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An Act to provide for temporary postponement of elections to authorities and bodies of certain non-agricultural and non-technological Universities in the State of Maharashtra.

WHEREAS the Maharashtra Universities Act, 1994 provides for constitution of various authorities and bodies of certain non-agricultural and non-technological universities consisting of elected members among others;

AND WHEREAS with a view to strengthen the non-agricultural and non-technological Universities in the State of Maharashtra and make them able to improve the quality of higher education and research, the Government of Maharashtra considers it expedient to repeal the Maharashtra Universities Act, 1994 and enact a comprehensive law for all non-agricultural and non-technological universities in the State;

AND WHEREAS it is expected that the Bill for enacting of the new Act would be introduced in the State Legislature in the near future;

AND WHEREAS various authorities and bodies of the university would be required to be constituted in accordance with the

provisions of the new Act;

AND WHEREAS the term of office of members of authorities and bodies of some universities is due to expire on the 31st August 2015;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient to temporarily postpone the elections to fill in vacancies of the elected members of authorities and bodies of each of such universities;

AND WHEREAS it is necessary to provide for temporary postponement of elections of members of authorities and bodies of such universities for purposes aforesaid; it is hereby enacted in the Sixty-sixth year of Republic of India as follows:-

### **1. Short title :-**

This Act may be called the Maharashtra Universities (Temporary postponement of elections of members of university authorities and other bodies) Act, 2015.

### **2. Temporary postponement of elections of members of university authorities and other bodies :-**

Notwithstanding anything contained in the Maharashtra Universities Act, 1994 (hereinafter referred to as "the Universities Act") or any Statutes made thereunder, no elections, to the universities mentioned in the Schedule of the Universities Act, for filling in vacancy, caused in any manner whatsoever, of any of the elected members of any of the authorities or bodies, of such university shall be held till 31st August 2016 (hereinafter in this Act referred to as "the said period").

### **3. Consequences of temporary postponement of elections of members of authorities and other bodies of the university :-**

Notwithstanding anything contained in the Universities Act, or any statutes made thereunder, no act or proceedings of any authority or any other body of any of the universities, during the said period shall be invalid merely on the ground that the vacancies occurring on any such authority or body required to be filled in by election are not so filled in.