

# M.P. Vidhan Sabha Karyawahi (Prakashan Ka Paritran) Adhiniyam, 1973

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*(M.P. Act No. 45 of 1973)*

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An Act to protect the publication of reports or proceedings of Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly

Be it enacted by the Madhya Pradesh Legislature in the Twenty-fourth Year of the Republic of India as follows :-

1. **Short title and extent.**- (1) This Act may be called the Madhya Pradesh Vidhan Sabha Karyawahi (Prakashan Ka Paritran) Adhiniyam, 1973.

(2) It extends to the whole of Madhya Pradesh.

2. **Definition.**- In this Act, "newspaper" means any printed periodical work containing public news or comments on public news, and includes a news-agency supplying material for publication in a newspaper.
3. **Publication of reports of Legislative Assembly proceedings privileged.**- (1) Save as otherwise provided in sub-section (2), no person shall be liable to any proceedings, civil or criminal, in any Court in respect of the publication in a newspaper of a substantially true report of any proceedings of the Madhya Pradesh Legislative Assembly, unless the publication is proved to have been made with malice.

(2) Nothing in sub-section (1) shall be construed as protecting the publication of any matter, the publication of which is not for the public good.

4. **Act also to apply to Legislature proceedings broadcast by wireless telegraphy.**- This Act shall apply in relation to reports or matters broadcast by means of wireless telegraphy as a part of any programme or service provided by means of a broadcasting station as it applies in relation to reports or matters published in newspaper.