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Subject areas and matters on which By-laws may be formulated by the Municipal Councils

In accordance with Section 272 of the Municipal Councils Ordinance legal provision have been made to enable Municipal Councils formulate By-laws for 116 matters under 32 sectors by the Municipal Councils.

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	MC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
1.	The creation of posts or officers	272 ^1& ^a&
2.	Appointments to posts or officers in the service of the Council	272 (1) (b)
3.	The payment of salaries, allowances and remuneration to officers and servants of the Council	272 (1) (c)
4.	The grant of leave of absence to officers and servants	272(1) (d)
5.	The due performance of their several duties by officers and servants in the service of the Council	272 (1) (e)
6.	The Regulation of Council & Committee meetings	272 (1) (f)
7.	The form in which all estimates, budgets, statements and returns incidental to municipal business shall be drawn up	272 (1) (g)
8.	The form in which municipal accounts shall be kept	272 (1) (h)
9.	The form of any books, registers or documents required to be kept or used for the purpose of MC Ordinance	272 (1) (i)
10.	Buildings, Building operations and works	272(2)
11.	The alignment, level, width and construction of new streets	272 (2) (a)
12.	The structure and stability of walls, foundations, roofs, and chimneys of new buildings, the prevention of fires and purposes of health	272 (2) (b)
13.	The structure of hearths and staircases, and the height and ventilation of rooms to be used for human habitation, and the structure and level of floors	272 (2) (c)
14.	The sufficiency of space about buildings to secure a free circulation of air and the ventilation of buildings	272 (2) (d)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	MC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
15.	The paving of yards and open spaces in connection with buildings	272 (2) (e)
16.	The quality of materials to be used	272 (2) (f)
17.	The line of frontage with neighbouring buildings	272 (2) (g)
18.	The front elevation of buildings where the building is one of a row of contiguous buildings abutting on a street	272 (2) (h)
19.	The levy of fees for the examination and consideration of plans for new buildings or for alterations to existing buildings.	272 (2) (i)
20.	Drainage	272(3)
21.	The laying out, construction or alteration of drains , water-closets, urinals, sinks, baths and sanitary appliances , the flushing of water- closets, the paving of floors and courtyards and open spaces	272 (3) (a)
22.	The charging, levying, and recovering of fees for the inspection and cleansing of all drains, water-closets, and other sanitary appliances.	272 (3) (b)
23.	The issue of licences to persons who carrying out drainage work	272 (3) (c)
24.	The provision of proper and sufficient means of sewerage and the drainage for streets and roads	272 (3) (d)
25.	The regulation of the use of public latrines and as to the decent conduct of persons using such latrines.	272 (3) (e)
26.	Water works	272(4)
27.	The prevention of waste, misuse, undue consumption, or contamination of the water supplied by the council for public or private use.	272 (4) (a)
28.	The direction of the use , and prescribing the size, nature, strength, and materials and the mode of arrangement, position, alteration, removal, renewal and repair of the pipes, valves, cocks, cisterns, soil pans, water-closets, and other apparatus and receptacles or any of them to be used respectively for carrying, delivering, regulating , and storing water	272 (4) (b)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	MC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
29.	The regulation of the public supply of water by stand pipes, and the use of the same	272 (4) (c)
30.	The regulation of the supply of water by private services, and the materials and fittings to be used	272 (4) (d)
31.	The regulation of the supply of water by measurement , and the materials, meters, appliances, and fittings used for such a purpose or in connection therewith	272 (4) (e)
32.	Water will be supplied for other than domestic purposes, and the price to be paid for water so supplied	272 (4) (f)
33.	The prescribing of the procedure for the recovery of moneys due for the supply of water	272 (4) (g)
34.	Every other purpose relating to the supply or control of water supplied from the waterworks as to the council may appear necessary.	272 (4) (h)
35.	Sanitation	272(5)
36.	The prevention and abatement of nuisances	272 (5) (a)
37.	The removal and disposal of night-soil, and the charging, levying , and recovering of fees for such removal and disposal	272 (5) (b)
38.	The inspection, regulation, maintenance, and cleansing of all drains, privies, earth-closets, cesspools, ash-pits, and sanitary appliances	272 (5) (c)
39.	The conservancy of private premises	272 (5) (d)
40.	The regulation of any houses or places established for the reception of persons suffering from infectious disease, and for the imposing and recovering of fees for the use and occupation of such houses or places	272 (5) (e)
41.	The cleansing, disinfection, and destruction of temporary buildings and infected articles, and the cleansing and disinfection of buildings.	272 (5) (f)
42.	The regulation and control of swine	272 (5) (g)
43.	The prevention of malaria and the destruction of mosquitoes and other disease- bearing insects	272 (5) (h)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	MC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
44.	The licensing , regulations, inspection and control of stables and cattle galas	272 (5) (i)
45.	Washing and bathing , including the regulation, supervision, inspection and control of bathing places and places for washing animals	272 (5) (j)
46.	Streets	272(6)
47.	The improvement, making, repairing , cleaning, watering , and lighting of streets	272 (6) (a)
48.	The prevention and abatement of obstructions and encroachments on streets, roads, and canals	272 (6) (b)
49.	The regulation of traffic in streets	272 (6) (c)
50.	The erection of hoardings and other temporary structures, or any decoration of any type , on or about any street and the charging of fees for any permit issued in that connection	272 (6) (d)
51.	Land and property	272 (7)
52.	The classification and assessment of buildings, lands and tenements within the Municipality	272 (7) (a)
53.	The registration at the Municipal office of the names and addresses of the owners of lands and buildings within the Municipality.	272 (7) (b)
54.	The registration at the Municipal office of mortgages over immovable property situated within the Municipality.	272 (7) (c)
55.	The posting of notices in writing to such registered mortgagees of the sale of immovable property seized for the recovery of rates or taxes	272 (7) (d)
56.	The putting up and prevention of boundaries and of fences of lands , whether private or public	272 (7) (e)
57.	The care and regulation of common pasture lands, and the levy of fees for the use of such lands	272 (7) (f)
58.	Markets , Fairs, Bakeries and provisions	272(8)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	MC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
59.	The licensing, regulation, management , conduct, and inspection of bakeries and the persons employed therein and of the manufacturer and quality of bread	272 (8) (a)
60.	The establishment of markets and fairs, private as well as public , including markets for the sale of cattle and other livestock, and the regulation, control and use of such markets and fairs and the buildings, shops, sheds , stalls, pens and standing therein, and for preventing nuisances or obstructions therein or in the immediate approaches thereto	272 (8) (b)
61.	The seizure, forfeiture and removal and destruction of unwholesome flesh, fish or other provisions introduced into the Municipality , and the prevention of the sale or exposure for sale thereof	272 (8) (c)
62.	The regulation and control the places of cattle markets except in duly licensed places.	272 (8) (d)
63.	The seizure and removal of articles exposed for sale in contravention of any by-law	272 (8) (e)
64.	The preparation and publication of a list of current prices	272 (8) (f)
65.	The regulation of the mode of sale of articles, whether by measure , weight, tail, or piece.	272 (8) (g)
66.	The fixing of the price (both wholesale and retail) above which any article of food shall not be sold in any market or fair, whether public or private.	272 (8) (gg)
67.	The regulation , supervision, inspection and control of the sale of living animals.	272 (8) (h)
68.	The management and control of slaughter houses, Including the levy and recovery of fees for the use thereof, and the prevention of cruelty to animals therein	272 (9)
69.	Stray Cattle	272 (10)
70.	The maintenance and regulation of quarantine stations for cattle	272 (11)
71.	The provision of facilities for the vaccination and immunization of livestock and dogs.	272 (11)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	MC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
72.	Revenue, including the assessment of property and the collection of rates and taxes.	272 (12)
73.	The prescribing of fees and the fixing of charges to be levied or made for an act, matter or thing required under MC Ordinance to be done or observed	272 (13)
74.	The licensing, regulation, inspection and control of hairdressers' and barbers' shops and saloons	272 (14)
75.	The regulation, supervision, inspection and control of offensive or dangerous trades or businesses	272 (15)
76.	The licensing of money-changers	272 (16)
77.	The licensing of accountants and auditors (other than auditors who are registered under the companies Ordinance)	272 (17)
78.	The licensing, regulation, inspection and control of places of public entertainment, including the protection of the public from danger from fire.	272 (18)
79.	The regulation, supervision, inspection and control of the sale, or the storage or manufacture food or drink at the hotels, shops and places other than markets	272 (19)
80.	Itinerant vendors	272 (20)
81.	The supervision or control of Itinerant vendors	272(20)(a)
82.	The issue of licences for the purposes of such supervision or control, and the conditions to be attached to such licences	272(20)(b)
83.	The regulation or prohibition of the sale of any specified article or the sale of articles in any specified place or area	272 (20)(c)
84.	Laundries and washing	272 (21)
85.	The regulation, supervision and control of laundries and laundryman	272 (21)(a)
86.	The inspection of such laundries and the medical examination of those engaged in laundry work.	272 (21)(b)
87.	The lighting, ventilation, cleansing, drainage, and water supply to laundries	272 (21)(c)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	MC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
88.	The prevention of inspection and contagion through articles in the charge of laundrymen	272 (21)(d)
89.	Facilitating inquiries in connection with the spread of infectious and contagious diseases through laundries, and articles sent thereto and distributed therefrom.	272 (21)(e)
90.	The licensing, registration, and regulation of lodging-houses, restaurants, eating houses, and tea and coffee boutiques	272 (22)
91.	dairies	272(23)
92.	The licensing, registration and regulation of dairies , cow sheds, milk shops and milk stores, dairymen, cow-keepers and purveyors of milk	272 (23)(a)
93.	The inspection of dairies and dairy cattle and the medical examination of those engaged in dairies or in the distribution of milk for sale	272 (23)(b)
94.	The lighting, ventilation, cleansing, drainage, and water supply of dairies and cows sheds	272 (23)(c)
95.	The cleanliness of premises in which milk is kept, and of milk shops, and of vessels used for containing milk for sale	272 (23)(d)
96.	The precautions to be taken by purveyors of milk and persons selling milk by retaining against infection and contamination	272 (23)(e)
97.	The standardization of milk and the prevention of the sale of milk below the prescribed standard.	272 (23)(f)
98.	The determination of the deficiency in any of the normal constituents of genuine milk (including condensed and curdled milk)	272 (23)(g)
99.	Facilitating inquiry in connection with the spread of infectious or contagious diseases through dairies.	272 (23)(h)
100.	The registration of cows kept in premises other than licensed dairies, the cleanliness and drainage of the buildings or part of the buildings in which such cows are kept and the levy of fees for the registration of such cows	272 (24)
101.	The establishment, maintenance, and regulation of tolls.	272 (25)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	MC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
102.	Fire brigade	272 (26)
103.	The prohibition or the regulation and control of advertisements displayed or exhibited	272 (27)
104.	Public services	272 (28)
105.	Water Supply	272 (28)(a)
106.	The lighting of streets, public places, and public buildings	272 (28)(b)
107.	The supply of electric light or power	272 (28)(c)
108.	Markets	272 (28)(d)
109.	Public baths, bathing places, laundries and places for washing animals	272 (28)(e)
110.	Any other form of public service which the Council has resolved to provide.	272 (28)(f)
111.	The prohibition of fishing in waters polluted by refuse and sewage and removal of obstruction to coastal fishing.	272 (29)
112.	The abatement of nuisances, including the prohibition, regulation and control of the operation of the instruments automatically or mechanically producing or reproducing sound	272 (30)
113.	Taxation, including the rendering of all returns and information that may be required for the purposes of any tax payable , or for the issue of any licence under MC Ordinance	272 (30A)
114.	The regulation and control of industrial waste	272 (30B)
115.	Refusal of issuing licence or cancellation or suspension of licenses issued.	272 (31)
116.	Providing of parking places for Motor vehicles and collecting the prescribed fees for parking such motor vehicles in such places	272 (32)

Subject areas and matters on which By-laws may be formulated by the Urban Councils

Section 157 of the Urban Councils Ordinance legal provision has been made to formulate by laws for 112 matters under 15 sectors, by the Urban Councils.

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	UC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
1.	The regulation of the meetings of the Council and of its Committees	157 (1) (a)
2.	The form in which all estimates, budgets, statements and returns incidental to the business of the council shall be drawn up	157 (1) (b)
3.	The form in which the accounts of the council shall be kept	157 (1) (c)
4.	The creation of officers and the appointment of officers and servants	157 (2) (a)
5.	The payment of salaries , allowances and remuneration to officers and servants of the council	157 (2) (a)
6.	The payment of contributions to any scheme established for the purpose of granting relief or assistance to officers or servants in cases of illness, distress or indebtedness.	157 (2) (a)
7.	The due performance of their several duties by officers and servants in the service of the council	157 (2) (b)
8.	Taxation, including the recovery of any tax, payable under the UC Ordinance, for which no other express provision is made , and the rendering of all returns and information that may be required for the purposes of any such tax	157 (3)
9.	The rendering of all returns and information that may be required for the purposes of the issue of any license under UC ordinance	157(3A)
10.	Loans	157 (4)
11.	The form and manner of execution of securities	157(4) (a)
12.	The arrangements for liquidation	157(4) (b)
13.	The mode and order of re payment of loans or discharge or redemption of securities	157(4) (c)
14.	The condition of any loan the appropriation of the sums borrowed	157 (4) (d)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	UC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
15.	The imposition , levy and recovery of rate and charges	157(5)
16.	The assessment of buildings, lands and tenements	157(5)(a)
17.	The rendering of returns and information for the purpose of such assessment	157(5) (b)
18.	The hearing and determination of objections	157 (5) (c)
19.	The registration at the office of the Council of mortgages of immovable property situated within the administrative limits	157(5) (d)
20.	The posting of notices in writing to such registered mortgages of the sale of immovable property seized for the recovery of rate taxes or charges	157 (5) (e)
21.	Land and property	157 (6)
22.	The provision, regulation, and management of open spaces, and places for public recreation	157(6) (a)
23.	The care of waste or public land	157 (6) (b)
24.	The maintenance and management of immovable property vested in, or under the control of the UC .	157 (6) (c)
25.	The care, regulation and provision of common pasture grounds, and the levy or fees for the use of the same.	157 (6) (d)
26.	The putting up and reservation of boundaries and of fences and lands , whether private or public	157 (6) (e)
27.	The authorization of entry upon private lands for the purpose of the prevention of damages to , or the repairing or remedying of defects or the supports thereof maintained for the purpose of any public service.	157(6) (f)
28.	The regulation and control of advertisement displayed or exhibited	157 (6) g)
29.	Thoroughfares	157(7)
30.	The alignment, level, width and construction of new streets	157(7) (a)
31.	The cleaning , watering and lighting of streets	157(7) (b)
32.	The use of and the regulation of traffic in, streets and thoroughfares, including the limitation of the weight and speed of vehicles.	157(7) (c)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	UC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
33.	The regulation of procession and assemblages and of the performance of music in thoroughfares	157(7) (d)
34.	The prevention, abatement, supervision and regulation of obstruction, encroachments projections and other interference with thoroughfares.	157(7) (e)
35.	The erection of hoardings and other temporary structures or any decoration of any type , or abutting any street and the charging of fees for any permits issued in that connection	157(7) (f)
36.	The protection of the public against dangers resulting from building and other operations in or about thoroughfares	157(7) (g)
37.	The regulation and control of advertisement displayed or exhibited so as to be visible from any thoroughfare and the charging of fees in respect of advertisement so displayed or exhibited	157 (7) (h)
38.	Buildings, building operations and works	157 (8)
39.	The regulation of the material of such buildings with a view to securing stability, preventing fires and safeguarding health	157(8) (a)
40.	The space to be left about any building or back of buildings to secure free circulation of air and to facilitate scavenging	157(8) (b)
41.	The dimensions of doors and windows, the level of the floor, the height of the roof, general ventilation and drainage	157(8) (c)
42.	The number and nature of latrines	157(8) (d)
43.	The foundation and stability of structure	157(8) (e)
44.	The levy of fees for the examination and consideration of plans for new buildings or for alterations to existing buildings	157(8) (ee)
45.	The line of building frontage	157(8) (f)
46.	Public Health & amenities	157(9)
47.	Drainage	157(9) (a)
48.	Conservancy and scavenging, and the charging of fees for the same	157(9) (b)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	UC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
49.	The inspection, regulation, maintenance and cleansing of all drains, privies, , cesspits, ash pits, and sanitary conveniences and appliances	157(9) (c)
50.	The regulation and management of public sanitary conveniences	157(9) (d)
51.	The regulation, supervision, inspection and control of lodging-houses and tenement buildings.	157(9) (e)
52.	The abatement of nuisances, including the regulation and control of the operation of other instruments automatically or mechanically producing or reproducing sound	157(9) (f)
53.	The seizure, forfeiture, removal and destruction of unwholesome articles of food or drink and the prevention of the sale or exposure for sale thereof.	157(9) (g)
54.	The regulation, supervision, inspection and control of hotels, bakeries, eating houses, restaurants and tea and coffee boutiques	157(9) (h)
55.	The regulation, supervision, inspection and control of hairdressing saloons and barbers' shops	157(9) (i)
56.	The regulation, supervision, inspection and control of dairies and the sale of milk	157(9) (j)
57.	The definition of the prescribed standard of milk that may be sold, and the prevention of the sale of milk below the prescribed standard.	157(9) (k)
58.	The deficiency in any of the normal constituents of genuine milk, cream, butter or cheese or the proportion of water or other extraneous matter discovered in any sample taken is not genuine or pure or is injurious to health.	157(9) (l) ,(i),(ii)
59.	The regulation, supervision, inspection and control of the sale of articles of food or drink by itinerant vendors and at hotels , shops and places other than markets.	157(9) (m)
60.	The regulation, supervision, inspection and control trades deemed to be offensive or dangerous by the UC	157(9) (n)
61.	The regulation of the dimensions and use of kraals in public lakes, rivers, lagoons and estuaries for soaking coir husks, and the charging of fees for permits for the use of such kraals.	157(9) (o)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	UC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
62.	The regulation, supervision inspection and control of wells on private lands	157(9) (p)
63.	The regulation, supervision inspection and control of breweries, ice factories and aerated water manufactories	157(9) (q)
64.	The compelling of owners and occupiers in urban areas to keep their lands free of under growth and rubbish, and their dwelling compounds in a clean and sanitary condition	157(9) (r)
65.	The prevention of malaria and the destruction of mosquitoes and disease- bearing insects	157(9) (s)
66.	The draining, cleansing, covering, or filling up of ponds, pools, open ditches, sewers, drains and places containing or used for the collection of any drainage, filth, water, matter, or thing of an offensive nature or likely to be prejudicial to health.	157(9) (t)
67.	The cleansing, purifying, ventilating and disinfecting of houses, dwellings and places of assembly or worship by the owners or occupiers or person having the care or control thereof.	157(9) (u)
68.	The prevention or mitigation of epidemic, endemic or contagious diseases, and the speedy interment of the dead during the prevalence of such disease.	157(9) (v)
69.	Washing and bathing, including the establishment, maintenance and regulation of public bathing-places and places for washing animals and clothes.	157(9) (w)
70.	The regulation and control of industrial waste	157(9) (ww)
71.	The preservation or promotion of the public health and the suppression of nuisances.	157(9) (x)
72.	Animals	157(10)
73.	The regulation, supervision, inspection and control of slaughter houses, and the levy and recovery of fees for the use thereof	157(10) (a)
74.	The housing and penning of cattle, horses, sheep, goats, and pigs.	157(10) (b)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	UC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
75.	Stray cattle, sheep, goats and pigs, and the fixing, levying and recovery of charges for the occupation of pounds, and the cost of the keep of the animal impounded.	157(10) (c)
76.	The control of epidemic diseases among animals, the maintenance and regulation of quarantine stations for animals	157(10) (d)
77.	The protection and prevention of game and wild birds	157(10) (e)
78.	The destruction of stray dogs	157(10) (f)
79.	The prevention of cruelty to animals	157(10) (g)
80.	The regulation and supervision of cattle sheds, galas, and halting places and the control of the location thereof.	157(10) (h)
81.	Public and private markets and fairs,	157(11)
82.	Their establishment, maintenance and improvement	157(11) (a)
83.	Their regulation, supervision, inspection and control including the regulation of the prices of articles sold therein	157(11) (b)
84.	Their conservancy and scavenging and the prevention of nuisances in connection with them	157(11) (c)
85.	The control of traffic and the preservation of order within them and in their immediate vicinity.	157(11) (d)
86.	The provision, inspection and control of latrines, bathing-places, slaughter houses, water supply and lighting in markets	157(11) (e)
87.	The allotment of stalls and stands	157(11) (f)
88.	The inspection of food and the seizure of unwholesome articles of food	157(11) (g)
89.	The prohibition of the introduction or sale of any article or articles of food in cases where there exists good reason for such prohibition	157(11) (h)
90.	The prohibition, either absolutely or subject to special licences, of the sale of any specified article and the charging of fees for such special licenses.	157(11) (i)
91.	The provision of security against fires	157(11) (j)
92.	The temporary closing of any market or fair	157(11) (k)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	UC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
93.	The due performance of their duties by market keepers and other employees	157(11) (l)
94.	Public markets- The fixing and recovery of fees or rent	157(11) (m)
95.	Public markets - Licensing, restriction or prohibition of sales (According to section 152)	157(11) (n)
96.	Private markets or of fairs - the licensing of the markets or fairs	157(11) (o)
97.	Private markets or of fairs the standards to be observed in respect of accommodation, drainage, roads, air spaces , equipment and sanitary requirements	157(11) (p)
98.	In the case of private markets or of fairs, the renovation, alteration, enlargement and improvement of existing buildings in accordance with approved plans and after notice to the Urban Council.	157(11) (q)
99.	Waterworks	157 (12)
100.	The prevention of waste, misuse, undue consumption, or contamination of the water supplied for public or private use.	157 (12)(a)
101.	The size, nature, strength and materials and the mode of arrangement, position, alteration, removal, renewal and repair of the pipes, valves, cocks, cisterns, soil pans, water-closets and other apparatus and receptacles to be used respectively for carrying, delivering, regulating , and storing water	157 (12) (b)
102.	The regulation of the public supply of water by stand – pipes and the use of the same	157 (12) (c)
103.	The regulation of the supply of water by private services, and the material and fittings to be used.	157 (12) (d)
104.	The regulation of the supply of water by measurement and the materials	157 (12) (e)
105.	The regulation of the terms and conditions subject to which water will be supplied by private service or for other than domestic purpose and the price to be paid	157 (12) (f)
106.	The recovery of charges due in respect of any water so supplied in the same manner as a fine	157 (12) (g)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	UC Ordinance
		Relevant Section
107.	Every other purpose, relating to the supply or the control of the supply of water from the waterworks, for which by laws may appear to be necessary	157 (12) (h)
108.	Public services, including all matters necessary for their establishment, maintenance, working and supply and for the recovery of charges in connection therewith.	157 (13)
109.	The measure or dimension, of bread and the regulation of its manufacture and quality	157 (14)
110.	The control of parking of motor vehicles within the UC area by providing parking places and collecting the prescribed fee for parking in such places	157 (14A)
111.	The removal of obstruction to coastal fishing	157 (14B)
112.	All other purposes, whether of the same nature as those above enumerated or otherwise, for which by laws may be necessary for the protection or promotion of the local public interests, conveniences and amenities.	157 (15)

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Subject areas and matters on which By-laws may be formulated by the Pradesheeya Sabhas

Legal provision has been made to enable formulation of by laws by the Pradeshiya Sabhas for 142 matters under 31 sectors, under Sections 69 and 126 of the Pradeshiya Sabha Act No. 15 of 1987.

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	PS Act
		Relevant Section
1.	Meetings and Procedure	126 (i)
2.	Officers and Servants	126(ii)
3.	The creation of posts or officers	126 (ii) (a)
4.	Appointments to posts or officers in the council service	126 (ii) (b)
5.	The qualifications necessary for appointments to posts or offices referred to in sub-paragraph (b)	126 (ii) (c)
6.	The payment of salaries, allowances and remuneration to officers and servants of the Pradeshiya Sabha	126 (ii) (d)
7.	The provision of pension or gratuities to the widow, children, next of kin or dependents of deceased officers and servants	126 (ii) (e)
8.	The establishment and regulation of a provident fund for the benefit of the officers and servants referred to in sub-paragraph (d)	126 (ii) (f)
9.	The grant of leave of absence to officers and servants referred to in sub-paragraph (d)	126 (ii) (g)
10.	Taxation including the recovery of any tax payable under PS Act, for which no other express provision is made and the rendering of all returns and information that may be required for the purpose of any such tax	126 (iii)
11.	Loans	126 (iv)
12.	The form and manner of execution of securities	126 (iv) (a)
13.	The arrangements for liquidation	126 (iv) (b)
14.	The mode and order of repayment of securities	126 (iv) (c)
15.	The conditions of any loan and the appropriation of the sums advance	126 (iv) (d)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	PS Act
		Relevant Section
16.	The imposition, levy and recovery of rates and charges	126 (v)
17.	The assessment of buildings, lands and tenements	126 (v) (a)
18.	The rendering of returns and information required for the purposes of such assessment	126 (v) (b)
19.	The hearing and determinations of objections	126 (v) (c)
20.	The registration at the office of the PS of mortgages over immovable property situated within the administrative limits of the PS and of the addresses of mortgages, and the imposition and recovery of fees for such registration	126 (v) (d)
21.	The posting of notices in writing to such registered mortgages of the sale of immovable property seized the recovery of rates, taxes, or charges	126 (v) (e)
22.	Land and property	126 (vi)
23.	The provision, regulation, and management of ambalams and madams, open spaces, and places for public recreation	126 (vi) (a)
24.	The care of waste or public land	126 (vi) (b)
25.	The maintenance and management of immovable property vested in, or under the control of, the PS	126 (vi) (c)
26.	The care, regulation, and provision of common pasture grounds, and the levy of fees for the same	126 (vi) (d)
27.	The putting up and preservation of boundaries and of fences for lands, whether private or public	126 (vi) (e)
28.	The authorization of entry upon private lands for the purpose of the prevention of damage to, or the repairing or remedying defects in, any wires apparatus or the supports thereof maintained for the purpose of any public service	126 (vi) (f)
29.	Roads and thoroughfares	126 (vii)
30.	The improvement, alignment level, width, and construction of new roads and paths in the area	126 (vii) (a)
31.	The cleaning, watering, and lighting of roads and thoroughfares	126 (vii) (b)
32.	The use of, and regulation of traffic in roads and paths, including the limitation of the weight and speed of vehicles	126 (vii) (c)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	PS Act
		Relevant Section
33.	The regulation of processions and assembly and of the performance of music on roads, or thoroughfares	126 (vii) (d)
34.	The prevention, abatement, supervision, and regulation of obstructions, encroachments, projections and other interference with roads and thoroughfares	126 (vii) (e)
35.	The erection of hoardings and other temporary structures or any decoration of any type, on or abutting any street and the charging of fees for any permits issued in that connection, the charging of fees for the use of hoardings erected by the PS	126 (vii) (f)
36.	The protection of the public against dangers resulting from building and other operations in or about roads and thoroughfares	126 (vii) (g)
37.	The control of parking of motor vehicles within the PS area, by providing parking places and collecting the prescribed fee for parking such motor vehicles in such places	126 (vii) (h)
38.	Buildings, building operations, and works	126 (viii)
39.	The definition of areas to which the by-laws under this heading are to apply	126 (viii) (a)
40.	The regulation of the material of new buildings with a view to securing stability, preventing fire, and safeguarding health	126 (viii) (b)
41.	The space to be left about any building or block of buildings to facilitate and secure free circulation of air and to facilitate scavenging	126 (viii) (c)
42.	The dimensions of doors and windows, the level of the floor, the height of the roof, general ventilation, and drainage	126 (viii) (d)
43.	The levy of fees for the examination and consideration of plans for new buildings or for alterations to existing buildings	126 (viii) (e)
44.	The number and nature of latrines	126 (viii) (f)
45.	Foundation and stability of structure	126 (viii) (g)
46.	The line of building frontage	126 (viii) (h)
47.	Public health and amenities	126 (ix)
48.	Drainage	126 (ix) (a)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	PS Act
		Relevant Section
49.	Conservancy and scavenging and the charging of fees therefore	126 (ix) (b)
50.	The inspection, regulation, maintenance, and cleaning of drains, privies, cesspits, ash pits and sanitary conveniences and appliances	126 (ix) (c)
51.	The regulation and management of public sanitary conveniences	126(ix) (d)
52.	The regulation, supervision, inspection and control of lodging-house and tenement buildings	126 (ix) (e)
53.	The abatement of nuisances including the regulation and control of the operation of the instruments automatically or mechanically producing or reproducing sound	126 (ix) (f)
54.	The seizure, forfeiture removal and destruction of unwholesome articles of food or drink, and the prevention of the sale or exposure for sale thereof	126 (ix) (g)
55.	The regulation supervision, inspection and control of bakeries, eating houses, hotels and restaurants and tea and coffee boutiques	126 (ix) (h)
56.	The regulation, supervision inspection and control of dairies and the sale of milk	126 (ix) (i)
57.	The sale of provision including inspection, regulation and control of shops and places (other than markets) used for the sale of meat , poultry, fish, fruit, vegetables or other perishable articles of food human consumption, and licensing of shops and places used for the sale of fresh meat, fresh fish, or live animals.	126 (ix) (j)
58.	The regulation, supervision, inspection, and control of trades deemed to be offensive or dangerous by the PS	126 (ix) (k)
59.	The regulation of the dimensions and use of kraals in public lakes, rivers, lagoons, and estuaries for soaking coir husks, and the charging of fees for the use of such kraals	126 (ix) (l)
60.	The regulation, supervision, inspection, control and licensing of breweries and aerated water manufactories	126 (ix) (m)
61.	The compelling of owners and occupiers within the limits of the PS to keep their lands free of undergrowth and rubbish, and their dwelling compounds in clean and sanitary condition	126 (ix) (n)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	PS Act
		Relevant Section
62.	The prevention of malaria and the destruction of mosquitoes and disease-bearing insects	126 (ix) (o)
63.	The draining, cleansing, covering, or filling up ponds, pools, open ditches, sewers, drains and places containing or used for the collection of any drainage, filth, water, matter, or thing of an offensive nature or likely to be prejudicial to health	126 (ix) (p)
64.	The cleaning, purifying, ventilating, and dis-infecting of houses, dwellings, and places of assembly or worship by the owners or occupiers and persons having the care or control thereof	126 (ix) (q)
65.	The prevention or mitigation of epidemic, endemic or contagious diseases, and the speedy interment of the dead during the prevalence of such disease	126 (ix) (r)
66.	Washing and bathing, including the establishment, maintenance, and regulation of public bathing places and places for washing animals and clothes	126 (ix) (s)
67.	The regulation and control of industrial waste	126 (ix) (t)
68.	The preservation of public health, and the suppression of nuisances	126 (ix) (u)
69.	Itinerant vendors	126 (x)
70.	The supervision or control of itinerant vendors	126 (x) (a)
71.	The issue of licenses for the purpose of such supervision or control, and the conditions to be attached to such licenses	126 (x) (b)
72.	The refusal of licenses in prescribed circumstances	126 (x) (c)
73.	The regulation or prohibition of the sale of any specified article or the sale of articles in any specified place or area	126 (x)(d)
74.	Animals	126 (xi)
75.	The housing and penning of cattle, horses, sheep, goats, and pigs	126 (xi) (a)
76.	Stray cattle, goats, and pigs, including the fixing, levying and recovery of charges for the occupation of pounds, and the cost of the keep of the animals impounded .	126 (xi) (b)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	PS Act
		Relevant Section
77.	The control of epidemic diseases among animals, the maintenance and regulation of quarantine stations for animals, and the levying of fees for the occupation thereof, the provision of facilities for vaccination and immunization of livestock and dogs	126 (xi) (c)
78.	The regulation and control of the collection and sale of the dung of cattle, horses, sheep, and goats, and the removal of such dung from any place within the limits of any PS to any place outside such limit	126 (xi) (d)
79.	The protection and preservation of game and wild birds	126 (xi) (e)
80.	The destruction of stray dogs	126(xi) (f)
81.	The prevention of cruelty to animals	126 (xi) (g)
82.	The regulation and supervision of cattle sheds, galas, night paddocks for cattle and halting places and the control of the location thereof	126 (xi) (h)
83.	The regulation, supervision, inspection and control of slaughter houses and the levy and recovery of fees for the use thereof	126 (xi) (i)
84.	The disposal of the bodies of dead animals	126 (xi) (j)
85.	The branding of animals	126 (xi) (k)
86.	Public or private markets and fairs	126 (xii)
87.	Their establishment, maintenance and improvement	126 (xii) (a)
88.	Their regulation, supervision, inspection, and control including the regulation of the prices of articles sold therein	126 (xii) (b)
89.	Their conservancy and scavenging, and the prevention of nuisances in connection therewith	126 (xii) (c)
90.	The control of traffic, and the preservation of order within them and in their immediate vicinity	126 (xii) (d)
91.	The provision, inspection, and control of latrines, slaughter houses, water supply, and lighting on the premises of markets	126 (xii) (e)
92.	The allotment of stalls, stands, seats or spaces	126 (xii) (f)
93.	The inspection of food and seizure of unwholesome articles of food	126 (xii) (g)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	PS Act
		Relevant Section
94.	The prohibition of the introduction or sale of any article or articles of food in cases where, there exists good reason for such prohibition	126 (xii) (h)
95.	The absolute prohibition, or the restriction by means of special licenses, of the sale of any articles, and the charging of fees for such special licenses	126 (xii) (i)
96.	The provision of security against fires	126 (xii) (j)
97.	The temporary closing of any market or fair	126 (xii) (k)
98.	The due performance of their duties by market-keepers and other employees	126 (xii) (l)
99.	The fixing and recovery of fees or rents for the use of the premises of a public market or any part thereof, or of the buildings thereon, and for the leasing of the right to collect any such fees or rents	126 (xii) (m)
100.	The declaration of a market area for each public market, and the licensing, restriction, or Prohibition of private markets or of the sale of market accommodation within such area in any place other than the public market.	126 (xii) (n)
101.	The licensing of private markets or fairs, the conditions of the license, and the fees payable in respect thereof	126 (xii) (o)
102.	The standards to be observed in respect of accommodation, drainage, roads, and spaces, equipment, and sanitary requirements, in private markets or fairs	126 (xii) (p)
103.	The renovation, alteration, enlargement, and improvement of existing buildings, and the erection of new buildings with plans to be approved by the PS, in or about the premises of private market or fairs	126 (xii) (q)
104.	Water supply and waterworks	126 (xiii)
105.	The provision, regulation, protection and maintenance of communal wells, spouts, springs or other watering places for the supply of water for domestic purposes	126 (xiii)(a)
106.	The regulation and maintenance of watering places of any kind set apart by the PS for bathing or for the washing of animals, clothes and other articles	126 (xiii) (b)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	PS Act
		Relevant Section
107.	The regulation of the construction and maintenance of private wells in such manner as may be necessary to safeguard the public health and safety	126(xiii) (c)
108.	The regulation, control, protection and maintenance of the supply of water from any waterworks established or maintained by the PS	126 (xiii) (d)
109.	The prevention of waste, misuse, undue consumption or contamination of the water supplied for public or private use	126 (xiii)(e)
110.	The direction of the use and prescribing the size , nature, strength and materials and the mode of arrangement, position, alteration, removal, renewal and repair of the pipes, valves, cocks, cisterns, soil pans , water closets and other apparatus and receptacles or any of them to be used, respectively, for carrying, delivering, regulating and storing water.	126 (xiii)(f)
111.	The regulation of the public supply of water by stand-pipes and the use of the same	126 (xiii) (g)
112.	The regulation of the supply of water by private services and the materials and fitting to be used	126 (xiii) (h)
113.	The regulation of the supply of water by measurement and the materials, meters, appliances and fitting use for such purpose or in connection therewith.	126 (xiii) (i)
114.	The regulation of the terms and conditions subject to which water will be supplied for domestic purposes or for other than domestic purpose and the price to be paid for water so supplied	126 (xiii) (j)
115.	The prescribing of the procedure for the recovery of moneys due for the supply of water	126 (xiii) (k)
116.	Every other purpose relating to the supply or control of the supply of water supplied from the waterworks as to the PS may appear necessary	126 (xiii) (l)
117.	Public services, including all matters necessary for their establishment, maintenance, working and supply, for the imposition and recovery of charges in connection therewith, and for their protection against damage and against competition	126 (xiv)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	PS Act
		Relevant Section
118.	The measure of dimension of bread, and the regulation of its manufacture and quality	126 (xv)
119.	The regulation of weights and measures	126 (xvi)
120.	The prevention of accidents connected with toddy drawing, for the periodical inspection of the ropes and other appliances used for that purpose	126 (xvii)
121.	The prevention of accidents caused by the setting of spring guns and traps	126 (xviii)
122.	The fencing of well and pits	126 (xix)
123.	The prevention of gambling and cock fighting and of cart racing on public paths or roads	126 (xx)
124.	The prevention of disorderly conduct, or loitering in public paths or roads or public places, and of the use of abusive language	126 (xxi)
125.	The prevention of the sale to boys under sixteen years of age or to females, of any description of spirits or other intoxicating liquor or toddy drawn from any species of palm or the fermented juice of the sugarcane.	126 (xxii)
126.	The regulation, supervision, inspection and control of hair dressing saloons and barbers' shops	126 (xxiii)
127.	The regulation, supervision, inspection and control of billiard saloons	126 (xxiv)
128.	The regulation, supervision, inspection and control of forges	126 (xxv)
129.	The removal of obstructions to coastal fishing	126 (xxvi)
130.	Welfare facilities for fisherman	126 (xxvii)
131.	The licensing of persons as brokers	126 (xxviii)
132.	The licensing of persons carrying on the business of money lending	126 (xxix)
133.	The regulation and control of advertisements displayed or exhibited so as to be visible from any thoroughfare and the charging of fees in respect of advertisements so displayed or exhibited	126 (xxx)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	PS Act
		Relevant Section
134.	For the purpose of any agreement referred to in section 68 and for the purpose of securing the observance of the respective rights and obligations of the public, the PS and the promoters in connection with any public service or any private enterprise or object to which the agreement relates, the PS (exception so far as provision is made by any special enactment in that behalf) may make by-laws	69 (1)
135.	To break up the soil, metal, and pavement of any thoroughfare vested in the PS	69(1) (a) (i)
136.	To open and breakup any sewers, drains or tunnels within or under such thoroughfare	69(1) (a) (ii)
137.	To erect, set up, or lay down either permanently or temporarily in, along, under or over such thoroughfare, any post, pillar, lamp, wire, piperails, or other plant, materials or works.	69(1) (a) (iii)
138.	To alter the position of any public line, wire or other apparatus or plant in or about such thoroughfare for the purpose of any other public service	69(1) (a) (iv)
139.	Requiring the promoters to do as little damage as may be in the execution of the powers granted by the said by-laws, and to make compensation for any damage which may be done in the execution of such powers.	69(1) (b)
140.	Requiring the promoters to complete any work which they may authorized to execute under such by laws with all convenient speed, and to reconstruct, repair or restore any thoroughfare, sewer, drain, tunnel or any plant or apparatus which they may by authorized to remove, alter or interfere with, in pursuance of such by-laws.	69(1) (c)
141.	Requiring the promoters to remove and carry away all rubbish occasioned by their operations, and to cause proper precautions to be taken for the safety of the public in connection therewith	69(1) (d)
142.	Prohibiting any interference with or obstruction to any operations authorized by any by-law under this section.	69(1) (e)

No	Matter with respect to which by laws may be made	PS Act
		Relevant Section
143.	No by-law under this section(section 69) shall authorize or empower any entry to do made, any material or plant to be erected or deposited or any work to be executed upon any building or land which is not vested in the PS without the consent of the owners and occupiers thereof first had and obtained.	69 (2)

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