

POLICY OF ZERO TOLERANCE TOWARDS ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION

PREVENTION OF SMUGGLING OF MIGRANTS ACT 2018

The Parliament of Pakistan has passed an Act namely **Prevention of Migrants Act 2018** with the primary purpose of combating smuggling of migrants. The Act shall apply to such offence committed (a) within the territory of Pakistan; (b) outside the territory of Pakistan by a Pakistani citizen; (c) on board a vessel or aircraft that is registered under the laws of Pakistan at the time of commission of the offence.



Objectives

- Preventing/Combating Smuggling of Migrants
- Promotion and facilitation of National and International Cooperation
- Protection of the Rights of Smuggled Migrants

PUNISHMENT

Smuggling of Migrants

- Imprisonment up to **Five years**
- Fine up to **One Million Rupees**



Harbouring Illegal Residents for Benefit

- Imprisonment up to **Three years**
- Fine up to **One Million Rupees**

Production/Provision of Documents for Smuggling of Migrants

- Imprisonment up to **Three years**
- Fine up to **One Million Rupees**



Aggravated Offences

- Imprisonment up to **Fourteen years**
- Fine up to **Two Million Rupees**



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**FEDERAL INVESTIGATION AGENCY SHALL
INVESTIGATE OFFENCES UNDER THE ACT**