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PART-IV.

AMENDMENT TO THE BHARATHIAR UNIVERSITY ACT, 1981.

Amendment of
section 12.

4. In section 12 of the Bharathiar University Act, 1981, for sub-section (2) including the proviso thereto, the following sub-sections shall be substituted, namely:-

Tamil Nadu
Act 1 of
1982.

"(2) For the purpose of sub-section (1), the Committee shall consist of —

(i) a nominee of the Government, who shall be a retired or serving officer of the State Government not below the rank of Principal Secretary to Government or an eminent educationist;

(ii) a nominee of the Senate who shall be an eminent educationist; and

(iii) a nominee of the Syndicate who shall be an eminent educationist.

Explanation.— For the purpose of this sub-section, "eminent educationist" means a person,—

(i) who is or has been a Vice-Chancellor of any University established by the State Government or Central Government; or

(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

(iii) who is or has been a Director or Head of any institute of national importance:

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.

(2-A) A person recommended by the Committee for appointment as Vice-Chancellor shall—

(i) be a distinguished academician with highest level of competence, integrity, morals and institutional commitment;

(ii) possess such educational qualifications and experience as may be specified by the State Government in consultation with the Chancellor by an order published in the *Tamil Nadu Government Gazette*.

(2-B) The process of nominating the members to the Committee by the Government, the Senate and the Syndicate 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)."