

**Institute Of Education Act
(CHAPTER 140)**

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INSTITUTE OF EDUCATION ACT (CHAPTER 140)

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An Act for the establishment of the Institute of Education and for matters connected therewith.

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Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Institute of Education Act.

Interpretation

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires —

“Board” means the Board of Studies established under section 9;
“Chairman” means the Chairman of the Council appointed under section 5;
“Council” means the Council constituted under section 5;
“Director” means the Director appointed under section 8;
“financial year” means a period of 12 months beginning on 1st April in any year;
“Institute” means the Institute of Education established under section 3.

Establishment of Institute

3.—(1) There shall be established a body to be known as the Institute of Education which shall be a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal, with power to sue and be sued in its corporate name, and to perform such other acts as bodies corporate may by law perform, and to exercise such other powers as are conferred under this Act.

- (2) The Institute shall consist of a Council and a Board of Studies.

Objects of Institute

- 4.—(1) The objects of the Institute shall be —

- (a) the provision of courses of study for the training of teachers and other persons in the various fields of sports and education;
- (b) the establishment of such facilities as the Institute considers desirable for the provision of such courses of study in Singapore; and
- (c) the promotion of research in education.

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- (2) For the purpose of carrying out the objects set out in subsection (1), the Institute may —

- (a) provide for the examination, from time to time, of students or other persons and to confer degrees and diplomas and grant certificates to successful candidates, and provide for the registration of the holders of those certificates;
- (b) provide for the delivery and holding of lectures, and the holding of

exhibitions, public meetings, classes and conferences calculated, directly or indirectly, to serve the cause of education whether general, professional, scientific or technical;

- (c) institute chairs, professorships, lectureships and other posts and offices and make appointments thereto;
- (d) establish, equip and maintain libraries, laboratories, museums, lecture halls, reading and writing rooms, halls of residence and all other buildings which may be required for the purposes of the Institute;
- (e) institute and award fellowships, exhibitions, bursaries, medals, prizes and other titles and distinctions, awards and forms of assistance towards the advancement and dissemination of knowledge;
- (f) administer the property vested in the Institute by section 22 and carry on, build and maintain the Institute with all necessary buildings and equipment;
- (g) with the approval of the Minister, acquire, purchase, lease, take, hold and enjoy movable and immovable property of every description and sell, convey, assign, surrender and yield up, mortgage, demise, reassign, transfer or otherwise dispose of any movable or immovable property vested in the Institute upon such terms as the Institute may think fit;
- (h) develop any immovable property acquired by the Institute or in which it is interested, and in particular lay out and prepare land for building purposes, construct, alter, pull down, decorate, maintain, fit up, and improve buildings and plant, pave, drain, farm, cultivate land and let it on building lease or building agreement and advance money to and enter into contracts and arrangements of all kinds with builders and other persons;
- (i) establish or assist in the establishment and support of associations, institutions, pension schemes or superannuation or provident fund schemes and trusts calculated to benefit officials, teachers, staff and students and former teachers or staff of the Institute, or the dependants of such persons, and grant pensions and allowances, and make payments towards insurance, and to subscribe or guarantee money for charitable or benevolent objects, or for any exhibition or for any public, general or useful object;
- (j) solicit and accept and receive subscriptions, donations, devises and bequests (whether of movable or immovable property and whether absolute or conditional) for the general purposes of the Institute or for any special purpose of the Institute or subject to any trust;
- (k) enter into contracts and appoint such staff as may be required for the

purposes of the Institute;

- (l) regulate and provide for the residence of officials, teachers, staff and students of the Institute and the welfare and discipline of officials, teachers, staff and students;
- (m) demand and receive such fees as may from time to time be prescribed;
- (n) raise money for any of the above purposes or other purposes of the Institute by mortgaging all or any of the property of the Institute; and
- (o) do all such other things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of its objects.

Constitution of Council

5.—(1) The management of the Institute and of its properties and affairs shall be vested in the Council consisting of —

- (a) a Chairman to be appointed by the Minister;
- (b) a Deputy Chairman to be appointed by the Minister;
- (c) the Director;
- (d) heads of colleges established under section 12; and
- (e) not less than 8 nor more than 14 other members as the Minister may from time to time appoint.

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(2) A member of the Council whose appointment was made by the Minister shall, unless his appointment is revoked under subsection (5) or unless he resigns during his term of office, hold office for a period of 3 years.

(3) Any member of the Council may resign from the Council by giving notice in writing to that effect addressed to the Chairman and as from the date of receipt by the Chairman of the notice the member shall cease to be a member of the Council.

(4) If a member resigns, dies or has his appointment revoked or otherwise vacates his office before the expiry of the period for which he has been appointed, the Minister may appoint a person to fill the vacancy for the residue of the period for which the vacating member was appointed.

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(5) The Minister may at any time revoke the appointment of the Chairman or any member of the Council whose appointment was made by him.

(6) The Council may act notwithstanding any vacancy in its membership.