

## **POWERS AND FUNCTIONS OF LAW, PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS & CRIMINAL PROSECUTION DEPARTMENT**

1. Advice to Departments on all legal matters, including interpretation of laws, rules and orders having the force of law.
2. Appointment of Administrator- General Official Trustee and the official Assignee.
3. Civil Law and Procedure.
4. Constitutional legislation.
5. Co-dification and consolidation of laws and printing of Acts, Rules and Orders.
6. Conduct of Government litigation, defending civil suits against Government and public servants, and filing civil suits on behalf of Government.
7. Free supply of Bills, Act, Ordinance to Government Departments Official Agencies, etc.
8. Government Law Officers; Advocate General, Criminal Prosecution Service, Government Pleaders, Special Counsels, their appointment transfer, leave, fees etc.
9. Law Colleges.
10. Matters relating to legal practitioners, including scale of fees.
11. Scrutiny and drafting of Bills, Ordinances, notifications, rules regulations statutory orders and bye-laws also pertains to that Department.
12. Scrutiny of non-official Bills.
13. High Courts.
14. Civil Courts.
15. Matters connected with recruitment terms and conditions and powers of Judicial officers, including District and Session Judges, Additional District and Session Judges Special Judges and civil Judges.
16. Appointment and terms and condition of Parliamentary Secretaries.
17. Deleted vide Notification No. SORI(S&GAD)2-22/2008 dated 02.12.2016.
18. Deleted vide Notification No. SORI(S&GAD)2-22/2008 dated 02.12.2016.
19. Deleted vide Notification No. SORI(S&GAD)2-22/2008 dated 02.12.2016.
20. Service matters, except those entrusted to the Services, General Administration and Coordination Department.
21. Conduct of Criminal cases including –
  - (a) representation in and prosecution of criminal cases; and
  - (b) criminal appeals, against acquittal or conviction and applications of enhancement of sentences and convictions.
22. Advice to Departments on issues relating to prosecution of criminal cases.
23. Filing and defending criminal cases involving Government.
24. All matters connected with Prosecution establishment, Prosecuting Officers and administration including the powers and functions relating to prosecution of criminal cases as provided in the Police Order, 2002 and Sindh Criminal Prosecution Service (Constitution, Functions and Powers) Ordinance, 2006.
25. Criminal law and Criminal Procedure relating to investigation and Prosecution.
26. Defence of pauper accused in Courts and fees to the pleaders for such defence.
27. Service Tribunals (inserted vide Notification dated 27.05.2014).
28.
  - a) Publication of Notifications of Ordinances and all subordinate/delegated legislation including rules, regulations, statutes, bye-laws, and statutory orders in the official gazette;
  - b) codification of provincial laws (principal and subordinate) on the website and in hard form;
  - c) translation, printing and publication of provincial laws; and
  - d) Issuance of instructions for the purpose (inserted vide Notification dated 29.01.2016).
29. The functions and issues concerning the Appellate Tribunal, Sindh Revenue Board (inserted vide Notification dated 08.03.2016).  
**(Note: Entries at Sr. No. 17, 18 and 19 pertaining to "Human Rights" segment of the defunct "Law, Parliamentary Affairs & Human Rights Department" deleted due to creation of new independent Department, i.e. Human Rights Department whereas functions pertaining to the Human Rights Department inserted vide Notification No. SORI(SGA&CD)2-22/2008 dated 02.12.2016)**