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GOVERNMENT OF GILGIT-BALTISTAN

GILGIT-BALTISTAN SECRETARIAT

(Law and Prosecution Department)

Gilgit, the 5th April, 2011

**THE GILGIT-BALTISTAN PARLIAMENTARY SECRETARIES
(SALARY, ALLOWANCE AND PRIVILEGES) ACT, 2011**

(ACT No. IV OF 2011)

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ACT

*to provide for salaries, allowance and privileges of the Parliamentary
Secretaries Gilgit-Baltistan Legislative Assembly.*

No. Secy-Law (Legis)-1/2008.—WHEREAS, it expedient to provide for salaries, allowances and privileges of the Parliamentary Secretaries of Gilgit-Baltistan Legislative Assembly.

(207)

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It is hereby enacted as follows:-

1. **Short title and commencement.**— (1) This Act may be called the Gilgit-Baltistan Parliamentary Secretaries (Salary, Allowances and Privileges) Act, 2011.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Definitions.**— In this Act, unless the subject or context otherwise requires, the following expressions shall have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say.—

- (a) “Assembly” means the Gilgit-Baltistan Legislative Assembly;
- (b) “Government” means Government of Gilgit-Baltistan;
- (c) “Maintenance” in relation to a residence includes the payment of local rates, taxes and the provision of electricity, gas and water;
- (d) “Meeting” means a meeting of the Assembly or any of its committees from the commencement of its business to the termination of the business of a day;
- (e) “Official residence” includes accommodation in Peoples House, a hostel, a rented house or any other accommodation owned, managed or arranged by the Government;
- (f) “Parliamentary Secretary” means the Parliamentary Secretary appointed as such by the Chief Minister; and
- (g) “Session” means the period commencing on the day of the first meeting of the Assembly after having been summoned and ending on the day the Assembly is prorogued or dissolved.

3. **Appointment and terms of office.**— (1) the Chief Minister may appoint such number of Parliamentary Secretaries as may be determined.

(2) A Parliamentary Secretary shall hold office during the pleasure of the Chief Minister.

4. **Salary.**— (1) The salary of a Parliamentary Secretary shall be **thirty thousand** rupees per month.

(2) The salary mentioned in sub-section (1) shall automatically be increased by the Government in proportion to the increase in the salary of the civil servants.

5. **Sumptuary allowance.**— A Parliamentary Secretary shall be entitled to receive *fifteen thousand* rupees per month as sumptuary allowance.

6. **Transport.**— (1) A Parliamentary Secretary shall be entitled to the use of one official car both for official and private use.

(2) A sum of **thirty thousand** rupees per mensem shall be admissible to a Parliamentary Secretary as petrol and car maintenance allowance and the expense on petrol and maintenance of car shall be the responsibility of the Parliamentary Secretary.

(3) The allowance mentioned in sub-section (2) shall be admissible to a Parliamentary Secretary whether or not an official car has been provided to him.

(4) On ceasing to hold office, a Parliamentary Secretary shall return the car within ten days.

7. **Official residence.**—(1) A Parliamentary Secretary shall be entitled, without payment of rent, to the use of an official residence including accommodation on tour throughout his terms of office, and for a period of fifteen days immediately thereafter.

(2) If at the time of entering upon office an official residence is not available, a Parliamentary Secretary shall, until such residence is provided by the Government, be paid the house rent at the rate of **twenty five thousand** rupees per month.

(3) Where a Parliamentary Secretary chooses to reside.—

(i) in his own house; or

(ii) in a rented house occupied by him before his appointment as a Parliamentary Secretary, he may be paid a monthly sum of fifteen thousand rupees in lieu of Government Rest House and to cover all expenses on its maintenance.

8. **Traveling allowance and Daily allowance for business other than Assembly business.**— Where a Parliamentary Secretary is called by a Government Department in connection with any official business in his capacity as a Parliamentary Secretary, he shall be paid by that Department, traveling allowance and daily allowance for the days of journey from and to his ordinary place of residence and for the day or days he is required to attend any such official business, at the rates admissible to him under his Act.

9. **Traveling within Pakistan.**— (1) Subject to the provisions of this Act, a Parliamentary Secretary traveling on official duty shall be treated as the first grade officer.

(2) A Parliamentary Secretary may, if he is on official duty and it is in the public interest, travel by air, in which case he shall be entitled to:—

(a) Business class airfare; and

(b) Cost of transporting personal luggage up to fifty kilograms including the free allowance given by the air company.

(3) Wherever possible, a Parliamentary Secretary shall purchase a return air ticket.

(4) A Parliamentary Secretary, traveling on official duty by rail, shall be entitled to receive traveling allowance equal to the fare of the class traveled, fare of personal luggage up to one hundred kilograms and half fare of the air conditioned class.

(5) A Parliamentary Secretary, traveling on official duty by ship, steamer or launch, shall be entitled to receive traveling allowance equal to the actual fare paid for himself and the carriage of personal luggage up to one hundred kilograms.

(6) A Parliamentary Secretary, traveling on official duty by road in a vehicle not owned by the Government, shall be entitled to receive traveling allowance at the rate of ten rupees per kilometer.

10. **Travel abroad.**— A Parliamentary Secretary, traveling on official business outside Pakistan, shall be entitled to the business class airfare and such allowance as may be specified by the Government.

11. **Form of certificate.**— Every claim by a Parliamentary Secretary for traveling allowance or daily allowance shall be supported by a written certificate in the following form signed by him:—

“Certified that the amount has not been claimed by me in any other bill or drawn by me from any other source.”

12. **Additional traveling allowance.**— Notwithstanding anything contained in section-8, a Parliamentary Secretary shall be provided a sum of **seventy five thousand** rupees per annum to travel within Pakistan at any time.

13. **Compensation in case of death.**— In case of death of a Parliamentary Secretary, his spouse, minor children and unmarried daughters shall be entitled to receive a sum of **ten hundred thousand** rupees as financial assistance from the Government.

14. **Daily allowance.**— A Parliamentary Secretary while on tour shall be entitled to draw an allowance of **six hundred and fifty** rupees per day:

Provided that where the duration of tour is less than eight hours, one half daily allowance shall be admissible.

15. **Controlling Officer.**— The Minister with whom a Parliamentary Secretary is attached shall be his Controlling Officer for purposes of traveling allowance and daily allowance.

16. **Medical facilities.**— A Parliamentary Secretary shall be entitled, for himself and for his parents, spouse, real and step sons and daughters, wholly dependent upon him, to free indoor and outdoor medical facilities of the standard admissible to a Class-I Officer of the Government.

17. **Leave.**— (1) The Chief Minister may grant a Parliamentary Secretary during his terms of office, at any one time or from time to time, leave of absence for urgent reasons of health or private affairs, for a period not exceeding three months in the aggregate.

(2) The leave allowance of a Parliamentary Secretary shall be the same as his salary.

18. **Telephone.**— (1) A Parliamentary Secretary shall be entitled to, at the Government expense, the facility of a telephone at the place where he ordinarily resides:

Provided that Government shall pay only rupees seven thousand 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 expense.

(2) The telephone bills shall be paid by the Parliamentary Secretary himself.

19. **Office maintenance allowance.**— A Parliamentary Secretary shall be entitled to receive an office maintenance allowance at the rate of **twenty thousand** rupees per month.

20. **Powers to make rules.**— Government may, by notification in the official Gazette, make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

HAFIZ-UR-RAHMAN,
Secretary.