

# NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE SCHEME ACT, 2015

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Assented to by The President,  
this 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2015



YAHYA A. J. J. JAMMEH  
President

**AN ACT** to establish the National Youth Service Scheme,  
and for connected matters.

**ENACTED** by the President and the National Assembly.

**PART I – PRELIMINARY**

**1. Short title**

This Act may be cited as the National Youth Service Scheme Act,  
2015.

## 2. Interpretation

In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires –

“Board” means the Board of the National Youth Service Scheme established under section 5;

“chairperson” means –

(a) except in section 14 (1) (a) the chairperson of the Board of Directors of the National Youth Service Scheme; and

(b) in section 14 (1) (a) the chairperson of a regional committee;

“Executive Director” means the Executive Director of the National Youth Service Scheme appointed under section 17;

“financial year” means the period from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December;

“functions” includes powers and duties;

“member” means a person registered as a member of the National Youth Service Scheme;

“Minister” means the Minister of Youth and Sports;

"President" means the President of the Republic of The Gambia;

"regional committee" means a regional committee established under section 13;

"Secretariat" means the Secretariat of the National Youth Service Scheme;

"Secretary" means the Secretary to the Board of Directors of the National Youth Service Scheme appointed by the Board under section 9;

"Service Scheme" means the National Youth Service Scheme established under section 3; and

"staff" means the staff of the National Youth Service Scheme.

## **PART II – ESTABLISHMENT AND FUNCTIONS OF THE NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE SCHEME**

### **3. Establishment of the Service Scheme**

(1) There is established by this Act, the National Youth Service Scheme.

(2) The Service Scheme is a body corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal and may –

- (a) sue and be sued in its corporate name;
- (b) enter into contracts and acquire, hold and dispose of property; and
- (c) so far as is possible for a body corporate, exercise the rights, powers and privileges and incur the liabilities and obligations of a natural person of full age and capacity.

(3) The application of the common seal of the Service Scheme to a document shall be authenticated by the signature of the Executive Director or such other person as may be authorised by the Executive Director in writing to sign on behalf of the Service Scheme.

(4) A document bearing the imprint of the common seal of the Service Scheme is deemed to be properly sealed, unless the contrary is proved.

#### 4. Functions of the Service Scheme

The Service Scheme shall –

(a) establish competencies and capabilities in all aspects of its operations;

(b) establish offices of the Service Scheme at the regional level and appoint the necessary personnel to man those offices;

(c) promote evidence-based advocacy, planning and decision-making by –

(i) carrying out or causing to be carried out any investigation that it deems necessary,

(ii) considering recommendations, suggestions and requests concerning youth affairs that it may receive from any source, or

(iii) conducting or causing to be conducted such research as it may deem necessary;

(d) provide counselling and career guidance services to members of the Service Scheme;

(e) provide access to information regarding products and services of the Microfinance Fund;

(f) create and administer databases of employment opportunities for use of members of the Scheme;

(g) provide financial assistance to micro and medium enterprises and cooperatives owned by youths, to enable them to further their careers;

(h) provide mentoring services aimed at empowering youths in the economy;

(i) provide bridging programs for youths to facilitate the transition from school or training to the work environment;

(j) provide training on –

(i) the concepts and principles of entrepreneurship and business,

- (ii) the personal development of youths,
  - (iii) the establishment and management of businesses for youths,
  - (iv) life and professional skills development of unemployed youths to enable them to be integrated into the economy, and
  - (v) opportunities that will promote service to communities and the nation;
- (k) provide such other services as may be necessary to achieve its objectives.

### **PART III – ESTABLISHMENT OF THE NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE SCHEME BOARD AND ITS COMMITTEES**

#### **5. Establishment and composition of the Board**

There is established by this Act, the National Youth Service Scheme Board, which shall be responsible for the operation of the Service Scheme and consists of –

- (a) a chairperson;
- (b) the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry responsible for Youth and Sports;
- (c) the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry responsible for Agriculture;
- (d) the Permanent Secretary of the Ministry responsible for Finance and Economic Affairs;
- (e) the Chief of Defence Staff of the Gambia Armed Forces;
- (f) the Executive Director of the Association of Non-Governmental Organisations;
- (g) the Executive Director of the National Accreditation and Quality Assurance Authority;
- (h) the Chief Executive of the Gambia Association of Local Government Authorities; and
- (i) the Executive Director of the National Youth Service

Scheme.

who shall be appointed by the President, in consultation with the Public Service Commission.

## 6. Functions of the Board

The Board shall –

- (a) determine the policy and strategic directions of the Service Scheme, review them periodically for accuracy and validity to its mission and update them as necessary;
- (b) safeguard the organisational integrity of the Service Scheme;
- (c) establish a plan of governance that allows the Service Scheme to fulfill its mission and reflects its guiding principles;
- (d) establish and coordinate the work of governance structures, including regional committees;
- (e) establish the accountability instruments of the Service Scheme and monitor compliance in their implementation;
- (f) provide oversight over the fiduciary and legal requirements of the Service Scheme;
- (g) determine the programmes and services of the Service Scheme and monitor and evaluate their compliance with the objectives of the Service Scheme;
- (h) review and approve the annual programmes and budget of the Service Scheme, its annual report and audited financial statements;
- (i) recommend the appointment and removal from office of the Executive Director;
- (j) appoint the Secretary to the Board;
- (k) determine the remuneration, conditions of service and performance appraisal for the Executive Director and staff;

- (l) participate in the short and long-term strategic planning process of the Service Scheme, including defining goals and objectives;
- (m) approve an internal code of ethics and conduct for the Board and staff and ensure compliance with this code;
- (n) serve as ambassador for the Service Scheme, articulating its mission, accomplishments and goals to the public and garnering support for the Service Scheme; and
- (o) subject to the Constitution and any other Act of the National Assembly, with the prior approval of the President, make regulations for the performance of its functions under the Constitution or any other law and for the effective administration of the Service Scheme.

#### **7. Disqualification from service on the Board and removal from office by the President**

(1) A person is not qualified to be a member of the Board if he or she –

- (a) is not a citizen of The Gambia;
- (b) has been adjudged or otherwise declared –
  - (i) a bankrupt under any law in force in The Gambia and has not yet been discharged,
  - (ii) to be of unsound mind, or
- (c) is detained as a criminal lunatic under any law for the time being in force in The Gambia;
- (d) has been convicted –
  - (i) of high crime under the Constitution, or
  - (ii) of an offence involving the security of the State, fraud, dishonesty or moral ineptitude, or
  - (iii) of any other offence on indictment and has not been granted a free pardon;

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(e) has been found by a commission of inquiry to be incompetent to hold public office or that while being a public officer he or she –

(i) acquired assets unlawfully, or

(ii) defrauded the State, or

(iii) abused his office, or

(iv) willfully acted in a manner prejudicial to the interests of the State

and such findings have not been set aside on appeal or judicial review;

(f) has had his or her property confiscated as the result of the findings of a commission of inquiry, and such findings have not been set aside on appeal or judicial review; or

(g) has had a sentence of imprisonment imposed on him by any court; or

(h) is otherwise disqualified by any law for the time being in force in The Gambia.

(2) The President may, on the recommendation of the Minister, remove a member of the Board from office if the member–

(a) is guilty of misconduct;

(b) is not performing his or her duties efficiently;

(c) is absent from three consecutive meetings of the Board without the permission of the Board or good cause; and

(d) becomes disqualified as contemplated in subsection (1).

(3) A member of the Board may resign by giving thirty days' notice in writing addressed to –

(a) the chairperson; or

(b) the President.

## 8. Tenure of office of Board members, etc.

(1) A member of the Board shall hold office for a term of three years and is eligible for re-appointment for one further term.

(2) Where a member of the Board is unable to perform the duties of his or her office during any period owing to –

(a) absence; or

(b) inability to act from illness; or

(c) any other cause

the President may appoint another person to act in his or her office until that member of the Board is able to resume the performance of his or her duties.

(3) The chairperson shall notify the President, in writing, of all vacancies occurring in the membership of the Board and of any circumstances giving rise to an appointment under sub-section (2).

(4) Members of the Board shall be paid such subsistence, travelling and other allowances as the Minister may approve.

## 9. Appointment of Secretary to the Board

(1) The Board shall appoint as Secretary to the Board, a senior official of the Service Scheme with proven ability in administration.

(2) The Secretary shall be paid such allowances as the Board may determine but he or she shall have no voting rights on the Board.

## 10. Functions of the Secretary

(1) The Secretary shall –

(a) develop the agenda for meetings in consultation with the chairperson;

(b) schedule and call up ordinary meetings of the Board;

(c) schedule and call up special meetings of the Board

within ten days of the receipt of a written request addressed to the Secretary and signed by –

- (i) the chairperson, or
  - (ii) a two-thirds majority of the members of the Board;
- (d) prepare and circulate the minutes of Board meetings;
  - (e) follow-up on Board decisions and resolutions and ensure that they are expeditiously implemented,;
  - (f) ensure the proper up-keep and storage of Board records in a manner that will allow for easy retrieval;
  - (g) manage all correspondence between the Board and third parties, in particular, information that is necessary to enable the Board make informed decisions; and
  - (h) perform such other functions as the Board or the chairperson may direct.
- (2) The Secretary shall be subject to the supervision and control of the Board and the chairperson.

### **11. Board Meetings**

- (1) The Board shall ordinarily meet for the conduct of business at such times and at such places as the chairperson may determine but shall meet at least once in every quarter.
- (2) The chairperson shall preside at meetings of the Board and any other member of the Board may preside at a meeting of the Board in the absence of the chairperson.
- (3) The quorum for Board meetings is three members of the Board.
- (4) Decisions of the Board shall be taken on the basis of a simple majority of the members of the Board present and in the event of an equality of votes the person presiding shall have a casting vote.
- (5) The Board may at any time co-opt any individual to act as an adviser at its meeting, but a co-opted individual shall

not be entitled to vote at any meeting and on any matter for decision by the Board.

(6) A member of the Board who has, in relation to a matter to be considered at a meeting of the Board, any interest that precludes the member of the Board from acting in a fair, unbiased and proper manner shall immediately disclose the nature of his or her interest and may not –

- (a) participate in that meeting; or
- (b) be present at the venue where the meeting is held.

## **12. Power of the Board to establish committees**

(1) The Board may establish committees, including –

- (a) an executive management committee;
- (b) specialised committees; and
- (c) regional committees

to assist the Board in the performance of its functions.

(2) The Board shall determine the composition, rules, and procedures of the committees that it establishes.

(3) The Board may reconstitute or dissolve a committee as and when it deems it necessary.

(4) Decisions taken by a committee shall be ratified by the Board.

## **PART IV – ESTABLISHMENT OF REGIONAL COMMITTEES AND ANCILLARY MATTERS**

### **13. Establishment of regional committees**

There is established by this Act, a committee in each region of the country which will be based in the office of the Regional Governor or Municipal Authority.

### **14. Composition of a regional committee, etc.**

(1) A regional committee shall consist of the following members –

- (a) a chairperson;

- (b) a member of the Gambia Armed Forces or the security services;
- (c) the regional youth coordinator; and
- (d) a representative of each of the following sectors –
  - (i) agriculture and natural resources,
  - (ii) commerce and industry,
  - (iii) health,
  - (iv) local government,
  - (v) training and education, and
  - (vi) Civil society organisations.

(2) With the exception of the regional youth coordinator, members of regional committees shall be appointed by the Board in consultation with the Minister and the Regional Governors.

### **15. Functions**

A regional committee shall be under the control and supervision of the Board and shall –

- (a) facilitate the selection of members;
- (b) provide board and lodging, transportation and other essential facilities for the welfare of members;
- (c) prepare reports on members;
- (d) provide facilities for orientation courses and winding-up exercises;
- (e) maintain a regional database on employment opportunities;
- (f) deploy members in consultation with the Executive Director;
- (g) ensure the security and welfare of members deployed to the region;
- (h) select Service Scheme Honours Award winners at

the regional level; and

- (i) ensure the effective integration of members deployed to the region.

## 16. Funding

(1) Regional committees shall be funded through moneys provided by –

(a) the Secretariat; and

(b) Local government authorities.

(2) In addition to the sources of funding in sub-section (1), regional committees may be funded through moneys provided by –

(a) the private sector; and

(b) Civil society organisations.

## PART V—THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE SCHEME

### 17. Appointment of the Executive Director

(1) The Executive Director shall be appointed by the President after consultation with the Board and the Public Service Commission.

(2) The Executive Director shall hold office upon such terms and conditions as may be specified in his or her letter of appointment.

(3) The Executive Director shall hold office for a term of five years and may be re-appointed for one further term.

(4) Where the Executive Director is unable to perform the duties of his or her office during any period, the Board shall appoint a person to act as Executive Director until the Executive Director resumes his or her duties or a new Executive Director is appointed.

### 18. Functions of the Executive Director

Subject to the general control of the Board on matters of policy and except where otherwise provided in this Act, the Executive Director shall –

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- (a) direct the day-to-day management of the Service Scheme;
- (b) organise the activities of and control the staff and members of the service Scheme;
- (c) effectively communicate the vision, management philosophy and strategy to the staff and members, and stakeholders of the Service Scheme;
- (d) ensure the appointment of qualified staff and provide the staff with the resources to effectively perform their duties;
- (e) develop and recommend to the Board a prudent policy and a sound long-term Strategic Plan for the Service Scheme that meets the needs of the Service Scheme, its staff and members, the Government, local communities and other stakeholders;
- (f) ensure the implementation of the policies and strategies of the Service Scheme;
- (g) raise funds and allocate resources consistent with strategic objectives of the Service Scheme and make timely adjustments in strategies when circumstances demand a change;
- (h) sign contracts on behalf of the Board;
- (i) carry out a comprehensive budgeting process and monitor the Service Scheme's financial performance against the budget;
- (j) develop, and with the approval of the Board, implement an annual program and budget in accordance with the long-term Strategic Plan of the Service Scheme;
- (k) submit to the Board annual reports, audited financial statements and periodic reports on the financial position of the Service Scheme; and
- (l) represent the Service Scheme at various forums, as necessary.

### 19. Execution of written performance agreement

(1) The Board shall execute a written performance agreement with the Executive Director –

(a) within a reasonable time after the appointment of the Executive Director; and

(b) thereafter, within one month of the commencement of each financial year.

(2) The written performance agreement shall specify –

(a) measurable performance objectives and targets that the Executive Director shall meet;

(b) the time frames within which the Executive Director shall meet those performance objectives and targets;

(c) standards and procedures for evaluating the Executive Director's performance;

(d) intervals for the evaluation of the Executive Director's performance; and

(e) the consequences of sub-standard performance by the Executive Director.

## PART VI – STAFF OF THE NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE SCHEME

### 20. Appointment of staff, etc.

(1) The Board may appoint such staff as it deems necessary for the proper and efficient conduct of the functions of the Service Scheme.

(2) The Board may, upon the recommendation of the Executive Director, engage the services of such consultants and advisers as it may determine.

(3) The Board shall, in consultation with the Minister, determine the remuneration, allowances, benefits and other terms and conditions of appointment of staff.

### 21. Delegation of duties

(1) The Board may delegate any of its functions to the

Executive Director.

(2) The Executive Director may, after consultation with the Board, delegate any of the functions of the Executive Director to any other senior staff of the Service Scheme who has the appropriate knowledge and experience.

(3) A delegation of function under sub-sections (1) and (2) shall be in writing and may –

(a) be subject to any conditions determined by the Board or the Executive Director;

(b) not prevent the performance of that function by the Board or the Executive Director; and

(c) be withdrawn or amended by the Board or the Executive Director.

## **PART VII – MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL YOUTH SERVICE SCHEME**

### **22. Application of the Service Scheme**

(1) The Service Scheme shall apply to a person who –

(a) is a citizen of The Gambia;

(b) has attained the age of eighteen years;

(c) is certified medically fit; and

(d) is of good character and provides two references attesting to his or her good character.

(2) A person who seeks employment in the public service may be required to provide evidence of his or her participation in, or exemption from joining, the National Youth Service.

### **23. Terms and conditions of engagement**

A person to whom the Service Scheme applies shall be engaged on such terms and conditions including remuneration as may be specified in his or her letter of engagement.

## 24. Duration and nature of engagement

(1) The duration and nature of the service of a person to whom the Service Scheme applies is as follows -

- (a) a person eighteen years old and above and newly graduating from a tertiary or higher educational institution shall serve a one-year mandatory national service before engagement into any paid employment;
- (b) a person newly graduating from a senior or junior secondary school may participate in a one-year to three-year voluntary skills development programme, depending on the type of skill; and
- (c) a person eighteen to thirty years old who is out of the mainstream educational system may participate in a one-year to three-year voluntary apprenticeship programme, depending on the course requirements.

(2) A person who has successfully completed his or her youth service and who is later engaged in the public service is entitled to count the period of youth service towards any probationary period to be required of that person in the public service.

## 25. Placement of members

(1) The Board may place a member in any discipline for the acquisition of skills and, in determining where a member may be placed, the Board shall consider the qualifications of the member and the national priority needs.

(2) The Board shall determine the place, time and duration that a member may be deployed.

(3) In discharging its functions under this section the Board may deploy members to designated skills centres.

## 26. Assessment of performance and character

(1) The Board may require the Executive Director to provide quarterly reports on each member.

(2) The quarterly report on each member shall indicate -

- (a) the extent of the member's interest in skills training;

- (b) the degree of comradeship that the member engenders amongst other members and the host community;
- (c) the extent of the member's industry at work, resourcefulness and initiative;
- (d) the character, appearance, temperament and integrity of the member;
- (e) the member's readiness to accept responsibility and leadership;
- (f) any special contribution that the member makes to the host community; and
- (g) any other information that may assist in the assessment of the member.

## **27. Certificate of National Youth Service**

A person who satisfactorily completes his or her period of youth service shall be awarded a Certificate of National Youth Service by the Board.

## **PART VIII – FINANCIAL PROVISIONS**

### **28. Funding and investment**

- (1) The funds of the Service Scheme shall consist of –
  - (a) subventions from the Government;
  - (b) contributions from local government authorities;
  - (c) moneys from income-generating activities;
  - (d) interest on investments of the Service Scheme; and
  - (e) grants, donations and contributions received from any other lawful source.
- (2) The Service Scheme may invest any of its funds not immediately required –
  - (a) subject to Government investment policy; and
  - (b) in such manner as may be approved by the Board

and the Minister.

### **29. Programme and estimates of expenditure**

(1) The Executive Director shall submit to the Board at such times and in such form as the Board may direct, a detailed programme and the estimates of the income and expenditure of the Service Scheme for the next following financial year.

(2) An expenditure shall not be made out of the funds of the Service Scheme unless the expenditure has been approved by the Board under the estimates for the year in which the expenditure is made or in any supplementary estimate.

(3) Subject to the provisions of section 28, the expenditure of the Service Scheme shall be in accordance with the estimates approved by the Board and endorsed by the Minister.

### **30. Estimates, accounts and audit**

(1) The Board shall, not later than three months before the end of each financial year, prepare and submit to the Minister for approval, estimates of the income and expenditure of the Service Scheme for the ensuing year.

(2) The Board shall keep proper records and books of accounts of its income, expenditure and transfers.

(3) The Board shall prepare, in respect of each financial year, a statement of accounts.

(4) The Board shall, within three months after the end of each financial year, submit its statement of accounts to the Auditor General for audit.

(5) The audited accounts of the Service Scheme and the Auditor General's report on those accounts shall form part of the Auditor General's overall annual report to the National Assembly.

### **31. Annual report**

(1) The Board shall, within three months after the end of each financial year, submit to the Minister, an annual report on the activities and operations of the Service

Scheme within that financial year.

(2) The report under sub-section (1) shall include –

- (a) a statement on the income, source of income and application of the moneys of the Service Scheme;
- (b) information with regard to the operation of the Service Scheme;
- (c) such other information as the Minister may request.

(3) The Minister shall, not later than three months after the end of the financial year, cause the report to be laid before the National Assembly.

(4) The Board shall also provide the Minister with such information relating to the affairs of the Service Scheme as the Minister may request.

### 32. Bank accounts and borrowing power

(1) The Service Scheme shall maintain bank accounts in such commercial banks as the Board may approve.

(2) The Minister of Finance may, on behalf of the Government, guarantee the performance of any obligation or undertaking of the Board under this Act.

## PART IX – MISCELLANEOUS

### 33. Power of the Board to make regulations

Subject to the Constitution and any other Act of the National Assembly, the Board may, with the prior approval of the President, make regulations for –

- (a) the performance of its functions under the Constitution or any other law;
- (b) the effective and efficient administration of the National Youth Service;
- (c) any matter which in terms of this Act may be prescribed; and
- (d) any action to promote compliance with this Act.

### 34. Judicial management of the Service Scheme

The Service Scheme may not be placed under judicial management unless authorised by an Act of the National Assembly enacted specifically for that purpose.

### 35. Repeal and savings

(1) The National Youth Service Scheme Act, 1997 is hereby repealed.

[Cap.49: 04]

(2) Notwithstanding the repeal of the National Youth Service Scheme Act –

- (a) any document made or anything done by the Executive Director of the Service Scheme under the repealed Act shall remain valid;
- (b) the Executive Director of the Service Scheme immediately before the commencement of this Act shall remain in the office of the Executive Director established by this Act;
- (c) the staff of the National Youth Service Scheme immediately before the commencement of this Act shall remain the staff of the National Youth Service Scheme established by this Act;
- (d) all assets, funds, resources and property which immediately before the commencement of this Act were the property of the National Youth Service Scheme shall remain the property of the National Youth Service Scheme established by this Act; and
- (e) all rights, interests, obligations and liabilities of the National Youth Service Scheme immediately before the commencement of this Act shall by virtue of this Act remain the rights, interests, obligations and liabilities of the National Youth Service Scheme established by this Act.

Scheme within that financial year.

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- (c) the staff of the National Youth Service Scheme immediately before the commencement of this Act shall remain the staff of the National Youth Service Scheme established by this Act;
- (d) all assets, funds, resources and other movable property which immediately before commencement of this Act were vested in the National Youth Service Scheme shall be vested in the National Youth Service Scheme established by this Act; and
- (e) all rights, interests, obligations and liabilities of the National Youth Service Scheme immediately before the commencement of this Act shall by virtue of this Act be assigned to the National Youth Service Scheme established by this Act.

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### **34. Judicial management of the Service Scheme**

The Service Scheme may not be placed under judicial management unless authorised by an Act of the National Assembly enacted specifically for that purpose.

### **35. Repeal and savings**

(1) The National Youth Service Scheme Act is repealed.

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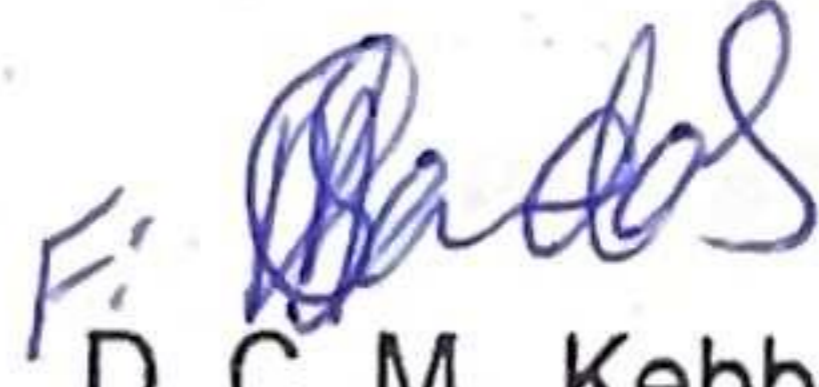
(2) Notwithstanding the repeal of the National Youth Service Scheme Act –

- (a) any document made or anything duly done by the Executive Director of the Service Scheme under the repealed Act shall remain valid;
- (b) the Executive Director of the Service Scheme immediately before the commencement of this Act shall remain in the office of the Executive Director established by this Act;
- (c) the staff of the National Youth Service Scheme immediately before the commencement of this Act shall remain the staff of the National Youth Service Scheme established by this Act;
- (d) all assets, funds, resources and other moveable property which immediately before the commencement of this Act were vested in National Youth Service Scheme shall be vested in the National Youth Service Scheme established by this Act; and
- (e) all rights, interests, obligations and liabilities of the National Youth Service Scheme existing immediately before the commencement of this Act under any contract or instrument in law or equity, shall by virtue of this Act be assigned to the National Youth Service Scheme established by this Act.

# National Youth Service Scheme Act, 2015

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PASSED in the National Assembly this Seventeenth day of September,  
in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Fifteen.



D. C. M. Kebbeh

*Clerk of the National Assembly.*

THIS PRINTED IMPRESSION has been carefully compared by me with the Bill  
which has passed in the National Assembly, and found by me to be a true and  
correct copy of the said Bill.



D. C. M. Kebbeh

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