

# The Junior Cadet Corps Act, 1953

( ACT NO. XXXVI OF 1953 )

**WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the constitution and maintenance of a Junior Cadet Corps for Bangladesh and for its administration; <sup>1♣</sup>**

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

**Short title,  
extent and  
commencement**

1. (1) This Act may be called the <sup>2[\* \* \*]</sup> Junior Cadet Corps Act, 1953.

(2) It applies to the whole of Bangladesh.

(3) It shall come into force at once.

**Definitions**

2. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,-

(a) “cadet” means a school boy who is deemed to be enrolled as a cadet under sub-section (1) of section 5;

<sup>3</sup>[(b) “Chief of Army Staff” means the Chief of Army Staff of the Bangladesh Army;]

(c) “prescribed” means prescribed by rules made under this Act.

**Constitution  
of Junior  
Cadet  
Corps**

3. There <sup>4</sup>[may be raised] and maintained in the manner hereinafter provided a force, which shall be designated the Junior Cadet Corps, and shall consist of units constituted under section 4.

**Constitution  
and  
organisation  
of units**

4. (1) Subject to the control of the Government, the Chief of Army Staff may, by order in writing, direct the constitution and maintenance for any boys' school in Bangladesh of two separate companies of the Junior Cadet Corps, each company to consist of the boys of one of each of the two final

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 classes of the school, and may direct the disbandment of the companies so constituted.

(2) The companies constituted under sub-section (1) from schools located in the same revenue district shall jointly constitute a battalion to be designated after the name of that district.

**Certain students to be deemed to be enrolled**

5. (1) On the constitution of a company under sub-section (1) of section 4, every student of the class concerned who,-

(i) is above thirteen years of age, at the commencement of the academic year, or by the first day of April of that year, and

(ii) is certified on examination by an officer of the Bangladesh Army Medical Corps to be physically fit to undergo the prescribed military training, shall be deemed to have been enrolled as a cadet in that company.

(2) A student who is deemed to be enrolled as a cadet in a company under sub-section (1) shall not cease to belong to that company, until he passes out of or otherwise leaves, the class for which the company was constituted, or is duly certified by an officer of the Bangladesh Army Medical Corps to have become physically unfit to undergo further military training.

**Officers of the Junior Cadet Corps**

6. (1) The Government, on the recommendation of the Headmaster of the school for which units of the Junior Cadet Corps have been constituted under sub-section (1) of section 4, supported by the <sup>5</sup>[Director General of Public Instruction] and the officer commanding the local military formation being not below the rank of brigadier, may appoint any member of the staff of that school, who is not less than twenty-three and not more than thirty-five years of age, as an officer of the corps.

<sup>6</sup>[(2) A person appointed officer under sub-section (1) shall be granted a commission in accordance with the provision of Article 61 of the Constitution of the People's Republic of Bangladesh.]