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**PART III**

**Laws, Regulations and Rules passed thereunder.**

JAMMU AND KASHMIR LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
SECRETARIAT, JAMMU

Under Rule 64 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Jammu and Kashmir Legislative Assembly, the following Bill together with the Statement of Objects and Reasons, is published in an extraordinary issue of the Government Gazette.

By order of the Hon'ble Speaker.

(Sd.) **M. RAMZAN,**

Secretary.

**THE KASHMIR AND JAMMU UNIVERSITIES  
(AMENDMENT) BILL, 2015.**

[L. A. Bill No. 6 of 2015.]

A Bill to amend the Kashmir and Jammu Universities Act, 1969.

Be it enacted by the Jammu and Kashmir State Legislature in the Sixty-sixth Year of the Republic of India as follows :—

1. *Short title and commencement.*— (1) This Act may be called the Kashmir and Jammu Universities (Amendment) Act, 2015.

(2) It shall come into force from the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

2. *Amendment of Section 12, Act No. XXIV of 1969.*— In sub-section (5) of section 12 of the Kashmir and Jammu Universities Act, 1969, for the words “three years”, the words “five years” shall be substituted.

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### STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

The Kashmir and Jammu Universities Act, 1969 provides that the Vice-Chancellor of a University shall hold office for three years. In Universities across the country, generally duration of the term of Vice-Chancellors varies from three to five years. The tenure of Vice-Chancellor is for five years in most of the Central Universities, as well as Delhi University, four years in Calcutta University, and three years in University of Bombay and University of Madras. In Uttar Pradesh the term of office is for three years, but extension is given for one year. There is a broader consensus among academicians that a three-year term is too brief a period for a Vice-Chancellor to formulate and implement policies and plans. It is difficult or rather improbable to make an impact, administratively or academically, in this short period. A five-year time will definitely help Vice-Chancellors to fully experiment with the ideas they conceive and fine tune them. In a three-year term, the successor Vice-Chancellor may not exhibit the patience to see the full implications of the schemes initiated by predecessors. Their own agendas may affect the stability and cumulative progress of the system. It is, therefore, imperative to increase the tenure of the Vice-Chancellor for State Universities from 3 years to 5 years. The proposed Kashmir and Jammu Universities (Amendment) Bill, 2015 seeks to achieve the said objective.

Hence the Bill.

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