# West Bengal Act XIII of 1961



#### THE PASCHIM BANGA AYURVEDIC SYSTEM OF MEDICINE ACT, 1961.

[Passed by the West Bengal Legislature.]

[Assent of the President was first published in the Calcutta Gazette, Extraordinary, of the 16th June, 1961.]

[16th June, 1961.]

An Act to provide for the development of the Ayurvedic system of medicine, to regulate the teaching and practice thereof and to deal with certain other connected matters.

It is hereby enacted in the Twelfth Year of the Republic of India, by the Legislature of West Bengal, as follows:—

1. (1) This Act may be called the Paschim Banga Short title, Ayurvedic System of Medicine Act, 1961.

extent and commencement.

- (2) It extends to the whole of West Bengal.
- (3) It shall come into force on such date as the State Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,- Definitions.

- (1) "General Council and State Faculty of Ayurvedic Medicine, West Bengal" means the General Council and State Faculty of Ayurvedic Medicine, West Bengal, established by resolution No. 315 Medical, dated 2nd February, 1937 of the Government of Bengal as subsequently amended;
- (2) "Member" means a member of the Parishad;
- (3) "Parishad" means the Paschim Banga Ayurved Parishad constituted under section 3:
- (4) "prescribed" means prescribed by rules:
- (5) "President" means the President of the Parishad;
- (6) "Register" means the Register of Ayurvedic practitioners maintained under this Act:
- (7) "registered Ayurvedic practitioner" means an Ayurvedic practitioner registered under the provisions of this Act;
- (8) "Registrar" means the Registrar of the Parishad;
- (9) "regulations" means regulations made by the Parishad under this Act;
- (10) "rules" means rules made by the State Government under this Act;
- (11) "Vice-President" means the Vice-President of the Parishad.

# (Sections 3-5.)

Constitution of the Paschim Banga Ayurved Parishad. 3. As soon as may be after the commencement of this Act, the State Government shall, by notification in the Official Gazette, establish a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal named the Paschim Banga Ayurved Parishad. The Parishad shall be entitled to acquire and hold movable and immovable property, to transfer such property, to contract and to do all things necessary for the purposes of this Act and shall by its name sue and be sued.

Transitional provision.

- 4. Upon the constitution of the Parishad—
  - (1) the General Council and State Faculty of Ayurvedic Medicine, West Bengal, shall cease to exist and the assets and liabilities thereof shall stand transferred to the Parishad;
  - (2) any order passed, any appointment made, anything whatsoever begun or done by the General Council and State Faculty of Ayurvedic Medicine, West Bengal, shall, so far as it is consistent with the provisions of this Act, be deemed to have been passed, made, begun or done by the Parishad.

Composition of the Parishad.

- 5. (1) The Parishad shall consist of the following members, namely:
  - (a) a President nominated by the State Government;
  - (b) seven Members nominated by the State Government of whom three shall be registered Ayurvedic practitioners;
  - (c) one Member nominated by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Calcutta;
  - (d) the Principal of the State Ayurvedic College, ex-officio, when such a college is established;
  - (e) the Head of the Ayurvedic Research Institute, ex-officio, when such an Institute is established;
  - (f) the Principal or Head of an Ayurvedic Tol, nominated by the State Government, when such an institution is established:
  - Provided that until the institutions referred to in clauses (d), (e) and (f) are established, the Principals or Heads of existing institutions or other suitable persons may be nominated by the State Government;
  - (g) eight Members who are citizens of India, elected by registered Ayurvedic practitioners, two being elected by registered Ayurvedic practitioners having registered address within the Presidency Division from among themselves, two being

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elected by registered Ayurvedic practitioners having registered address within the Burdwan Division from among themselves and four being elected by registered Ayurvedic practitioners having registered address within the Calcutta and Howrah municipal areas from among themselves.

Explanation .- The expression "Calcutta and Howrah municipal areas" means Calcutta as defined in the Calcutta Municipal Act, 1951, together with the area included in the Howrah municipality and the expressions "Presidency Division" and "Burdwan Division" shall not be deemed to include any part of the areas included within the Calcutta and Howrah municipal areas.

- (2) Notwithstanding anything contained in the foregoing sub-section or elsewhere in this Act, on the first constitution of the Parishad after its establishment, all the Members of the Parishad shall be nominated by the State Government and the State Government shall also nominate one of the Members to be the Vice-President.
- If the nominating authority referred to in clause (c) of sub-section (1) of section 5, or any electoral body referred to in clause (g) of that sub-section fails by the prescribed date to nominate or elect the requisite number of Member Members which such authority or body is entitled to nominate or elect, the State Government shall fill up the office of such Member or Members by nomination of a person or persons qualified to be nominated or elected by such authority or body. Any person so nominated by the State Government shall be deemed to have been duly nominated or elected a Member by such authority or body.

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7. A person shall be disqualified for being nominated or Disqualielected a Member of the Parishad, if-

(1) he has been convicted of any offence declared by rules to involve moral turpitude:

(2) he 's an undischarged insolvent;

- (3) he has been adjudged by a competent court to be of unsound mind:
- (4) he is a person under the age of 25.

8. The name of every Member nominated or elected under Publicasection 5 or section 6 shall be published by the State Govern- tion of ment in the Official Gazette.

names of Members.

9. A person shall cease to be a Member of the Cossation Parishad-

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(1) if, without obtaining the permission of the Parishad. he is absent from three consecutive meetings of the Parishad; or

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- (2) if having been nominated or elected as a registered Ayurvedic practitioner he ceases to be such a registered practitioner; or
- (3) if he becomes subject to any of the disqualifications referred to in clauses (1) to (3) of section 7.

Filling of casual vacancies. 10. If any Member dies or resigns his office or ceases to be a Member for any other reason the vacancy shall be filled up within six months by a fresh nomination or election under section 5 or section 6 and the Member so nominated or elected shall hold office for the unexpired period of the term of office of the Member whose place he fills.

Term of office of Members.

- 11. (1) Subject to the provisions of section 10, the term of office of the Members nominated or elected under section 5 or section 6 shall be for four years commencing from the date of the first meeting of the Parishad after its first constitution or any subsequent periodical reconstitution, as the case may be.
- (2) The term of four years referred to in sub-section (1) shall be held to include any period which may elapse between the expiry of the said period of four years and the date of the first meeting of the Parishad following its reconstitution at which a quorum is present.

Resignation. 12. The President, the Vice-President or a Member may resign his office by writing under his hand addressed to the State Government.

The President.

- 13. (1) The President shall hold office for the period mentioned in section 11.
- (2) If the President dies or resigns his office or ceases to hold office, the State Government shall nominate another person as President and such President shall hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of office of the previous President in whose place he is nominated.

The Vice-President.

- 14. (1) The Members of the Parishad shall, at the first meeting after every periodical reconstitution, elect from amongst themselves, a registered Ayurvedic practitioner as Vice-President in such manner as may be prescribed.
- (2) The Vice-President shall hold office for the period mentioned in section 11:

Provided that a Vice-President shall cease to hold office if he ceases to be a Member of the Parishad.

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- (2) The term of four years referred to in sub-section (1) shall be held to include any period, but not exceeding one year in any case, that may elapse between the expiry of the said period of four years and the date of the first meeting of the Council following its reconstitution at which a quorum is present.
- Resignation.

  11. The President, the Vice-President or a Member may resign his office by writing under his hand addressed to the State Government.
- The President shall hold office for the period mentioned in section 10.
  - (2) If the President dies or resigns his office or ceases to hold office, the State Government shall nominate another person as President and such President shall hold office for the unexpired portion of the term of office of the previous President in whose place he is nominated.
- The Vice-Presidents (1) The Members of the Council shall, at the first meeting after every periodical reconstitution, elect from amongst themselves, a registered Unani practitioner as Vice-President in such manner as may be prescribed.
  - (2) The Vice-President shall hold office for the period mentioned in section 10:

Provided that a Vice-President shall cease to hold office if he ceases to be a Member of the Council.

(3) If the Vice-President dies or resigns his office or ceases to hold office, the Members of the Council shall elect, from amongst themselves, another registered Unani practitioner as Vice-President in such manner as may be prescribed and such Vice-President shall hold office for the unexpired period of the term of office of the previous Vice-President whose office he fills.

Karyya Nirbahak Samiti.

- 14. (1) The Members of the Council shall constitute from amongst themselves, an Executive Committee called "Karyya Nirbahak Samiti" to perform such functions as may be delegated to it by the Council.
- (2) The Karyya Nirbahak Samiti shall consist of the President and the Vice-President, ex-officio, and five other members elected by the Members of the Council from amongst themselves.
- (3) The President and the Vice-President of the Council shall be the President and the Vice-President respectively of the Karyya Nirbahak Samiti.

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(3) Save as provided in section 25, all questions arising at any meeting shall be decided by votes of the majority of the Members present and voting or in case of an equality of votes by the casting vote of the President or, in his absence, of the Member presiding at the meeting.

Expenses to be paid to Members and other persons. 17. The Parishad shall pay to its President, Vice-President and Members and other persons appointed by it to any Committee referred to in sub-section (6) of section 15, such expenses for attending at meetings of the Parishad, of the Karyya Nirvahaka Samiti or of such Committee and such travelling expenses for journeys undertaken in the performance of duties as may be prescribed.

Power to take certain steps for developing Ayurvedic system of medicine.

- 18. Subject to the provisions of any law for the time being in force relating to drugs and poisons, the State Government shall have power,—
  - (a) to establish and maintain a State Ayurvedic College with hospitals attached to it, a State Ayurvedic Research Institute and Ayurvedic tols;
  - (b) to establish and maintain Ayurvedic hospitals, dispensaries, asylums or infirmaries in West Bengal;
  - (c) to establish an Ayurvedic Pharmaceutical Department for the supply of Ayurvedic medicines to the Ayurvedic hospitals, dispensaries, asylums and infirmaries and also to registered Ayurvedic practitioners;
  - (d) to provide for the grant of licenses to manufacturers, stockists or sellers of Ayurvedic drugs and medicines and for the conditions for the grant of such licenses including conditions regarding strength, potency, composition or other particulars of such drugs or medicines being marked on the containers, covers or wrappings thereof;
  - (e) to establish and maintain a State herbarium;
  - (f) to foster the plantation of Ayurvedic medicinal plants.

Powers of the Parishad.

- 19. The Parishad shall have the following powers, namely:
  - (1) to grant affiliation to institutions teaching the Ayurvedic system of medicine or to withdraw, after giving the authorities of an institution an opportunity to show cause against the action proposed to be taken, such affiliation, and to call on the authority of any such institution or of an institution applying for affiliation to

#### (Section 19.)

furnish within such period as may be specified such reports, returns or other information as the *Parishad* may require to judge the efficiency of the institution;

- (2) to hold examinations and to grant and confer certificates, diplomas or degrees to persons who shall have pursued a course of study in institutions affiliated to the Parishad and passed the necessary examinations;
- (3) to draw up syllabuses of study for different examinations held by the Parishad;
- (4) to provide for instruction or for refresher courses in such branches of medical science as would be useful to persons studying the Ayurvedic system of medicine;
- (5) to appoint examiners and to fix their remuneration and to publish the results of the examinations held by it;
- (6) to grant scholarships, prizes and medals to students of institutions affiliated to the Parishad who are meritorious or stipends to students who are poor and deserving; and with the sanction of the State Government, to grant to students scholarship for research or special study in any institution that the Parishad may think fit, whether in India or abroad and to endow chairs of Ayurvedic system of medicine in institutions affiliated to the Parishad;
- (7) to confer honorary degrees on Ayurvedic practitioners of extraordinary merit;
- (S) to collect prescribed fees or charges for admission to the examinations held by the *Parishad* and for certificates, diplomas or degrees granted or conferred by it;
- (9) to exercise general supervision over the residential and disciplinary arrangements made by the institutions affiliated to the Parishad and arrangements for promoting the health and general welfare of the students of such institutions:
  - (10) to recommend to the State Government the sanction of a grant to an affiliated institution teaching the Ayurvedic system of medicine or the withdrawal or suspension, after giving the institution concerned an opportunity of showing cause against the action proposed, of any such grant;

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- (11) to appoint, with the previous sanction of the State Government, inspectors for the inspection of institutions in West Bengal, teaching the Ayurvedic system of medicine;
- (12) to frame and implement a co-ordinated scheme of public health of West Bengal based on the Ayurvedic system of medicine, with or without the addition of modern technique;
- (13) to receive grants, donations, gifts and endowments;
- (14) to incur such expenditure, to adopt such measures and to do such acts as may be necessary for the furtherance of the objects mentioned in this section;
- (15) to perform such other functions as the State Government may direct for carrying out the provisions of this Act.

Registrar and staff.

- 20. (1) The Parishad shall, with the previous approval of the State Government, appoint a Registrar. The Registrar shall receive such salary and allowances as may be prescribed. The Parishad may from time to time grant him leave and may appoint a person to act in his place. Any person duly appointed to act as Registrar shall be deemed to be the Registrar for all purposes of this Act.
- (2) The Parishad shall have power to suspend, punish, remove or dismiss the Registrar from office:

Provided that any such order of the Parishad shall be subject to appeal to the State Government.

(3) The Parishad may appoint such other officers and servants as it deems necessary:

Provided that the number and designation of such officers and servants, their salaries and allowances shall be subject to the previous approval of the State Government.

- (4) The Registrar shall act as the Secretary to the Parishad and the Karyya Nirvahaka Samiti.
- (5) The Registrar and all officers and servants appointed by the *Parishad* shall work under the direct control and supervision of the President or in his absence, of the Vice-President.

Register of registered Ayurvedic practitioners.

- 21. (1) The Parishad shall maintain a Register in such form and in such manner as may be prescribed.
- (2) The Registrar shall from time to time make necessary entries in the Register in respect of the persons whose names are directed to be registered, their qualifications and their addresses and may also from time to time make such alterations or modifications as may be required in consequence of any orders passed by the *Parishad* or otherwise.

# (Sections 22-25.)

22. (1) Every person who possesses any qualification Persons mentioned in Part A or who is qualified under Part B or entitled who may obtain a qualification as provided under Part C of the Schedule shall, subject to the provisions of this Act and on payment of such fee as may be prescribed, be entitled to have his name entered in the Register.

- (2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), every person who, within a period of two years from the date of commencement of this Act, produces proof that he has been in regular practice for a period of not less than ten years preceding such date shall be entitled to have his name entered in the Register on payment of the prescribed fee.
- The State Government may, by order published in the Official Gazette, add to, amend, or alter the Schedule:

Power to amend the Schedule.

Provided that the name of any institution or any qualification granted or conferred by any institution shall not be removed from the Schedule unless the managing body or authority of such institution has been given an opportunity of making representation against such removal.

24. (1) Every person who desires to have his name Informa-entered in the Register shall submit to the Registrar tion rean application in the prescribed form stating: -

quired of applicant for registration.

- (a) particulars of his qualifications,
- (b) the period for which he has been in practice, and
- (c) his address which is to be his registered address.
- (2) Every application shall be accompanied by the prescribed fee and such proof as may be available or necessary in support of the qualifications stated in the application.
- (1) The Parishad may, on being satisfied that a person possesses the requisite qualifications and has paid the prescribed fee, direct the registration of his name and the to refuse Registrar shall thereupon make necessary entries in the registra-Register and grant him a certificate of registration.
- (2) The Parishad may refuse to permit the registration or direct the removal from the Register, of the name of any person-
  - (a) who has been convicted of any offence declared by rules to involve moral turpitude; or
  - (b) who has been found guilty of infamous conduct in his professional capacity by a majority of at least two-thirds of the members of the Parishad after a due enquiry into his conduct at which he has had an opportunity of being heard in person or of being duly represented.

Power of Parishad tion or to remove name Register in certain cases.

# (Sections 26-31.)

(3) Any refusal or removal under sub-section (2) may be rescinded if the conduct on the basis of which refusal or removal was directed is condoned for good and sufficient reasons.

Renewal.

- 26. (1) Every person whose name is entered in the Register shall, for the retention of his name in the Register, pay to the *Parishad* annually such renewal fee and at such time as may be prescribed.
- (2) Where the renewal fee is not paid by the due date, the Registrar shall remove the name of the defaulter from the Register:

Provided that a name so removed may be restored to the Register on such conditions as may be prescribed.

(3) On payment of the renewal fee, the Registrar shall, in the prescribed manner, endorse the certificate of registration.

Entry of additional qualification. 27. If any person whose name is entered in the Register obtains any qualification mentioned in the Schedule other than the qualification in respect of which he has been registered, he shall, on payment of such fee as may be prescribed, be entitled to have such qualification entered against his name in the Register either in substitution for or in addition to any entry previously made and the Registrar shall add to or amend the entry accordingly.

Appeal to the Parishad from decision of the Registrar. 28. If any person is dissatisfied with any decision of the Registrar refusing to enter his qualification under section 27 in the Register, he may, at any time within three months from the date of such decision, appeal to the *Parishad* in the prescribed manner and the decision of the *Parishad* shall be final.

Cancellation of fraudulent and incorrect entries. 29. Any entry in the Register, which is proved to the satisfaction of the *Parishad* to have been fraudulently or incorrectly made, may be cancelled under an order in writing of the *Parishad*.

Appeal to State Government from decision of the Parishad. 30. An appeal shall lie to the State Government against any decision or order of the *Parishad* refusing to enter a person's name in the Register or removing his name therefrom if filed within three months of the date of decision or order and the decision of the State Government shall be final.

Notice of death and removal of name from Register. 31. The Parishad may, on receipt of reliable information regarding the death of a person whose name is entered in the Register, and on making such enquiry as it may think fit, direct the removal of his name from the Register and thereupon the Registrar shall cancel the entry relating to such person.

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#### (Sections 32-34.)

32. If any person whose name is not entered in the Penalty on Register falsely pretends that it is so entered or uses in unregistered connection with his name, any words or letters representing person that his name is so entered, he shall, whether any person is actually deceived by such representation or not, be punishable, on conviction by a Presidency Magistrate or a Magistrate of the First Class, with fine which may extend to five hundred rupees. To west

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33. (1) If any registered practitioner whose name has been removed from the Register under sub-section (2) of section 25 or sub-section (2) of section 26, fails, without sufficient cause, forthwith to surrender his certificate of registration, he shall be punishable with fine which may extend to fifty rupees.

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- (2) Cognizance of an offence punishable under this section shall not be taken except upon complaint made by an order of the Parishad. It there of the state of the state
- 34. (1) The Registrar shall, from time to time as occasion may require, on or before a date to be fixed in this behalf by the Parishad, cause to be printed and published (provided that at least twelve months shall have elapsed from the date of the last publication) a correct list of the names for the time being entered in the Register and setting forth therein-

Publication and use of registration list.

- (a) names of all registered Ayurvedic practitioners arranged in alphabetical order according to the surname;
- (b) the registered address of each such person; and
- (c) the registered qualifications of each such person and the date on which each qualification was obtained.
- (2) The Registrar shall, from time to time as occasion arises, cause to be printed and published a list supplementary thereto, containing additions and alterations in the Register since the publication of the list under sub-section (1).
- (3) Every Court shall presume that any person whose name is entered in the latest list printed and published under sub-section (1) read with the latest list supplementary thereto, if any, printed and published under sub-section (2) is duly registered under this Act, and that any person whose name is not so entered is not registered under this Act:

Provided that, in the case of any person whose name does not appear in the latest list printed and published under sub-section (1) read with the latest list supplementary thereto, if any, printed and published under sub-section (2), a certified copy, signed by the Registrar, of the entry of the name of such person in the Register shall be evidence that such person is registered under this Act.

# (Sections 35-39.)

Certain privileges of Ayurvedic practitioners.

- 35. A registered Ayurvedic practitioner shall be
  - (a) to grant a death certificate required by any law or rule to be signed or authenticated by a duly qualified medical practitioner or medical officer;
  - (b) to grant a medical or physical fitness certificate required by any law or rule to be signed or authenticated by a duly qualified medical practitioner or medical officer;
  - (c) to give evidence at any inquest or in any court of law as an expert under section 45 of the Indian I of 1872. Evidence Act, 1872.

Persons
not registered as
Ayurvedic practitioners not
eligible for
certain
appointments.

36. Except with the special sanction of the State Government, no Ayurvedic practitioner, who is not registered under this Act, shall be competent to hold any appointment as a physician, or other medical officer in an Ayurvedic hospital, asylum, infirmary, dispensary or lying-in-hospital, which is supported wholly or partially by grants made by the State Government, the Parishad or a local authority, or any Ayurvedic educational institution which is so supported or which is affiliated under clause (1) of section 19 of this Act.

Bar of suit or other legal proceedings.

37. No suit, prosecution or other legal proceedings shall lie in respect of any act or thing done or omitted to be done in the exercise or purported exercise of any power conferred by or under this Act on the State Government or the Parishad or the Karyya Nirvahaka Samiti or any Committee appointed by the Parishad or on the Registrar.

Validation.

38. No act or thing done by the Parishad, the Karyya Nirvahaka Samiti or a Committee appointed by the Parishad, shall be invalid merely on the ground of any vacancy in or defect in its composition.

Finance and audit.

- 39. (1) All fees payable and prescribed under this Act shall be paid to the Parishad.
- (2) An account of all assets and liabilities of the *Parishad* and of all fees, sums, grants, donations, gifts and endowments received by it and of all expenses and disbursements incurred or made by it shall be maintained in the prescribed manner.
- (3) The account shall be audited annually by such officer of Government as may be deputed in this behalf by the State Government and the report of such audit shall be sent to the State Government and the Parishad by such officer.

#### (Sections 40, 41.)

- 40. (1) The State Government may from time to time Rules. make rules for carrying out the purposes of this 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 :-
  - (i) the election of Members of the Parishad, members of the Karyya Nirvahaka Samiti and the Vice-President:
  - (ii) the functions to be performed by the President and the Vice-President:
  - (iii) the declaration of offences as offences involving moral turpitude;
  - (iv) the fees payable under this Act;
  - (v) the expenses to be paid under section 17;
  - (vi) the salaries and allowances to be paid to the Registrar:
  - (vii) the grant of licenses and the conditions for the grant of such licenses;
  - (viii) the manner in which the account referred to sub-section (2) of section 39 shall maintained;
    - (ix) the procedure to be followed by the Parishad in-
      - (a) conducting any enquiry referred to in clause (b) of sub-section (2) of section 25,
      - (b) disposing of appeals from the decision of the Registrar preferred under section 28;
    - (x) any other matters which may be or is required to be prescribed under this Act.
- 41. (1) The Parishad may, with the previous approval Regulaof the State Government, make regulations, not inconsistent tions. with this Act or the rules made thereunder for discharging its functions under the Act.

- (2) In particular, and without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing power, such regulations may provide for all or any of the following matters, namely: -
  - (i) the time and place at which each meeting shall be held:
  - (ii) the issue of notices convening such meeting;
  - (iii) the conduct of business thereat:
  - (iv) the conditions of appointment and service and the scales of pay and allowances of all the officers and servants appointed by the Parishad;
  - (v) any matter for which power to make regulations is conferred expressly or by implication on the Parishad by this Act.

# (Sections 42, 43 and the Schedule.)

Publication of rules and regulations.

42. All rules and regulations shall be published in the Official Gazette.

Control of the Parishad by State Government. 43. If at any time it appears to the State Government that the Parishad has failed to exercise or has exceeded or abused a power, conferred upon it by or under this Act or has failed to perform a duty imposed upon it by this Act, the State Government may, if it considers such failure, excess or abuse to be of a serious character, after giving the Parishad an opportunity of being heard, notify the particulars thereof to the Parishad and if the Parishad fails to remedy such failure, excess or abuse within such time as may be fixed by the State Government in this behalf, the State Government may dissolve the Parishad and cause all or any of the powers and duties of the Parishad to be exercised and performed by such agency and for such period as it may think fit.

#### THE SCHEDULE.

(See section 22.)

# Part A. Qualifications enabling a person to have his name entered in the Register.

Description of the qualifications.

Name of the managing body or authority granting or conferring the qualification and its location.

- (i) Ayurvedthirtha, M.A.S.F. (Member of the Ayurvedic State Faculty)—5 years.
  - (ii) Vaidyashiromoni, M.A.S.F. (Member of the Ayurvedic State Faculty)—5 years.
  - (iii) Vaidyashastri-4 years
  - (iv) Ayurvedthirtha—3 years
  - (v) Vaidyabhusan, L.A.S.F. (Licentiate Ayurvedic State Faculty)

    —4 years.
- (i) Bhishagratna, L.A.M.S. (Licentiate Ayurvedic Medicine and Surgery).
  - (ii) Bhishagacharya, M.A.M.S. (Master in Ayurvedic Medicine and Surgery).
- Vaidyashastri

General Council and State Faculty of Ayurvedic Medicine, West Bengal, Calcutta.

J. B. Ashtanga Ayurvedic College, Calcutta.

Shyamadas Vaidya-Shastrapith, Calcutta.

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Description of the qualifications.

Name of the managing body or authority granting or and its location.

- (i) Ayurvedshastri, A.M.B. (Bachelor in Ayurvedic Medicine).
  - (ii) Ayurvedacharya, A.M.D. (Doctor of Ayurvedic Medicine).
- 5. (i) Bhishagratna, D.A.M.S. (Diploma in Ayurvedie Medicine and Surgery).
  - (ii) Vaidyashiromoni, B.A.M.S. (Bachelor of Ayurvedic Medicine and Surgery).
  - (iii) M.A.M.S. (Master of Ayurvedic Medicine and Surgery).
- 6. (i) G.F.A.M. (Graduate of Faculty Ayurvedic Medicine) obtained after 1st January, 1956.
  - (ii) Ayurved Visharad, D.A.S.F.
- 7. Ayurvedacharya, A.M.S (with modern medicine and Surgery now M.A.M.S.) (6 years).
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(i) G.C.I.M. (Graduate of the College

- (iii) L.I.M. (Licentiate of Indigenous Medicine).
- (iv) A.L.I.M. (Associate Licentiate of Indigenous Medicine).
- F.I.M. (Fellow of Indigenous (v) Medicine).

conferring the qualification

Maharaja Cossimbazar Govinda Sundari Ayurvedic College, Calcutta.

- Bishwanath Ayurved Mahavidyalaya, Calcutta.
- Board of Indian System of Medicine, Madras.
- Benares Hindu University, Benares.
- Gurukul University, Kangri.
- Government College of Indigenous Medicine, Madras.

- 10 B.I.M.S. (Bachelor of Indian Medicine and Surgery).
- 11. G.A.M.S. (Graduate in Ayurvedic Medicine and Surgery).
- 12 (i) Bhishakacharya—6 years
  - (ii) Bhishakwar—8 years
- L.A.M.S. (Licentiate in Ayurvedic 13. Medicine and Surgery).
- (i) Vaidyakalanidhi (Diploma)
  - (ii) Viswavaidya Visharad (Diploma)
  - (iii) Netra Vaidya Visharad (Diploma)
  - (iv) Marma Vaidya Visharad (Dip loma)

Board of Indian Medicine, U.P. Lucknow.

Government Ayurvedic College, Patna.

Government Ayurvedic College, Jaipur.

Government Ayurvedic and Unani College, Mysore.

Goyernment Ayurvedic College, Trivandrum.

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#### Part B.

Every person possessing any qualification not mentioned in Part A on the basis of which his name has been registered with any other Ayurvedic Board or Council established by any State Government within the Indian Union:

Provided that a principle of reciprocity in the matter of recognising qualifications for purposes of registration and been adopted by the *Parishad* and the Ayurvedic Board or Council concerned, with the approval of the State Government.

#### Part C.

Every person holding any degree or diploma or certificate granted or conferred by the *Parishad*, which is declared by the *Parishad* to be a sufficient qualification for registration as a registered Ayurvedic medical practitioner.