

Pakistan Information Commission
Government of Pakistan
Order

Appeal No 4855-07/2025

Zafar Iqbal Jadoon

Vs

Ministry of Information and Broadcasting

October 08, 2025

Applicant present in person. Muhammad Usman, Deputy Secretary, MOIB and Ayesha Iftikhar, PRO/PIO, Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation appeared on behalf of the public body.

1. The information request pertains to communication between Foreign Office/Minister Information Office and the Radio Pakistan Office relating to a Pak-China friendship delegation visit. This appeal has been proceeding for some months and ample opportunities have been given to the applicant and the public body to present their point before the Commission.
2. The public body vide letter dated 08-10-2025 has, however, enclosed certain communication regarding the visit of the China delegation.
3. The Commission has heard parties, seen the record and relevant law on the subject, as well as applied its judicial mind before disclosing the information.
4. The Commission has noted that the Act recognizes the citizens' right to information but it has also provided exemption in this regard.
5. Citizens' right to information is highly respected, but as a principle of civics and responsibility of citizenship, it is also obligatory for the citizen, who is also a public official, to understand the dynamics of his duty as well as the environment of the organization and discipline.
6. In the present appeal, the applicant says that the public body has taken action against him and some other persons, showing discrimination and biased approach. Be that as it may, this is for the applicant to raise before the appropriate forum. The Commission has considered the matter and would share the covering letter of the response of the public body of the applicant, as details about the visit and photographers come under the purview of Section 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017 and therefore, this piece of information is returned back to the public body. The appeal stands disposed of. Copy of the order be sent to both the parties.

Ijaz Hassan Awan
Information Commissioner

Shoaib Ahmad Siddiqui
Chief Information Commissioner

Pakistan Information Commission

Government of Pakistan

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Appeal No 4797-06/2025

Muhammad Kareem

Vs

Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (OGDCL)

October 08, 2025 Syed Faisal Hayat Advocate appeared on behalf of the public body.

1. The public body in its reply has submitted that similar information has been furnished in Appeal 3821.
2. Although copy of the written reply was shared with the applicant vide letter dated 05-09-2025 under RGL No. 154261268, it was received undelivered with the remarks that no person with this name is found at this address.
3. The Commission has examined the information request and appeal wherein the complete address of the applicant has been written as House No. 9-A, Street 20, G-9/4, Islamabad, along with his cell number 0313-5772877.
4. The Commission, through its staff, contacted the applicant on his cell number mentioned, but reportedly the cell number of the applicant was switched off. When the applicant is not found at the given address and his cell number is also found switched off, this appeal cannot be proceeded further in view of Section 11(ii) of the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017. The appeal stands disposed of. Copy of the order be sent to both the parties.

Ijaz Hassan Awan
Information Commissioner

Shoaib Ahmad Siddiqui
Chief Information Commissioner

Pakistan Information Commission

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Order

Appeal No 4796-06/2025

Muhammad Kamran

Vs

Oil and Gas Development Company Limited (OGDCL)

October 08, 2025 Syed Faisal Hayat Advocate appeared on behalf of the public body.

1. The public body in its reply has submitted that similar information has been furnished in Appeal 3821.
2. Although copy of the written reply was shared with the applicant vide letter dated 05-09-2025 under RGL No. 154261258, it was received undelivered with the remarks that no person with this name is found at this address.
3. The Commission has examined the information request and appeal wherein the complete address of the applicant has been written as House No. 4-A, Street 01, Ghouri Town, Islamabad, along with his cell number 0333-5672375.
4. The Commission, through its staff, contacted the applicant on his cell number mentioned, but reportedly the cell number of the applicant was switched off. When the applicant is not found at the given address and his cell number is also found switched off, this appeal cannot be proceeded further in view of Section 11(ii) of the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017. The appeal stands disposed of. Copy of the order be sent to both the parties.

Ijaz Hassan Awan
Information Commissioner

Shoaib Ahmad Siddiqui
Chief Information Commissioner

Pakistan Information Commission

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Appeal No 4377-01/2025

Nadeem Tanoli

Vs

Islamabad Healthcare Regulatory Authority

October 08, 2025

None appeared on behalf of the public body.

1. On the last date of hearing, the representative of the public body was directed to inform the Commission about the volume of the record and the fee charges for the provision of the same.
2. It is further noted that, as per the response of the public body received after allowing this appeal, it is stated that the record prior to October 2024 has been misplaced and an inquiry is underway with the FIA, whereas the record/information after October 2024 will be shared with the applicant subject to the payment of prescribed photocopying charges.
3. In view of the above, the appeal is disposed of in the manner that the CEO, IHRA, is directed to provide the record from October 2024 onwards, subject to the payment of Rs. 7/- per page as per Regulation 3 of the Access to Information (Fee) Regulations, 2023 of the Commission.
4. The appeal stands disposed of. Copy of the order be sent to both the parties.

Ijaz Hassan Awan
Information Commissioner

Shoaib Ahmad Siddiqui
Chief Information Commissioner

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Appeal No 4783-06/2025

Zafar Iqbal Jadoon

Vs

Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation (PBC)

October 08, 2025

Applicant present in person. Muhammad Usman, Deputy Secretary, MOIB and Ayesha Iftikhar, PRO/PIO, Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation appeared on behalf of the public body.

1. The information request pertains to communication between the Foreign Office/Minister Information Office and the Radio Pakistan Office relating to a Pak-China friendship delegation visit. This appeal has been proceeding for some months and ample opportunities have been given to the applicant and the public body to present their point before the Commission.

2. The public body, vide letter dated 03-09-2025, has furnished written reply, copy of which has been handed over to the applicant present before the Commission.

3. The Commission has noted that the Act recognizes the citizens' right to information but it has also provided exemptions in this regard.

4. Citizens' right to information is highly respected, but as a principle of civics and responsibility of citizenship, it is also obligatory for the citizen, who is also a public official, to understand the dynamics of his duty as well as the environment of the organization and discipline.

5. In the present appeal, the applicant says that the public body has taken action against him and some other persons, showing discrimination and biased approach. Be that as it may, this is for the applicant to raise before the appropriate forum. The Commission has noted that written response submitted by the public body is handed over to the applicant and as far as remaining information is concerned, it comes under the purview of Section 16(1)(a)(ii) of the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017 and cannot be shared with the applicant. No further proceedings are required. The appeal stands disposed of. Copy of the order be sent to both the parties.

Ijaz Hassan Awan
Information Commissioner

Shoaib Ahmad Siddiqui
Chief Information Commissioner

Pakistan Information Commission

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Appeal No 4792-06/2025

Syed Razi ur Rehman

Vs

International Islamic University Islamabad- IIUI

October 08, 2025

None appeared on behalf of the public body.

1. Information furnished by the public body was shared with the applicant vide letter dated 05-09-2025 under RGL No. 154261275. No objection has been received from the applicant. It appears that the applicant is satisfied with the response of the public body. No further proceedings are required. The appeal stands disposed of. Copy of the order be sent to both the parties.

Ijaz Hassan Awan
Information Commissioner

Shoaib Ahmad Siddiqui
Chief Information Commissioner

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Appeal No 4595-03/2025

Asad Ali

Vs

National Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority (NEECA)

October 08, 2025

Ms. Aimen Malik Advocate appeared on behalf of the public body.
Umar Sajjad Chawan Advocate and Muhammad Usman Advocate
appeared on behalf of the public body.

1. The learned counsel for the public body has categorically informed in writing that the required information does not pertain to NEECA and that it relates to ECF, which is a separate entity, and the applicant should approach the said body for obtaining the required information.

2. In view of the categorical response of the public body, the applicant may approach the ECF for obtaining the required information. The appeal stands disposed of. Copy of the order be sent to both the parties.

Ijaz Hassan Awan
Information Commissioner

Shoaib Ahmad Siddiqui
Chief Information Commissioner

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Appeal No 4824-07/2025

Abu Bakar Siddiqui

Vs

Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan (DRAP)

October 08, 2025

Muhammad Usman Badar, Director (Admin) DRAP appeared on behalf of the public body.

1. On the last date of hearing, show cause notice was issued to Director (Admin), DRAP, under Section 20(1)(f) of the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017, and reply of the same has been furnished. It is submitted that on the date of hearing written reply was furnished; however, the Commission has noted that the said response was received at 02:45 PM. It shows that the reply was submitted after the conclusion of the hearing of the Commission. Since the Director (Admin-HR) has tendered unconditional apology for delay in filing the response, the matter is treated accordingly.
2. The public body, vide letter dated 18-09-2025, has submitted that the information required by the applicant does not pertain to DRAP and that the custodian of the said record is the Sindh Government.
3. Reply of the public body was shared with the applicant vide letter dated 23-09-2025, and no response has been received from the applicant. It appears that the applicant is satisfied with the response of the public body.
4. Even otherwise, since the information required by the applicant does not pertain to DRAP, the appeal is not maintainable before this Commission. The appeal stands disposed of. Copy of the order be sent to both the parties.

Ijaz Hassan Awan
Information Commissioner

Shoaib Ahmad Siddiqui
Chief Information Commissioner

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Appeal No 4274-12/2024

Ch. Ashraf Ali Gujjar

Vs

Zarai Taraqiati Bank Limited (ZTBL)

October 08, 2025

Muhammad Usman, OG-II, ZTBL appeared on behalf of the public body.

1. The public body, vide letter dated 07-10-2025, has furnished the remaining information pertaining to serial 1 of the information request, disclosing that Rs. 94,249,595 has been paid to the legal counsels. This reply addresses the information request; therefore, after sharing the letter dated 07-10-2025, no further proceedings are required. The appeal stands disposed of. Copy of the order be sent to both the parties.

Ijaz Hassan Awan
Information Commissioner

Shoaib Ahmad Siddiqui
Chief Information Commissioner

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Appeal No 4431-01/2025

Farrukh Nawaz Bhatti

Vs

Capital Development Authority (CDA)

October 08, 2025

Ms. Mehraj Tareen Advocate appeared on behalf of the public body.

1. The public body, vide letter dated 11-09-2025, has furnished a written reply with certain objections that the information sought by the applicant is not clearly defined and is vague. However, it is further added that if the photocopying charges for provision of the required record are paid by the applicant, the public body shall share the said record.

2. The Commission has examined the information request, vide which specific information has been sought by the applicant pertaining to the details of the costs incurred for arrangements and rehabilitation involving electrical, civil, horticultural, and other works of Islamabad city, along with tender notices and other details.

3. The said information is clear and specific and does not require any further detail.

4. Since the public body is ready to provide the required information subject to the payment of photocopying charges and according to Regulation 3 of the Access to Information (Fee) Regulations, 2023 of the Commission, the public body is bound to share with the applicant the required information containing 20 pages free of cost and for remaining documents charges per copy fixed by the Commission are Rs. 7/- per page. In view of the above, the respondent/public body is directed to provide the required information to the applicant subject to payment of Rs. 7/- per page. No further proceedings are required and the appeal stands disposed of.

Ijaz Hassan Awan
Information Commissioner

Shoaib Ahmad Siddiqui
Chief Information Commissioner

