



Pakistan Bar Council

Supreme Court Building,
(3rd Floor, Block 1),
Constitution Avenue,
Islamabad.

Phone : 92-51-9206805, 9206922
Fax : 92-51-9211669
Email : info@pakistanbarcouncil.org
Web : www.pakistanbarcouncil.org

No. 4362 /PBC/SEC/2024
December 11, 2024

The Registrar,
University of the Punjab,
Quaid-e-Azam Campus,
Lahore.

Sub: Registration of students admitted to LL.B. programme by the University of the Punjab Law College and its affiliated Law Colleges under Rule 4(v) of the Pakistan Bar Council Legal Education Rules, 2015.

Dear Sir,

As you are aware that aforementioned matter was considered by the Legal Education Committee of the Pakistan Bar Council, on 02-11-2024, in presence of representatives of your University and arrived at the following decision:-

“.....
.....

The University through letters dated 26-04-2024 and 24-06-2024 intimated to its affiliated Law Colleges that its Academic Council and Syndicate has decided on 04-12-2023 and 09-03-2024, respectively to get register students of LL.B. Part-I with Pakistan Bar Council, under Rule 4 (v) of the Legal Education Rules, 2015.

The Chair apprised that in response to Pakistan Bar Council letter dated 27-09-2024, the Principal, University Law College, through letter dated 15-10-2024 intimated this Council that admission process of the University of the Punjab, Law College is still being finalized and the University will submit the students list next week or earlier.

Now surprisingly, the Registrar, University of the Punjab through letter dated 31-10-2024 has negated the contents of earlier letters dated 26-04-2024 and 24-06-2024 and tried to linger on the matter and informed that the matter is presently included in the list of the cases to be placed before the Syndicate and when case would be finalized by the Syndicate, the decision will be communicated to the Pakistan Bar Council.

The Committee noted that the University through its letter dated 26-04-2024 had informed this Council that decision of Academic Council dated 04-12-2023 has subsequently been approved by the Syndicate on 09-03-2024 and directions has been issued to all the affiliated Law Colleges of the University to get their students register with the Pakistan Bar Council. However, the University after even number of letters and reminders of this Council is repeating the same exercise for approval from the same bodies, which already had been granted as per contents of letter dated 26-04-2024 of the University officials, which shows that University is not interested to register its law students as well as its affiliated Law Colleges with the Pakistan Bar Council.

The Members, expressed their serious concerns upon the unbecoming and lethargic conduct of University of the Punjab in respect of non-compliance of decisions and Rules of the Pakistan Bar Council, since Universities imparting legal education under Legal Practitioners and Bar Councils Act, 1973 and Rules made thereunder are bound to adhere the

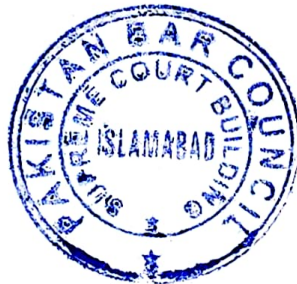
Rules and decisions of the Pakistan Bar Council and in case of violation, the Council may derecognize concerned University and its Law degree/s. Therefore, the Committee, after due consideration, as a 1st step decided to impose ban on new admissions of LL.B. Programme of University of the Punjab, Lahore and directed not to admit any student in LL.B. programme in future, till final decision of this Committee, since it neither registered students of its law programme nor made serious efforts for registration of students of its affiliated law colleges with the Pakistan Bar Council despite repeated letters and reminders and deliberately is avoiding to implement and adhere Rules of the Pakistan Bar Council and not honouring statements given by its officials before the Committee.


The Committee also noted that the Univeristy has not provided detail of students admitted in LL.M. programme, non-practicing allowance (NPA) to its permanent Faculty Members and detail of Computer Lab and Law Library. Therefore, the Univeristy was asked to furnish year wise list of students admitted in LL.M. programme of the last five years, detail of salary package of permanent and visiting Faculty Members and detail of Law Library and Computer Lab etc.

It was also decided that a reminder may be issued to those Private Law Colleges affiliated with the University of the Punjab, who have not registered their students with the Pakistan Bar Council, to register their existing all LL.B. programme students immediately and in case of non-compliance they may be issued notices to appear before Committee in its next meeting and explain why they have not made compliance of Rules of the Pakistan Bar Council, despite reminder and letters. Adjourned Accordingly."

In pursuance of the above decision, you are asked to immediately stop to take further admissions in LL.B. programme of your University and furnish detailed reply to this office in this regard, at the earliest.

Regards,




(Gulzar Ahmad)
Secretary