

Provisions of Press Council Act, 1978 for nomination of the Chairman

Following are the provisions of the Press Council Act, 1978 for Nomination, Term and Resignation of the Chairman of the Council:

Section 5 Composition of the Council

Sub Section (1) The Council shall consist of a Chairman and twenty-eight other members.

Sub Section (2) The Chairman shall be a person nominated by a Committee consisting of the Chairman of the Council of States (Rajya Sabha), the Speaker of the House of the People (Lok Sabha) and a person elected by the members of the Council under sub-section (6) and the nominations so made shall take effect from the date on which it is notified by the Central Government in the Official Gazette.

Sub Section (6) The members of the Council notified under sub-section (5) shall elect from among themselves in accordance with such procedure as may be prescribed a person to be a member of the Committee referred to in sub-section (2) and a meeting of the members of the Council for the purpose of such election shall be presided over by a person chosen from among themselves.

Section 6 Term of office and retirement of members

Sub Section (1) Save as otherwise provided in this section, the Chairman and other members shall hold office for a period of three years:

Provided that the Chairman shall continue to hold such office until the Council is reconstituted in accordance with the provision of section 5 for a period of six months whichever is earlier.

Sub Section (5) The Chairman may resign his office by giving notice in writing to the Central Government, and any other member may resign his office by giving notice in writing to the Chairman, and upon such resignation being accepted by the Central Government, or as the case may be, the Chairman, the Chairman or the member shall be deemed to have vacated his office.

Sub Section (6) Any vacancy arising under sub-section (2), sub-section (3) sub-section (4) or sub-section (5) or otherwise shall be filled, as soon as may be, by nomination in the same manner in which the member vacating the office was nominated and the member so nominated shall hold office for the remaining period in which the member in whose place he is nominated would have held office.
