

1 and a common seal and shall have power to acquire and dispose of interests in
2 movable and immovable property and may sue and be sued in its corporate
3 name.

Functions of the
College

4 3.-(1) The Functions of the College shall be:

5 (a) To provide full-time and part time courses in Pre and N.D forestry
6 technology, H.N.D Agricultural Extension, H.N.D Multi/Horticulture, H.N.D
7 Crop production technology, H.N.D Pest management technology,
8 Beekeeping, ND in computer technology, Fishery, Forest extension, soil
9 conservation and wild life management;

10 (b) to conduct courses in forestry for qualified forestry officers;

11 (c) to arrange conferences, seminars and workshops relative to the
12 fields of forestry;

13 (d) to perform such other functions as in the opinion of the Council
14 may serve to promote the objectives of the College;

15 (e) stipulate the requisite condition for the admission of the students
16 into the College;

17 (f) set up departments and other units of leaning and research in
18 accordance with aims and objectives of the College;

19 (g) create such offices and post as may be required by its objectives
20 and to appoint and remove persons from such offices or posts, and to prescribe
21 the condition of service;

22 (h) to provide such physical facilities as libraries, classroom,
23 laboratories, hostels, sport fields and other buildings or facilities as the college
24 may require for its purposes; and

25 (i) do all such other Acts and things whether or not incidental to the
26 foregoing powers as may advance the objects of the College.

27 (2) Without prejudice to the provisions of this Act, the College may, by
28 special arrangement, agreed with other institutions prepare its students for
29 Diploma Certificates.

30 (3) The College shall have power to hold Land and act as trustee or

1 managers of any property, legacy, endowment, bequest or gifts in
2 furtherance of the work and also to entered in to contract.

3 (4) Subject to the provision of this Act, the power conferred on the
4 College by Sub-sections (2) and (3) shall be exercised on behalf of the
5 College by the Council or by the Board or in any other manner which may be
6 authorized.

7 (5) In such other fields of applied in forestry conservation relevant
8 to the needs of the development of Nigeria in the areas of forestry and
9 agricultural production and distribution and for research in the development
10 and adaptation of techniques as the Council may from time to time
11 determine.

12 4.-(1) For carrying out the functions of the College, the Council
13 shall have power to:

Power of the
College

14 (a) Hold examinations and grant National Diplomas, High
15 National Diplomas, professional certificates and other distinctions to
16 persons who have pursued a course of study approved and accredited by the
17 National Board for Technical Education (NBTE);

18 (b) demand and receive from any student or any other person
19 attending the College for the purpose of instruction such fees as the Council
20 may, with the prior approval of the Minister, from time to time determine;

21 (c) hold public lectures and undertake seedlings and also sales
22 nursery trees during exhibitions;

23 (d) make gifts for any charitable purpose;

24 (e) hold examinations in forestry for qualified vocational and staff
25 for the forestry service in the region;

26 (f) provide amenities for and make such other provision for the
27 welfare of the staff of the College;

28 (g) invest the funds of the College in Securities specified by law or
29 in such other Securities in Nigeria as may be approved by the Minister;

30 (h) borrow money within Nigeria in such manner and upon such

- 1 security as the Minister may from time to time authorize;
- 2 (i) enter into such contracts as may be necessary or expedient for
- 3 carrying into effect the objectives of the College;
- 4 (j) recruit staff of the right caliber and determine the career structure
- 5 of such staff;
- 6 (k) establish and maintain such college and other units within the
- 7 College and other extensions as the Council may, from-time to time, decide;
- 8 (l) institute and award fellowships, medals, prizes and other titles;
- 9 (m) mount exhibitions and displays designed to foster an appreciation
- 10 of trends in and the scope and requirements of forestry;
- 11 (n) erect, provide, equip and maintain such forests, recreational and
- 12 residential facilities as the College may require;
- 13 (o) create lectureships and other forestry posts and offices and to
- 14 make appointments thereto;
- 15 (p) encourage and make provision for research in the College;
- 16 (q) do such acts and things whether or not incidental to the foregoing;
- 17 (r) Powers as may advance the objects of the College; and
- 18 (s) The power of the Council to establish further schools within the
- 19 College shall be exercisable by order and not otherwise.

20 PART II

Establishment
and Constitution
of Governing
Council

Composition
of the Council

- 21 5.-(1) There shall be established governing council herein in this Act
- 22 referred to as "the council".
- 23 (2) The council shall consist of a Chairman and the following other
- 24 members that is:
- 25 (a) one person to represent Universities;
- 26 (b) one person to represent department of forestry in the federal
- 27 ministry of agriculture;
- 28 (c) one person to represent professional bodies whose disciplines are
- 29

1 taught in the college;

2 (d) two persons of standing in the community where the college is
3 situate;

4 (e) the Provost of the College;

5 (f) one representative of the honorable minister charged with
6 responsibilities of matters relating the college;

7 (g) one representative of the permanent secretary of the ministry
8 charged with responsibilities on matters relating to agriculture;

9 (h) two representatives of the academic board of the college;

10 (i) one representative of commissioner for agriculture where the
11 college situates;

12 (j) three persons of note in the area of forest management;

13 (k) two representatives from the federal ministry of agriculture;

14 (l) six other persons, at least two of whom shall be women to be
15 selected on their personal merit based on their contribution.

16 (3) The Chairman and members of the council other than ex-officio
17 members Shall be appointed by the president.

18 (4) Without prejudice to the generality of subsection (3) of this
19 section, it shall be the responsibility of the Council to consider and approve:

Functions of the
Council

20 (a) The plan of activities of the College;

21 (b) the programme of studies, courses, and research to be
22 undertaken by the College;

23 (c) the annual estimates of the College; and

24 (d) the investment plans of the College.

25 (5) The provisions of the Second Schedule to this Act shall have
26 effect with respect to the Council as specified therein.

27 (6) A member of the Council (other than an ex-officio members)
28 shall hold office for a term of four years and subject to the provisions of
29 Subsection (4) of this section, shall be eligible for reappointment for a
30 further period of four years.

Tenure of Members
of the Council

1 (7) The office of a member appointed under sections 5 (2) (a, b, c, e &
2 h) of this Act shall become vacant if:

3 (a) The member resigns his office by notice in writing under his hand,
4 addressed to the Minister; or

5 (b) the Minister is satisfied that it is not in the interest of the College
6 for the person appointed to continue in office and notifies the member in
7 writing to that effect.

Terms of Service

8 6.-(1) There may be paid to the members of the Council or any
9 committee, other than ex-officio members, such remuneration and allowances
10 as may from time to time be determined by the President.

11 (2) Where a vacancy occurs in respect of the membership specified in
12 Section 3 (1) (d) and 3 (2) (d), it shall be filled by) the appointment of a
13 successor to hold office for the remainder of the term of office of his
14 predecessor in office and such successor shall represent the same interest as his
15 predecessor.

16 (3) The Council may act notwithstanding any vacancy in its
17 membership or any defect in the appointment of a member or the absence of a
18 member.

Procedure of
the Council

19 7.-(1) The Council shall meet for the conduct of business at such
20 times, places and on such days as the Chairman may appoint but shall meet not
21 less than once every four months.

22 (2) The Chairman may at any time and shall, at the request in writing
23 of not less than six members, convene a meeting of the Council.

24 (3) At any meeting of the Council the chairman shall preside; but in
25 his absence, members present shall elect one of their members to preside at the
26 meeting.

27 (4) Where the Council desires to obtain the advice of any person on
28 any particular matter, the Council may co-opt persons who are not members of
29 the Council but persons co-opted shall not be entitled to vote at a meeting of the
30 Council.

1 (5) The quorum of the Council shall be one half of the total
2 members of the Council, at least one of whom shall be a member appointed
3 by the President.

4 (6) Decisions of the Council shall be made on approval by a simple
5 majority of members.

6 8.-(1) The Council may, for the exercise, of the powers of the
7 College, appoint committees of the Council comprising members of the
8 Council or non-members or both and may assign to them such functions
9 under this Act as the Council may determine.

Committees of
Council

10 (2) Any decision of a Committee appointed by the Council under
11 this Section shall have no effect until it is confirmed by the Council.

12 9. The Registrar shall, in addition to other duties conferred on him
13 by or under this Act, be the secretary to the Council, the Academic Board and
14 any committee of the Council and in his absence, the Council or any such
15 committee may appoint some other person to act as secretary, and he shall
16 not vote on any question before the Council or count towards a quorum.

Secretary of the
Council

17 PART III

18 10.-(1) There shall be for the College, a selection Board which
19 shall consist of:

Selection Board
for other Principal
Officer

20 (a) The Chairman of the Council;

21 (b) the Provost;

22 (c) four members of the Council not being members of the
23 Academic Board; and

24 (d) two members of the Academic Board.

25 (2) the functions, procedure and other matters relating to the
26 Selection Board constituted under subsection (1) of this section shall be as
27 the Council may, from time to time, determine.

28 11.-(1) There shall be established College Academic Board to be
29 known as "the Academic Board" which shall consist of the following
30 members:

The Academic
Board

1 (a) the Provost of the College who shall be the chairman;
2 (b) all Heads of Departments;
3 (c) the College Librarian; and
4 (d) not more than two members of the Academic Staff other than
5 Heads of Departments to be appointed by the Council.

6 (2) The Academic Board shall be responsible for:

7 (a) the direction and management of academic matters of the College
8 including the regulation of admission of students, the award of certificates,
9 scholarships, prizes and other academic distinctions;

10 (b) making periodic reports on such academic matters to the Council
11 as the Council may from time to time direct;

Visitation of
the Minister

12 12.-(1) The Minister of Agriculture shall be the Visitor of the College.

13 (2) The Visitor shall, not less than once in every five years, conduct a
14 visitation of the College or appoint a visitation panel consisting of not less than
15 five experts to conduct the visitation:

16 (a) For the purpose of evaluating the academic and administrative
17 performance of the College; or

18 (b) For such other purpose or in respect of any other affairs of the
19 College as the Visitor may deem fit.

Power of
Minister

20 13. Subject to the provisions of this Act] the Minister may give to the
21 Council directions of a general character or relating generally to matters of
22 policy with regard to the exercise by the Council of its functions under this Act
23 and it shall be the duty of the Council to comply with such directions.

24 PART IV

The Provost

25 14.-(1) There shall be a Provost for the College (in this Act referred to
26 as "the Provost") who shall be appointed by the President, in accordance with
27 the provisions of this section.

28 (2) Where a vacancy occurs in the post of provost, the Council shall:

29 (a) Advertise the vacancy in a reputable journal or a widely read
30 newspapers in Nigeria specifying:

- 1 (i) The qualities of the person who may apply for the post;
- 2 (ii) The terms and conditions of service applicable to the post; and
- 3 thereafter draw up a short list of suitable candidates for consideration;
- 4 (b) Constitute a search team consisting of:
- 5 (i) A member of the Council not being a member of the Academic
- 6 Board, as chairman;
- 7 (ii) Two members of the academic Board not below the rank of
- 8 chief lecturer;
- 9 (iii) Two members of the academic community of the College not
- 10 below the rank of chief lecturer to be selected by the Council, to identify and
- 11 draw up a short list of suitable persons who are not likely to apply for the
- 12 post for any reason whatsoever.
- 13 (3) A Joint Council and Academic Selection Board consisting of:
- 14 (a) the chairman of the Council;
- 15 (b) two members of the Council not being members of the
- 16 Academic Board;
- 17 (c) two members of the Academic Board not below the rank of
- 18 chief lecturer, who were not members of the search team, shall consider the
- 19 candidates and persons on the short lists drawn up under subsection (2) of
- 20 this section through an examination of their curriculum vitae and interaction
- 21 with them and recommend through the Council to the President, three
- 22 candidates for his consideration.
- 23 (4) The President shall appoint as Provost one of the candidates
- 24 recommended to him under the provisions of subsection (3) of this section.
- 25 (5) Subject to this Act and the general control of the Council, the
- 26 Provost shall be the chief executive of the College and shall be charged with
- 27 general responsibility for matters relating to the day-to-day management
- 28 operations of the College.
- 29 (6) The Provost:
- 30 (a) Shall hold office for a period of five years beginning with the

1 effective date of his appointment and on such terms and conditions as may be
2 specified in his letter of appointment; and

3 (b) May be reappointed for one further period of five years and no
4 more.

Deputy Provost

5 15.-(i) There shall be for the college a Deputy Provost.

6 (2) The Council shall appoint the Deputy Provost from among the
7 Chief Lecturers in the College in one of the following ways that is:

8 (a) From a list of three candidates in order of preference, submitted by
9 the Provost;

10 (b) On the recommendation of a Selection Board constituted under
11 this section for that purpose; or

12 (c) On the nomination of the Provost.

13 (3) The Selection Board referred to in subsection (2) of this section
14 shall:

15 (a) Consist of:

16 (i) The chairman of the Council;

17 (ii) The Provost;

18 (iii) Two members of the Council not being members of the Academic
19 Board;

20 (iv) Two members of the Academic Board; and

21 (b) Make such inquiries as it deems fit before making the
22 recommendation required under that subsection.

23 (4) The Deputy Provost shall: I

24 (a) Assist the Provost in the performance of his functions;

25 (b) Act in the place of the Provost when the post of Provost is vacant or
26 if the Provost is, for any reason, absent or unable to perform his functions as
27 Provost; and

28 (c) Perform such other functions as the provost or the Council may,
29 from time to time, assign to him.

30 (5) The Deputy Provost:

1 (a) Shall hold office for a period of two years beginning from the
2 effective date of his appointment and on such terms and conditions as may
3 be specified in his letter of appointment; and

4 (b) May be reappointed for one further period of two years and no
5 more.

6 16.-(1) The Council of the College shall appoint a Registrar of the
7 College (hereinafter referred to as the Registrar") who shall keep the records
8 and conduct the correspondence of the Council and shall perform such other
9 duties as the Council and subject thereto as the Provost may from time to
10 time direct.

The Registrar
and other Staff
of the College

11 (2) The Registrar shall, in addition to other duties conferred on him
12 by or under this Act, be the secretary to the Council, the Academic Board and
13 any Committee of the Council and in his absence, the Councilor any such
14 committee may appoint some other person to act as secretary, and he shall
15 not vote on any question before the Councilor count towards a quorum.

16 (3) A Registrar:

17 (a) shall hold office for a period of five years beginning from the
18 effective date of his appointment and on such terms and conditions as may
19 be specified in his letter of appointment; and

20 (b) May be reappointed for one further period of five years and no
21 more.

22 (4) Where, on the commencement of this section, a Registrar
23 appointed before the commencement of this section has held office:

24 (a) For five years or less, he shall be deemed to be serving his first
25 term of office and may be reappointed for a further term of five years;

26 (b) For more than five years but less than ten years, he shall
27 complete the maximum period of ten years and thereafter relinquish his post
28 and be assigned other duties in the College;

29 (c) For ten years or more, the Council may allow him to serve as
30 Registrar for a further period of one year only and thereafter he shall

Other Principal
Officers of the
College

1 relinquish his post and be assigned other duties in the College.

2 17.-(1) There shall be the following principal officers for the college
3 in addition to the Registrar, that is:

4 (a) the Bursar;

5 (b) the College Librarian;

6 (c) Director of works; and

7 (d) Director Academic Planning who shall be appointed by the
8 Council on the recommendation of the Selection Board constituted under
9 section 9(3) of this Act.

10 (2) The Bursar shall be the chief financial officer of the College and be
11 responsible to the Provost for the day-to-day administration and control of the
12 financial affairs of the College.

13 (3) The College Librarian shall be responsible to the Provost for the
14 administration of the College Library and the coordination of the library
15 services of the various units of the College.

16 (4) The Director Works who is responsible to the Provost and to
17 manage general maintenance of the college equipment.

18 (5) The Director Academic Planning which shall be responsible to the
19 Provost and preparing calendar of events and examination time table.

20 (6) A Bursar, Librarian, the Director Works and Academic Planning:

21 (a) Shall hold office for a period of five years beginning from the
22 effective date of their appointment and on such terms and conditions as may be
23 specified in his letter of appointment; and

24 (b) May be reappointed for a further period of five years and no more.

25 (7) Where, on the commencement of this section, a Bursar, Librarian
26 or the Director Works and Academic Planning has held office:

27 (a) For five years or less, they shall be deemed to be serving his first
28 term of office and may be reappointed for a further term of five years;

29 (b) For more than five but less than ten [years, he shall complete the
30 maximum period of ten years and thereafter relinquish his post and be assigned

1 other duties in the College;

2 (c) For ten years or more, the Council may allow him to serve in
3 that capacity for a further period of one year only and thereafter he shall
4 relinquish his post and be assigned other duties in the College.

5 18. A principal officer may resign his appointment:

6 (a) In the case of the Provost, by notice to the Visitor; and

7 (b) In any other case, by notice to the Council.

Resignation of
Appointment of
Principal Officer

8 19.-(1) The Council may appoint such other persons to be
9 employees of the College as the Council may determine to assist the Provost
10 and the principal officers of the College in the performance of their
11 functions under this Act.

Other Employees
of the College

12 (2) Subject to the provisions of this Act, the remuneration, tenure
13 of office and conditions of service of the employees of the Council shall be
14 determined by the Council in consultation with the Federal Civil Service
15 Commission.

16 PART V

17 20.-(1) It is hereby declared that service in College shall be
18 approved service for the purposes of the Pensions Act and, accordingly,
19 officers and other persons employed in the College shall in respect of their
20 service in the College be entitled to pensions, gratuities and other retirement
21 benefits as are prescribed there under, so however that nothing in this Act
22 shall prevent the appointment of a person to any office on terms which
23 preclude the grant of a pension and gratuity in respect of that office.

Pensions

24 (2) The Council shall not accept any gifts if the conditions
25 attached by the person making the gifts are inconsistent with the functions of
26 the Council.

27 21. The Council shall keep proper accounts of its receipts,
28 payments, assets and liabilities and shall in respect of each year cause the
29 accounts to be audited.

Accounts and
Audit

- Annual Reports 1 22. The Council shall as soon as may be after the expiration of each
2 financial year, prepare and submit to the Minister a report of its activities
3 during the immediately preceding financial year and shall include in the report
4 a copy of the audited accounts of the College for that year and 01 if the auditor's
5 report on the accounts.
- Offices and Premises 6 23.-(1) For the purpose of providing offices and premises necessary
7 for the performance of its functions, the Council may:
8 (a) Purchase any interest in or take on lease any land; and
9 (b) Build, equip and maintain offices and premises.
10 (2) The Council may, with the approval of the Minister, sell any
11 interest in or lease any land, offices or premises held by it and no longer
12 required for the performance of its functions.
- Discipline of Students 13 24.-(1) The Council may make rules providing for the Provost to
14 conduct enquiries into alleged breaches of discipline (including lack of
15 diligence) by students and such rules may make different provisions for
16 different circumstances.
17 (2) The rules shall provide for the procedure and rules of evidence to
18 be followed at enquiries under this section.
19 (3) Subject to the provisions of subsection (1) of this section, where it
20 is proved during the enquiry that any student of the College has been guilty of
21 misconduct, the Provost may, without prejudice to and other disciplinary
22 powers conferred on him by this Act or any regulations made there under,
23 direct:
24 (a) That the student shall not, during such period as may be specified
25 in the direction, participate in such activities of the College, or make use of
26 such facilities of the College, as he may specify;
27 (b) That the activities of the student shall, during such period as may
28 be specified in the directions, be restricted in such manner as may be so
29 specified; or
30 (c) That the student may be suspended for such period as may be

1 specified in the direction; or (d) that the student be expelled from the College.

2 (4) Where there is temporarily no Provost or where the Provost
3 refuses to apply any disciplinary measures, the Council may, either directly
4 or through some other staff, apply such disciplinary actions as are specified
5 in subsection (3) of this section to any student of the College who is guilty of
6 misconduct.

7 (5) Where a direction is given under subsection (3) (c) or (d) of this
8 section in respect of any student, the student may, within 21 days from the
9 date of the letter communicating the decision to him, appeal from the
10 direction to the Council, and where such an appeal is brought, the Council
11 shall, after causing such inquiry to be made in the matter as the Council
12 considers just, either confirm or set aside the direction or modify it in such
13 manner as the Council may think fit.

14 (6) The fact that an appeal from a direction is brought in pursuance
15 of subsection (5) of this section shall not affect the operation of the direction
16 while the appeal is pending.

17 (7) The Provost may delegate his powers under this section to a
18 disciplinary committee consisting of such members of the College as he may
19 nominate.

20 (8) Nothing in this section shall be construed as preventing the
21 restriction or termination of a student's activities at the College otherwise
22 than on the ground of misconduct.

23 (9) It is hereby declared that the direction under subsection (3) (a)
24 of this section may be combined with a direction under subsection (3) (b) of
25 this section.

26 (10) In all cases under this section, the decision of the Council shall
27 be final unless reversed by the Minister on appeal by the student.

28 25.-(1) The fixing of the seal of the College shall be authenticated
29 by the signature of the chairman, Provost and of some other members of the

1 Council authorized generally or specifically by the Council to act for that
2 purpose.

3 (2) Any contract or instrument which, if made or executed by a person
4 other than a body corporate would not be required to be under seal may be made
5 or executed on behalf of the College by any person generally or specially
6 authorized to act for that purpose by the Council.

7 (3) Any document purporting to be duly executed under the seal of
8 the College shall be received in evidence and shall, unless the contrary is
9 proved, be presumed to be so executed.

10 PART VI

Terms of Office
of Members

11 26.-(1) A member of the Council other than ex-officio member shall
12 hold office for a period of three years beginning with the date on which he was
13 appointed and shall be eligible for re-appointment for a further term of three
14 years and thereafter he shall no longer be eligible for re-appointment.

15 (2) Members of the Council holding office as specified in Section 23
16 (1) of this schedule shall be paid remuneration or allowance in accordance with
17 rates specified from time to time by the Nation, Council of Ministers.

18 (3) A member of the Council holding office as specified in Section 23
19 (1) of this Schedule may be notice in writing to the Minister resign his office.

20 (4) Where a vacancy occurs in the membership of the Council, that
21 vacancy shall be filled by the appointment of a successor to hold office for the
22 remainder of the term of office of his predecessor; so however that the
23 successor shall represent the same interest as his predecessor.

24 (5) The Council may act notwithstanding any vacancy in its
25 membership or the absence of any member or that a person not entitled to do so
26 take part in its proceedings.

27 PART VII

Powers of Council
to hold property
and enter into
contract

28 27.-(1) The Council may, on behalf of the College, acquire and hold
29 such movable and immovable property as may be necessary or expedient, for
30 the same purposes, may sell, lease, mortgage or otherwise alienate or dispose

1 of any property so acquired.

2 (2) The Council shall have power to enter into contracts on behalf
3 of the College.

4 28. The Council may with the approval of the Minister and on
5 behalf of the College, invest the funds of the College in such manner and to
6 such extent as may be necessary or expedient for carrying into effect the
7 provisions this Act. Power to invest

8 29. The funds of the College shall include: Funds of the
College

9 (a) Revenue as may from time to time accrue to the College from
10 the Government by way of government grants, subvention or endowment or
11 otherwise;

12 (b) fees charged by the College;

13 (c) Donations, legacies or endowment from public or private
14 bodies;

15 (d) payment for sells of woods or other services rendered by the
16 College; and

17 (e) any other monies due to or recoverable by the College from any
18 other sources.

19 30.-(1) Donation of money to be applied for particular purposes
20 shall be placed to the credit of a Special Reserve Account and may be
21 invested in such security or other investments as may be approved by the
22 Minister until such time as may be expended in fulfillment of such purpose,
23 provided that the Council shall not be obliged to accept any donation for a
24 purpose unless it approved the terms and condition attached to such
25 donation. Donations for
particular purpose

26 (2) The interest derived from the investment referred to in sub-
27 section (1) of this Section shall, unless the terms of the donation forbid, be
28 deemed to be fund of the College.

29 31.-(1) All sums of money received on account of the College shall
30 be paid into such bank a determined by the Council for the credit of one or
Payment into
Banks

1 other of the accounts of the College accordance with the direction of the
2 Council.

3 (2) The sums of money referred to in Sub-section (1) of this Section or
4 any part thereof standing to the credit of the College other than donations of
5 money referred to in Sub-section (1) of Section 34 of this Act may, if the
6 Council thinks fits, be invested in such securities as the Council may direct or
7 be placed on deposit in such bank as the Council may determine.

Annual Estimate

8 32.-(1) Before the end of each financial year, from at such other times
9 as may be required by the Council, the Provost shall present for scrutiny and
10 acceptance, by the Council, estimates of revenue and expenditure of the
11 College, the for next financial year and the accepted estimates shall,
12 immediately after acceptance, be presented to the Minister for approval.

13 (2) The Council shall afford the Minister facilities for:

14 (a) obtaining information with respect to the property of the College
15 and the functions of the Council; and

16 (b) the verification of the information so furnished in such manner
17 and such times as the Minister may require and the Council shall also furnish
18 him with returns of accounts and other information with the report thereto.

Settlement of
Disputes

19 33.-(1) In the event of any doubt or dispute arising at any time
20 regarding the meeting of any of the provisions of this Act or the Statues, the
21 matter shall be referred to the Minister who shall advise thereon and give his
22 decision accordingly and the decision shall be binding upon the authorities, the
23 staff and the students of the College.

24 (2) The provisions of Sub-section (1) of this section shall not be
25 deemed to exclude the jurisdiction of the Law Courts from determining any
26 doubt or dispute.

Annual Report

27 34.-(1) The Council shall, as soon as possible after the expiration of
28 each financial year but within six months after the termination of that year,
29 cause to be submitted to the Minister and Annual Report of the College dealing
30 generally with the activities and operations of the College I within that year

1 which shall, without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, include:

2 (a) A copy of the audited accounts of the College together with the
3 Auditor-General's of the Federation report thereon (if any);

4 (b) a statement of all directions given to the College under Section
5 41 of this Act;

6 (c) each report submitted by the External Auditor under Section 30
7 of this Act in relation to that financial year; and

8 (d) such other information as the Minister may request

9 (2) A copy of the Annual Report shall be forwarded by the Council
10 to the Federal Minister responsible for Finance and Economic Planning.

11 (3) The Minister shall, not later than three months after receiving
12 the Annual Report, cause it to be laid before the National Executive Council.

13 (4) The Council shall also submit to the Minister such other reports
14 on the College's financial affairs as the Minister may by writing reasonably
15 request from time to time.

16 35.-(1) The Council may from time to time, issue bye-laws or
17 administrative instructions in writing for regulating the internal operations
18 of the College including but without prejudice to the general effect of the
19 foregoing, the regulation of:

Bye-laws and
Administrative
instructions

20 (a) The disciplinary control of the students; and

21 (b) The conditions of service of the employees of the College and
22 until such bye-law or administrative instructions are issued, the rules
23 governing the conditions of services and disciplinary control in the state
24 civil service shall apply, with necessary modifications, to the staff of the
25 College.

26 (2) All such bye-laws or administrative instructions shall come into
27 force, when signed by the Chairman or as may be determined by the
28 Council.

29 36. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires:

Interpretation

30 "Chairman" means the Chairman of the Council;

1 "College" means the Federal College of Forestry specified in the First
2 Schedule to this Act and "College" shall be construed accordingly;

3 "Council" means the Governing Council of the College established by or
4 pursuant to section 3 of this Act;

5 "Provost" means the Provost of a College appointed under section 9 of this Act;

6 "Functions" includes powers and duties;

7 "Minister" means the Minister charged with responsibility for matters relating
8 to Agriculture;

9 "Member" means a member of the council including the chairman.

Citation

10 37. This Bill may be cited as the Federal College of Forestry, Burra,
11 Ningi, Bauchi State Bill, 2021.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Bill seeks to establish Federal College of Forestry, Burra, Ningi LGA, Bauchi State and to render technical training for other African countries, to train young men and women to establish and manage farm forest, plantations, research and multicultural design for recreation and astatic purposes in beautifying the natural environment and also produce opportunity for an intelligent understanding towards increasing wood production.