

L. A. BILL No. XLVI OF 2023.

A BILL

further to amend the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016.

(As Passed by the Legislative Assembly on the 8th December 2023.)

(As Passed by the Legislative Council on the 12th December 2023.)

WHEREAS both Houses of the State Legislature were not in session;

Mah. VI
of 2017.
Mah.
Ord.
VIII of
2023.

AND WHEREAS the Governor of Maharashtra was satisfied that circumstances existed which rendered it necessary for him to take immediate action further to amend the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016, for the purposes hereinafter appearing ; and, therefore, promulgated the Maharashtra Public Universities (Amendment) Ordinance, 2023, on the 20th October 2023 ;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient to replace the said Ordinance by an Act of the State Legislature ; it is hereby enacted in the Seventy-fourth year of the Republic of India, as follows :—

Short title
and
commence-
ment.

1. (1) This Act may be called the Maharashtra Public Universities (Amendment) Act, 2023.

(2) It shall be deemed to have come into force on the 20th October 2023.

Amendment
of section 109
of Mah.VI of
2017.

2. In section 109 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as “the principal Act”),—

Mah. VI
of 2017.

(1) in sub-section **(3)**, in clause **(g)**, for the second proviso and the Table, the following proviso and the Table shall be substituted, namely:—

“Provided further that, with a view to extend the dates of, making application for seeking Letter of Intent for opening new college or institution of higher learning, scrutiny of application by Board of Deans and forwarding the same to the State Government and grant of Letter of Intent by the State Government for the academic year 2024-2025, the day or dates referred to in clauses **(a)**, **(c)** and **(d)** of sub-section **(3)**, as specified in column **(2)** of the Table given below, shall be read as provided in column **(3)** of the said Table:—

TABLE

| Clauses | Day or date provided in existing provision | Day or date provided for Academic Year 2024-25 |
|------------|---|---|
| <i>(1)</i> | <i>(2)</i> | <i>(3)</i> |
| (a) | before the last day of September of the year preceding the year in which the permission is sought | on or before the 15th November 2023; |
| (c) | on or before the 30th day of November of the year in which such application is received by the university | on or before the 31st December 2023 ; |
| (d) | on or before the 31st January of the immediately following year after the recommendations of the university | on or before the 15th February 2024.”; |

(2) in sub-section **(4)**, in clause **(d)**, for the second proviso and the Table, the following proviso and the Table shall be substituted, namely:—

“Provided further that, with a view to extend the date of making application, for seeking permission to start a new course of study, subjects, faculties, additional divisions or satellite centers to the State Government for the academic year 2024-2025, the day referred to in clause **(a)** of sub-section **(4)**, as specified in column **(2)** of the Table given below, shall be read as provided in column **(3)** of the said Table :—

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| Clause | Day provided in existing provision | Date provided for Academic Year 2024-25 |
|--------|---|--|
| (1) | (2) | (3) |
| (a) | before the last day of September of the year preceding the year in which the permission is sought | on or before 15th November 2023.”. |

3. In SCHEDULE A appended to the principal Act, in PART I, in entry at serial No. 4,—

Amendment of Schedule A of Mah. VI of 2017.

(1) in column (1), for the words “Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Aurangabad” the words “Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Marathwada University, Chhatrapati Sambhajnagar” shall be substituted;

(2) in column (2),—

(i) in entry (1), for the word “Aurangabad” the words “Chhatrapati Sambhajnagar” shall be substituted;

(ii) in entry (4), for the word “Osmanabad” the word “Dharashiv” shall be substituted.

Mah. Ord. VIII of 2023.

4. (1) The Maharashtra Public Universities (Amendment) Ordinance, 2023, is hereby repealed.

Repeal of Mah. Ord. VIII of 2023 and saving.

(2) Notwithstanding such appeal, anything done or any action taken (including any notification or order issued) under the corresponding provisions of the principal Act, as amended by the said Ordinance, shall be deemed to have been done, taken or issued, as the case may be, under the corresponding provisions of the principal Act, as amended by this Act.

**MAHARASHTRA LEGISLATURE
SECRETARIAT**

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**[SHRI CHANDRAKANT (DADA) PATIL,
Minister for Higher and
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**JITENDRA BHOLE,
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Maharashtra Legislative Council.**