

PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF SINDH



THE SINDH ASSEMBLY MEMBERS (SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES) ACT, 1974.

(Amended upto 15th March, 2013.)

**AN
ACT**

to provide for salaries, allowances and other facilities to members including the Leader of the Opposition of the Provincial Assembly.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend and consolidate the law relating to salaries, allowances and other facilities to members of the Provincial Assembly of Sindh and to provide for certain Privileges to the Leader of the Opposition in the Provincial Assembly of Sindh;

Preamble.

It is hereby enacted as follows: -

1. (1) This Act may be called the Sindh Assembly Members (Salaries and Allowances) Act, 1974. **Short title and commencement.**
- (2) It shall come into force at once.
2. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context: - **Definitions.**
 - (a) "Assembly" means the Provincial Assembly of Sindh;
 - (b) "Committee" means a Committee appointed by the Assembly and includes a Finance Committee, Standing Committee and a Select Committee of the Assembly;
 - (c) "Government" means the Government of Sindh;
 - (d) "Leader of the Opposition" means a member who, in the opinion of the Speaker, is for the time being, Leader of the majority of the members or, the majority group or the party, in opposition in the Assembly;
 - (e) "meeting" means a meeting of the Assembly or a Committee;

- (f) "member" means a member of the Assembly but does not include the Chief Minister, Minister, Speaker or Deputy Speaker;
- (g) "session" means the period commencing from the date of the first sitting of the Assembly, after it has been summoned, and ending on its prorogation or dissolution;
- (h) "sitting" means the meeting of the Assembly or a Committee from the commencement of its business to the termination for the day;
- (i) "Speaker" means the Speaker of the Assembly and includes the Deputy Speaker for the time being acting as Speaker.

3. A member shall be entitled to a consolidated salary at the rate of ₹[twenty four thousand] rupees per mensem. **Salary.**
- 3-A. A member shall receive sumptuary allowance at the rate of ₹[four thousand eight hundred] rupees per month. **Sumptuary Allowance.**
- 3-B. A member shall be entitled to receive house rent at the rate of ₹[sixteen thousand rupees] per month. **House Rent.**
- 3-C. A member shall be entitled to receive gas and electricity charges at the rate of ₹[four thousand eight hundred rupees] per month. **Gas and Electricity Charges.**
- ³[3-D The salary and other emoluments shall automatically be increased by Government in proportion increase to be made in the salary of the civil servants in BPS-22, from time to time.]
4. A member shall be entitled to receive a daily allowance at the rate of ₹[eight hundred eighty rupees] and conveyance allowance at the rate of ₹[six hundred forty rupees] per diem for the period of residence on duty and for the day of arrival and the day of departure from the place where a session of the Assembly or a meeting of **Daily Allowance & Conveyance Allowance.**

Committee is held or where any other business connected with his duties as such Member is transacted.

4-A. A member shall be paid a subsidy at the rate of ⁷[four hundred and fifty rupees] for each day during the period of residence on duty. **Subsidy.**

4-B. Where official accommodation is not provided to a member, he shall be paid an accommodation allowance at the rate of ⁹[two thousand four hundred rupees] per day for the period of residence on duty. **Accommodation Allowance.**

5. (1) ¹[For every journey performed for the purpose of attending a session or a meeting of a Committee or for attending to any other business connected with his duties as member from his usual place of residence to the place where the session or meeting is held or other business is transacted and for the return journey from such place to his usual place of residence, a member shall be entitled to receive travelling allowance at the following rates: - **Travelling Allowance.**

- (a) where the journey is performed by the rail, an amount equal to the fare of the class travelled, plus half fare of the Air-Conditioned class;
- (b) Where the journey is performed by air, the fare of the business class, and
- (c) Where the journey or any part thereof is performed by road, the fare at the rate for the purpose mentioned in the Travelling Allowances Rules applicable to Sindh for the time being in force for officers of Grade First;

Provided that if the journey is performed by personal car, the mileage allowance shall be ⁹[twenty rupees] per Kilometer:

Provided that-

- (i) no travelling allowance shall be admissible for journeys made during a session between the place where the session is held and any other place; and
- (ii) a member who ordinarily resides or carries on business at any place within five miles of the place at which his attendance is required in connection with his duties as a member, shall not be entitled to travelling allowance.

(2) The travelling allowance at the rates mentioned in sub-section (1) shall be admissible to a member for Journey performed during the period of adjournment of a session, if the session is adjourned for a period of more than ten days.

(3) A member shall be entitled to travel by air in first class while travelling abroad on an official visit.".]

5-A (1)

A member shall be provided during a year with such vouchers of the value of ⁹[one hundred and twenty thousand rupees] as would enable him to travel within Pakistan at any time without payment of any fare by Air or by Rail:

Free Travelling.

Provided that where a person becomes a member during the course of a year, the value of vouchers with which he is provided during that year shall be reduced proportionately.

²[(2)

A member who does not wish to be provided with such vouchers shall be paid an allowance which bears the same proportion to the value of the vouchers he would have been entitled to be provided with under sub-section(1) as the sum of ⁹[one hundred thousand] rupees.]

(3) Any voucher with which a member is provided under sub-section (1) may be utilized by the family of the member.

(4) The utilization by a member of any voucher with which he is provided under sub-section (1) for the purpose of any journey for which he is

entitled to any travelling allowance under this Act shall not in any way effect his right to receive such allowance.

Explanation- For the purpose of this section, "Family" means the spouse and children and "Member" includes the Speaker, the Deputy Speaker, a Minister, an Advisor to the Chief Minister, a Special Assistant to the Chief Minister, Parliamentary Secretary and Leader of the Opposition.

³[6. (1)

A member shall be entitled to, at Government expense, the facility of a telephone at the place where he ordinarily resides, if the installation facility is available at such place:

Telephone.

Provided that Government shall pay only rupees ⁴[five thousand rupees] per month as charges of rent of the telephone and the calls made there from irrespective of whether the telephone is a private connection or installed at Government expenses:

Provided further that the Government shall not pay expenses of re-installation in case the place of residence is changed.

(2)

A member who has not been provided with a telephone or who has no telephone connection in his own name shall be entitled to get rupees five thousand per month in lieu of the telephone charges mentioned in sub-section(1).]

⁹[(3)

A member shall be entitled to receive mobile phone charges at the rate of ten thousand rupees per month.]

¹[6-A.

A member, a member's spouse, minor children, and unmarried daughters residing with and wholly dependent on the member shall be entitled to medical facilities as admissible under the Special Medical Attendance Rules, 1950.]

Medical Facilities.

6-B.

A member shall be entitled to receive office maintenance allowance at the rate of ⁹[eight thousand rupees] per month.

Office Maintenance Allowance.

7. ³[Notwithstanding anything in this Act, the Leader of the Opposition shall be entitled to the Salary, Allowance and Privileges as are admissible to a Provincial Minister under the Sindh Ministers (Salaries, Allowances and Privileges) Act, 1975.] **Leader of Opposition.**

7-A. ⁴[A Member who holds the office of Chairman of a Committee of Assembly, other than that of a Select Committee or a Special Committee, shall be entitled to the use of not more than one official car regardless of his entitlement to have an official car in any other capacity, and where he avails himself of this facility, he shall not be entitled to receive the conveyance allowance under section 4 and travelling allowance under section 5: **Official Transport.**

Provided that-

- (i) only one car shall be provided to a Chairman of a Committee during the whole term of his office;
- (ii) a Chairman of a Committee shall be allowed eight thousand rupees per month as petrol and maintenance allowance and expenses on petrol and maintenance of the car shall entirely be his responsibility.
- (iii) On ceasing to hold office the Chairman of the Committee shall return the car within three days.]

8. The Sindh Provincial Assembly (Salaries and Allowances of Members) Act, 1972, is hereby repealed. **Repeal of Sindh Act No. V of 1972.**

1. Amended by Sindh Act No. IV of 2006. 6. Amended by Sindh Act No. III of 2003.
2. Amended by Sindh Act No. III of 2003. 7. Amended by Sindh Act No. I of 1995.
3. Amended by Sindh Act No. IV of 2006. 8. Amended by Sindh Act No. III of 2003.
4. Amended by Sindh Act No. IV of 2006. 9. Amended by Sindh Act No. XXXIV of 2013.
5. Amended by Sindh Act No. III of 2003.