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[18th July, 1972]

An Act to provide for the salaries, allowances and privileges of Speaker and Deputy Speaker of the Provincial Assembly of Sind.

Preamble.

WHEREAS clause (8) of Article 112 of the Interim Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan provides that salaries, allowances and privileges of the Speaker and Deputy Speaker shall be such as may be defined by an Act of the Provincial Legislature;

AND WHEREAS, it is expedient to define the salaries, allowances and privileges of the Speaker and Deputy Speaker of the Provincial Assembly of Sind;

It is hereby enacted as follows:-

Short title and commencement.

1. (1) This Act may be called the Sind Speaker's and Deputy Speaker's (Salaries, Allowances and Privileges) Act, 1972.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

Definitions.

2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions shall have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say:-

(i) "Constitution" means the Interim Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan;

(ii) "Family" means the wife, legitimate and step-children residing with and wholly dependent upon the Speaker or Deputy Speaker, as the case may be;

(iii) "Government" means the Government of Sind;

(iv) "Maintenance" in relation to a residence includes the payment of local rates and taxes and the provision of electricity and water;

(v) "Speaker" means the Speaker of the Provincial Assembly of Sind;

(vi) "Deputy Speaker" means the Deputy Speaker of the Provincial Assembly of Sind;

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(vii) "Official residence" means the house reserved from time to time for use by a Speaker or Deputy Speaker as the case may be, and includes the staff quarters and other buildings appurtenant to the gardens of the residence.

(2) Words and expressions used in this Act and not defined shall have the meanings assigned to them in the Constitution.

Salary.

3.The salary of the Speaker shall be three thousand rupees per mensum. The salary of Deputy Speaker shall be two thousand rupees per mensum.

Allowances on taking up and laying down the office.

4. (1) A Speaker or a Deputy Speaker, as the case may be, shall be entitled to claim actual expenses to the extent mentioned below from his ordinary place or residence to the seat of Government on taking up office and from the seat of Government to his ordinary place of residence on laying down office:-

(a) The actual travelling expenses for himself and his family;
(b) The cost of transporting personal servants not exceeding two, by the lowest class of accommodation; and
(c) The cost of transporting house-hold effects, not exceeding, one hundred and twenty maunds, in case of Speaker and eighty maunds in case of Deputy Speaker by goods train, steamer or other craft, excluding aircraft, and his personal car, if any.

(2) No claim shall lie for any travel or transportation not performed within six months of the date of taking up or laying down office, as the case may be.

Official Residence.

5. (1) The official residence of the Speaker shall be furnished by Government at a cost not exceeding fifteen thousand rupees and that for the Deputy Speaker not exceeding ten thousand rupees. The furniture so provided may include carpets and one refrigerator but no other house-hold effects. Two bed rooms in the residence may be air-conditioned.

(2) If at the time of entering upon office, an official residence is not available, the Speaker or Deputy Speaker, as the case may be shall until such residence is provided by Government be paid the actual expenditure incurred by him on furnished accommodation for himself and his family, subject to a maximum of one thousand rupees per mensem.

Travelling allowance for touring in Pakistan.

6. (1) Subject to the provisions made hereinafter the Speaker or a Deputy Speaker, as the case may be travelling official duty shall be treated as a first grade officer.

(2) Journey by Air.- The Speaker or the Deputy Speaker, may if the public interest so demands travel by Air, in which case he shall be entitled-

(a) to the actual air fare for economy class paid for himself;
(b) to the cost of transporting personal luggage upto one hundred pounds, inclusive of the free allowance given by the air company;

(c) to the carriage of personal luggage by air or steamer, subject to a maximum of three maunds;
(d) to claim the actual premium paid for insuring himself for the air journey or an amount not exceeding rupees one lac.

Note.- (i) wherever possible, the Speaker or a Deputy Speaker, as the case may be, shall purchase return air tickets.

(ii) the Speaker shall also be entitled to the cost of transporting upto two personal servants by the lowest class of accommodation by Rail.

(3) Journey by Rail.- The Speaker when travelling on public business by Railway shall be entitled-

(a) to requisition at the cost of Government-

(i) when travelling on the main lines, an ordinary first-cum-second class carriage or B class tourist car;
(ii) when traveling off the main lines, an eight wheeled (A Class) tourist car;

(iii) if the vehicles specified in sub-clauses(i) and (ii) are not available, or not desired, an ordinary four berthed first class compartment or a two berthed first class air-conditioned Coupe compartment;

(b) to take his wife with himself in the reserved accommodation, without payment of any fare;
(c) to take with himself upto two personal servants by the lowest class of accommodation available;
(d) to the carriage of personal luggage upto the normal free allowance limits according to the accommodation utilized.

A Deputy Speaker when travelling on public business by Railway, shall be entitled-

(a) to requisition at the cost of Government-
(i) when travelling on the main lines, an ordinary first class two berthed compartment, or
(ii) where an air-conditioned coach is provided, a first class (coupe) compartment in such coach.

(b) to take with himself one personal servant by the lowest class of accommodation available;
(c) to the carriage of personal luggage upon the normal free allowance limits according to the accommodation utilized.

Note.- The Speaker or Deputy Speaker, as the case may be, when reserving accommodation in the Railway shall be required, before beginning the journey, to have the number and other details of the tickets purchased for the persons travelling with him in the reserved accommodation entered on the requisition form by the Station Master from which the Journey is to commence.

(4) Journey by Steamer or Launch.- The Speaker or Deputy Speaker, as the case may be, when travelling on duty by Steamer or Launch, shall be entitled-

(a) to draw the actual fare paid for himself;
(b) to take with him upto two personal servants by

the lowest class of accommodation available; and

(c) to the carriage of personal luggage upto three maunds.

(5) Journey by Road.- When the Speaker or Deputy Speaker, as the case may be, travels on duty in the public interest, by road between places not connected by Railway, and where so connected when he chooses to forego the privileges granted under sub-section (3) or (4) as the case may be, he may where the journey is performed in a vehicle not owned or maintained by Government draw-

(a) travelling allowance at the rate of seventy five paisa per mile for his own journey by road; and

(b) actual expenses of the transport of-

(i) two private servants; and

(ii) all his personal luggage, including stores carried for consumption on tour.

Daily allowance during halt.

7. The Speaker while on tour shall be entitled to draw an allowance of rupees thirty per day for the duration of his halts on tour and Deputy Speaker twenty-five per day:-

Provided that—

(a)in respect of a place of halt, one half Daily Allowance shall be admissible for-

(i) the day of arrival;

(ii) the day of departure, and

(iii) the day of the arrival and departure if the Speaker or a Deputy Speaker arrives and departs on the same day.

(b)for such continuous halt on tour exceeding ten days, daily allowance admissible:-

(i) for the first ten days shall be at the full rate.

(ii) for the next twenty days or part thereof at three-fourth of the full rate, and

(iii) for the remaining period at one-half of the full rate.

Explanation.- A halt on tour shall be treated as continuous unless terminated by an absence at the distance from the

halting place exceeding five miles, for a period including not less than seven nights.

Controlling Officer.

8. The Speaker shall be his own Controlling Officer for purposes of travelling allowances and also of the Deputy Speaker.

Medical facilities.

9. The Speaker or Deputy Speaker, as the case may be, shall be entitled to medical facilities admissible in terms of the Special Medical Attendance Rules, 1950, except that he and his family shall be entitled to medical attendance at his residence.

Leave.

10. The Governor may grant to the Speaker or Deputy Speaker, as the case may be, during his term of office at one time or from time to time leave of absence for urgent reason of health or private affairs for a period not exceeding three months in the aggregate.

Transport.

11. The Speaker and Deputy Speaker shall be entitled to the use of an official car each maintained at Government expenses.

General.

12. (1) All reasonable precautions shall be taken to see that official residence, transport and furniture provided to the Speaker or Deputy Speaker, as the case may be, by Government are used with the same care with which a person's own property is taken care of.

(2) All furniture and furnishings provided in an official residence shall be marked by the Buildings Department, Government of Sind, for the purposes of identification.

(3) When the Speaker or Deputy Speaker, as the case may be, occupies an official residence it shall be the duty of the officer concerned of the Buildings Department, Government of Sind to hand over the charge of the furniture and furnishings in that residence to Speaker or Deputy Speaker or to a person authorized by him in writing according to an inventory to be drawn up and signed by such officer.

(4) When the Speaker or Deputy Speaker, as the case may be is about to vacate the official residence, he shall inform the officer concerned of the Buildings Department, Government of Sind, and shall arrange that the furniture and furnishings of the official residence are handed over to that officer according to an inventory to be drawn up and signed.

(5) The Officer concerned of the Buildings Department, "Government of Sind, may from time to time, inspect an official residence, its furniture and furnishings with the prior approval of the Speaker or Deputy Speaker, as the case may be.

Charge Report.

13. The Speaker or Deputy Speaker, as the case may be, shall not be required to sign a charge report on taking up such office or on laying down that office.

Repeal.

14. The Sind Speaker's and Deputy Speaker's (Salaries, Allowances and Privileges) Order, 1972, is hereby repealed.