Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Bikaner (formerly named as the University of Bikaner, Bikaner) has been established by the University of Bikaner Act, 2003 (Act No. 13 of 2003), the Rajasthan Gazette Extraordinary Part-4(Ka), published on June, 07, 2003 as a new State University.

Her Excellency the Governor of Rajasthan Smt. Margaret Alva is the Chancellor of the Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Bikaner.

The Governor of Rajasthan, in the capacity of Chancellor of the University, on the advice of the State Government appoints the Vice Chancellor of the University. Presently, Shri Anand Kumar, IAS is the Vice Chancellor of the University.

The Headquarters of the University is at Bikaner which is also the Headquarters of the Vice Chancellor.

Notwithstanding anything contained in any law for the time being in force but subject to the provisions of the University of Rajasthan Act, 1946, the Rajasthan Agriculture University, Bikaner Act, 1987 (Act No. 39 of 1987), the Rajasthan Sanskrit University Act, 1998 (Act No. 10 of 1998), the Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology Udaipur Act, 2002 (Act No. 8 of 2000) and the Rajasthan Ayurved University Act, 2002 (Act No.15 of 2002) the jurisdiction of the University extends to all the constituent, affiliated or autonomous colleges, institutes, institutions and departments within the Bikaner Division of the State of Rajasthan as notified by the State Government under the provisions of the Rajasthan Land Revenue Act, 1956 (Act No. 15 of 1956) and also to such other constituent, affiliated or autonomous colleges, institutes, institutions and departments within the State of Rajasthan as may be specified by notification in the Official Gazette by the State Government.