

**THE SINDH GOVERNMENT GAZETTE
KARACHI THURSDAY JULY 21, 1988.**

**PART I
GOVERNMENT OF SIND**

SERVICES AND GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Karachi, dated the 31th January, 1988.

NO. SOII(S&GAD)-Court-6-3/87.-- In pursuance of the provisions of Clause (6) of Article 198 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan and in consultation with the Chief Justice of the High Court of Sind, the government of Sind is pleased to make the following rules:-

1. (1) These rules may be called the High Court of Sind Benches Rules, 1987.
(2) They shall come into force at once.
2. In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires.
 - (a) "Bench" means a Bench established under clause (3) or referred to in clause(4) of Article 198 of the Constitution;
 - (b) "Chief Justice" means the Chief Justice of the High Court of Sind;
 - (c) "Constitution" means the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan;
 - (d) "Judge" means a judge of the High Court of Sind and include the Chief Justice and Additional Judge of the High Court;
 - (e) "High Court" means the High Court of Sind.
3. The Chief Justice may, with the approval of the Governor, assign any area within the local limits of the jurisdiction of the High Court to a Bench or make modification in assignment of the area so made.
4. Except as provided hereinafter, all matters arising within the area assigned to a Bench shall be filed before and disposed of by that Bench.
5. The Chief Justice may transfer any case or proceeding filed or pending at the principal seat of the High Court to a Bench or from one Bench to the principal seat of the High Court or another Bench.
6. The Chief Justice may, for the purpose of expediency, determine the case or class of cases arising within the area assigned to a Bench that may be filed and decided at the principal seat of the High Court.

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7. The Chief Justice may order that any case pertaining to the area assigned to a Bench may be instituted and decided at the principal seat of the High Court.
8. The Chief Justice may require a judge nominated to sit at the seat of a Bench to work at the principal seat during the period of his nomination as the expediency may require.
9. The Judge, or the most Senior Judge if more than one, for the time being sitting at the seat of a Bench, shall exercise such powers of the Chief Justice as may be delegated by general or special order by the Chief Justice.
10. There shall be established "Registry" of the High Court at the seat of each Bench consisting of an Additional Registrar and such other officers and servants of the High Court as the Chief Justice may appoint to receive cases to be heard before the Bench.
11. Without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing rules and subject to the provisions of the Constitution, the Chief Justice may, from time to time, pass such orders as may be considered necessary in respect of the working of a Bench.
12. These rules shall mutatis mutandis apply to the Circuit Court held under clause (2) of Article 198 of Constitution.

BY ORDERS OF GOVERNOR SIND
SALIM ABBAS JILANI
Chief Secretary to Government of Sind