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**Government of East Pakistan**  
**Home (Transport) Department**

**NOTIFICATION**

No. 9886-HT-29th December 1959- In Exercise of the Powers conferred by Section 25 of the East Pakistan Inland Water Transport Authority Ordinance, 1958 (Ordinance No. LXXV of 1958) and in supersession of the Notification No. 882-HT, dated the 1st February, 1959, the Governor is pleased to make the following rules, namely: -

**CHAPTER—I—Definitions**

1. Short title and commencement

(a) These rules may be called the "East Pakistan Inland Water Transport Authority Rules, 1959."

(b) They shall come into force at once.

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

(a) "Authority" means the East Pakistan Inland Water Transport Authority constituted under Section 3 (1) of the Ordinance ;

(b) "Chairman" means the Chairman appointed under section 4 (1) of the Ordinance;

(c) "Committee" means the Advisory Committee constituted under section 8 (1) of the ordinance;

(d) "Government" means the Government of East Pakistan;

(e) "Inland Water" means any canal, river, lake or any other navigable water in East Pakistan;

(f) "Mechanically propelled vessel" means every description of vessel ordinarily plying on inland waters and propelled wholly or in part by steam, electricity or other mechanical power and includes for purposes only of registration a sailing boat, dumb barge or any other craft not mechanically propelled. When towed or pushed by a mechanically propelled vessel;

- (g) "Ordinance" means the East Pakistan Inland Water Transport Authority Ordinance, 1958 (Ordinance No. LXXV of 1958); and
- (h) "Rules" means rules made under the Ordinance.

#### CHAPTER—II—MEETINGS

3. (1) The Chairman shall preside at every meeting of the Authority. In the absence of the Chairman any member authorised by him shall act for him.
- (2) The Authority shall meet once a month at the office of the Chairman or at any other place the Chairman may determine but may meet of terner if the exigencies of business so demand.
- (3) Such meetings shall be convened by the Secretary of the Authority, or any officer of the Authority authorised by the Chairman. Notice of such meetings shall specify the place, date and hour of the meetings and shall be issued at least three days before the date of the meeting.
- (4) Emergent meetings may be called at the discretion of the Chairman.
- (5) Decisions shall be taken by the Authority by a majority of votes of the members present, including the chairman.

#### CHAPTER— III— CHAIRMAN AND MEMBER

4. (1) The chairman, if wholetime and each wholetime member of the Authority shall be governed by service rules as applicable to officers of the Civil Service of Pakistan and receive salary and allowances as prescribed below :
- (a) Pay and allowances as may be determined by Govt., (Usual contributions will be made towards pension and leave salary in the case of a pensionable Government servant on deputation as may be required under the rules of the Central or the Provincial Government, on the subject, as the case may be).



- (b) Usual contribution towards the Contributory Provident Fund of the Authority; if any.
  - (c) The leave, pension and provident fund rules as provided for in the East Bengal Service Rules will apply to the Chairman and the Members of the Authority :
  - (d) Unfurnished suitable accommodation on payment of a rent equal to 10 percent, of salary.
  - (e) Transfer travelling allowance for self and family for joining and relinquishing his post.
- (2) In the case of Government deputationists their own Service Rules would apply. Other service conditions would be determined by Government.
- (3) In the case of part time Chairman and Member of the Authority. their pay, allowances, honoraria and other concessions and facilities will be determined by Government in each case.

#### CHAPTER IV—STAFF

5. (1) The Authority shall determine:
- (a) the number, designation and grade of officers and servants whom they consider necessary to employ for the purpose of the Ordinance;
  - (b) the scale of salary, allowances, honoraria, contributions and other remunerations to be paid to each such officer and servant;
  - (c) the amount of leave to be granted to them; and
  - (d) other conditions of the service.
- (2) The Chairman shall have power subject to such delegation as may be made by the Authority:
- (a) to appoint, promote and transfer the officers and servants of the Authority; and
  - (b) to suspend, discharge, remove, demote or dismiss such officers and servants and take other disciplinary action.
- (3) An appeal against any order of the Chairman shall lie with the Authority whose decision shall be final, provided where punishment is imposed by the Authority itself an appeal shall lie with the Government whose decision shall be binding on the Authority.

## CHAPTER V—ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

6. (1) The advisory committee shall meet at the office of the Chairman or at any other place the Chairman may determine. Notice of such meetings shall specify the place, date and hour of the meeting and shall be issued at least fifteen days before the date of the meeting.
- (2) The Chairman may authorise any member to act as Chairman of the Advisory Committee during his absence.
- (3) At least five members of the Advisory Committee shall form quorum of the meeting.
- (4) The Chairman of the committee may adjourn the meeting of the Advisory Committee to any subsequent date, time and place for want of a quorum, If, at the adjourned meeting, the quorum is not again fulfilled, it shall be lawful to dispose of the business of the meeting irrespective of the number of members present.
- (5) Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Chairman.
- (6) The functions of the Committee shall be advisory and the recommendation of the Committee shall not be binding on the Authority, but will receive due consideration.
- (7) Matters relating to the general administration of the Authority shall not be discussed by the Committee.
- (8) The official members may draw their travelling allowance and daily allowances according to their grades from the fund of the Authority for the committee meetings attended. The travelling allowances and daily allowances for the non-official members will be limited to the minimum amount admissible to a 1st grade officer, Non-official members who in their normal course of business travel in first class would be entitled to first class travelling allowance. Other non-official members should be given second class travelling allowance.



## CHAPTER VI—TOLLS, TAXES AND FEES.

7. The Conservancy & Pilotage of functions. For works relating to the river conservancy, including river training for navigational purposes, provision of aids to navigation, dissemination of navigational and meteorological information maintenance of pilotage and hydrographical survey services, conservancy tolls and pilotage fees shall be charged.
8. (1) For all mechanically propelled vessels as defined in section 2 (1) of the Inland Mechanically Propelled Vessels Act, 1917 (1 of 1917), including all mechanically propelled vessels as defined therein for purposes only of registration, other than vessels carrying passengers only, there shall be tolls for conservancy as specified in the Schedule to these rules.
  - (2) Every such cargo carrying vessel shall be charged according to the tonnage of the cargo it carries, subject to a minimum of 100 tons of cargo.

Provided that, if the carrying capacity of the vessel in question is less than 100 tons, the cargo shall be levied on the carrying capacity of the vessel calculated at 65 cubic feet per ton.
  - (3) Every mechanically propelled vessel as defined in the Inland Mechanically Propelled Vessel Act, 1917 (Act I, of 1917) for which pilotage services are provided by the Authority, shall pay pilotage fees at the rate of Rs. 18 per beat.
  - (4) For the purposes of pilotage, the physical limits of a beat for which pilotage fees are levied shall be determined by the Authority.

## CHAPTER VII—FUND AND ACCOUNTS.

9. The Authority fund as defined in the Ordinance shall be utilised by the Authority to meet charges for the performance of the functions under the Ordinance including the payment of salaries and other remunerations to the Chairman, Members of the Authority, Members of the Advisory Committee and the officers and servants of the Authority.

10. The accounts of the Authority shall be maintained on commercial lines. Separate books will be maintained for various heads of account under the revenue receipt and development budget of the Authority. For petty and contingent expenses, a simple cash book shall be maintained. Within a month of the closing of the financial year a balance sheet and income and expenditure account of the authority for the last financial year shall be prepared and after it has been passed by the authority submitted to Government for approval.

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For a journey not exceeding 25 miles .....	Nil
For a journey of 25 miles and not more than 100 miles ....	annas 2 per ton.
More than 100 miles and not more than 200 miles .....	annas 4 per mile
More than 200 miles and not more than 300 miles .....	annas 6 per mile
More than 300 miles and not more than 400 miles .....	annas 8 per mile
More than 400 miles and not more than 500 miles .....	annas 10 per mile
More than 500 miles and not more than 600 miles .....	annas 12 per mile
More than 600 miles and not more than 700 miles .....	annas 14 per mile

By order of the Governor,

**K.W. Jacob, Lt. Col,**  
Joint Secretary.