

Administrative Fines and Penalties

DPDP Act, 2023

Breach	Penalty
Failure to implement reasonable security safeguards	Up to ₹250 crore
Failure to notify personal data breach	Up to ₹200 crore
Non-compliance with obligations relating to children's data	Up to ₹200 crore
Breach of additional obligations of Significant Data Fiduciaries	Up to ₹150 crore
Failure to comply with Board directions	Up to ₹250 crore
False complaints or impersonation by Data Principal	Up to ₹10,000
Other breaches under the Act	Up to ₹50 crore

Key Insight

- Maximum penalty up to ₹250 crore
- Emphasis on **accountability** and **safeguards**
- Timely breach notification is critical
- Higher obligations for Significant Data Fiduciaries

Data protection under the DPDP Act is not merely compliance—it is demonstrable accountability.