, diplomas and the other academic distinctions in agriculture and allied sciences ;

(e) to hold examinations and confer degrees, diplomas and other academic distinctions on persons who have--

(i) pursued a prescribed course of study ; or

(ii) carried out research in the University under the prescribed conditions ;

(f) to confer honorary degrees or other distinctions in the prescribed manner and under the prescribed conditions ;

(g) to provide for lectures and instructions for field workers, farmers and other persons not enrolled as regular students of the University and to grant certificates to them, if necessary ;

(h) to co-operate with other Universities and authorities in such manner and for such purposes as it may determine ;

(i) to establish and maintain colleges relating to agriculture and allied sciences ;

(j) to affiliate colleges to the University under conditions prescribed and to withdraw affiliation from colleges ;

(k) to establish and maintain laboratories, libraries, research stations and museums for teaching, research and extension education ;

(l) to institute teaching research and extension education posts and to appoint persons to such posts ;

(m) to create administrative and other posts and to appoint persons to such posts ;

(n) to institute and award fellowships, scholarships and prizes in accordance with the statutes ;

(o) to establish and maintain or recognise hostels for students of the University and residential accommodation for the staff of the University ;

(p) to fix, demand and receive such fees and other charges as may be prescribed ;

(q) to supervise and control hostels and to regulate discipline of the students of the University and to make arrangements for promoting their health and welfare ; and

(r) to do all such acts and things, whether incidental to the powers and functions aforesaid or not, as may be necessary or desirable to further the objects of the University.

**6. (1)** The University shall, subject to the provisions of this Act and the statutes, be open to all persons. Admission to University.

(2) Nothing contained in sub-section (1) shall require the University,--

(a) to admit to any course of study any person who does not possess the prescribed academic qualification or standard ;

(b) to retain on the rolls of the University any student whose academic record is below the minimum standard required for the award of a degree, diploma or other academic distinction ;

(c) to admit any person or retain any student whose conduct is prejudicial to the interests of the University or the rights and privileges of other students and staff ; or

(d) to admit to any course of study students larger in number than those prescribed.

(3) <sup>1</sup>[Subject to the provisions of sub-section (2), the Government may, by order, direct that the University shall reserve such percentage of seats for the students belonging to the Scheduled Cases, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes as may be specified in such direction and where such direction has been given, the University shall make the reservation accordingly.]

**7. (1)** The Government shall have the right to cause an inspection to be made by such person or persons as they may direct,-- Inspection and inquiry.

(a) of the University, its buildings, laboratories, libraries, museums, workshops and equipments ;

(b) of any institution, college or hostel maintained by the University ;

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<sup>1</sup> This sub-section was substituted for the following original sub-section by section 2 of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (Amendment) Act, 1971 (Tamil Nadu Act 23 of 1971), which was deemed to have come into force on the 1<sup>st</sup> June 1971:-

“Subject to the provisions of sub-section (2), the Government may, by order, direct that the University shall reserve such percentage of seats not exceeding forty-one percent of total number of seats in colleges for the students belonging to the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes as may be specified therein.”



(c) of the teaching and other work conducted by the University or under its auspices ; or

(d) of the conduct of any examination held by the University.

(2) The Government shall also have the right to cause an inquiry to be made by such person or persons as they may direct in respect of any matter connected with the administration or finance of the University.

(3) The Government shall, in every case, give notice to the University of their intention to cause an inspection or inquiry to be made, and the University shall be entitled to be represented at such inspection or inquiry.

(4) The Government shall communicate to the University their views with reference to the result of such inspection or inquiry and may, after ascertaining the opinion of the University thereon, advise the University upon the action to be taken and fix a time limit for taking such action.

(5) The University shall, within the time limit so fixed, report to the Government the action taken or proposed to be taken on the advice tendered by the Government.

(6) If the University does not take action within the time limit fixed or if the action taken by the University is in the opinion of the Government not satisfactory, the Government may, after considering any explanation offered or representation made by the University, issue such direction as they may deem fit and the University shall comply with such direction.

(7) If the University does not comply with such direction within such time as may be fixed in that behalf by the Government, the Government shall have power to appoint any person or body to comply with such direction and make such order as may be necessary for the expense thereof.

### CHAPTER III

#### OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY

8. The University shall consist of the following officers namely:-

Officers of  
University

- (1) Chancellor ;
- (2) Pro-Chancellor ;
- (3) Vice-Chancellor ;
- (4) Registrar ;
- (5) Comptroller ;
- (6) Dean ;
- (7) Director of Research ;

- (8) Director of Extension Education ; and
- (9) Such other persons as may be declared by the statutes to be officers of the University.

**9.** (1) The Governor of Tamil Nadu shall be the Chancellor of the University. Chancellor

(2) The Chancellor shall be the head of the University and shall, when present, preside at any convocation of the University and confer degrees, diplomas or other academic distinctions upon persons entitled to receive them.

(3) No honorary degree or other distinction shall be conferred by the University upon any person without the approval of the Chancellor.

(4) The Chancellor may of his own motion or on application call for and examine the record of any officer or authority of the University in respect of any proceeding to satisfy himself as to the regularity of such proceeding or the correctness, legality or propriety of any decision passed or order made therein ; and, if, in any case, it appears to the Chancellor that any such decision or order should be modified, annulled, reversed or remitted for reconsideration, he may pass orders accordingly :

Provided that every application to the Chancellor for the exercise of the powers under this section shall be preferred within three months from the date on which the proceeding, decision or order to which the application relates was communicated to the applicant :

Provided further that no order prejudicial to any person shall be passed unless such person has been given an opportunity of making his representation.

(5) The Chancellor shall exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as may be conferred or imposed on him by this Act or the statutes.

**10.** (1) The Minister-in-charge of the portfolio of Agriculture in the State shall be the Pro-Chancellor of the University. Pro-Chancellor

(2) When the Chancellor is unable to discharge his duties owing to absence, illness or any other cause, the Pro-Chancellor shall discharge the duties of the Chancellor until the date on which the Chancellor resumes his duties.

**11.** (1) Every appointment of the Vice-Chancellor shall be made by the Chancellor from out of a panel of three names recommended by the committee referred to in sub-section (2) and such panel shall not contain the name of any member of the said committee. Vice-Chancellor

(2) For the purpose of sub-section (1), the committee shall consist of three persons of whom one shall be nominated by the Board of Management, one shall be nominated by the Academic Council and one shall be nominated by the Chancellor.

Provided that the person so nominated shall not be a member of any of the authorities of the University.

(3) The Vice-Chancellor shall hold office for a term of five years from the date on which he enters upon his office and shall be eligible for re-appointment for not more than one successive term :

Provided that --

(a) the Vice-Chancellor may, by writing under his hand addressed to the Chancellor and after giving two months' notice resign his office ;

(b) the Vice-Chancellor may be removed from his office by the chancellor upon a resolution of the Board passed by a majority of the total members of that Board and by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the members of that Board present and voting.

(4) In the event of the occurrence of any vacancy in the office of the Vice-Chancellor by reason of his death, resignation or removal, or otherwise, the Registrar shall act as Vice-Chancellor until the date on which a new Vice-Chancellor appointed in accordance with the provisions of this Act to fill such vacancy enters upon his office.

(5) The Vice-Chancellor shall be a whole-time officer of the University and shall be entitled to such emoluments, allowances and privileges as may be prescribed by the statutes.

12. (1) The Vice-Chancellor shall be the principal executive and academic officer of the University and shall, in the absence of the Chancellor and Pro-Chancellor, preside at the convocation of the University and confer degrees, diplomas or other academic distinctions upon persons entitled to receive them.

Powers and duties of Vice-Chancellor.

(2) The Vice-Chancellor shall exercise control over the affairs of the University and shall be responsible for the due maintenance of discipline in the University.

(3) The Vice-Chancellor shall convene meetings of the Board and the Academic Council.

(4) The Vice-Chancellor shall ensure the faithful observance of the provisions of this Act, the statutes and regulations.

(5) The Vice-Chancellor shall be responsible for the presentation of the annual financial estimates, annual accounts and balance sheet of the University to the Board.

(6) In any emergency, which in the opinion of the Vice-Chancellor requires immediate action to be taken, he shall, by order, take such action as he deems necessary and shall at the earliest opportunity report the action taken to such officer or the authority or body as would have in the ordinary course dealt with the matter.

Provided that no such order shall be passed unless the person likely to be affected has been given a reasonable opportunity of being heard.

(7) Any person, aggrieved by any order of the Vice-Chancellor under sub-section (6), may prefer an appeal to the Board within thirty days from the date on which such order is communicated to him and the Vice-Chancellor shall give effect to the order passed by the Board in such appeal.

(8) The Vice-Chancellor shall be responsible for the co-ordination and integration of teaching, research and extension education.

(9) The Vice-Chancellor shall exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by statutes.

**13.** (1) The Registrar shall be a whole-time salaried officer of the University and shall be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor with the approval of the Board on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed. Registrar.

(2) The Registrar shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as may be prescribed.

**14.** (1) The Comptroller shall be a whole-time salaried officer of the University and shall be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor with the approval of the Board on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed. Comptroller.

(2) The Comptroller shall advise the University in regard to its financial policy.

(3) The Comptroller shall be responsible to the Vice-Chancellor for all accounting matters of the University including

the preparation and presentation of the annual financial estimates, annual accounts and balance sheet.

(4) The Comptroller shall --

(a) Ensure that no expenditure not authorised in the annual financial estimates as approved by the Board is incurred by the University ; and

(b) Disallow any expenditure unwarranted by the terms of any statute or for which provision is required to be made by a statute but has not been so made.

15. (1) Each college shall have a Dean who shall be a whole-time salaried officer of the University and shall be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor with the approval of the Board on such terms and conditions as may be prescribed. Dean.

(2) The Dean shall be responsible to the Vice-Chancellor for all matters concerning his college.

(3) The Dean shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as may be prescribed.

16. (1) The Director of Research and the Director of Extension Education shall be whole-time salaried officers of the University and shall be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor with the approval of the Board subject to such terms and conditions as may be prescribed. Director

(2) The Director of Research shall be responsible for the proper functioning of the research stations and shall co-ordinate research work in co-operation with the Dean and other officers and shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as may be prescribed.

(3) The Director of Extension Education shall be responsible for the planning and execution of programmes of extension work based on the results of research and work in co-operation with the Dean and other officers and shall exercise such powers and perform such duties as may be prescribed.

#### CHAPTER IV

#### AUTHORITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY

17. The authorities of the University shall be the Board of Management, the Academic Council, the Board of Studies of each Faculty and such other bodies of the University as may be declared by the statutes to be authorities of the University. Authorities of University.

18. (1) The Chancellor shall, as soon as may be, after the first Vice-Chancellor is appointed under section 45, constitute a Board of Management.

Constitution of  
Board of  
Management

(2) The Board shall consist of the following members, namely:-

***Class I – Ex-Officio.***

- (a) Vice-Chancellor ;
- (b) Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department ;
- (c) Secretary to Government, Finance Department ;
- (d) Director of Agriculture ;
- (e) Director of Animal Husbandry ;
- (f) Director of Fisheries ;
- (g) Chief Conservator of Forests ;
- (h) Commissioner or Director of Agricultural Marketing and Agri Business; and
- (i) Registrar.

***Class II – Other Members.***

(a) One agricultural scientist having special knowledge or practical experience in agricultural research, teaching and extension education nominated by the Chancellor ;

(b) one crop farmer no nominated by the Chancellor ;

(c) one livestock farmer nominated by the Chancellor ;

(d) one representative of the agro-industries nominated by the Chancellor ;

(e) one woman social worker nominated by the Chancellor ;

(f) one educationist nominated by the Chancellor ;

(g) one nominee of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research ; and

(h) one member elected by the members of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Tamil Nadu from among themselves, and one member elected by the members of the Legislative Council of that State from among themselves ;

Provided that no member so elected shall be disqualified for being a member of the Legislative Assembly or of the Legislative Council.

(3) The Vice-Chancellor shall be the ex-officio Chairman of, and the Registrar shall be the ex-officio Secretary to, the Board.

(4) The term of office of the members of the Board, other than the ex-officio members, shall be three years and such members shall be eligible for re-appointment for not more than one successive term.

(5) No officer or employees of the University, other than the Vice-Chancellor and the Registrar, shall be eligible to be a member of the Board.

(6) The members of the Board shall not be entitled to receive any remuneration from the University except such daily and travelling allowances as may be prescribed.

(7) The Chancellor may, after giving a reasonable opportunity of being heard, remove any member of the Board other than an ex-officio member from office, if such member in the opinion of the Chancellor, is incapable of acting as a member or has abused his position as a member so as to render his continuance as such member detrimental to the interest of the University.

19. The powers and duties of the Board shall be—

Powers and  
duties of  
Board.

(a) to consider and review the financial requirements and approve the annual financial estimates of the University ;

(b) to provide for the administration of any funds placed at the disposal of the University for the purposes intended ;

(c) to arrange for the investment and withdrawal of funds of the University ;

(d) to borrow money for capital improvements and to make suitable arrangements for its repayment ;

(e) to acquire, hold and dispose of property on behalf of the University ;

(f) to determine the form, provide for the custody, and regulate the use, of the common seal of the University ;

(g) to appoint such committees, either standing or temporary, as it may consider necessary and specify the terms of reference thereof subject to the provisions of this Act and the statutes ;

(h) to determine and regulate all questions of policy relating to the University in accordance with the provisions of this Act and the statutes;

(i) to make financial provision for the instruction, teaching, research, advancement and dissemination of knowledge in such branches of learning and courses of study as may be determined by the Academic Council ;

(j) to provide for the establishment and maintenance of colleges, hostels, laboratories, experimental farms and other facilities necessary for carrying out the purpose of this Act ;

(k) to provide for the institution and conferment of degrees, diplomas and other academic distinctions ;

(l) to provide for the institution, maintenance and award of scholarships, fellowships, studentships, medals, prizes and the like ;

(m) to accept trust, bequest, donation and transfer of any movable or immovable property on behalf of the University ;

(n) to enter into contract on behalf of University ; and

(o) to exercise such other powers and perform such other duties not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act or the statutes as may be necessary for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

**20.** (1) The Board shall meet at such times and places and shall, subject to the provisions of sub-sections (2) and (3), observe such rules of procedure in regard to transaction of business at its meetings including quorum at meetings as may be prescribed:

Meetings of Board.

Provided that the Board shall meet at least once in every three months.

(2) The Vice-Chancellor or in his absence, any member chosen by the members present, shall preside at a meeting of the Board.

(3) All questions at any meeting of the Board shall be decided by a majority of the votes of the member present and voting and in the case of an equality of votes, the Vice-Chancellor or the member presiding, as the case may be, shall have and exercise a second or casting vote.

(4) (a) The Board may, for purposes of consultation, invite any person having special knowledge or practical experience on any subject under consideration to attend any meeting. Such person may speak in, and otherwise take part in, the proceedings of such meeting but shall not be entitled to vote.



(b) The person so invited shall be entitled to such daily and travelling allowances as are admissible to any member of the Board.

**21.** The Academic Council shall be the academic authority of the University and shall, subject to the provisions of this Act and statutes, have the control and general regulation of teaching and examination in the University and be responsible for the maintenance of the standards thereof.

Academic Council.

**22.** (1) The Academic Council shall consist of the following members, namely :-

Constitution of Academic Council.

- (a) Vice-Chancellor ;
- (b) Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department ;
- (c) Dean of each College ;
- (d) Dean of each Faculty ;
- (e) Director of Research ;
- (f) Director of Extension Education ;
- (g) Six members from amongst the Heads of Departments to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor on rotational basis ;
- (h) Three persons having special knowledge or practical experience in different aspects of agriculture to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor ; and
- (i) Registrar

(2) The Vice-Chancellor shall be the *ex-officio* Chairman of and the Registrar shall be the *ex-officio* Secretary to, the Academic Council.

(3) The term of office of the members specified in clauses (g) and (h) of sub-section (1) shall be three years.

**23.** The powers and duties of the Academic Council shall be-

Powers and duties of Academic Council.

(a) to exercise general control on teaching and other educational programmes and maintain and promote the standards thereof ;

(b) to make regulations and amend or repeal the same ;

(c) to make regulations regarding--

(i) the admission of students to the University and the number of students to be admitted ;

(ii) the courses of study leading to degrees, diplomas and other academic distinctions ; and

(iii) the conduct of examinations and maintenance and

promotion of standards of educations ;

(d) to advise the Board on all academic matters including the control and management of libraries ;

(e) to make recommendation to the Board for the institution of Professorship, Readership, Assistant Professorship and other teaching posts including posts in research and extension education and in regard to the duties thereof ;

(f) to formulate, modify or revise schemes for the constitution or reconstitution of departments of teaching, research and extension education ;

(g) to make recommendation to the Board regarding post-graduate teaching, research and extension education ;

(h) to make recommendation to the Board regarding the qualifications to be prescribed for teaching and extension staff in University.

(i) to make recommendation to the Board for the conferment of honorary degrees or other distinctions ; and

(j) to exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the statutes.

**24.** (1) The University shall include Faculties of Agriculture, Basic Science, Agricultural Engineering, Animal Science, Home Science, Forestry, Fisheries and such other Faculties as may be prescribed by the statutes. Faculties

(2) Each Faculty shall have a Dean who shall be appointed in such manner as may be prescribed.

(3) Each Faculty shall comprise such departments of teaching with such assignment of subjects of study as may be prescribed and each department shall have a Head who shall be responsible to the Dean for the proper organisation and working of that department.

(4) There shall be a Board of Studies for each Faculty, the constitution and functions of which shall be such as may be prescribed.

(5) The constitution and functions of the Faculties shall in all other respects be such as may be prescribed.

Provided that not less than three-fourths of the total number of members of every Faculty shall be members of the Academic Council.

**25.** All the authorities of the University shall have power to constitute or reconstitute committees and to delegate to them such of their powers as they deem fit, such committee shall, save as otherwise provided, consist of members of the authority concerned and of such other persons, if any, as the authority in each case, may think fit.

Constitution of committees and delegation of powers.

## CHAPTER V

### *Research and Extension Education Organisations*

**26.**(1) Subject to the provisions of this Act and the statutes, the University shall establish an Agricultural Research Organisation for doing basic research on problems primarily relating to agriculture and allied sciences for the purpose of aiding the development of agriculture and shall for this purpose, establish as many agricultural research stations as may be necessary in co-operation with the department of Agriculture and the research stations under the control of the Government.

Agricultural Research Organisation.

(2) The Agricultural Research Organisation shall be developed under the guidance of the Director of Research.

**27.**(1) Subject to the provisions of this Act and the statutes, the University shall establish an Agricultural Extension Education Organisation which shall make available the information obtained on the basis of research to students, extension workers and agriculturists and shall conduct demonstration and training programme for the benefit of such persons in co-operation with the concerned Government departments.

Agricultural Extension Education Organisation

(2) The University shall undertake such agricultural extension education activities as are necessary—

(a) to inform and demonstrate to the agriculturists the findings and developments of agricultural research on improved practices essential to uplift the conditions of rural living ;

(b) to increase agricultural production with special emphasis on food production and utilization

(c) to multiply nucleus seeds of improved varieties evolved or introduced by the Agricultural Research Organisation.

(3) The Agricultural Extension Education Organisation shall be developed under the guidance of the Director of Extension Education.

## CHAPTER VI

### FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS

**28.**(1) The University shall have a General Fund to which shall be credited-- General Fund.

(a) its income from fees, endowments, grants, donations and gifts, if any ;

(b) any contribution or grant made by the Central Government, any State Government, the University Grants Commission or like authority, any local authority or any corporation owned or controlled by the Government ; and

(c) other receipts.

(2) The moneys in the General Fund shall be invested in the securities specified in clauses (a) to (d) of section 20 of the Indian Trusts Act, 1882 (Central Act II of 1882).

(3) The University shall furnish such statements, accounts, reports and other particulars relating to any grant made by the Government and its utilization, as the Government may require.

**29.**The University may have such other funds as may be prescribed by the statutes. Other funds.

**30.**The funds and all moneys of the University shall be managed in such manner as may be prescribed. Management of funds.

**31.**The Government shall, every year make non-lapsable lump sum grants to the University as follows:- Grants.

(a) a grant not less than the net expenditure incurred in the year in respect of the activities of the institutions of agriculture and allied sciences and such other Government departments relating to agriculture and allied sciences as are transferred to the University ;

(b) a grant not less than the estimated expenditure on pay and allowances of the staff, contingencies, supplies and services of the University ;

(c) a grant to meet such additional items of expenditure, recurring and non-recurring, as the Government may deem necessary for the proper functioning of the University.

**32.**(1) The Board shall appoint a Finance Committee consisting of the following members, namely :- Finance Committee.

- (a) Vice-Chancellor ;
- (b) Secretary to Government, Agriculture Department ;
- (c) Secretary to Government, Finance Department ;
- (d) One member chosen by the Board from amongst its non-official members ; and
- (d) Comptroller.

(2) The Comptroller shall be the *ex-officio* Secretary the Finance Committee.

(3) The Finance Committee shall—

(a) examine the annual accounts and the annual financial estimates of the University and advise the Board thereon ;

(b) review the financial position of the University from time to time ;

(c) make recommendation to the Board on every proposal involving expenditure for which no provision has been made in the annual financial estimates or which involves expenditure in excess of the amount provided for in the annual financial estimates ; and

(d) make recommendation to the Board on all matters relating to the finances of the University.

**33.**(1) The annual accounts prepared by the Comptroller shall be submitted to such examination and audit as the Government may direct and a copy of the annual accounts and audit report shall be submitted to the Government. Annual accounts.

(2) The University shall settle objections raised in the audit and carry out such instructions as may be issued by the Government on the audit report.

(3) The Government shall cause the annual accounts and the audit report to be laid before both Houses of Legislature together with their comments.

(4) The Comptroller shall, before such date as may be prescribed by the statutes, prepare the annual financial estimates for the ensuring year.

(5) The annual accounts and the annual financial estimates prepared by the Comptroller shall be placed before the Board together with the remarks of the Finance Committee for approval at its annual meeting and the Board may pass resolution with reference thereto and communicate the same to

the Comptroller who shall take action in accordance therewith.

## CHAPTER VII

### CONDITIONS OF SERVICE

**34.**(1) The University shall institute for the benefit of its officers, teachers and other employees such pension, gratuity, insurance and provident fund as it may deem fit, in such manner and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed. Pension, gratuity, etc.

(2) Where the University has so instituted a provident fund under sub-section (1), the Government may declare that the provisions of the Provident Funds Act, 1925 (Central Act XIX of 1925), shall apply to such fund as if the University were a local authority and the fund a Government provident fund.

(3) The University may, in consultation with the Finance Committee, invest the provident fund amount in such manner as it may determine.

*Explanation:-* For the purposes of this section and sections 35, 38 and 47, the word “officer” shall not include the Chancellor, the Pro-Chancellor and the Vice-Chancellor of the University.

**35.** Subject to the provisions of this Act, the appointment, procedure for selection, pay and allowances and other conditions of service of officers, teachers and other employees of the University shall be as prescribed. Conditions of service.

## CHAPTER VIII

### STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

**36.** Subject to the provisions of this Act, the statutes may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely :- Statutes.

(a) the conditions under which the research in the University may be carried on ;

(b) the manner in which and the conditions under which the honorary degrees and other distinctions may be conferred ;

(c) the fixation, payment and receipt of fees and other charges ;

(d) the prescription of academic qualification and standard for admission to the University ;

(e) the terms and conditions subject to which the Registrar may be appointed and his powers and duties ;

(f) the terms and conditions subject to which the Comptroller may be appointed ;

(g) the terms and conditions subject to which the Dean of each college may be appointed and his powers and duties ;

(h) the terms and conditions subject to which the Director of Research and the Director of Extension Education may be appointed and their powers and duties ;

(i) the daily and travelling allowances to be paid to the members of the Board ;

(j) the assignment of subjects of study for each Faculty ;

(k) the constitution and functions of the Board of Studies of each Faculty ;

(l) the constitution and functions of Faculties ;

(m) the manner in which the Dean of each Faculty may be appointed ;

(n) the establishment and management of the funds and moneys of the University ;

(o) the manner of publication of the accounts audited ;

(p) the period for which and the manner in which the instruction, teaching, training and holding examinations shall be conducted for the students of the colleges specified in section 40 ; and

(q) any other matter which is required to be or may be prescribed by the statutes.

**37.(1)** The Board may from time to time make statutes and amend or repeal the statutes in the manner hereinafter provided in this section.

Statutes how made.

(2) The Academic Council may propose to the Board the draft of any statute to be passed by the Board and such draft shall be considered by the Board at its next meeting :

Provided that the Academic Council shall not propose any amendment to any statute affecting the status, powers or constitution of any authority of the University until such authority has been given an opportunity of expressing its opinion upon the proposal and any opinion so expressed shall be considered

by the Board.

(3) The Board may consider the draft proposed by the Academic Council under sub-section (2) and may either pass the draft statute or reject or return with or without amendments to the Academic Council for reconsideration.

(4) (a) Any member of the Board may propose to the Board the draft of a statute and the Board may either accept or reject the draft, if it relates to a matter not falling within the purview of the Academic Council.

(b) In case such draft relates to matter within the purview of the Academic Council, the Board shall refer it for consideration to the Academic Council, which may after following the procedure laid down in the proviso to sub-section (2), either report to the Board that it does not approve the draft or submit the draft to the Board in such form as the Academic Council may approve and the Board may either pass with or without amendments or reject the draft.

**38.**(1) Subject to the provisions of this Act and the statutes, Regulations. the authorities of the University may make regulations to provide for all or any of the following matters, namely:-

(a) the manner in which and the conditions subject to which the pension, gratuity, insurance and provident fund may be instituted for the benefit of the officers, teachers and other employees of the University.

(b) the appointment, procedure for selection, pay and allowances and other conditions of service of officers, teachers and other employees of the University ;

(c) the giving of notice to the members of any authority of the University, the dates of the meetings and the business to be transacted at the meetings and for keeping a record of the proceedings of the meetings ;

(d) the procedure to be observed at the meetings and the number of members required to form the quorum ; and

(e) any other matter which is required to be or may be prescribed by regulations.

(2) The Academic Council may, subject to the provisions of the statutes, make regulations providing for the courses of study, system of examinations and award of degrees, diplomas and other academic distinctions of the University, after receiving the drafts of the same from the Board of Studies



concerned.

(3) The Board may issue such direction as it may think fit to the concerned authority to amend any regulation.

## CHAPTER IX

### TRANSFERS OF COLLEGES, EMPLOYEES AND FUNDS

**39.**(1) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other Act relating to the establishment of a University in the State or the statutes, ordinances, regulations and orders made thereunder, on and from the appointed day, the Agricultural College and Research Institute, Coimbatore and the Agricultural College, Madurai, shall be disaffiliated from the corresponding University to which they were affiliated on the date immediately preceding such day, transferred to, and maintained by, the University as its constituent colleges.

Transfer to certain colleges and institutions to University.

(2) On and from the appointed day, the control and management of the colleges specified in sub-section (1) and all properties, assets and liabilities of the Government in relation thereto shall stand transferred to, and vest in, the University.

(3) The Government may, at any time after the appointed day, transfer to the University the control and management of any of their colleges on such terms and conditions as they deem proper.

(4) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other Act relating to the establishment of a University in the State or the statutes, ordinances, regulations and orders made thereunder, on and from the date to be notified by the Government, the colleges, the colleges or institutions referred to in sub-section (3) shall be disaffiliated from the University to which they were affiliated on the date immediately preceding the notified date and shall be deemed to be colleges or institutions affiliated to the University and the provisions of this Act shall, as far as may be, apply accordingly.

**40.**Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act the statutes or regulations, every student of a college specified in sub-section (1) of section 39 who immediately before the appointed day was studying in any college in the corresponding University or was eligible for any examination in the corresponding University shall be permitted to complete his course of study or be admitted to the examination in the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University and the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University shall make arrangements—

Special provisions for students.

(a) for the instruction, teaching, training and holding examination for such student for such period and in such

manner as may be determined by the Chancellor, in accordance with the course of study in the corresponding University ; and

(b) for the conferment of the corresponding degree, diploma or other academic distinction of the University upon the qualified student on the result of such examination.

**41.** On and from the appointed day, no new college imparting education in agriculture and allied sciences shall be established except as a constituent or affiliated college of the University.

New college to be constituent or affiliated college

**42.** (1) (a) As soon as may be, after the appointed day, the Government may after consulting the Vice-Chancellor direct by general or special order that such of the employees of the Government as are specified in such order shall stand allotted to serve in connection with the affairs of the University with effect from such date as may be specified in such order :

Transfer of service of certain employees.

Provided that no such order shall be issued in respect of any such employee without his consent for such allotment.

(b) On and from the date specified in the order under clause (a), the persons specified in such order shall become employees of the University and shall cease to be employees of the Government.

(2) Every person referred to in sub-section (1) shall hold office under the University by the same tenure, at the same remuneration and upon the same terms and conditions and with the same rights and privileges as to pension or gratuity, if any, and other matters as he would have held the same on the date specified in the order under clause (a) of sub-section (1) as if this Act had not been passed.

**43.** The sums at the credit of the provident fund accounts of the employees referred to in sub-section (1) of section 42 as on the date specified in the order under clause (a) of the said sub-section (1) shall be transferred to the University by the Government and the liability in respect of the said provident fund accounts shall be the liability of the University.

Transfer of accumulation in provident fund.

**44.** (1) The corresponding University shall, out of its funds as on the appointed day, pay to the University such amount as the Government may, in consultation with the corresponding University, specify.

Payment of certain moneys by corresponding University.

(2) The amount payable under sub-section (1) shall be in addition to the amounts transferred under section 43.

## CHAPTER X

### TRANSITORY PROVISIONS.

**45.** Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1) of section 11, within six months from the appointed day, the first Vice-Chancellor shall be appointed by the Chancellor on a salary to be fixed by him for a period not exceeding five years and on such other conditions as he thinks fit.

Appointment of first Vice-Chancellor.

**46.** Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1) of section 13, within three months from the appointed day, the first Registrar shall be appointed by the Government on a salary to be fixed by them for a period not exceeding three years and on such other conditions as they think fit.

Appointment of first Registrar.

**47.** Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, the first Vice-Chancellor shall have power to appoint such officers and employees of the University as may be necessary subject to the sanction of the Government.

Appointment of first University staff.

**48. (1)** It shall be the duty of first Vice-Chancellor to make arrangements for constituting the authorities of the University specified in section 17 within six months after the appointed day or such longer period not exceeding one year as the Government may, by notification allow.

Powers of first Vice-Chancellor.

(2) The first Vice-Chancellor, shall, with the assistance of an advisory committee nominated by the Chancellor, make such rules as may be necessary for the functioning of the University.

(3) The authorities constituted under sub-section (1) shall commence to exercise their functions on such date or dates as the Government may, by notification, specify.

(4) It shall be the duty of the first Vice-Chancellor to make such statutes and regulations as may be necessary with the approval of the Chancellor and submit them to the respective authorities competent to deal with them for their disposal. Such statutes and regulations when framed shall be published in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette.

## CHAPTER XI

### MISCELLANEOUS

**49. (1)** The annual report of the University shall be prepared under the direction of the Vice-Chancellor and submitted to the Board at least one month before the annual meeting at which it is to be considered.

Annual report.

(2) The Board shall, after considering the annual report, forward a copy thereof to the Government.

(3) On receipt of a copy of the annual report, the Government shall cause a copy of such report together with their comments thereon to be laid before the State Legislature.

**50.**(1) In all suits and other legal proceedings by or against the University, the pleadings shall be signed and verified by the Registrar and all processes in such suits and proceedings shall be issued to, and served on, the Registrar.

Suits and legal proceedings

**51.** All casual vacancies among the members (other than ex-officio members) of any authority or other body of the University shall be filled as soon as conveniently may be and the person nominated in a casual vacancy shall be a member of such authority or body for the remainder of the term for which the member in whose place he is nominated would have held office:

Filling of casual vacancy.

Provided that no casual vacancy shall be filled, if such vacancy occurs within six months before the date of the expiry of term of the member of any authority or other body of the University.

**52.** No act or proceeding of any authority or other body of the University shall be invalidated merely by reason of the existence of a vacancy or of any defect or irregularity in the appointment of a member of any authority or of other body of the University or of any defect or irregularity in any such act or proceeding not affecting the merits of the case or on the ground that the Board did not meet once in every three months.

Validation of acts and proceedings.

**53.**(1) The Government may, by notification, alter, amend or add to the Schedule or omit any college or institution specified in the Schedule and upon the issue of such notification, the Schedule shall be deemed to be amended accordingly.

Power to amend Schedule.

(2) Every notification issued under Sub-section (1) shall, as soon as possible after it is issued, be placed on the table of both Houses of the Legislature, and if, before the expiry of the session in which it is so placed, or the next session, both Houses agree in making any modification in any such notification or both Houses agree that the notification should not be issued, the notification shall thereafter have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, as the case may be, so however, that any such modification or annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done

under that notification.

**54.**(1) On and from the appointed day, the provision of the Madras University Act, 1923 (Tamil Nadu Act VII of 1923) and the Madurai University Act, 1965 \* (Tamil Nadu Act 33 of 1965) (hereinafter in this section referred to as the said Acts) shall cease to apply in respect of the agricultural colleges and the institutions to which this Act applies.

Tamil Nadu  
Act VII of 1923  
and Tamil  
Nadu Act 33 of  
1965 not to  
apply.

(2) Such cesser shall not affect—

(a) the previous operation of the said Acts ; or

(b) any penalty, forfeiture or punishment, incurred in respect of any offence committed against the said Acts ; or

(c) any investigation, legal proceeding or remedy in respect of such penalty, forfeiture or punishment, and any such investigation, legal proceeding or remedy may be instituted, continued or enforced and any such penalty, forfeiture or punishment may be imposed as if this Act had not been passed.

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), all statutes, ordinances and regulations made under the said Acts and in force on the appointed day, shall, in so far as they are not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, continue to be in force until they are repealed by Act, continue to be in force until they are repealed by statutes and regulations to be made under this Act.

**55.**(1) The Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Ordinance, 1971 (Tamil Nadu Ordinance 2 of 1971), is hereby repealed.

Repeal.

#### THE SCHEDULE

[see sections 1 (3) and 53 (1)]

- (1) Agricultural College and Research Institute, Coimbatore.
- (2) Agricultural College, Madurai.
- (3) All Research and Education Units situate within the Agricultural College and Research Institute, Coimbatore.
- (4) All Research and Education Units situate within the Agricultural College, Madurai.
- (5) Hybrid Production Scheme, Sathyamangalam.
- (6) Agricultural Research Station, Bhavanisagar.
- (7) Agricultural Research Station, Aliyar Nagar.
- (8) Groundnut Research Station, Pollachi.
- (9) Apple Research Station, Kodaikanal.
- (10) Fruit Research Station, Periakulam.

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\*Any reference to the Madurai University Act shall be constructed as a reference to the Madurai-Kamaraj University Act by virtue of section 5 of the Madurai University (Amendment and Special Provisions ) Act, 1978 (Tamil Nadu Act 38 of 1978) which was deemed to have

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come into force on the 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1978.

ACT NO.12 OF 1991

An Act further to amend the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act, 1971.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Tamil Nadu in the Forty-first Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

|                          |  |   |
|--------------------------|--|---|
|                          | 1. (1) This Act may be called the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (Amendment) Act, 1991.  | Short title and commencement  |
|                          | (2) It shall be deemed to have come into force on the 26 <sup>th</sup> day of October 1990.  |   |
| Tamil Nadu Act 8 of 1971 | 2. In section 1 of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act, 1971 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), for sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely:-<br><br>“(1)This Act may be called the Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University Act, 1971.”  | Amendment of section 1.   |
|                          | 3. In section 2 of the principal Act, for clause (q), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-<br><br>“(q) “University” means the Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University established under section 3.”   | Amendment of section 2.   |
|                          | 4. In section 3 of the principal Act, in sub-section (1) for the expression “by the name of Tamil Nadu Agricultural University”, the expression “by the name Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University” shall be substituted.  | Amendment of section 3.   |
|                          | 5. In section 40 of the principal Act, for the expression “Tamil Nadu Agricultural University”, occurring in two places, the expression “Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University” shall be substituted.  | Amendment of section 40.  |
|                          | 6. Reference to “Tamil Nadu Agricultural University” and Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act” in any Act or in any rule, notification, proceeding, order, regulation, by-law or other instrument made or issued under such Act or “statutes” and “regulations” made or continued in force under the principal Act shall be construed as reference to “Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University Act”, respectively. | Construction of reference to “Tamil Nadu Agricultural University” and “Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act”. |
|                          | 7. Where immediately before the 26 <sup>th</sup> October 1990, any legal proceedings are pending to which the “Tamil Nadu Agricultural University” is a party, “Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University” shall be deemed to  | Legal proceedings.  |

be substituted for the “Tamil Nadu Agricultural University” in those proceedings.

8. (1) The Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (Amendment) Ordinance, 1990 is hereby repealed. Tamil Nadu  
Ordinance 7 of  
1990.

(2) Notwithstanding such repeal, anything done or any action taken under the principal Act, as amended by the said Ordinance, shall be deemed to have been done or taken under the principal Act, as amended by this Act.

## ACT NO.16 OF 1992

An Act further to amend the Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University Act, 1971.  
BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Tamil Nadu in the Forty-third Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

|                           |  |   |
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|                           | 1. (1) This Act may be called the Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University (Amendment) Act, 1992.   | Short title and commencement.   |
|                           | (2) It shall come into force at once.  |   |
| Tamil Nadu Act 8 of 1971. | 2. In section 1 of the Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University Act 1971 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act) for sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely:-<br><br>“(1) This Act may be called the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act, 1971.”   | Amendment of section 1.   |
|                           | 3. In section 2 of the principal Act, for clause (q), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-<br><br>“(q) “University” means the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University established under section 3.”  | Amendment of section 2.   |
| Amendment of section 3.   | 4. In section 3 of the principal Act, in sub-section (1), for the expression “by the name Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University”, the expression “by the name Tamil Nadu Agricultural University” shall be substituted.  |   |
| Amendment of section 40.  | 5. In section 40 of the principal Act, for the expression “Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University”, occurring in two places, the expression “Tamil Nadu Agricultural University” shall be substituted.  |   |
|                           | 6. Reference to “Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University” and Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University Act” in any Act or in any rule, notification, proceeding, order, regulation, by-law or other instrument made or issued under such Act or “statutes” and “regulations” made or continued in force under the principal Act shall be construed as reference to “Tamil Nadu Agricultural University” and “Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act”, respectively. | Construction of reference to “Tamil Nadu Agricultural G.D. Naidu University” and “Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University Act”. |
|                           | 7. Where immediately before the date of publication of the Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University (Amendment) Act, 1992 in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette, any legal proceedings are pending to which the “Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University” is a party, “Tamil Nadu Agricultural University” shall be deemed to be substituted for the “Tamil Nadu G.D. Naidu Agricultural University” in those proceedings.   | Legal proceedings.  |



ACT NO.52 OF 1992

An Act further to amend the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act, 1971.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Tamil Nadu in the Forty-third Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

|                           |   |                          |
|---------------------------|---|--------------------------|
|                           | 1. This Act may be called the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (Third Amendment) Act, 1992.   | Short title              |
| Tamil Nadu Act 8 of 1971. | 2. In section 11 of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act 1971, to sub-section (1), the following proviso shall be added, namely:- | Amendment of section 11. |

“Provided that if the Chancellor does not approve any of the persons in the panel so recommended by the committee, he may take steps to constitute another committee, in accordance with the sub-section (2), to give a fresh panel of three different names and shall appoint one of the persons named in the fresh panel as the Vice-Chancellor.”

ACT NO.5 OF 1993

An Act further to amend the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act, 1971.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Tamil Nadu in the Forty-third Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

|                           |   |  |
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|                           | 1. This Act may be called the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (Second Amendment) Act, 1992.  | Short title                              |
| Tamil Nadu Act 8 of 1971. | 2. In section 11 of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act, 1971 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), in sub-section (3), for the words "five years", the words "three years" shall be substituted.  | Amendment of section 11.                 |
|                           | 3. Notwithstanding anything contained in the principal Act, as amended by this Act, or in any other law for the time being in force, or in any judgment, decree or other of any court or other authority, the Vice-Chancellor of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University holding office as such immediately before the date of the publication of this Act in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette shall, on and from the date of such publication, cease to hold office as such Vice-Chancellor. | Vice-Chancellor to cease to hold office. |

ACT NO.4 OF 1994

An Act further to amend the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act, 1971.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Tamil Nadu in the Forty-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

|                           |   |                          |
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|                           | 1. This Act may be called the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (Amendment) Act, 1993.   | Short title              |
| Tamil Nadu Act 8 of 1971. | 2. In section 18 of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act, 1971 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), to sub-section (4), the following proviso shall be added, namely:-<br><br>“Provided that a member of the Board, who is elected or nominated in his capacity as, a member of a particular electorate or body, or the holder of a particular appointment, shall cease to be a member of the Board from the date on which he ceases to be, a member of that electorate or body, or the holder of that appointment, as the case may be.”   | Amendment of section 18. |
|                           | 3. In section 22 of the principal Act, to sub-section (3), the following proviso shall be added, namely:-<br><br>“Provided that a member of the Academic Council who is nominated in his capacity as the holder of a particular appointment shall cease to be a member of the Academic Council from the date on which he ceases to be the holder of that appointment.   | Amendment of section 22. |
|                           | 4. For the removal of doubts, it is hereby declared that, notwithstanding anything contained in any law for the time being in force or in any judgment, decree or order of any court every person who had been elected or nominated to the Board of Management or the Academic Council, as the case may be, of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University in his capacity as, it member of a particular electorate or body, or the holder of a particular appointment and who had ceased to be a member of that electorate or body, or the holder of that appointment, but holding office as a member in any of the aforesaid authorities of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University immediately before the date of the publication of this Act in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette shall cease to be a member of that authority of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University on the date of such publication. | Removal of doubts.       |

ACT NO.15 OF 1995

An Act further to amend the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act, 1971.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Tamil Nadu in the Forty-sixth Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

|                           |   |                                |
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|                           | 1. (1) This Act may be called the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (Amendment) Act, 1995.   | Short title and commencement   |
|                           | (2) It shall come into force on such date as the State Government may, by notification, appoint.  |                                |
| Tamil Nadu Act 8 of 1971. | 2. After section 16 of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act, 1971 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act) the following section shall be inserted, namely:-<br><br>“16-A. <i>Vice-Chancellor and other officers, etc., to be public servants-</i><br>The Vice-Chancellor, the Registrar, the Comptroller, the Dean, the Director of Research, the Director of Extension Education and other employees of the University shall be deemed, when acting or purporting to act in pursuance of any of the provisions of this Act, to be public servants within the meaning of section 21 of the Indian Penal Code.”   | Insertion of new section 16-A. |
|                           | 3. In section 18 of the principal Act, in sub-section (2)-<br><br>(1) under the heading “Class I-Ex-officio” for clauses (e) and (f), the following clauses shall be substituted, namely :-<br><br>“(e) Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) ;<br>(f) Director of Horticulture and Plantation Crops” ;<br><br>(2) under the heading “Class I-Other Members”<br><br>(a) in clause (g), the word “and” occurring at the end, shall be omitted ;<br><br>(b) for clause (h), the following clauses shall substituted, namely:-<br><br>“(h) one member elected by the member of the Legislative Assembly of the State of Tamil Nadu from among themselves :<br><br>Provided that no member so elected shall be disqualified for being a member of the Legislative Assembly ; and<br><br>(j) two members representing agriculture, horticulture, agricultural engineering, agro processing, food processing or agro exports, nominated by the Government.” | Amendment of section 18.       |

ACT NO.45 OF 2000

An Act further to amend the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act, 1971.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Tamil Nadu in the Fifty-first Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

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| Tamil Nadu<br>Act 8 of 1971. | 1. This Act may be called the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (Amendment) Act, 2000.   | Short title              |
|                              | 2. In section 18 of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act, 1971 after sub-section (2), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:- | Amendment of section 18. |

“(2-A) In case the Secretary to Government, Finance Department, is unable to attend the meetings of the Board, for any reason, he may depute any officer of his department not lower in rank than that of Joint Secretary to Government to attend the meetings. The officer so deputed shall have the right to take part in the discussions of the meetings and shall have the right to vote.”

ACT NO.46 OF 2017

An Act further to amend the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act, 1971.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Tamil Nadu in the Sixty- eighth Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

|                           |   |                              |
|---------------------------|---|------------------------------|
|                           | 1. (1) This Act may be called the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University (Amendment) Act, 2017  | Short title and commencement |
|                           | (2) It shall come into force at once.   |                              |
| Tamil Nadu Act 8 of 1971. | 2. In section 11 Of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act,1971, for the sub-section(2) including the proviso there to, the following sub- sections shall be substituted, namely:-<br>(2) For the purpose of sub-section (1), the Committee shall consist of-<br>(i) a nominee of the Chancellor, who shall be a retired Judge of the Supreme Court or any High Court or an eminent educationist;<br>(ii) a nominee of the Board of Management who shall be an eminent educationist; and<br>(iii) a nominee of the Academic Council who shall be an eminent educationist.<br>Explanation – For the purpose of this sub section, “eminent educationist” means a person,-<br>(i) Who is or has been a Vice-Chancellor of any Agricultural University established by the State Government or Central Government; or<br>(ii) Who is a distinguished academician, with a minimum of ten years of experience as Professor in a State or Central University or in both taken together; or<br>(iii) Who is or has been the Head of the Indian Council of Agricultural Research or who is or has been the Director of any of the Agricultural Research Institute of national importance:<br>Provided that the person so nominated shall not be a member of any of the authorities of the University or shall not be connected with the University or any College or any recognized institution of the University.<br>(2-A) A person recommended by the Committee for appointment as Vice-Chancellor shall-<br>(i) be a distinguished academician with highest level of competence, integrity, morals and institutional commitment;<br>(ii) possess such educational qualifications and experience as may be specified by the State Government in consultation with the | Amendment of section 11      |

Chancellor by an order published in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette.

(2-B) The process of nominating the members to the Committee by the Chancellor, the Board of Management and the Academic Council shall begin six months before the probable date of occurrence of vacancy in the office of the Vice-Chancellor and shall be completed four months before the probable date of occurrence of vacancy in the office of the Vice-Chancellor.

(2-C) The process of preparing the panel of suitable persons for appointment as Vice-Chancellor shall begin at least four months before the probable date of occurrence of the vacancy in the office of the Vice-Chancellor.

(2-D) The Committee shall submit its recommendation to the Chancellor within four months from the date of its constitution. If the Committee does not submit its recommendation to the Chancellor within the said period, the Chancellor may grant further time to the Committee to submit its recommendation or take steps to constitute another Committee in accordance with sub-section (2)''

ACT NO.35 OF 2018

An Act further to amend the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act, 1971.

BE it enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of Tamil Nadu in the Sixty- ninth Year of the Republic of India as follows:-

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|                           | (2) It shall come into force at once.   |   |
| Tamil Nadu Act 8 of 1971. | 2. In section 11 of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University Act 1971 (hereinafter referred to as the Principal Act), in sub-section (3) after the proviso, the following proviso shall be added, namely:-<br><br>“Provided further that a person appointed as Vice-Chancellor shall retire from office if, during the term of his office, he completes the age of seventy years.”                              | Amendment of section 11                     |
|                           | 3. Notwithstanding anything contained in the principal Act, as amended by this Act, the Vice-Chancellor of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural University holding office as such immediately before the date of the publication of this Act in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette, shall continue to hold office as such Vice-Chancellor, for a term of three years from the date on which he entered upon his office. | Vice-Chancellor to continue to hold office. |