

**THE NORTH-WEST FRONTIER PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY  
(POWERS, IMMUNITIES AND PRIVILEGES)  
ACT, 1988.**

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*to define the powers, immunities and privileges of the Provincial Assembly and its Committees, and the immunities and privileges of the Members of the Provincial Assembly.*

WHEREAS clause (2) of Article 66 read with Article 127 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan provides that the powers, immunities and privileges of the provincial Assembly and its Committees, and the immunities and privileges of the Members of the Provincial Assembly shall be such as may from time to time be defined by Act of the Provincial Assembly;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient to define the Powers, immunities and privileges of the Provincial Assembly and of its Committees, and the immunities and privileges of Members of the Provincial Assembly and to make certain other provisions with a view to enabling them to discharge their functions properly and effectively;

It is here by enacted as follows:-

**PART I**

**PRELIMINARY**

1. ***Short title, extent and commencement.***-(1) This Act may be called the North-West Frontier Province Provincial Assembly (Powers, Immunities and Privileges) Act, 1988.

(2) It shall come into force at once.

(3) It shall extent to the whole of North-West Frontier Province.

2. **Definitions**.-(1) In this Act. Unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,-

- (a) “Assembly” means the Provincial Assembly of the North-West Frontier Province;
- (b) “Chamber” means the place where the Assembly meets for the transaction of its business;
- (c) “Committee” means Standing Committee, a Special Committee, a Select Committee or any other Committee set up by or under the authority of the Assembly in connection with the business of the Assembly;
- (d) “Constitution” means Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan;
- (e) “Government” means the Government of North-West Frontier Province;
- (f) “Member” means a Member of the Assembly and, except for the purposes of section 5, includes a person who by virtue of the provisions of the Constitution has a right to speak in or otherwise take part in the proceedings of the Assembly;
- (g) “newspaper” means any periodical work containing public news or comments on published news, and includes any organization or agency disseminating such news or comments and such other class of periodical works as the Assembly may, by notification in the official Gazette, declare to be a newspaper within the meaning of this clause;
- (h) “officer of the Assembly” means any person who may from time to time be appointed to the staff of the Provincial Assembly Secretariat, whether permanently or temporarily, and includes any police officer on duty within the precincts of the Assembly;
- (i) “precincts of the Assembly” includes the Chamber, the Lobbies and Galleries of the Assembly and such other

places as the Presiding Officer may, from time to time, specify;

- (j) “Presiding Officer” means Speaker and includes Deputy Speaker and, except for the purposes of section 10, 14 and 19 includes any person presiding at a sitting of the Assembly;
  - (k) “Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules” means the rules regulating the Procedure and Conduct of Business of the Assembly for the time being in force;
  - (l) “Schedule” means Schedule of this Act;
  - (m) “Secretary” means Secretary of the Assembly and includes any other officer or person for the time being performing the duties of the Secretary;
  - (n) “session” means the period commencing on the day of the first sitting of the Assembly after having been summoned and ending on the day the Assembly is prorogued; and
  - (o) “stranger” means any person who is not Member or an officer of the Assembly Secretariat or a police officer deployed on duty.
- (2) Words and expressions used but not defined in this Act shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the same meanings assigned to them in the Constitution or in the Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules.

## **PART II**

### **POWERS, PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES OF THE HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY**

3. **General provision**.-(1) The powers, immunities and privileges of the House of Assembly shall mutatis-mutandis, be such as may from time to time be defined by the Parliament (Majlis-e-Shoora) for the House as if any reference to the parliament is a reference to the Assembly and, until so

defined, shall be such as are enjoyed by the National Assembly of Pakistan and the Committees thereof under any law for the time being in force.

(2) Without prejudice to the generality of sub-section (1), the provisions embodied in sub-section (5) of the section 4 of the Constituent Assembly (Proceedings and Privileges) Act, 1955, shall be applicable to the Assembly as if any reference to the Constituent Assembly is a reference to the Assembly under this Act.

(3) The provisions contained in this Act shall be in addition to and not in derogation of the provisions provided for in sub-section (1) and (2).

### **PART III**

#### **POWERS, PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES OF THE MEMBERS**

4. **Attendance of Member detained or arrested on a bailable charge.-** Notwithstanding any thing contained in any other law for the time being in force, where in respect of a Member arrested or detained on any criminal charge the court is satisfied that he has been summoned to attend a session or a meeting of a committee, such court shall, if the offence of which such Member is accused is not punishable with death or transportation for life, release such Member on his personal recognizance in sufficient time to enable him to attend the session or meeting, as the case may be;

Provided that the provisions of this section shall not be construed as exempting any such Member from attending such court on the day or days which the court may in the usual course fix for the trial of a case against such Member.

5. **Members not liable to civil or criminal action.-** Subject to the provisions of Article 66 read with Article 127 of the Constitution no civil or criminal proceedings shall lie against any Member by reason of any matter or thing which he may have brought up, or given notice of his intention to bring up, before the Assembly or any Committee by Bill, resolution, motion, question, or otherwise, whether or not such Bill,

resolution, motion, question or other thing is allowed or admitted by the Presiding Officer.

6. **No attachment of salary and allowances of Members.**- The salary and allowances paid or payable to the Speaker the Deputy Speaker or any Member of the Provincial Assembly shall not be liable to attachment in execution of a decree under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 (Act V of 1908).

\*7. **Deleted.**

8. **Preventive detention.**- Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, no Member shall be detained under any law relating to preventive detention,-

- (a) during the period commencing fourteen days before the commencement of a session and ending fourteen days after the conclusion of the session; and
- (b) during the period commencing seven days before the commencement of the meeting of a Committee of which he is a member and ending seven days after the conclusion of the meeting.

9. **Additional privileges.**- Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, a Member shall be entitled to,-

- (a) free of charge accommodation in every Circuit House, Rest House, Dak Bungalow or any other accommodation maintained by Government or any local council or other authority under the control of Government for a period of three days;
- (b) licences for four non-prohibited bore weapons free of fee during his life time;
- (c) exemption from payment of all toll taxes;

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\* Delete Section 7 vide NWFP Act No. II of 1992.

- (d) visit jails, hospitals, dispensaries, health centers, populations planning centers, social welfare centers and educational institutions for boys, \*1[...] and in the case of woman Members, educational institutions for girls \*2[...] after previous intimation to the authorities concerned.
- (e) exercise full powers of the Justice of Peace;
- (f) fix a plaque on personal car bearing inscription of M.P.A.

## PART IV

### EVIDENCE

10. ***Summoning of witnesses, etc.***- (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (9), the Assembly or any Committee may direct any person to appear before the Assembly or the Committee, as the case may be, and to produce or cause to be produced any paper, book, record or document in the possession of or under the control of such person.

(2) Any summons issued under sub-section (1) shall be notified to the person required to appear or to produce any paper, book, record or document, by order of the Presiding Officer or the Chairman of the Committee, as the case may be, and shall be signed by the Secretary. In every such order there shall be stated the date on which, the time at which and the place where the person summoned is required to attend or produce the paper, book, record or document.

(3) Such summons shall be served by forwarding it by registered post addressed to the person to whom it is directed at his last known place of residence or business;

Provided that if for any reason the summons cannot be served on such person in the manner aforesaid, it shall be forwarded to the District Magistrate within whose jurisdiction the last known place of residence of such person lies, who shall cause it to be served by a person authorized by him for delivery thereof to, or leaving it at the last known place of residence of, the person to whom it is directed.

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\*1 & \*2 The words "in his constituency" and the words "located within her constituency" deleted Vide NWFP Act No. 1 of 1990.

(4) If a person to whom a summon under sub-section (3) is directed does not appear before the Assembly or the Committee, as the case may be, at the time and place mentioned therein, the Presiding Officer or, as the case may be, the Chairman of the Committee, may, upon being satisfied that the summon was duly served or that the person to whom the summon is directed willfully avoids service, issued a warrant for his being apprehended and brought, at a time and place to be stated in the warrant, before the Assembly or the Committee, as the case may be.

(5) A warrant issued under sub-section (4) shall be forwarded to the District Magistrate referred to in sub-section (3) who shall cause it to be executed as if it were a warrant issued by him.

(6) The Presiding Officer or, as the case may be, the Chairman of a Committee on issuing a warrant for the arrest of any person under sub-section (4) may, if he thinks fit, by endorsement on the warrant, directed that the person named in the warrant be released after arrest on his appearance before the Assembly or, as the case may be, the Committee, as may be required in the endorsement.

(7) Any person so summoned, not being a servant of the Federal Government or a Provincial Government, shall be entitled to receive such traveling and daily allowances as may be admissible to a witness summoned by a civil court in connection with proceedings under the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 (Act V of 1908).

(8) Assembly or a Committee may require any witness before it to make an oath, and it shall be lawful thereupon for the Presiding Officer or the Chairman of the Committee, as the case may be, to administer oath of such witness.

(9) When Government is of the opinion that, in the interest of defense, security of the state, external relation of Pakistan or the maintenance of public order, any particular record summoned from any office or authority under the Government or setup or established by Government, should not be furnished to the Assembly or any Committee or that a person in the service of Pakistan should not be summoned or compelled to give evidence, Government may claim privilege for that record or exemption for the public servant, as the case may be.

11. **Answers before the Assembly or Committee not to be admissible in proceedings.-** Any answer by a person to a question put by the Assembly or a Committee shall not, except in the case of criminal proceeding for an offence under section 193 of the Pakistan Penal Code (Act XLV of 1860), or an offence under this Act, be admissible in evidence in any civil or criminal proceedings against him.

12. **Proceedings to be deemed judicial for certain purposes.-** The proceedings before the Assembly or a Committee authorized by the Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules, or a resolution of the Assembly to send for persons papers and records shall be deemed to be judicial proceedings for the purposes of Chapter XI of the Pakistan Panel Code 1860 (Act XLV of 1860).

13. **Evidence of proceedings in the Assembly not to be given without leave.-** No Member or Officer or Reporter of the Assembly shall, without first obtaining the leave of Presiding Officer, give evidence before the Assembly or a Committee or the Contents of any manuscript or document laid before the Assembly or a Committee or in respect of the proceedings of, or examination of any person before, the Assembly or a Committee.

14. **Immunity of witnesses in respect of evidence.-** (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (2), person who give evidence before the Assembly or a Committee shall not be liable to any civil or criminal proceedings by reason of any thing which he may have said in such evidence.

(2) Any proceedings taken against any person in contravention of the provision of sub-section (1) shall be stayed on the production of a certificate under the authority of the Presiding Officer or, as the case may be, the chairman of the committee declaring that the answer or the document which has given rise to such proceedings was given or produced in obedience to a summon issued by the Assembly or the Committee.

(3) Nothing in this section shall be deemed to prevent the institution or maintenance of any proceedings against any person under section 193 of the Pakistan Panel Code 1860 (Act XLV of 1860), or for any offence under this Act in respect of any evidence given by him before the Assembly or a Committee.

**PART V**  
**CONDUCT OF STRANGERS**

15. **Entry to Chamber.**- No stranger shall be entitled, as of right, to enter or remain within the Chamber.

16. **Orders relating to admittance to the Chamber or precincts of the Assembly.**- The Presiding Officer or an officer authorized by him, shall issue such orders as he may deem necessary for the regulation of the admission of strangers to the Chamber or the precincts of the Assembly, as the case may be.

17. **Power of arrest.**- The Sergeant-at-Arms or any other officer of the Assembly Secretariat may,-

(a) arrest any person who commits breach of any of the privileges specified at serial numbers 1,2,3,6,22,25,26,27,28,30 and 31 of the Schedule; and

(b) when so ordered by the Presiding Officer, arrest any person within the Chamber or precincts of the Assembly when he reasonably suspects him of having committed the breach of any other privileges.

18. **Removal of strangers, etc.**- (1) The Presiding Officer or any other officer of the Assembly Secretariat authorized by him in that behalf may,-

(a) at any time order any stranger to withdraw from the Chamber or the precincts of the Assembly;

(b) prohibit any stranger from entering the precincts of the Assembly for a specified period or permanently; and

(c) prohibit a representative of a newspaper from attending the proceedings of the Assembly for a specified period or permanently.

(2) If any person against whom an order has been made under sub-section (1) fails to obey such order, he may be removed by any officer

of the Assembly Secretariat or a police officer from the Chamber or, as the case may be, the precincts of the Assembly with the use of such force as may be necessary.

## PART VI PUBLICATION OF THE DEBATES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE ASSEMBLY

19. **Publication of proceedings of the Assembly under the authority of the Assembly.**- The publication of a notice, report, paper, votes or proceedings of the Assembly by order of the Presiding Officer or other competent authority shall be deemed to be published by or under the authority of the Assembly and no suit, prosecution or other legal proceedings shall lie against any person in respect of such publication.

20. **Prohibition of publication of proceedings.**- The Presiding Officer may prohibit the publication of the proceedings of the Assembly of any day or any part thereof.

21. **Faithful and correct report of the proceedings.**- Subject to the provisions of section 20, no publisher of a newspaper shall publish in a newspaper a report of the proceedings of the Assembly unless it is a faithful and correct report, or a faithful, accurate and fair summary of the proceedings of the Assembly or publish any malicious, false, defamatory or derogatory statement comments concerning the proceedings of the Assembly or the conduct of any Member in such proceedings.

22. **Immunity from legal action of publisher, etc.**-No suit, prosecution or other legal proceedings shall lie against an editor, printer or publisher of any person connected with the editing, printing or publishing of a newspaper on account of the publication of a faithful and correct report, or a faithful, accurate and fair summary of the proceedings of the Assembly the publication whereof has not been prohibited by the Presiding Officer under section 20, or for making any fair comments on the proceedings of the Assembly.

23. **Debates to be prima facie evidence in inquiry touching the privileges.**- Subject to the provisions of this Act, a copy of the debates or a cassette of the Assembly or of a report of any Committee which has been or purports to have been printed, cyclostyled or Photostatted under the

authority of the Assembly shall be received as prima facie evidence in any inquiry under this Act.

**PART VII**  
**BREACH OF PRIVILEGES OF THE ASSEMBLY AND**  
**PUNISHMENT THEREOF**

24. **Breach of privileges.**- Each of the acts and omissions specified in column 2 of the Schedule shall constitute a breach of privilege of the Assembly, its Members and Committees thereof.

25. **Breach of privilege to be an offence.**- (1) A breach of privilege shall be an offence punishable in accordance with the provisions of this Act as provided in column No. 3 of the Schedule.

(2) The provisions of this Act shall be in addition to, and not in derogation of, the provisions of any other law for the time being in force or the Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules for the time being in force.

26. **Jurisdiction.**- (1) The Assembly or a Committee of the Assembly, notified for this purpose, as the case may be, shall have exclusive jurisdiction to try offences and award punishments for the offences punishable under this Act.

\* (2) The Committee constituted under sub-section (1) shall be known as Judicial Committee.

\*\* (3) Notwithstanding anything contained to the contrary in any other law for the time being in force, the sentence awarded by the Assembly or the Committee shall be executed by the District Magistrate or a Magistrate of Ist Class authorized by him for the purpose as if the same were a sentence awarded by him.

26A. **Cognizance of offence.**- (1) Subject to the provision of this Act, if the Privileges Committee of the House, constituted under the Rules of Business in vogue, is satisfied that an accused has breached the privilege of the House or a Committee thereof or of a Member within the meaning of section 24 of this Act, and punishment is to be inflicted upon him under section 25 of this Act, a reference shall be made to the Judicial Committee; and

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\* Sub-section (2) re-numbered as sub-section (3) and a new sub-section (2) added Vide NWFP Act No. III of 1990.

\*\* Added Vide NWFP Act No. III of 1990.

(2) On receipt of the reference, the Judicial Committee shall intimate proceedings against the accused in accordance with this Act and rules framed there under.

(27) **Suspension of Members, etc.-** (1) Without prejudice to the powers of the Assembly under section 26,-

- (a) Assembly may suspend a Member from its service for any period not exceeding the duration of a session; and
- (b) the Presiding Officer,-
  - (i) may order the removal of a Member from the Chamber or the precincts of the Assembly; or
  - (ii) may admonish a Member.

(2) No salary or allowances payable to a Member for his service as such shall be payable in respect of any period during which he remains suspended from the service of the Assembly under the provisions of this Act or the Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules.

(3) A Member who has been suspended from the service of the Assembly under this Act or the Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules shall not, while the suspension is in force, enter or remain within the Chamber or precincts of the Assembly or be entitled to reside in the place meant for the residence of Members, and any such Member who is found within the Chamber or precincts of the Assembly or such place of residence may be removed therefrom by any officer of the Assembly or a police officer.

28. **Procedure in the Assembly.-** (1) The Assembly, may hear and decide cases under this Act in such manner as it may deem fit, with or without reference to a Committee.

(2) The Assembly or a Committee may administer oath to any person whose evidence is or may be, in the opinion of the Presiding Officer or Chairman of the Committee, relevant.

(3) The provisions of section 10 shall apply an all respects for the purpose of enabling evidence to be recorded under sub-section (2) in

like manner as they apply for the purpose of enabling evidence to be taken by a Committee and, for the purposes aforesaid, the Assembly or the Presiding Officer shall have the same powers as are conferred by that section on a Committee thereof.

(4) The provisions of sections 13 and 14 shall apply in relation to any evidence given for the purpose of sub-section (2).

(5) Notwithstanding anything anything contained in the preceding provisions of this section, a person who is alleged to have committed an offence under this Act shall not be bound or compelled to make any statement under sub-section (2) in relation to that offence.

29. **Appeal, etc.-** Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force, no appeal or other proceedings shall lie against any order made, proceedings taken or punishment awarded by the Assembly or the Committee under this Act, but a revision petition may made to the Assembly or the Committee, as the case may be, for reconsideration.

30. **Cases under ordinary laws.-** Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, when an offence under this Act is also an offence under any other law for the time being in force, it shall be tried under that law;

Provided that no person shall be prosecuted under any other law for having committed such offence except on a complaint made by an officer of the Assembly authorized by the Presiding Officer in that behalf.

31. **Power of arrest.-** (1) For the purpose of securing the attendance of any person before the Assembly or the Committee or of removing from the precincts of the Assembly any person whose removal has been ordered under this Act or the Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules, it shall be lawful for the Sergeant-at-Arms or any other officer of the Assembly or police officer, if ordered so to do by the Presiding Officer to arrest such person without warrant at any place within the precincts of the Assembly and to use such reasonable force as may be necessary.

(2) Notwithstanding any law for the time being in force, on the receipt of summons or warrants issued by the Assembly or the Committee, as the case may be, the District Magistrate shall be bound to procure the attendance of the person or persons, so required as if the summons or warrants were issued by him.

32. **Indemnity.-** No suit, prosecution or other legal proceedings shall lie against any person for any act done or purporting to be done in pursuance of any provisions of this Act or the Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules in good faith.

\*32A. **Over-riding effect.-** Notwithstanding anything contained in any other Provincial Law for the time being enforce and without prejudice to the generality of the Act, the provisions of the Act, shall over-ride all other provisions of the Provincial Laws, if found inconsistent with the provisions of this Act.

33. **Power to make rules.-** The Assembly may make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Act.

34. **Repeal.-** The Provincial Assembly of the North-West Frontier Province Privileges Act, 1973 (N.-W.F.P Act No. XVII of 1973), is hereby repealed.

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\* Added Vide NWFP Act No. I of 1990.

**SCHEDULE**  
**[SEE Section 25]**

Sl. No.	Breach of Privilege	Maximum Punishment
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| 1. | Using criminal force to, or obstructing assaulting, threatening or insulting any member or an officer of the Assembly,-<br>(i) While such Member or officer is on his way to attend a meeting of the Assembly or a Committee or is returning from the House after attending such meeting; or<br>(ii) on account of any vote given, speech made, or other action taken or not taken, by such member; or<br>(iii) with a view to influencing the conduct of such Member or officer in respect of any matter pending in, or expected to be brought before the Assembly or any Committee. | Imprisonment of either description for six months, or fine of five thousand rupees, or both.   |
| 2. | Assaulting, insulting, or willfully obstructing any Member in the Chamber or in a Committee or in the precincts of the Assembly.  | Imprisonment of either description for six months, or fine of five thousand rupees, or both.   |
| 3. | Assaulting or resisting or willfully interfering with an officer of the Assembly in the Chamber or in a Committee or in a precincts of the Assembly.  | Imprisonment of either description for six months, or fine of five thousand rupees or both.    |
| 4. | Contravention of the provisions of the Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules for the time being in force.   | Fine of five hundred rupees.   |
| 5. | Breach of any of the privileges as provided in section 3 or 9 or both, as the case may be.  | Imprisonment of either description for three months, or fine of five Thousand rupees, or both. |

Sl. No.	Breach of Privilege	Maximum Punishment
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| 6.  | Contravention of any provisions of the Procedure and Conduct of Business Rules by a stranger admitted to the Chamber.   | Imprisonment of either description for one month, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.     |
| 7.  | Tampering with, deterring, threatening, or in anyway unduly influencing any witness in regard to evidence to be given by him before the Assembly or any Committee.  | Imprisonment of either description for one month, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.     |
| 8.  | Presenting to the Assembly or a Committee any false, untrue, fabricated or falsified document with intend to deceive the Assembly or, as the case may be, the Committee.  | Imprisonment of either description for one month, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.     |
| 9.  | Destroying or materially damaging any document knowing or having reasons to believe that it has been requisitioned by the Assembly or any Committee.  | Imprisonment of either description for one month, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.     |
| 10. | Giving of false evidence before the Assembly or a Committee.  | Imprisonment of either description for three months, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.  |
| 11. | Refusing to be examined before or to answer a lawful and relevant question put by the Assembly or any Committee, unless such refusal be excused as provided in sub-section (9) of section 10.                   | Imprisonment of either description for three months, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.  |
| 12. | Mis-conduct as a witness before the Assembly or in a Committee.   | *Imprisonment of either description for three months, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both. |
| 13. | Willfully publishing any false or perverted report of any debate or proceedings of the Assembly or any Committee or willfully misrepresenting any speech made by a Member before the Assembly or any Committee. | Imprisonment of either description for three months, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.  |

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\* Subtitle Vide NWFP Act No. III of 1990.

Sl. No.	Breach of Privilege	Maximum Punishment
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| 14. | Wilfully publishing any report of any debate or proceedings of the Assembly or a Committee the publication of which has been prohibited by the Presiding Officer.  | Imprisonment of either description for three months, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both. |
| 15. | Publication of any defamatory or derogatory statement reflecting on the proceedings or the character of the Assembly.  | Imprisonment of either description for three months, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both. |
| 16. | Casting or publishing any reflection upon the character or conduct of the Presiding Officer or any imputation of partially against him, in the discharge of his duties.  | Imprisonment of either description for six months, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.   |
| 17. | Making, publishing any maliciously false, scandalous defamatory or derogatory statement concerning any Member or an officer of the Assembly.   | Imprisonment of either description for three months, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both. |
| 18. | Printing of a copy of any Act or Ordinance or of any report, paper, minutes or notes of proceedings of the Assembly or any Committee, which purports to have been printed by or under the authority of the Assembly or any Committee but which in fact has not been so printed or the tendering in evidence of any such copy as aforesaid. | Imprisonment of either description for three months, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both. |
| 19. | Publication of any proceedings or report of a Committee before they are reported to the Assembly or published in the official Gazette.   | Imprisonment of either description for three months, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both. |
| 20. | Publication of any question unless it is answered in a House or before it is so answered.  | Imprisonment of either description for one month, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.    |
| 21. | Publication of any resolution or motion before it is admitted by the Presiding Officer.  | Imprisonment of either description for one month, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.    |

Sl. No.	Breach of Privilege	Maximum Punishment
1	2	3
22.	Publication of any adjournment motion before it is taken up in Assembly.	Imprisonment of either description for one month, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.
23.	Wilful failure or refusal to obey any order of the Assembly under this Act, or any order of the Presiding Officer or any member or officer of the Assembly which is duly made under this Act.	Imprisonment of either description for three months, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.
24.	Entry of a stranger in the Chamber without due permission.	Imprisonment of either description for one month, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.
25.	Attending any sitting of House as representative of any newspaper after a general permission granted under the authority of the Presiding Officer to the representative or representatives of that newspaper has been revoked.	Imprisonment of either description for one month, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.
26.	Interference, resistance or obstruction by a stranger in the execution of duties by an officer of the Assembly.	Imprisonment of either description for three months, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.
27.	Sitting or voting in the Assembly without being a Member.	Imprisonment of either description for three months, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.
28.	Disrespectful conduct in the precincts of the Assembly.	Imprisonment of either description for one month, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.
29.	Offering to, or acceptance by, any Member or officer of the Assembly of a bribe to influence him in his conduct as such Member or officer, or the offering to, or acceptance by, any Member or officer of the Assembly of any fee, compensation, gift or reward for or in respect of the promotion of or opposition to any Bill, resolution, matter or thing brought before or intended to be brought before the Assembly or its any Committee.	Imprisonment of either description for six months, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.

Sl. No.	Breach of Privilege	Maximum Punishment
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30.	Creating or joining in any disturbance in the Chamber or in the vicinity or precincts of the Assembly while the House or the Committee is sitting, knowing or having reason to believe that the proceedings of the Assembly or Committee are or are likely to be interrupted.	Imprisonment of either description for three months, or fine of five hundred rupees, or both.
31.	Abetment of any act or omission specified above.	Same as for the act or omission.

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### **EXPLANATION (1)**

A statement to the effect that any person will not vote for, or will not support, or will oppose, the re-election of a Member if such Member pursues a certain course of action, in relation to any matter pending in or expected to be brought before the Assembly, shall not amount to a threat for the purposes of this Schedule.

### **EXPLANATION (2)**

In this Schedule, the words “assault” and “criminal force” have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Pakistan Penal Code.