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# PART I : SECTION (I) — GENERAL

# **Government Notifications**

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THE UNIVERSITIES ACT, No. 16 OF 1978

**Rules under Section 137** 

RULES made under Section 137 read with Section 70C and 70D of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978, by the Specified Authority appointed under Section 70B of the aforesaid Act.

Specified Authority.

Colombo, 28th August, 2018.

#### **RULES**

The Specified Authority (Powers relating to Recognition of Institutes as Degree Awarding Institutes) Rules No. 1 of 2013 published in *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 1824/21 dated August 22, 2013 as last amended by *Gazette Extraordinary* No. 1891/9 dated December 02, 2014 are hereby further amended as follows:-

- 1. by the repeal of rule 2 and the substitution therefor of the following:-
  - "2. The guidelines set-out in the Schedule I and Schedule II to these rules shall be applicable for the recognition of any State or Non-State Institute as a Degree Awarding Institute and for the obtaining of power to grant Degree or Degrees by such institute, on the payment of a processing fee as provided under Schedule III to these rules."
- 2. by the repeal of rule 7 and the substitution therefor of the following:-
  - "7. Any Institute which intends to obtain recognition as a Degree Awarding Institute and obtains the power to confer a degree or degrees (hereinafter referred to as "the applicant") shall submit to the Specified Authority, an application consisting of Part I and Part II, containing particulars given in the guidelines as set out in the Schedule I and Schedule II and on the payment of the processing fee as set out in the Schedule III, for the Institutional Review and the Subject Review."

- 3. by the repeal of rule 14 and the substitution therefor of the following:-
  - "14. The applicant may re-submit the application returned at the first review, together with the required information, to the Specified Authority within a period of three months from the date of such return. No processing free shall be charged for the first re-submission of the application. The guidelines set out in the Schedule I shall be complied with. The Specified Authority shall forward the re-submitted application to the SCAQA for reconsideration."
- 4. by the repeal of rule 20 and the substitution therefor of the following:-
  - "20. The applicant may re-submit the application for review with the required information, to the Specified Authority within a period of three months from the date of such return, and in accordance with the requirements specified in the Schedule II to these rules. No processing fee shall be charged for the first re-submission of the application."
- 5. by the insertion immediately after the rule 34 of the following new part as Part IV:-

#### "PART IV

## **Processing Charge**

- 35. Institutional Review and Subject Review shall be subject to a processing fee as set out in the Schedule III to these rules.
- 36. Any Degree Awarding Institute which does not comply with the requirements at the second or subsequent reviews shall be subject to a payment of fifty percent (50%) of the processing charges specified in item (b) of the Schedule III.
- 37. Where the study programme is conducted at a different location, a payment of twenty percent (20%) of the processing charges for the Institutional Review shall be additionally charged for evaluating such different location."
- 6. by the renumbering of rule 35 as rule 38.
- 7. in the renumbered rule 38 the definition of the expression "Specified Authority" shall be repealed and the following substituted therefor:
  - ""Specified Authority" means the person appointed as a Specified Authority under Section 70B of the Universities Act, No. 16 of 1978;".
  - 8. by the insertion immediately after the Schedule II, of the following new Schedule :-

## SCHEDULE III

- (a) Processing charges for Institutional Review Rs. 1,200,000.00
- (b) Processing charges for Subject Review shall be as follows:-

Sri Lanka Qualification Framework (SLQF) Level	Qualification Type	Amount to be charged (Rs.)
SLQF L 12	Doctoral Degree (PhD)	750,000.00
SLQF L 11	Master of Philosophy and	600,000.00
SLQF L 10	Masters Degree	
SLQF L 9		
SLQF L 8	Post Graduate Diploma	500,000.00
SLQF L 7	Post Graduate Certificates	
SLQF L 6	Bachelors Honours Degree	
SLQF L 5	Bachelors Degree	

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