

14. 'THE SALARY AND ALLOWANCES OF LEADER OF OPPOSITION IN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY RULES, 1979.

1. Short title.— These rules may be called the Salary and Allowances of Leader of Opposition in Legislative Assembly Rules, 1979.

2. Definitions.— In these rules, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context:-

(a) "Act" means the Salary and Allowances of Leader of Opposition in Legislative Assembly Act, 1978 (Punjab Act No.12 of 1978);

(b) "Family" means the wife of the Leader of the Opposition residing with him and the legitimate children and step-children residing with and wholly dependent on him.

Explanation 1.— Not more than one wife is included in a family for the purposes of these rules.

Explanation 2.— If the Leader of the Opposition is a married woman, 'Family' will include her husband residing with and wholly dependent on her;

(c) 'Travelling Allowance' means an allowance granted to the Leader of the Opposition to cover the expenses which he incurs in travelling in the discharge of his duties as such Leader, as against travelling in personal interest or in the interests of the party to which he may belong or for private purpose, such as journeys for rest or recoupment of health or for attending party meetings or for election campaign.

3. Residence.— The Leader of the Opposition shall be entitled to a residence admissible to a Minister of the Punjab Government.

4. Rent for residence by family after the death of the Leader of the Opposition.— Where, after the death of the Leader of the Opposition, his family continues to occupy the residence which had been occupied by him immediately prior to his death, in respect of the period specified in clause (b) of sub-section (2), of section 4 of the Act, the family shall be charged in addition to water supply and electricity charges rent in accordance with the principles laid down in the Fundamental Rules, provided that if the residence has been taken on lease from a private

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source, the rent charged shall be standard rent calculated under Clause (a) of Rule 5.23 of the Punjab Civil Services Rules, Volume I, Part I, in addition to the water supply and electricity charges.

5. Rent for the period of overstay.— Where the Leader of the Opposition, on ceasing to be such Leader, occupies a residence beyond the period specified in Section 4 of the Act, he shall be liable to pay, for the period of overstay, rent in addition to water supply and electricity charges, in accordance with the principles laid down in the Fundamental Rules, provided that if the residence has been taken on lease from a private source, the rent charged shall be the standard rent calculated under Clause (a) of Rule 5.23 of the Punjab Civil Services Rules, Volume I, Part I, in addition to the water supply and electricity charges.

6. Travelling and Daily Allowances to Leader of Opposition.—

(1) The Leader of the Opposition shall be entitled to daily allowance and travelling allowance for himself and for the members of his family and for the transportation of his and his family's effects according to the scale for the time being admissible to a Minister of the Punjab Government:-

(i) in respect of the journey to Chandigarh from his usual place of residence outside Chandigarh for assuming office:

(ii) in respect of the journey from Chandigarh to his usual place of residence outside Chandigarh on relinquishing office.

(2) He shall also be entitled to daily allowance and travelling allowance of tour undertaken by him within or out of the State of Punjab in the discharge of his duties as the Leader of the Opposition in accordance with the aforesaid scale.

7. Telephone facilities.— The Leader of the Opposition shall be entitled to the installation and maintenance of a telephone at his office and also at his residence in Chandigarh and no charges shall be payable by him in respect of the rental of such telephones and for local and trunk calls made by him in the discharge of his duties as the Leader of the Opposition.

8. Secretarial facilities.— The Leader of the Opposition shall be entitled to the following secretarial assistance:-

(1) One Private Secretary;

(2) One Personal Assistant;

- (3) One Clerk;
- (4) One Jamadar; and
- (5) Two Peons.

4. Conveyance allowance.— The Conveyance allowance admissible to the Leader of the Opposition under sub-section (2) of section 8 of the Act shall be paid to him on the production of a certificate in the form appended to these rules.

5. Interpretation.— If any question arises as to the interpretation of these rules, it shall be referred to the State Government for decision.