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SENATE OF PAKISTAN



REPORT NO-05

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

ON

“THE NATIONAL SKILLS UNIVERSITY ISLAMABAD (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2023”

PRESENTED BY

SENATOR IRFAN-UL-HAQUE SIDDIQUI

SENATE SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FEDERAL EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL TRAINING ON "THE NATIONAL SKILLS UNIVERSITY ISLAMABAD (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2023" AS PASSED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, LAID ON THE TABLE OF THE HOUSE ON 25TH JULY, 2023 REFERRED TO THE COMMITTEE FOR CONSIDERATION AND REPORT

I, Senator Irfan-ul-Haq Siddiqui, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training have the honor to present, on behalf of the Committee, this report on "The National Skills University Islamabad (Amendment) Bill, 2023" as passed by the National Assembly, laid on the table of the House on 25th July, 2023 referred to the Committee for consideration and report.

2. The composition of the Standing Committee is as under:-

i.	Senator Irfan-ul-Haq Siddiqui	Chairman
ii.	Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani	Member
iii.	Senator Ejaz Ahmad Chaudhary	Member
iv.	Senator Fawzia Arshad	Member
v.	Senator Jam Mahtab Hussain Dahar	Member
vi.	Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi	Member
vii.	Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad	Member
viii.	Senator Mushtaq Ahmad Khan	Member
ix.	Senator Molvi Faiz Muhammad	Member
x.	Senator Ahmed Khan	Member
xi.	Senator Khalida Sikandar Mandhro	Member
xii.	Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training	Ex-Officio Member

3. The Committee held its meeting on the agenda on 26th July, 2023 with following Members in attendance:-

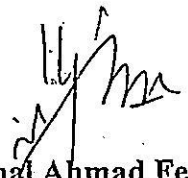
1.	Senator Irfan-ul-Haq Siddiqui	Chairman
2.	Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani	Member
3.	Senator Jam Mahtab Hussain Dahar	Member
4.	Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi	Member

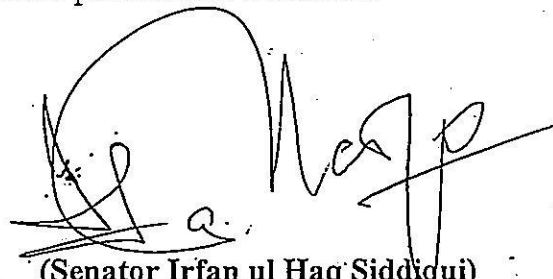
4. The representatives from the Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training along-with the representatives from National Skills University (NSU) and Higher Education Commission attended the meeting. The representative from NSU briefed the

Committee that the purpose of the Bill is to protect the rights of 58 employees working as civil servants in NSU who have exercised their option to remain an employee of the NSU and are drawing pay of civil services will be placed on the disposal of surplus pool of Establishment Division.

5. The Committee, after discussion unanimously decided to pass the Bill. Therefore, the Committee recommends that the House may pass the Bill as it was introduced in the Senate.

6. In view of the above recommendation, the Committee also gave approval for presentation of the report in the House. Hence, this report is presented in the House.


(Kamal Ahmad Feroz)
Acting Secretary Committee


(Senator Irfan ul Haq Siddiqui)
Chairman
Senate Standing Committee on
Federal Education & Professional Education

[AS PASSED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY]

A.

Bill

to amend the National Skills University Islamabad Act, 2018

WHEREAS, it is expedient to amend the National Skills University Islamabad Act, 2018 (VIII of 2018), in the manner and for the purposes hereinafter appearing;
It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. **Short title and commencement.**- (1) This Act shall be called the National Skills University Islamabad (Amendment) Bill, 2023.

(1) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Amendment of section 3, Act VIII of 2018.**- In the National Skills University Islamabad Act, 2018 (VIII of 2018), in section 3, for sub-section (8), the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“(8) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time in force, all civil servants of the Government serving in the NISTE Islamabad immediately before the commencement of this Act are rendered surplus in the manner applicable to reorganization or abolition of a ministry, division, department, office or abolition of a post in pursuance of any Government decision and shall be appointed in a ministry, division, department or office of the Government to a post carrying basic pay scale equal to the post held by that civil servant before such appointment, if he possesses the qualifications and fulfills other conditions applicable to that post, provided that where no equivalent post is available, he may be offered a lower post in such manner and subject to such conditions as may be prescribed and where such civil servant is appointed to a lower post, the pay being drawn by him in the higher post immediately preceding his appointment to a lower post shall remain protected.”

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Parliament of Pakistan approved the Act to upgrade the then National Institute of Science and Technology Education (NISTE) into National Skills University (NSU), Islamabad in March 2018. Subsequently, the President of Pakistan approved NSU Charter on March 12, 2018.

The purpose of the Bill is to amend the NSU Act, 2018 is to protect the rights of 58 employees working as civil servants in NSU who have exercised their option to remain an employee of the NSU and are drawing pay of civil services will be placed on the disposal of surplus pool of Establishment Division.

The Cabinet considered the summary dated 9th December, 2022, submitted by the Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training, which was circulated in terms of rule 17(1)(b) read with Rules of Business, 1973, for amendments in the National Skills University Act, 2018 and approved the proposal at para 5 of the summary.

Sd/-
(Rana Tanveer Hussain)
Minister for Federal Education
and Professional Training