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In exercise of the power assigned through Section 26 of the Gujarat Private Universities Act, 2009 and its subsequent amendments thereof (hereinafter referred to as “THE ACT and/or “the Act” and/or GPU Act 2009”), the Governing Body of Sarvajanic University, submits First Statutes of Sarvajanic University for approval of the Government of Gujarat. The First Statutes is duly approved in the meeting of the Governing Body of Sarvajanic University, dated 29th October 2021.

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CHAPTER 1: PRELIMINARY		
Section 1 of GPU Act 2009	1. Short Title & Commencement	(1) This "Statutes" may be called the First Statute of Sarvajani University. (2) These Statutes shall come into force on such date as the State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, declare (3) The first statutes have been framed under section 26 of the Gujarat Private Universities Act, 2009.
Section 2 of GPU Act 2009	2. Definitions	(1) "Act" means the Gujarat Private Universities Act, 2009 as amended from time to time; (2) "Academic Year" means the period determined or prescribed in accordance with the relevant Government norms, rules, or notifications in force from time to time. (3) "Committee" means all committees including Ad-hoc and Sub-committees under Section 25 of the Act; (4) "Authorities" means authorities as specified in Section 19 of the Act and includes authorities declared by these Statutes; (5) "Academic Council" means the Academic Council constituted under the provisions of Section 22 of the Act; (6) "Governing Body" means the governing body of the University constituted under the provisions of Section 20 of the Act; (7) "Board of Management" means the Board of Management of the University constituted under the provisions of Section 21 of the Act; (8) "Regulatory Body" means a body established by the Central Government, for laying down the norms and conditions for ensuring academic standards of higher education such as UGC, AICTE, NCTE, MCI, PCI, NAAC, ICAR, DEC, CSIR, BCI, GNC, INC, DCI, RCI, etc. (9) "Course" means academic programs and courses of study imparted in the classroom and also in blended/composite mode; (10) "Financial Year" means the period commencing on the 1st April of any year and ending on 31st March of the following year; (11) "Endowment Fund" means a fund established under the provisions of Section 36 of the Act; (12) "Government" means the Government of Gujarat;

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		(13) “General Fund” means the fund established under the provisions of Section 37 of the Act; (14) “Institute” means any Institute constituted as part of the university to deal in different disciplines located within the campus of the university or at such places as may be allowed under the relevant prevailing laws/ regulations. (15) “President” means the President of the University appointed by the sponsoring body of the university in consultation with the State Government under the provisions of Section 14 of the Act; (16) “Provost” means the Provost of the University appointed under the provisions of Section 15 of the Act; (17) “Registrar” means the registrar of the University appointed under the provisions of Section 16 of the Act; (18) “Regulations” means the Regulations made under the provisions of Statutes of the University; (19) “Rules” means the Rules made under the provisions of the Act, the Statutes and the Ordinances; (20) “Ordinances” means the Ordinances of the University made under the provisions of Section 28 of the Act; (21) “Statutes” means the statutes of the University. (22) “Sponsoring Body” means the Sponsoring Body, Sarvajanic Education Society, Surat; (23) “Student” means a student of the University and includes any person who is enrolled to pursue any course or study offered by the University; (24) “University” means Sarvajanic University established under the provisions of Section 3 of the Act and will have the same meaning as defined in Section 2 (f) of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956; (25) “Staff” means the teaching and non-teaching staff of the University who are on direct and permanent payroll of the University and may include any casual, temporary, contractual, ad-hoc employees or visiting faculty who may be engaged for a specific assignment/project or task; (26) The words and expressions used herein and not defined in the Statutes will have the same meaning as assigned to them in the Act;

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Section 4 of GPUs Act, 2009 and Section 3 of GPUs (Amendment) Act, 2021	3. Objectives of the University	The objects of the University shall be to create, organize, preserve and disseminate knowledge in the fields of science, technology, humanities, social sciences, education, management, commerce, law, pharmacy, healthcare and any other field for the advancement of mankind in particular and other Objectives of the University shall be as follows, namely: - (a) to provide for instruction, teaching and training in the University in the field of higher education and make provisions for research, advancement and dissemination of knowledge; (b) to establish, maintain and manage institutions and centres of excellence, to create, organize, preserve and disseminate knowledge in the fields of sciences, technology, humanities, social sciences, education, management, commerce, law, pharmacy, healthcare and any other field and to provide research, higher education, professional education, distance learning and e-learning facilities of high order, as per their current status or as they may develop in future; (c) to develop infrastructure for research, higher education, professional education, teaching, training, extension and outreach, including continuing education, distance learning and e- learning to create capabilities for upgrading infrastructure to global standards; (d) to offer the academic programs of the University through distance education, online education, correspondence and any other mode matching with the environmental developments such as technology need, after obtaining appropriate approvals from the regulatory bodies; (e) to set up off-campus centres, study centres and examination centres within the State, subject to the permission of the regulatory bodies under any law made by the Parliament and any regulation, rules, etc. made by the regulating bodies; (f) to create higher levels of intellectual abilities; (g) to establish state-of-the-art facilities for education and training; (h) to carry out teaching and research and offer continuing education programs; (i) to create centres of excellence for research and development and for sharing knowledge and its application; (j) to provide consultancy to the industry and public organizations;

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		(k) to establish main campus or infrastructure in the State of Gujarat necessary for the furtherance of its Objectives; (l) to establish examination centers; (m) to confer degrees, diplomas, grant certificates and other academic distinctions based on examination or any other method of evaluation subject to the guidelines of the UGC; (n) to develop training facilities in the field of higher education; (o) to provide for arrangement for national and global participation in the field of higher education; (p) to develop educational programs for certificates, diplomas, degrees and postgraduate courses, doctorate degrees and postdoctoral programs and to maintain a high standard of education, to collaborate with national and global institutions, to offer programs and to create capabilities for upgrading programs to the global standards subject to the guidelines of the UGC; (q) to ensure that the standard of the degrees, diplomas, certificates and other academic distinctions are not lower than those laid down by AICTE, NCTE, UGC, BCI, RCI, MCI, GNC, IMC, DCI and Pharmacy Council, and any other similar agency established by the Central Government and/or state government for regulating the standard education; (r) to establish close linkage with the industry, business, educational institutions and other sections of the society to make teaching, research, training, documentation, publication, use of various media and outreach activities at the University relevant to the needs of the University and society, at national and international level; (s) to pursue any other objectives as may be approved by the State Government. Provided that notwithstanding anything contained in this Act and save as provided in any Central Act, the University shall be eligible to undertake the functions of disseminating of knowledge in any fields after the Government issues Letter of Intent.
Section 5 of GPUs Act, 2009 and Section 4 of GPUs (Amendment) Act, 2021	4. Powers and Functions of the University	The University shall exercise the following powers and perform the following functions, namely: - (1) to administer and manage the University, establish, administer and manage its constituent colleges and centres for research, education, training, extension and outreach including continuing

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		education, distance learning and e-learning at its campus within the State of Gujarat; (2) to provide for research, higher education, professional education, teaching, training, extension and outreach including continuing education, distance learning and e-learning in the fields of science, technology, humanities, social sciences, education, management, commerce, law, pharmacy, healthcare and any other fields; (3) to conduct innovative experiments in educational technologies, teaching and learning methods, to collaborate with national and international institutions and to offer joint programs with such institutes to improve the delivery of education constantly and to achieve international standards of education; (4) to prescribe courses, curricula and methodologies including electronic and distance learning and provide for flexibility in the delivery of education. (5) to hold examinations and confer degrees, diplomas or grant certificates and other academic distinctions or titles on persons subject to such condition as the University may determine and to withdraw or cancel any such degrees, diplomas or certificates and other academic distinctions or titles in the manner prescribed by the Regulations; (6) to confer honorary degrees or other distinctions in the manner prescribed by the Ordinances; (7) to establish schools, centres, institutes, colleges and conduct the programs and courses of study as are in the opinion of the University, necessary for the furtherance of its objects; (8) to declare as a constituent college any college, centre, institution imparting education as are in the opinion of the University, necessary for the furtherance of its objects or to establish a new constituent college, centre, institution for the purpose; (9) to provide for printing, publication and reproduction of research, educational material and other works and to organise exhibitions, conferences, workshops and seminars; (10) to establish knowledge resource centre; (11) to sponsor and undertake research and educational programs in the fields of science, technology, humanities, social sciences, education, management, commerce, law, pharmacy, healthcare and any other allied areas;

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		(12) to collaborate or associate with any educational institution with like or similar objects; (13) to establish campuses including virtual campus for the purpose of achieving the objectives of the University, subject to the approval of the regulatory body; (14) to undertake research and to obtain registration in respect of such research in the nature of patents, design rights and such or similar rights with the competent authorities; (15) to maintain linkages and collaborate with educational or other institutions in any part of the world having objects wholly or partially similar to those of the University, through exchange of students, researchers, faculty and staff and generally in such manner as may be conducive to their common objects; (16) to render services of research, training, consultancy and such other services as required for the purposes of the University; (17) to develop and maintain relationships with faculty, researchers, administrators and domain experts in science, technology, humanities, social sciences, education, management, law, commerce, pharmacy, healthcare and allied area for achieving the objects of the University; (18) to regulate the expenditure and to manage the finances and to maintain the accounts of the University; (19) to receive funds, movable and immovable properties, equipments, software and other resources from business, industry, other sections of society, national and international organization or any other source by transfers or as gifts, donations, benefactions or bequests for the purposes and objects of the University; (20) to establish, maintain and manage halls, hostels for students and quarters for the residence of faculty and staff; (21) to construct, manage and maintain centers, complexes, auditorium, buildings, stadium for the advancement of sports, cultural, co-curricular and extra- curricular activities; (22) to supervise and control the residence and regulate the discipline of students, faculty and staff of the University and to make arrangements for promoting their health, general welfare, social and cultural activities;

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		(23) to fix, demand and receive or recover fees and such other charges as may be prescribed by the Statutes; (24) to institute and award fellowships, scholarships, prizes, medals and other awards; (25) to purchase or to take on lease or accept as gifts, bequests, legacies or otherwise any land or building or works which may be necessary or convenient for the purpose of the University and on such terms and conditions as it may think fit and proper and to construct or alter and maintain any such building or works; (26) to sell, exchange, lease or otherwise dispose of all or any portion of the properties of the University, movable or immovable, on such terms as it may think fit and consistent with the interest, activities and objects of the University; (27) to draw and accept, to make and endorse, to discount and negotiate promissory notes, bills of exchange, cheques and other negotiable instruments; (28) to raise and borrow money on bond, mortgages, promissory notes or other obligations or securities founded or based upon all or any of the properties and assets of the University or without any securities and upon such terms and conditions as it may think fit and to payout of the funds of the University, all expenses incidental to the raising of money, and to repay and redeem any money borrowed; (29) to invest the funds of the University in or upon such securities and transpose any investment from time to time in such manner as it may deem fit in the interest of the University; (30) to execute conveyances regarding transfers, mortgages, leases, licenses, agreements, and other conveyances in respect of property, movable or immovable including Government securities belonging to the University or to be acquired for the purpose of the University; (31) to admit students for the courses offered by the University in the manner prescribed by the Ordinances; (32) to create academic, technical, administrative, ministerial and other posts prescribing qualifications by the Ordinances and to make appointments thereto as prescribed by the regulation and guideline of the regulations body. (33) to regulate and enforce discipline among the students, employees of the University and to provide for such disciplinary measures as may be prescribed by the Regulations;

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		(34) to institute professorships, associate professorships, assistant professorships, readerships, lectureships, and any other teaching. academic or research posts and to prescribe by the Statutes, the qualifications for the persons to be appointed on such posts As per the guideline of the Regulation body and the Act. (35) to appoint qualified persons as professors, associate professors, assistant professors, readers, lecturers or as teachers and researchers or other officers of the University; (36) to co-operate with other universities, and acquire membership of, bodies, authorities, or associations, which may have been formed for the advancement of learning, science or research, or for the dissemination of knowledge or for the physical and moral welfare of students, in such manner and for such purpose as the University may determine by Statutes; (37) to delegate all or any of its powers (except the power to make regulations) to any officer or authority of the University, and; (38) to do all such acts and things as the University may consider necessary conducive or incidental to the attainment or enlargement of all or any of the objects of the University. Provided that the norms of the UGC and the regulating bodies to be followed in exercising powers and functions of the university.
Section 12 of GPU Act 2009	5. University open to all irrespective of sex, religion, class, creed or opinion	(1) No person shall be excluded from any office of the University or from membership of any of its authorities or from admission to any degree, diploma or other academic distinction or course of study on the ground of sex, race, creed, class, and caste, place of birth, religious belief or political or other opinion. (2) It shall not be lawful for the University to impose on any person any test whatsoever relating to sex, race, creed, class, caste, place of birth, religious belief or political or other opinion in order to entitle him to be admitted as a student or to hold any office or post in the University or to qualify for any degree, diploma or other academic distinction or to enjoy or exercise any privileges of the University or any benefaction thereof.

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CHAPTER 2: AUTHORITIES OF THE UNIVERSITY		
Section 19 of the Act	6. Authorities of the University	The following shall be the authorities of the University, namely: (1) The Governing Body (2) The Board of Management (3) The Academic Council (4) Such other authorities as may be declared by Subsequent Statutes
Section 20 of the Act	7. Constitution, Powers and Functions of Governing Body	(1) The Governing Body of the University shall consist of the following members, namely:- (a) The President; (b) The Provost; (c) Four persons to be nominated by the sponsoring body out of whom two shall be eminent educationist; (d) Two Deans or Directors of the constituent schools or centres of the University, by rotation, to be nominated by the Provost; (e) One expert of Management or Information Technology from outside the University to be nominated by the Governing Body; (f) Three experts representing other disciplines such as finance, legal, social sector to be nominated by the Governing Body; (g) One eminent industrialist to be nominated by the Governing Body; and (h) Secretary to the Government of Gujarat, Higher and Technical Education or his representative not below the rank of Deputy Secretary to Government or the Deputy Commissioner - ex-officio. (2) The President shall be the Chairman of the Governing Body. (3) (a) Save as otherwise provided in this section, the term of nominated members of the Board shall be three years from the date of nomination; (b) An ex-officio member shall continue so long as he holds the office by virtue of which he is such a member. (c) As nearly as one third of the nominated members, except the ex-officio member shall retire by rotation each year. In the first two instances, the Board may decide the procedure to identify the members who will retire. (d) A member may be re-nominated for the next term. (e) A member may resign his office by writing under this hand, addressed to the Chairman, but he shall continue in office until his resignation has been accepted by the Chairman. (4) The Governing Body shall be the supreme authority of the University. All the movable and immovable property of the University shall vest in the Governing Body. (5) The Governing Body shall have the following powers, namely:-

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		(a) to provide general superintendence and directions and to control functioning of the University by using all such powers as are provided by this Act or the Statutes, Ordinances, Regulations or Rules made there under. (b) to review the decisions of other authorities of the University in case they are not in conformity with the provisions of this Act or the Statutes, Ordinances, Regulations or Rules made thereunder; (c) to approve the budget and annual report of the University; (d) to lay down the extensive policies to be followed by the University; (e) to recommend to the sponsoring body about the voluntary liquidation of the University; and (f) such other powers as may be prescribed by the Ordinances. (6) The Governing Body shall meet at least three times in a calendar year. (7) Minimum four members shall form a quorum for a meeting of the Governing Body.
Section 21 of the Act	8. Constitution, Powers and Functions of Board of Management	(1) The Board of Management shall consist of the following persons, namely:- (a) the President; (b) the Provost; (c) two members of the Governing Body, to be nominated by the Sponsoring Body; (d) two persons, who are not the members of the Governing Body, to be nominated by the Sponsoring Body; (e) three persons from amongst the faculty members of the University, to be nominated by the Sponsoring Body; and (f) one faculty member, to be nominated by the President. (2) The President shall be the Chairman of the Board of Management: Provided that President may at his discretion, nominate any other member of the Governing Body to be the Chairman of the Board of Management. (3) The Board of Management shall meet once in every two months. (4) Minimum four members shall form a quorum for a meeting of the Board of Management. (5) The powers and functions of the Board of Management shall be such as may be prescribed by the Statutes.

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		(a) The Board of Management will be responsible for overall execution of plans, policies and activities of the University. (b) To provide for the administration of any necessary matter occurring at the University and to make regulations thereof. (c) To frame Statutes of the University, other than the First Statutes and put-up the same for the approval of the Governing Body. (d) To consider, review and approve the Ordinances other than the First Ordinances as recommended by the Academic Council. (e) To consider and approve regulations submitted by such Authorities of the University which have been authorized by Board of Management to do so. (f) To appoint committees for such purposes and with such powers as it may deem fit and to appoint such persons on these committees (g) To make recommendations about the policies and other such matters to the Governing Body. (h) To review annual accounts and annual report, budgets, financial projections, etc. and put-up to the Governing Body for approval. (i) To consider the creation of posts for different categories of employees and recommend to Governing Body for further approval. (j) To make provision for instituting and conferring degrees, honorary degrees, diplomas, certificates and other academic distinctions and also for Scholarships and Fellowships. (k) To consider, review and make provision(s) for instruction, teaching and training in such branches of learning and courses of study as may be recommended by the Academic Council and for the advancement of research and dissemination of knowledge. (l) To consider and approve the various fees to be levied on students as per the recommendations received from Finance Committee in accordance with the State Regulatory body norms and State Government Norms time-to-time. (m) To add, modify, reduce, cancel or withdraw any of the educational programs of the University. (n) To recommend the Governing Body to start a new institute / department / center in the University. (o) To institute and administer scholarships, fellowships, medal, prizes and other such awards.

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		(p) To formulate appropriate policies regarding service conditions of officers and other employees of the University for smooth functioning in accordance with the Statutory body and State Government Norms time-to-time. (q) To accept on behalf of the University bequests, donations and transfers of any movable or immovable property of the University. (r) To consider and approve the minutes of the selection committee. (s) To exercise such other powers and perform such other duties consistent with the Act / Statutes as may be necessary for carrying out the purpose of the Act and as delegated by the Governing Body.
Section 22 of GPU the Act	9. Constitution, Powers and Functions of Academic Council	(1) The Academic Council shall consist of the Provost and such other members as may be prescribed by the Statutes. (2) The Provost shall be the Chairman of the Academic Council. The Academic Council of the University shall consist of the following members, namely: i. The Provost of the University shall be ex officio Chairman of the Academic Council. ii. All Deans of the University (ex officio). iii. Two teachers from University to be nominated by the Provost. iv. Two eminent academicians from outside the University to be nominated by the President. (3) The Academic Council shall be the principal academic body of the University and shall, subject to the provisions of this Act, the Statutes, the Ordinances and the rules made thereunder, co-ordinate and exercise general supervision over the academic policies of the University. (4) The term of office of the members, other than Ex-Officio members, of the Academic Council shall be of three years. (5) A member may resign his office by writing under his hand addressed to the Chairman, but he shall continue in office until his resignation has been accepted by the Chairman. (6) The Academic Council shall meet as may be necessary but at least twice a year and at other times when convened by the Provost or in his absence by the person holding the charge of the office of the Provost. (7) Half of the members of the Academic Council shall constitute the quorum for a meeting. When a meeting is adjourned for not meeting the quorum, the subsequent meeting shall have a minimum of four members present.

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		(8) The decisions in the Academic Council meeting shall be taken by the majority of the votes of the members present. In case of equality of the votes, the Chairman shall have a second or casting vote. (9) Powers and Functions of the Academic Council Subject to the provisions of the Act, Statutes, Ordinances and Regulations, the Academic Council shall have the following powers and functions; namely, (a) To approve the syllabus of different courses / subjects submitted by the Board of Studies. (b) To exercise control and general regulation over the academic policies of the University and be responsible for the maintaining and improvement of the standards of instruction, education and evaluation in the University. (c) To considers matter of general academic interest either on its own initiative or on a reference from the Faculty of the University or the Board of Management / Governing Body and take appropriate action on the same. (d) To make Ordinances other than the first Ordinance and submit the same to Board of Management for further approval. (e) To recommend to the Board of Management such regulations as are consistent with the Act, Statute / Ordinances related to the academic functioning of the University including discipline of the students. (f) To make recommendations to the Board of Management regarding institution of scholarships, fellowships, medals, prizes and other such awards. (g) To make proposals to the Governing Body through the Board of Management for allocating departments to the faculties. (h) To recognise the Degrees, Diplomas and Certificates of other Universities and Institutions and to determine their equivalence. (i) To recommend to the Board of Management the rates of remuneration and allowances for examination work. (j) To recommend to the Board of Management for Award of Degrees and Gold Medals. (k) To exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as may be conferred upon / assigned to it by the Statute, Ordinances & Regulations

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Section 25 of GPU Act 2009	10. Constitution, Powers and Functions of Faculty	(1) Faculty is the executive academic body of the University. The Faculty oversees academic matters of individual domain specialization of the University. (2) Each Faculty is constituted of following members: (a) Dean of the Faculty as Chairman, to be appointed by the Provost. (b) Pro-dean of the faculty, to be appointed by the Provost. (c) Minimum two members who are teachers of subjects under respective Faculty nominated by the Provost. (d) Provost (Ex officio member) (e) Registrar (Ex officio member) (3) Faculty provides general superintendence to routine academic tasks pertaining to individual academic domain. (4) Curriculum, academic guidelines, assessment guidelines and academic regulations prepared by Board of Studies are vetted by Faculty. (5) Faculty shall report Academic Council in framing academic and research policies taking inputs from Board of Studies, teachers and Principals of respective subject domain.
Section 25 of GPU Act 2009	11. Constitution, Powers and Functions of Board of Studies	(1) Board of Studies is an academic body that guides Faculty and further Academic Council in establishing academic and research curricula and methodology in respective academic domain of the University. It shall continuously thrive to collect feedback from each stakeholder and shall oversee how this feedback is inculcated in academic structure. (2) Each Board of Studies is constituted of following members: (a) Dean of the Faculty as Chairman (b) Pro-dean of the faculty (c) All Head of Departments or Department In-charges pertaining to respective domain (d) Minimum one peer teacher from other universities nominated by the Dean.

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		(e) Minimum one industrialist / professional nominated by the Provost (f) Minimum one Alumni and or peer representatives nominated by the Dean (g) Provost (Ex officio member) (h) Registrar (Ex officio member) (3) Curriculum, academic guidelines, assessment guidelines and academic regulations prepared are prepared by Board of Studies and further submitted to respective Faculty. (4) Board of Studies shall: (a) Ensure regular curriculum review cycles, at least once every semester, to keep academic programs updated and relevant. (b) Recommend interdisciplinary course integration to promote holistic learning. (c) Incorporate feedback from students, faculty, and external stakeholders for continuous improvement of curricula. (d) Ensure that all academic programs comply with UGC guidelines and other statutory/regulatory requirements.
Section 25 of GPU Act 2009	12. Constitution, Powers and Functions of Finance Committee	(1) There shall be a Finance Committee to look into financial affairs of the University. (2) The constitution, functionality and other aspects shall be as prescribed by the Board of Management and approved by Governing Body from time to time. (3) The Finance Committee should meet quarterly and submit reports to the Board of Management. (4) The constitution of Finance Committee: The CFAO should act as ex-officio Member Secretary, not a voting member. Committee composition to include: (a) The President (Ex officio), Chairman (b) The Provost (Ex officio)

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		(c) The CFAO (Member Secretary) (d) The Registrar (e) Five external financial/legal/accounting experts (f) One representative from the Governing Body (g) One member from Board of management. (5) The following will be the powers and functions of the Finance committee. (a) To consider and recommend the recurring and capital expenditure budgets of the University for approval by the competent authority. (b) To consider and recommend the audited financial statements of the University for approval by the competent authority. (c) To consider and make recommendations on proposals relating to loans and investments of the University. (d) To consider and recommend strategies for resource mobilisation for the University.
Section 25 of GPU Act 2009	13. Other Committees	(1) The authorities of the University may constitute such committees with such terms of reference as may be necessary for specific tasks to be performed by such committees. The constitution of such committees, powers to be exercised and duties to be performed shall be such as may be prescribed by the Ordinances. The University Administrative Committee may be constituted
Section 23 of GPU Act 2009	14. Disqualifications	A person shall be disqualified for being a member of any of the authorities or bodies or committee of the University, if- (1) he is of unsound mind and stands so declared by a competent court; (2) he is an undischarged insolvent; (3) he has been convicted of any offence involving moral turpitude; (4) he is conducting or engaging himself in private coaching with or without pecuniary gain; or (5) he has been punished for indulging in or promoting unfair practice in the conduct of any examination, in any form, anywhere
Section 24 of GPU Act 2009	15. Vacancies not to Invalidate the	No act or proceedings of any authority or the body or committee of the University shall be invalid merely by reason of any vacancy in or

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	Constitution or the Proceedings of any Authority or Body of the University	defect in the constitution of any authority or body or committee of the University.

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CHAPTER 3: OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY		
Section 13 of GPU Act 2009	16. Officers of the University	The following shall be the officers of the University namely:- (1) The President; (2) The Provost; (3) The Registrar; (4) The Chief Finance and Accounts Officer; and (5) Such other officers as may be declared by the Statutes to be officers of the University
Section 14 of GPUs Act, 2009 and Section 6 of GPUs (Amendment) Act, 2021	17. The President	Appointment and Term of office: (1) The President shall be appointed by the Sponsoring Body, in consultation with the State Government, for a period of three years. (2) The President shall hold office for a period of three years. Provided that, after the expiry of the term of three years, the incumbent shall be eligible for re-appointment for another term of three years, in accordance with (1) above. (3) The President shall continue to hold office even after the expiry of his/her term until a new President takes charge of the office. In any case, this period shall not exceed one year. (4) The President shall have the following duties and powers: (a) The President shall be the head of the University and enjoy such powers as mentioned hereinafter and as elaborated under section 14 of the Gujarat Private Universities Act, 2009. (b) The President shall preside over the meetings of the Governing body. (c) The President shall be the Chairman of the Board of Management. (d) The President shall preside over the convocation of the University for conferring Degrees, Diplomas, or other Academic titles/distinctions. (e) The President shall have the power to nominate any member from the Governing body to be the Chairman of the Board of Management. (f) The President shall have the powers to call for any information from any authority of the University.

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		(g) The President shall have powers to institute an inquiry as and when deemed appropriate by the President. (h) The President shall have powers to appoint the first Provost of the University. (i) The President shall have powers to remove the Provost in accordance with subsection (6) of section 15 of the Act. (j) The President shall provide general guidance and directions for laying down policies for the functioning of the University by using all such powers as are provided by the Act or the statutes, or ordinances or regulations or rules made there under. (k) The President shall have powers to make the first Ordinances of the University, which shall be approved by Board of Management and subsequently by State Government. These powers shall be exercised as per the provisions of section 28 of the Act. (l) The President shall have such other powers as may be given by the Governing Body, which are in consonance with the provision of the Act, statutes and regulations of the University. (m) In the event of any question or dispute arising in respect of a decision taken by the Provost in an emergency, the matter shall be referred to the President, whose decision thereon shall be final and binding on all concerned. (n) The President shall be purely an honorary functionary entailing no direct or indirect monetary benefits. (o) May exercise power to override decisions during emergencies or conflicts between authorities. (p) Shall be entitled to create statutory/non-statutory positions and make first ordinances. (q) Shall have power to review decisions of the Provost. (r) Shall have power to authorize decisions in proprietary, legal and strategic academic matters. (s) such other powers as may be prescribed by the Ordinances.

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Section 15 of GPU Act 2009	18. The Provost	Appointment and Term of office: (1) The Provost shall be appointed by the Governing Body out of a panel of three persons recommended by the Search Committee consisting of the following members, and shall subject to the provisions of section 15 (6) of the Act, hold office for a term of three years: (i) An eminent professional nominated by the Board of Management. (ii) An eminent educationist nominated by the Board of Management. (iii) One member of the Board of Management nominated by the President Provided that, after expiry of the term of three years; a person shall be eligible for re-appointment as Provost for another term of three years. Provided further that a Provost shall continue to hold the office even after expiry of his/ her term until the new Provost takes charge of the office, but in any case, this period shall not exceed one year. The President may, on representation made or otherwise and after making such inquiry as may be necessary and is of the opinion that the continuance of the Provost in office is not in the interests of the University, by an order in writing stating the reasons therein, direct the Provost to relinquish his/her office from the date specified in the order. Provided that before taking an action as above, the Provost shall be given an opportunity of being heard. (2) The Provost shall have the following duties and powers: (a) The Provost shall be the principal executive and academic officer of the University and shall exercise general superintendence and control over the affairs of the University and shall execute the decisions of various authorities of the University. (b) Whenever in the opinion of the Provost it is necessary to take immediate action on any matter for which powers are conferred on any other authority by or under the Act/ Statutes, (s) he may take such action as he deems necessary and shall at the earliest opportunity thereafter report his/her action to such officer or authority as would have in the ordinary course dealt with the matter.

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		Provided that if in the opinion of the concerned officer or authority such action should not have been taken by the Provost, then such case shall be referred to the President, whose decision shall be final. Provided further that where any such action taken by the Provost affects any person in the service of the University, such person shall be entitled to, within three months from the date on which such action is communicated to him/her, appeal to the Board of Management and it may confirm or modify or reverse the action taken by the Provost. (c) Where, in the opinion of the Provost, decision of any authority of the University is not within the powers conferred by this Act or the Statutes, the Ordinances, the Regulations or the rules or is likely to be prejudicial to the interests of the University, (s)he shall request the concerned authority to revise its decision in the next meeting and in case the authority refuses to revise such decision wholly or partly or fails to take any decision within fifteen days, then such matter shall be referred to the President and his/her decision thereon shall be final. (d) The Provost shall exercise such powers and perform such other functions in accordance with the Statutes or the Ordinances. (e) Responsible for innovation, implementation, and review of academic and research programs. (f) Exercise authority to act in emergencies, subject to post-facto Board/Governing Body approval. (g) Maintain university-wide discipline and oversee delegated administrative functions. (h) Strategic growth planner in consultation with the President.
Section 16 of GPU Act 2009	19. The Registrar	(1) Selection Committee: The Registrar shall be appointed by the Chairman of the Sponsoring body on the recommendations of a Selection Committee constituted for the purpose and consisting of: (i) The Provost (Chairman) (ii) One Member nominated by Chairman, Sponsoring Body. (iii) Three experts nominated by the President. (iv) One person nominated by the Governing Body from amongst the Members. Quorum: Three members of whom two must be experts nominated by the President shall constitute a quorum of the Selection Committee.

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		(2) Conditions of Service: The conditions of Service including probation, age limit, leaves, etc. of the Registrar shall be as may be prescribed by the ordinance. The President may, on a representation made or otherwise and after making such inquiry as may be necessary, and if the President is of the opinion that the continuance of the Registrar in office is not in the interests of the University, by an order in writing stating the reasons therein, direct the Registrar to relinquish his/her office from the date specified in the order. Provided that before taking any action as aforesaid, the Registrar shall be given a reasonable opportunity of being heard. (3) The Registrar shall have the following duties and powers: (a) To maintain and to act as custodian of the official records, Common Seal, buildings, gardens, records, library and such other property/ assets of the University. (b) To maintain custody of original legal/property documents (c) To act as Member Secretary to the Governing Body, the Board of Management, the Academic Council, the Committee of Selection for appointment of Teachers, Technical and Administrative Staff of the University and to such other Boards or Committees as may be appointed from time to time and to keep minutes thereof. (d) All approved contracts shall be signed by the Registrar on behalf of the University, and he/she shall authenticate all documents and records. (e) He shall be responsible for conduct of all legal matters and proceedings on behalf of the University. (f) He shall place before the Board of Management and other authorities of the University, all such information as may be necessary for transactions of its business. (g) He shall be responsible to the Provost for the proper discharge of his/ her functions and maintenance of discipline in the University. (h) He shall subject to the control of the Provost, be responsible for the administration and services of the University and conduct the examinations and make all other arrangements necessary thereof and be responsible for the execution of all processes connected therewith.

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		(i) He shall exercise such other powers and perform such other duties as may be assigned to him/ her under the Act, Statutes, Ordinances or Regulations or as may be delegated to him/her by the President, Board of Management or the Provost. (j) Responsible for issuing meeting notices and correspondence. (k) Conduct legal representations, verify legal pleadings. (l) Maintain stock registers and perform physical verifications.
Section 17 of GPU Act 2009	20. Chief Finance and Accounts Officer	(1) Selection Committee: The Chief Finance and account officer shall be appointed by the President on the recommendation of a Selection Committee constituted for the purpose and consisting of: (i) The Provost, Ex officio, (Chairman) (ii) One member from Governing Body (iii) One member from Board of Management (iv) Three external members (subject expert) (2) The Chief Finance and Accounts Officer shall have the following duties and powers: (a) To prepare annual accounts and get it audited. (b) To prepare a budget for the next accounting year and to monitor its utilization. (c) To maintain day-to-day accounts and to ensure proper maintenance of books of accounts and other records like the income and expenditure accounts and the balance sheets. (d) To take action in any matter relating to fundraising and fund utilization for the University. (e) To take action in all accounting and financial matters of the University. (f) To perform such other duties as may be, from time to time, prescribed by the University Authorities. (g) To supervises all funds and investments of the University. (h) To prepares and submits annual budgets and financial statements. (i) To ensures, compliance with financial limits set by the Governing Body.

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		(j) To monitors cash, bank balances, and revenue collection. (k) To report financial risks or irregularities to the Provost and President. (l) To call for audits, stock verification, and financial returns.
Section 18 of GPU Act 2009	21. Other Officers of University	(1) The University may appoint such other officers as may be necessary for its functioning. (2) The manner of appointment of other officers of the University and their Power and Functions shall be such as may be specified in the Ordinances. (3) The Governing Body may, by resolution, appoint such other Officers of the University as may be required, the following may be appointed as Officers of the University: (i) Deans of Faculties; (ii) Pro-Deans of Faculties; (iii) Controller of Examinations; (iv) Principals of Constituent Colleges; (v) Directors/Coordinators of Centres, Programs or Institutes; (vi) Heads of Departments; (vii) Officers on Special Duty (OSD); and (viii) such other Officers as may be considered necessary for the functioning of the University. The powers and functions of such Officers shall be exercised subject to the provisions of the Act, the Statutes and the Ordinances of the University.

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CHAPTER 4: REGULATION OF THE UNIVERSITY		
Section 31 of GPU Act 2009	22. Powers of State Government to give directions	(1) The State Government may, for the purpose of ascertaining the standards of teaching, examination, and research or any other matter relating to the University, cause an assessment to be made in such manner as may be prescribed, by such person or persons as it may deem fit. (2) The State Government shall communicate its recommendations to the University on the basis of such assessment for corrective action. The University may adopt such corrective measures and make efforts so as to ensure the compliance of the recommendations. (3) The State Government may give such directions as it may deem fit if the University fails to comply with the recommendation made under sub section (2) – within reasonable time. The directions given by the State Government shall be immediately complied by the University. The state government may take action on non-compliance as prescribed by Section-43.
Section 32 of GPU Act 2009	23. Admission & Fee Structure	(1) The existing provisions of the State Government relating to admissions and fee structure shall be applicable to University. (2) Admission in the University shall be strictly on the basis of merit. (3) Merit for admission in the University may be determined either on the basis of marks or grade obtained in the qualifying examination and achievements in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities or on the basis of marks or grade obtained in the entrance test conducted at State/Central level either by an association of the Universities conducting similar courses or by any agency of the State Government: Provided that the admission for professional educational colleges and institutions of the University shall be governed under the provisions of the Gujarat Professional Technical Educational Colleges or Institutions (Regulation of Admission and Fixation of Fees) Act, 2007 (Gujarat 2 of 2008) and the Gujarat Professional Medical Educational Colleges or Institutions (Regulation of Admission and Fixation of Fees) Act, 2007 (Gujarat 3 of 2008).
Section 34 of GPU Act 2009	24. Accreditation of the University	The University shall obtain accreditation from the National Council of Assessment and Accreditation (NAAC) as may be required, once it becomes eligible and such other regulating bodies of Government of India which are connected with the courses taken up by the University and inform the State Government about the grade provided to the University. The University shall get renewed such accreditation as may be required.

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Section 35 of GPU Act 2009	25. University to follow rules, regulations, norms, etc. of regulating bodies	Notwithstanding anything contained in The Act, the University shall be bound to comply all the rules, regulations, norms, etc. of the regulating bodies of the Government of India and provide all such facilities and assistance to such bodies as are required by them to discharge their duties and carry out their functions.

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CHAPTER 5: FUNDS OF THE UNIVERSITY		
Section 36 of GPU Act 2009	26. Endowment Fund	(1) The sponsoring body shall establish an Endowment Fund for the University with an amount specified in Letter of Intent. (2) The Endowment Fund shall be used as security deposit to ensure that the University complies with the provisions of The Act and functions as per provisions of the Act, the Statutes and the Ordinances. The State Government shall have the powers to forfeit, a part or whole of the Endowment Fund in case the University or the sponsoring body contravenes the provisions of this Act, the Statutes, the Ordinances, the regulations or the rules made thereunder. (3) The University may utilize the income from Endowment Fund for the development of infrastructure of the University and not with to meet the recurring expenditure of the University. (4) The amount of Endowment Fund shall be invested in such instruments as the Government may prescribe and kept invested until the dissolution of the University. (5) In case of investment in long term security, the certificates of the securities shall be kept in the safe custody of the Government and in case of deposit in the interest bearing Personal Deposit account in the Government Treasury, deposit shall be made with the condition that the amount shall not be withdrawn without the permission of the Government.
Section 37 of GPU Act 2009	27. General Fund	The University shall establish a fund, which shall be called the General fund to which the following shall be credited, namely: (a) Fees and other charges received by the University b) Any contributions made by the sponsoring body; c) Any income received from consultancy and other work undertaken by the University in pursuance of its objectives; d) Trusts, bequests, donations, endowments and any other grants; and e) All other sums received by the University.
Section 38 of GPU Act 2009	28. Application of General Fund	The General Fund shall be utilized for the following objects, namely: (a) for the repayment of debts including interest charges thereto incurred by the University for the purposes of the Gujarat Private Universities Act, 2009 and the Statutes, the Ordinances, the Regulations and the Rules made thereunder with the prior approval of the Governing Body; (b) to upkeep the assets of the University;

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		(c) for the payment of the fee for audit of the funds created under sections 36 and 37 of the Act. (d) to meet with expenses of any suit or proceedings by or against the University; (e) for the payment of salaries, allowances, Provident Fund, Contributions, gratuity and other benefits to officers, employees and members of the teaching and research staff; (f) for the payment of travelling and other allowances of the members of the Governing Body, the Board of Management, the Academic Council, other authorities and the members of any committee appointed by any of the authority or the Chairman of the sponsoring body or the Provost; (g) for the payment of fellowships, freeships, scholarships, assistantships and other awards to the students belonging to economically weaker sections of the society or research associates, trainees or, as the case may be, to any student otherwise eligible for such awards under the Statutes, the Ordinances, the Regulations or the Rules; (h) for the payment of any expenses incurred by the University in carrying out the provisions of the Gujarat Private Universities Act, 2009 or the Statutes, the Ordinances, the Regulations or the Rules; (i) for the payment of cost of capital, not exceeding the prime lending rate from time to time of the State Bank of India, incurred by the Sponsoring Body for setting up the University and the investments made therefor; (j) for the payment of charges and expenditure relating to the consultancy work undertaken by the University in pursuance of the provisions of the Gujarat Private Universities Act, 2009 and the Rules, the Statutes or the Ordinances made thereunder; (k) for the payment of any other expenses including service fee payable to any organization charged with the responsibility of providing any specific service, including the managerial services to the University, on behalf of the sponsoring body, as approved by the Board of Management to be an expense for the purposes of the University; Provided that no expenditure shall be incurred by the University in excess of the limits for total recurring expenditure and total non-recurring expenditure for the years, as may be fixed by the Board of Management, without prior approval of the Board of Management.

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CHAPTER 6: ACCOUNT, AUDIT AND ANNUAL REPORT		
Section 39 of GPU Act 2009	29. Annual Report	The Annual Report of the University shall be prepared by the University which shall include among other matters, the steps taken by the University towards the fulfilment of its objects and shall be submitted to the State Government.
Section 40 of GPU Act 2009	30. Account & Audit	(1) The annual accounts including balance sheet of the University shall be prepared by the University and the annual accounts shall be audited at-least once in every year by the auditors appointed by the University for this purpose. (2) A copy of the annual accounts together with the audit report shall be submitted to the State Government.

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CHAPTER 7: WINDING UP OF UNIVERSITY		
Section 42 of GPUs Act, 2009 and Section 10 of GPUs (Amendment) Act, 2021	31. Dissolution of University	(1) If the Board of Governors intends to dissolve/merge the University, it shall give a Notice to that effect in the prescribed manner to the State Government. The State Government, after due consideration, may dissolve the University in the manner as may be prescribed: Provided that the dissolution of the University shall have effect only after the last batches of students of the regular courses have completed their courses and they have been awarded degrees, diplomas or, as the case may be, awards (2) On the dissolution of the University, all the assets and liabilities of the University shall vest in the manner as may be prescribed. (3) Where the State Government decides under sub-section (1) to dissolve the University, it may vest the powers of the Governing Body in the prescribed manner to other societies having similar objects till the dissolution of the University takes effect under the proviso to sub-section (1).
Section 43 of GPU Act 2009	32. Special Powers of State Government in Certain Circumstances	(1) Where the State Government is of the opinion that the University has contravened any of the provisions of The Act, the Statutes, the Rules or the Ordinances made there under or has violated any of the directions issued by it under The Act or a situation of financial mismanagement or mal-administration has arisen in the University, it shall issue the notice requiring the University to show cause within forty-five days as to why an Administrator be not appointed. (2) On receipt of reply of the University on the notice issued under sub section (1), if the State Government is satisfied that there is prima-facie case of contravention of any of the provisions of the Act, the Statutes, the Rules or the Ordinance made there under or violation of directions issued by it under the Act or there is financial mismanagement or mal-administration, it shall make an order of such inquiry as it may consider necessary. (3) The State Government shall, for the purposes of any such inquiry under sub-section (2), appoint an inquiry officer or officers to inquire into any of the allegations and to make report thereon. (4) The inquiry officer or officers appointed under sub-section (3) shall have the same powers as are vested in a civil court under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 while trying a suit in respect of the following matters, namely: (a) Summoning and enforcing the attendance of any person and examining him on oath.

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		(b) Requiring the discovery and production of any such document or any other material as may be predicable in evidence. (c) Requisitioning any public record from any court or office. (5) On receipt of the inquiry report from the officer or officers appointed under sub-section (3), if the State Government is satisfied that the University has contravened all or any of the provisions of this Statutes, the Act, the Rules or the Ordinance made there under or has violated any of the directions issued by it under the Gujarat Private Universities Act, 2009 or a situation of financial mismanagement and mal-administration has arisen in the University which threatens the academic standard of the University, it may appoint an administrator. (6) The administrator appointed under sub-section (5) shall exercise all the powers and perform all the duties of the Governing Body and the Board of Management under this Statutes, Acts, Rules or Ordinance and shall administer the affairs of the University until the last batches of the students of the regular courses have completed their courses and they have been awarded with degrees, diplomas or, as the case may be, awards. (7) After having been awarded the degrees, diplomas or, as the case may be, awards to the last batches of the students of the regular courses, the Administrator shall make a report to that effect to the State Government. (8) On receipt of the report under sub-section (7), the State Government shall dissolve the University and on dissolution of the University, all the assets and liabilities of the university shall vest in such manner as decided by the state Government.

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CHAPTER 8: MISCELLANEOUS		
Section 44 of GPU Act 2009	33. Power of State Government to make rules	(1) The State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, make rules for carrying out the purposes of the Act. (2) In particular and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such rules may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely (a) the manner of making proposal to establish University and the fees payable under section 6 of the Act (b) other particulars of the Project Report under clause (z) of section 7 of the Act (c) other matters of the Statutes under sub-section (1) of section 27 of the Act (d) arrangements for the administration of the University on the dissolution of the Sponsoring Body under sub-section (2) of section 41 of the Act. (3) All rules made under this section shall be laid for not less than thirty days before the State Legislature as soon as may be after they are made and shall be subject to rescission by the State Legislature or to such modification as the State Legislature may make during the session in which they are so laid or the session immediately following.
Section 45 of GPU Act 2009	34. Completion of courses of students	Notwithstanding anything contained in The Act/Statutes or the Regulations, any student of the constituent colleges or institutions of the University specified in the Schedule and affiliated to any University who immediately before the commencement of the Act was studying or was eligible for any examination of that University shall be permitted to complete his course in preparation therefore, and the University shall provide for the instruction, teaching, training and examination of such students, in accordance with the courses of studies of the respective University in such manner and for such period as may be prescribed.
Section 46 of GPU Act 2009	35. Power to remove difficulties	(1) If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of the Gujarat Private Universities Act, 2009, the State Government may, be order published in the Official Gazette, make provisions not inconsistent with the provisions of the Gujarat Private Universities Act, as appear to it to be necessary or expedient for removing the difficulty: Provided that no such order shall be made under this section after the expiry of three years from the commencement of the Act. (2) Every order made under this section shall, as soon as may be after it is made, be laid before the State Legislature.

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	36. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Statute	The provisions of the Gujarat Private Universities Act, 2009 (“the Act”)—together with the rules, regulations, statutes, ordinances, notifications, directions, guidelines and orders made thereunder—shall have effect notwithstanding anything inconsistent therewith contained in this Statute or in any instrument having effect by virtue of this Statute, for the time being in force. To the extent of any inconsistency or repugnancy, the provisions of the Act and the instruments made thereunder shall prevail, and the corresponding provisions of this Statute shall be inoperative and void to that extent. All rules, regulations, notifications, directions, guidelines and resolutions issued, from time to time, by the competent Central or State regulatory authorities having jurisdiction over universities shall apply to the University proprio vigore and with immediate effect, without the necessity of specific incorporation or amendment in this Statute. Save as provided above, the provisions of this Statute shall be in addition to, and not in derogation of, the Act and the instruments made thereunder.