

**THE BALOCHISTAN PROHIBITION OF SMOKING
IN CINEMA HOUSES ORDINANCE, 1960**

(W.P. Ordinance IV of 1960)

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**¹THE ²[BALOCHISTAN³] PROHIBITION OF SMOKING IN
CINEMA HOUSES ORDINANCE, 1960**

(W.P. Ordinance IV of 1960)

[6th February, 1960]

An Ordinance to prohibit smoking in cinema houses in the Province of ²[Balochistan].

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to prohibit smoking in cinema houses in the Province of ²[Balochistan];

NOW, THEREFORE in pursuance of the Presidential Proclamation of the seventh day of October, 1958, and in exercise of all powers enabling him in that behalf, the Governor of West Pakistan is pleased to make and promulgate the following Ordinance:—

Short title and extent.

1. (1) This Ordinance may be called the ²[Balochistan] Prohibition of Smoking in Cinema Houses Ordinance, 1960.

⁴(2) It extends to the whole of the Province of ²[Balochistan], except the Tribal Areas.]

Definitions.

2. In this Ordinance, unless the context otherwise requires, the following expressions shall have the meanings hereby respectively assigned to them, that is to say—

- (a) "cinema house" means any building, tent, or any roofed and enclosed structure used ordinarily for the exhibition to the public, whether on payment or otherwise, of, cinematographic films;
- (b) "Government" means the Government of ²[Balochistan];
- (c) "management" means the person or persons responsible for managing a performance, demonstration or exhibition in a cinema house.

Penalty for

3. Whoever smokes, during any performance,

¹ This Ord. was promulgated by the Governor of W.P. on 4th February, 1960; published in the W.P. Gazette (Extraordinary) dated 6th February, 1960, pages 885-86; saved and given permanent effect by Article 225 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan (1962).

² Subs. by Baln. A.O. of 1975, for "West Pakistan".

³ Spelling of the word "Baluchistan", wherever it appears in this Ordinance, is corrected by insertion of letter "o" instead of "u"; as per Government of Balochistan, S&GAD's Notification No. SORI (4) 6/ S&GAD-89, dated 18th June, 1989.

⁴ Subs. by W.P. Ord. VII of 1964.

smoking in
cinema houses. demonstration or exhibition, in any part of a cinema house reserved for the audience or the spectators, shall be punished with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees.

Explanation—For the purpose of this section, a performance, demonstration or exhibition shall be deemed to commence when the audience or the spectators have entered the cinema house to witness the performance, demonstration or exhibition therein and to continue until they have left the house after the final closing of the performance, demonstration or exhibition.

Power to arrest
without
warrant. 4. Any police officer, not below the rank of Sub-Inspector, may arrest without warrant any person who in his presence commits an offence punishable under section 3, but shall release him on his personal bond for attendance before a Magistrate on a specified date.

Management to
post notices or
exhibit slides. 5. (1) The management shall bring to the notice of the audience or the spectators, by posting notices prominently or by exhibiting slides, that any person smoking during a performance, demonstration or exhibition, in any part of a cinema house reserved for the audience or spectators, shall be liable to arrest without warrant and to fine.

(2) Whoever contravenes the provisions of subsection (1) shall be punished with fine which may extend to one hundred rupees.

Power to exempt. 6. The District Magistrate or any officer authorised by him in this behalf, may, by general or special order in writing, direct that the provisions of this Ordinance shall not apply in respect of any cinema house or any performance, demonstration or exhibition therein.

Power to make
rules. 7. Government may make rules for carrying out the purposes of this Ordinance.

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