Facilities to the Members and Ex-Members of Karnataka Legislature

ACCOUNTS SECTION
Karnataka Legislative Council Secretariat
FACILITIES TO THE MEMBERS
AND
EX-MEMBERS OF
KARNATAKA LEGISLATURE
PREFACE

Members of Karnataka Legislative Assembly and Karnataka Legislative Council are entitled to certain facilities. These facilities are provided to Members with a view to enable them to function effectively. The facilities provided to the Members relate to Salary and other allowances, Travelling facilities, Medical facilities, accommodation, etc.,

Similarly, Ex-Members are entitled to Pension, Medical facilities and Travelling allowances. Further, Family Members of deceased members are entitled to Family Pension and Medical allowance.

Facilities provided to Members, Ex-Members and their family members is governed by the Karnataka Legislature Salaries, Pensions & Allowances Act, 1956 and the rules made thereunder.

This booklet contains details relating to Salaries, Allowances, other entitlements and facilities available to Members of Legislative
Assembly/Legislative Council, Ex-Members and their family members in brief.

I hope this booklet will be informative and useful to the Members of both Houses. Suggestions for improvement are welcome.

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FACILITIES TO THE MEMBERS
OF
KARNATAKA LEGISLATURE
(As on 01.05.2015)
**SALARY AND ALLOWANCES OF MEMBERS**

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<tr>
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<td>Salary</td>
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<td>Salary of Personal Assistant</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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<td>Constituency Travelling Allowances</td>
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| Daily Allowance for attending meetings| a) Rs. 2,000/- per day within the State  
                                      | b) Rs. 2,500/- per day outside the State |
TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE:

Rs. 25/- per kilometer irrespective of the mode of journey or fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 1,500/- for attending each meeting in lieu of travelling allowance calculated on the basis of distance travelled in Kilometers.

TRANSIT BY AIR AND RAILWAY ALLOWANCE:

In every financial year, Members are entitled to receive a sum of Rs. 2,00,000/- (Two Lakhs only) in two equal instalments, payable in the months of April and October for the purpose of travelling either single or with a companion in one or more journeys by air or by any railway in India.

MOTOR CAR/MOTOR CYCLE ADVANCES:

Members are entitled to an advance of Rs.15,00,000/- for purchase of a motor car on simple interest at 7% p.a during their tenure.

They are also entitled to an advance of Rs. 8,000/- for purchasing a Motor Cycle during their tenure.
In the event of death of a Member before recovery of dues towards the advance, the entire amount outstanding (both principal and interest) thereon shall be waived.

**TELEPHONE FACILITIES:**

Bills for the telephones installed in rooms at Legislators' Home are to be paid by the Members directly to BSNL. One telephone will be installed at the place of Members' choice at Government cost in the name of Secretary. Only rent of this telephone will be reimbursed.

**MEDICAL FACILITIES:**

A Member who incurs expenses for the medical attendance and treatment obtained by him and members of his family in any Hospital or Dispensary maintained by the State Government or in any Hospital or Dispensary notified by the Karnataka Legislature, he shall be entitled for reimbursement of the expenses incurred thereon. The expenses shall be inclusive of the charges for accommodation in the place where such treatment is taken.
In respect of expenses incurred by a Member for the Medical Attendance and treatment obtained by him in any place other than in a Hospital or Dispensary maintained by the State Government and other than in a Hospital or Dispensary notified by the Karnataka Legislature, he shall be entitled to reimbursement of the expenses incurred to the same extent as in Government Hospital or Dispensary.

**Note:**

1. A Member shall be entitled for reimbursement upto Rs.1,00,000/- per ear once in his/her lifetime for hearing-aid, upto Rs.50,000/- for denture and upto Rs.10,000/- for root canal with cap.

2. ‘Member of Family’ means the husband or wife, dependant unmarried son upto 25 years of age, dependant unmarried daughter, mentally retarded including handicapped children, father and mother and ‘mother-in-law/father-in-law in case of female member of Legislature’.
Ayurvedic, Homeopathy, Panchakarma and Allopathic Dispensaries have been set up at Legislators Home premises. Arrangements have also been made to open Camp Dispensaries in the Lobby of the Legislative Assembly/Council during Sessions, where Members may avail free medical aid in case of minor ailments and injuries.

IDENTITY CARDS:

Identity cards are issued to Members of Legislature from Assembly/Council Secretariats. They are required to show their Identity Cards to the Receptionist/security on demand at the entrance gate.

Members have to return the Identity Cards issued to them to the respective Secretariats after the expiry of their term/cessation of Membership.
ACCOMMODATION:

Full furnished accommodation at Legislators' Home is provided to the Members of Karnataka Legislature on payment basis as follows:

a) Rs.500/- per month for a single room

b) Rs.1000/- per month for a double room

c) Rs.1000/- per month for a family flat

(w.e.f. 5th September 2017.)

For the Ex-Legislators of Karnataka and Ex-member of parliament:

For Single room:

i) Rs. 100/- per day for 3 days.

ii) Rs. 200/-per day thereafter till 7 days

iii) Rs. 400/-per day after 7 days (until the room will be vacated)
For Double room;

i) Rs.200/- per day for 3 days

ii) Rs.400/- per day thereafter till 7 days

iii) Rs.800/- per day after 7 days (until the room will be vacated)

For the Officers of the Karnataka Government, Central Government and other State Government on duty and Guests of Members;

For Single room;

i) Rs.500/- per day for 3 days

ii) Rs. 1000/- per day thereafter till 7 days (Restricted for 7 days only

For Double room;

i) Rs.1000/- per day for 3 days

ii) Rs. 2000/- per day thereafter till 7 days (Restricted for 7 days only
NOTE:

For the Members who will continue the room in Legislator's Home thereafter he appointed as presiding Officer/parliamentary Functionaries/ Minister/parliamentary Secretary/Chairman to the Boards and Corporations one who avail the benefit of HRA and RMA from the Government shall be liable to pay Rs.10,000/-per month towards room rent.(w.e.f.01.10.2016)

A day is reckoned as 24 hours from the time of arrival. For a stay of 12 hours or less initially or in continuation of 24 hours stay, half the lodging charges will be levied. Persons occupying rooms for the night after 10 p.m. shall however, pay full lodging charges.

Free accommodation and Transportation in Bengaluru City limits will be provided to the Members of Committees of other State Legislatures on duty at Legislators’ Home.
CONVEYANCE FACILITIES:

The following rules govern the use of Cars in Legislators’ Home for the use of Members/Officers of Legislature.

1. The Cars will be under the administrative control of the Secretary, Karnataka Legislative Council.

2. The hire charges for the use of Cars within BBMP limit are as follows:

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<th>Sl. No.</th>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>Swift Dzire/Toyota Etios</td>
<td>Rs.6/-</td>
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<td>2</td>
<td>Toyota Innova</td>
<td>Rs.8/-</td>
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a) The charges will be levied for both onward and backward journeys. Where any car is requisitioned and made available to any Member, the hire charges will be levied from the time, the car is sent from the Legislators’ Home till it is returned to Legislators’ Home whether the car is actually utilized or not.
b) An overhead charge of Rs.10/- for second hour, Rs.30/- for third hour, Rs.150/- for the fourth hour, Rs.175/- for fifth hour, Rs.200/- for the sixth hour, Rs.275/- for seventh hour, Rs.325/- for eighth hour, Rs.400/- for ninth hour, Rs.475/- for tenth hour, Rs.525/- for eleventh hour and Rs.600/- for twelfth hour will be levied.

c) **EMERGENCY CAR:** There are emergency cars available for the use of Members for emergent/emergency purposes between 10.00 p.m to 08.00 a.m. The hire charges for the emergency cars are levied for both forward and backward journey at regular rates but, waiting charges of Rs.100/- is levied for every one hour after the first hour.
BANKING FACILITIES:

Branches of the Karnataka State Co-operative Apex Bank and State Bank of India have been opened in Vidhana Soudha. A Branch of the Karnataka State Co-operative Apex Bank is also opened at Legislators’ Home. State Bank of India has provided ATM Counters both at Vidhana Soudha and Legislators’ Home.

POSTAL FACILITIES:

A Post Office each is set up in Mezzanine Floor of Legislators’ Home-2 and Room No.1, Ground Floor on the eastern side of Vidhana Soudha for the use of Members of Legislature.

CANTEEN FACILITIES:

Vegetarian, Non-vegetarian and North Karnataka type of foods are available at Legislators’ Home premises. Light refreshments are available to Members in the Legislative Assembly/Legislative Council lobbies during Sessions, on payment basis.
RESERVATION FACILITIES:

South Western Railway's and K.S.R.T.C.'s Bus Computerised Reservation counters are setup at Legislators' Home for the convenience of Members.

LAUNDRY FACILITIES:

There are two laundries attached to the Legislators' Home. The Members staying in Legislators' Home can make use of Laundry services on payment basis.

HEALTH CLUB:

A sophisticated "Health Club" equipped with latest gymnasium equipments under the care of experienced physical instructors is made available for the exclusive use of Members. It is situated near the Reception Counter in the Ground Floor, at the Legislators' Home premises.
OTHER FACILITIES:

(i) Members can purchase discarded Military Jeeps/Motor Cycles from the Military or Defence on request.

(ii) Members are provided with a LPG connection on ‘Top Priority basis’ allotted by the Hindustan Petroleum Corporation.

(iii) If the sitting Member of Legislature dies, a car is provided to the family of the deceased Member for carrying the body to the home Constituency to perform the last rites. One more car is also provided to an Officer of Legislature to represent himself on behalf of the Karnataka Legislative Assembly/Council Secretariat at the funeral of the deceased Member.

(iv) During Sessions, for Members of Legislature who stay in the Legislators’ Home premises, one Kannada and one English daily News Paper are supplied to them free of charge.
BENEVOLENT FUND:

The Benevolent Fund has been established out of the contribution collected from the Members of Legislative Council for the assistance of the family of the Members of Legislative Council after their demise and also for the assistance of the Ex-Members and their family who are in distress.

LEGISLATURE LIBRARY:

Legislature Library is located at Room No.28, Ground Floor on the Northern side of Vidhana Soudha.

Members Reference Service caters to the information needs of Members both during the Session and inter Session period. Debates of Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council, Reports of various Committees of Legislature, Inquiry reports, Budget Speeches, Governor's Address etc. information contained in Legislature Debates and other published documents is provided to Members on receiving written requisitions from them.
"Reading Room" is located near the Opposition Party Lobby of the Legislative Assembly, where newspapers and periodicals are available for the use of Honble Members.

Members may borrow two books at a time for a period of fortnight from the Legislature Library. These books have to be returned to the Library within the stipulated time. If they are not returned, four times the cost of books will be charged, which is to be paid in cash. This amount will be recovered either from their salary or T.A Bills, if it is not paid.

Library is kept open between 10.00 a.m. and 5.30 p.m. on all working days.

While the Assembly/Council is in Session, library is opened half-an-hour before the commencement of the Session, if it is earlier than 10.00 a.m. and closed half-an-hour after the adjournment of the session, if it is after 5.30 p.m.
A branch of the library is also opened in Legislators' Home for the use of the Members, where newspapers and periodicals are available. It is kept open between 8.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. on all working days.

RESEARCH AND REFERENCE BRANCH:

Research and Reference Branch is situated at Room No.19, Ground Floor on the Western side of Vidhana Soudha.

The functions of the Research and Reference Branch is to assess broadly the information requirements of Members by anticipating and identifying subjects of current parliamentary interest including legislative measures on which Assembly / Council is likely to undertake discussions and which are likely to generate demands from Members for detailed information and data.
Press Clipping Services, Members Reference Services and Publication of books of parliamentary interest and reference value forms part of the prominent work carried out by the Research and Reference Branch of Karnataka Legislature.

(1) **Press Clipping Service** intends to provide references for Members of Legislature on current topics. It includes collection of important, relevant and up-to-date news items, editorial comments and articles on developments in the legislative, political, economic, socio-cultural, scientific and technological fields. Clippings are taken from 6 Kannada Newspapers and 4 English Newspapers. Press clippings are maintained chronologically in subject folders and they are provided to Members on receiving written requisitions.

Three prominent newspapers (Two Kannada and One English Newspaper) are preserved in the form of bounded volumes for future reference.
(2) Following Publications of Reference value are published for the reference of Members and updated from time to time:

(i) **REVIEW:** Review is a book containing statistics relating to different aspects of the working of the Legislature. It contains information relating to the business of the House and functions of various Committees during the period of each Assembly. Review of both the Houses is prepared separately after completion of each Assembly.

(ii) **Council of Ministers of Karnataka:** Information relating to the Council of Ministers of Karnataka from 1947 to 2014 is published in two volumes.

(iii) **Karnataka Shasakanga Patrike:** “Karnataka Shasakanga Patrike” is a quarterly magazine brought out to provide Members information relating to the important news items published in news papers relating to the functioning of Parliament, State Legislatures, Judiciary, etc. It also contains some informative articles relating to the working of the three organs of the Government.
(iv) **LEKHANA SOOCHI**: Lekhana Soochi is an index of important articles of Parliamentary interest published in various newspapers / magazines prepared every month.

(v) **Brochure on Karnataka**: Brochure on Karnataka gives a picture of Karnataka in all its hues, its natural wealth, history, agriculture, industries, art, literature, culture, etc.

(vi) **Brief Profile of Members of 14th Legislative Assembly**: It is a bilingual (Kannada & English) booklet containing synoptic bio-profiles of Members of 14th Legislative Assembly with their photographs.

(vii) **A booklet** containing The Karnataka Legislature Salaries, Pensions and Allowances Act, 1956, which provides for the salaries, pensions and other allowances of Presiding Officers and Members of both Houses is prepared with Notifications issued from time to time to amend the said Act.
(viii) A **Hand book** containing details relating to the terms of office of Presiding Officers of Parliament / Karnataka Legislature and other dignitaries who have occupied high posts is published.

(3) **Research and Reference Branch** is engaged with procuring information relating to the implementation of schemes / release of grants announced by the Government in Budget Speech. Government Orders / Notifications issued in that regard is collected from the concerned Government Departments and sent for information of Members of both the Houses.

(4) **Research and Reference Branch** also prepares background Notes for Presiding Officers' Conference, Secretaries Conference, CPA Conference, All India Whips Conference, other Conferences for the use of Presiding Officers / Deputy Presiding Officers / Parliamentary Functionaries / Delegates attending those Conferences.
FACILITIES TO EX-MEMBERS
OF
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(As on 01.05.2015)
PENSION:

A Person who has served for a period of Five years as a Member of Legislative Council or Legislative Assembly or partly as a Member of the Legislative Assembly and partly as a member of the Legislative Council would be paid PENSION at the rate of Rupees Forty Thousand per mensem for the remainder of his life.

Any person who has served for more than five years shall also be paid an ADDITIONAL PENSION at the rate of Rupees One Thousand per mensem for every subsequent completed year.

NOTE:

1. Where a member elected for the first time has been prevented from serving as such for five years on account of dissolution of the Legislative Assembly, he shall be deemed to have served as member for five years.
2. A part of the year exceeding six months shall be treated as a full year for the purpose of calculating additional pension.

**MEDICAL FACILITIES:**

Every Ex-Member who is in receipt of the pension shall be entitled to Fixed Medical Allowance of **Rupees Five Thousand** per month, subject to the condition that the said amount shall be deducted in the medical reimbursement claim if any during the said month.

A pensioner who incurs expenses for the medical attendance and treatment obtained by him and members of his family at any Hospital or Dispensary maintained by the State Government or in any notified Hospital or Dispensary, he shall be entitled for reimbursement of the expenses incurred therein. The expenses shall be inclusive of the charges for accommodation at the place where such treatment is taken.
In respect of expenses incurred by a pensioner for the Medical Attendance and treatment obtained by him in any place other than in a Hospital or Dispensary maintained by the State Government and other than in a Hospital or Dispensary notified by the Karnataka Legislature, he shall be entitled to reimbursement of the expenses incurred to the same extent as in Government Hospital or Dispensary.

**Note:**

1. A pensioner shall be entitled for reimbursement upto Rs.1,00,000/- per ear once in his/her life time for hearing-aid, upto Rs.50,000/- for denture and upto Rs.10,000/- for root canal with cap.

2. ‘Member of Family’ means the husband or wife, dependant unmarried son upto 25 years of age, dependant unmarried daughter, mentally retarded including handicapped children, father and mother and ‘mother-in-law/father-in-law in case of female Member of Legislature’.
TRAVELLING ALLOWANCE:

An Ex-Member shall for every financial year be entitled to receive a sum of Rupees One Lakh per annum payable in two equal instalments in the months of April and October for the purpose of travelling either single or with a companion in one or more journeys by air or by railway in India.

BUS PASS:

An Ex-Member is provided with non transferable pass for himself and his companion which shall entitle them at any time to travel by road transport services of the Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation from the ordinary place of residence of such member in Karnataka to any place in the State of Karnataka or outside the State and back.
FACILITIES TO FAMILY
OF
DECEASED MEMBERS
(As on 01.05.2015)
FAMILY PENSION:

Where a Member dies before the expiry of his term or where a person eligible for pension dies, his / her family would be entitled to family pension at the rate of fifty percent of pension admissible to that Member.

The family of the deceased person, who was a member of the Legislative Council or the Legislative Assembly, whether he was in receipt of pension or not, shall be entitled for family pension at the rate of fifty percent of pension admissible to that Member.

MEDICAL ALLOWANCE:

Every person who is drawing family pension shall be entitled to fixed medical allowance of **Rupees Two Thousand Five Hundred** per month.