# THE GUJARAT SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES OF MEMBERS, SPEAKER AND DEPUTY SPEAKER OF THE GUJARAT LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, MINISTERS AND LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION LAWS (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2020.

### GUJARAT BILL NO. 14 OF 2020.

### A BILL

further to amend the laws relating to salaries and allowances of Members, Speaker and Deputy Speaker of the Gujarat Legislative Assembly and of Ministers and Leader of the Opposition.

It is hereby enacted in the Seventy-first Year of the Republic of India as follows: -

1. (1) This Act may be called the Gujarat Salaries and Allowances of Members, Speaker and Deputy Speaker of the Gujarat Legislative Assembly, Ministers and Leader of the Opposition Laws (Amendment) Act, 2020.

Short title and commencement.

(2) It shall be deemed to have come into force on the 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2020.

Amendment of section 3 of Guj. II of 1960. **2.** In the Gujarat Legislative Assembly Members' Salaries and Allowances Act, 1960, in section 3, after sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:-

Guj. II of 1960.

"(1A) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), there shall be paid to each Member 30 per cent less basic salary per month for a period of twelve months commencing from the 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020.".

Amendment of sections 3 and 10 of Guj. III of 1960. **3.** In the Gujarat Legislative Assembly (Speaker and Deputy Speaker) Salaries and Allowances Act, 1960,-

Guj. III of 1960.

- (i) in section 3, after sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:-
- "(1A) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), there shall be paid to the Speaker 30 per cent less basic salary per month for a period of twelve months commencing from the 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020.".
- (ii) in section 10, after sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:-
- "(1A) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), there shall be paid to the Deputy Speaker 30 per cent less basic salary per month for a period of twelve months commencing from the 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020.".

Amendment of sections 3 and 6 of Guj. VI of 1960. 4. In the Gujarat Ministers' Salaries and Allowances Act, 1960,-

Guj. VI of 1960.

- (i) in section 3, after sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:-
- "(1A) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), there shall be paid to the Minister 30 per cent less basic salary per month for a period of twelve months commencing from the 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020.".

(ii) in section 6, after sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:-

"(1A) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), there shall be paid to the Deputy Minister 30 per cent less basic salary per month for a period of twelve months commencing from the 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020.".

Guj. 16 of 1979. **5.** In the Gujarat Legislative Assembly (Leader of the Opposition) Salary and Allowances Act, 1979, in section 3, after sub-section (1), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:-

Amendment of section 3 of Guj. 16 of 1979.

"(1A) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), there shall be paid to the Leader of the Opposition 30 per cent less basic salary per month for a period of twelve months commencing from the 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020."

Guj. Ord. 1 of 2020.

**6.** (1) The Gujarat Salaries and Allowances of Members, Speaker and Deputy Speaker of the Gujarat Legislative Assembly, Ministers and Leader of the Opposition Laws (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020 is hereby repealed.

Repeal and Savings.

Guj. II of 1960.

Guj. III of 1960. Guj. VI of 1960.

Guj. 16 of 1979.

(2) Notwithstanding such repeal, anything done or any action taken under the Gujarat Legislative Assembly Members' Salaries and Allowances Act, 1960, the Gujarat Legislative Assembly (Speaker and Deputy Speaker) Salaries and Allowances Act, 1960, the Gujarat Ministers' Salaries and Allowances Act, 1960, or as the case may, the Gujarat Legislative Assembly (Leader of the Opposition) Salary and Allowances Act, 1979, as amended by the said Ordinance, shall be deemed to have been done or taken under the said Acts as amended by this Act.

#### STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Members of the Legislative Assembly, Speaker and Deputy Speaker, Ministers of the State and the Leader of the Opposition draw their salaries and allowances in accordance with the provisions contained in the Gujarat Legislative Assembly Members' Salaries and Allowances Act, 1960; Gujarat Legislative Assembly (Speaker and Deputy Speaker) Salaries and Allowances Act, 1960; Gujarat Ministers' Salaries and Allowances Act, 1960 and the Gujarat Legislative Assembly (Leader of the Opposition) Salaries and Allowances Act, 1979 respectively.

The world as a whole is battling an outbreak of a Coronavirus called COVID-19, which has claimed thousands of lives and infected lacs of human beings around the world and India is no exception. The State of Gujarat is also reeling from the COVID-19 crisis and one cannot say with any certainty as to how long it will last. The State Government is making all out efforts and has also employed all its resources to combat the Coronavirus.

Many MLAs and Dignitaries have offered to help financially to the State Government in their individual capacity, but to have a uniform policy in this regard, the State Government has decided to reduce the basic salary of Members, Speaker and Deputy Speaker of the Gujarat Legislative Assembly, Ministers and Leader of the Opposition to the extent of 30 per cent for a period of twelve months commencing from 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2020 and to utilize the saved money to fight against the challenge posed by Coronavirus outbreak.

As the Legislative Assembly of the State of Gujarat was not in session, at that time, the Gujarat Salaries and Allowances of Members, Speaker and Deputy Speaker of the Gujarat Legislative Assembly, Ministers and Leader of the Opposition Laws (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020 was promulgated to amend the said Acts to achieve the aforesaid objects. This Bill seeks to replace the said Ordinance by an Act of the State Legislature.

#### **ANNEXURE**

### EXTRACT FROM THE GUJARAT LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY MEMBERS' SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES ACT, 1960.

### (Guj. II of 1960)

**3.** (1) There shall be paid to each Member during the whole of his term of office, a basic salary per month at the rate of minimum basic pay payable to the Deputy Secretary of the State Government in Sachivalaya.

Salaries to be paid to Members and dearness allowance.

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# EXTRACT FROM THE GUJARAT LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY (SPEAKER AND DEPUTY SPEAKER) SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES ACT, 1960.

### (Guj. III of 1960)

**3.** (1) There shall be paid to the Speaker 25% more basic salary per month than the basic salary payable to a Member of the Assembly by virtue of the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Gujarat Legislative Assembly Members' Salaries and Allowances Act, 1960.

Salary and dearness allowance of Speaker.

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**10.** (1) There shall be paid to the Deputy Speaker 25% more basic salary per month than the basic salary payable to a Member of the Assembly by virtue of the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Gujarat Legislative Assembly Members' Salaries and Allowances Act, 1960.

Salary and dearness allowance of Deputy Speaker.

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### EXTRACT FROM THE GUJARAT MINISTERS' SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES ACT, 1960.

### (Guj. VI of 1960)

Salaries and dearness allowance of Ministers and Ministers of State.

**3.** (1) There shall be paid to the Minister 25% more basic salary per month than the basic salary payable to a Member of the Assembly by virtue of the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Gujarat Legislative Assembly Members' Salaries and Allowances Act, 1960.

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Salaries and dearness allowance of Deputy Ministers. **6.** (1) There shall be paid to the Deputy Minister 25% more basic salary per month than the basic salary payable to a Member of the Assembly by virtue of the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Gujarat Legislative Assembly Members' Salaries and Allowances Act, 1960.

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# EXTRACT FROM THE GUJARAT LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY (LEADER OF THE OPPOSITION) SALARY AND ALLOWANCES ACT, 1979.

### (Guj. 16 of 1979)

Salary and dearness allowance of Leader of Opposition. **3.** (1) There shall be paid to the Leader of the Opposition 25% more basic salary per month than the basic salary payable to a Member of the Assembly by virtue of the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Gujarat Legislative Assembly Members' Salaries and Allowances Act, 1960.

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