

Pakistan Information Commission

Government of Pakistan

Order

Appeal No:4332-12/2024

Saifullah Awan

Vs

Pakistan Environmental Protection Agency (Pak-EPA)

April 09, 2025

Appellant present Imran Jalil, Deputy Director, Pak-EPA appeared on behalf of the public body.

2. The public body, vide letter dated 13-01-2025, filed a written reply along with copies of relevant documents, which was shared with the appellant. The appellant has filed rejoinder stating that the information requested in the instant appeal has neither been sought at any forum nor in appeals 3008-08-2023 and 2552-03/23. It is further added that the statement of the public body is misleading; hence, it be proceeded under Section 20 of the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017.
3. The Commission has examined the contents of the information request, memo of appeal, written reply by the public body, and the rejoinder. It is noted that the appellant has required, Certified copy of the initial appointment office order of Mr. Rashid Cheema, now Assistant Director in Pak-EPA, Certified copy of the appointment office order in Pak-EPA as Assistant (BS-11), Certified copy of the minutes of the DPC meeting held for the promotion of the above-named officer, Certified copy of the promotion notification as Assistant Director (BS-17) of the above-said officer and Certified copy of his leave record from 2011 to 2015.
4. The public body, in its written reply, submitted that similar information was earlier provided to the appellant in appeals 3008-08-2023 and 2552-03/23; however, copy of the same information has been provided again. The plea of the public body is that the personal file of Mr. Rashid Cheema, Assistant Director, was misplaced during the tenure of Mr. Saif Ullah Awan, Deputy Director (now appellant), and under his signature, an office order was issued for holding an inquiry into the said matter. According to the said inquiry report (copy enclosed), it was found that the file is still missing from the office of the Director Admin, for which the said officer and his staff were found responsible.
5. Serial No. 1 and 2 of the information request are part of the above-said officer's file, which is missing and could not be traced yet; hence, the said information could not be provided. As far as the information requested at Serial No. 3 to 6 is concerned, it pertains to the period after 2010 (the period of the file's disappearance) and should have been maintained by the public body. The public body is obliged to share the said information, as it pertains to public record and does not enjoy any

exemption from disclosure under any provision of the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017.

6. Accordingly, the appeal is partially allowed and disposed of with the directions to provide copies of the information required at Serial No. 3 to 6 to the appellant and the Commission within 10 days, failing which the appellant will be at liberty to approach the Commission. 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:4325-12/2024

Malik Ummar Ali

Vs

Ministry of National Health Services, Regulations & Coordination

April 09, 2025

Fahad Ul Ahmed Ghaznavi, Deputy Director (Admin), Ministry of National Health Services appeared on behalf of the public body.

2. The public body, vide letter dated 23-10-2024, informed the Commission that the information requested by the appellant falls under the purview of the Government of the Punjab, and the contracted insurance company is working in Punjab. Copy of the said letter was sent to the appellant on 21-03-2025, but he did not respond.
3. Since the required information relates to the Punjab Government, therefore the matter is not within the domain of this Commission, and the appellant may approach the Punjab Information Commission for redressal of his appeal.
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

Pakistan Information Commission

Government of Pakistan

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Appeal No: 4280-12/24

Malik Ihsan Haider

Vs

HEC

April 09, 2025

None appeared on behalf of the public body.

2. Information furnished by the public body was shared with the appellant vide letter dated 28-02-2025 under RGL No. 146203178. No objection has been received from the appellant. It appears that the appellant is satisfied with the response of the public body. No further proceedings are required. The appeal stands disposed of.
3. 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:4351-12/2024

Shah Faisal

Vs

Military Land and Cantonment Department

April 09, 2025

None appeared on behalf of the public body.

2. Information furnished by the public body vide letter dated 21-03-2025 under RGL No. 146097748. No objection has been received from the appellant. It appears that the appellant is satisfied with the response of the public body. No further proceedings are required. The appeal stands disposed of.
3. 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:4338-12/2024

Nadir Khan

Vs

Federal Investigation Agency (FIA)

April 09, 2025

Ms. Sania Imtiaz, Deputy Director, FIA appeared on behalf of the public body.

2. The law officer appearing on behalf of the public body has furnished partial information, vide letter dated 09-04-2025, in respect of information pertaining to money laundering through Hawala across Pakistan in the last five years. It is further submitted that the information about trade-based money laundering pertains to the Customs Department.
3. Let copy of the written reply be shared with the appellant, with further directions to approach the concerned quarter, i.e., FBR, for obtaining the remaining information as mentioned in the written reply.
4. 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

Shoab Ahmad Siddiqui
Chief Information Commissioner

Pakistan Information Commission

Government of Pakistan

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Appeal No:4266-12/2024

Azmat Khan

Vs

Intellectual Property Organization of Pakistan

April 09, 2025

None appeared on behalf of the public body. Information furnished by the public body was shared with the appellant vide letter dated 04-03-2025 under RGL No. 146203193 and the appellant vide his email dated 18-03-2025 has informed that he is satisfied with the information provided by the public body. Hence, 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:3796-07/2024

Anwaruddin

Vs

Pakistan Nursing and Midwifery Council (PNMC)

April 09, 2025

Appellant present in person. Asif Iqbal, Secretary, Midwifery Council, along with Muhammad Anees Usman, Advocate, appeared on behalf of the public body.

1. Arguments heard. The Commission passed an order on 23-01-2025 and allowed the appeal. Secretary, Pakistan Nursing Council, was directed to furnish the required information within 10 days, which he failed to do, and consequently, show cause notice was issued.
2. Today, reply to the show cause notice has been furnished. In addition to that, the Secretary also appeared in person on the call of the Commission in order to participate in the arguments.
3. The Commission took up all the points of the information request one by one. In respect of Query No. 1 to 5, the Secretary, Pakistan Nursing Council, made statement before the Commission that the public body did not register any institution on the basis of fake documents. So, Query No. 1 to 5 stands addressed, and the appellant was satisfied with the statement of the Secretary.
4. It is noted that while making the information request to the public body, the appellant raised 5 queries, and while filing the appeal, has made 6 questions. Hence, Question No. 6 is beyond the scope of the original information request and, therefore, cannot be entertained.
5. However, the appellant may file a new information request to seek the information mentioned at Para 6 in the appeal, if he so desires. 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:4125-10/2024

Taimoor Khan

Vs

National Bank of Pakistan (NBP)

April 09, 2025

Zaheer Ahmed, HR Legal Compliance, National Bank of Pakistan appeared on behalf of the public body.

2. On the directions of the Commission, the appellant was contacted on the mobile number mentioned on the information request, by Mr. Adil Hussain, who has informed that the appellant has stated that he has filed only one information request against the National Bank of Pakistan and has received the required information in said appeal, hence he does not want to pursue this appeal. Hence, 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:4412-01/2025

Ali Khan

Vs

President Office

April 09, 2025

None appeared on behalf of the public body.

2. The public body, vide letter dated 06-03-2025, informed that upon receipt of the petitioner's representation dated 16-12-2024, the President's Office issued notices to the Wafaqi Mohtasib and NADRA respectively, directing them to provide the case record and para-wise comments.
3. However, till date, no response has been received from these public bodies, and as per the established practice of this office, a case is scheduled for hearing only after the complete record is received. Consequently, the petitioner's representation will be fixed for hearing once the requisite case file is available.
4. Copy of the written reply was shared with the appellant vide notice dated 21-03-2025 under RGL No. 146097744. Although the period of three weeks has not lapsed, the Commission has found that the information required by the appellant is exempted from disclosure under Section 7(c) of the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017, and no final decision has been made by the President's Office.
5. As soon as the final decision is made, the appellant would be entitled to have the certified copies of the decision as per the information, and if not provided, he may approach 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:4362-12/2024

Mushtaq Ahmad

Vs

Federal Board of Revenue (FBR)

April 09, 2025

Zafar Iqbal, Second Secretary, FBR and Syed Sabih Haider, Deputy Director, FBR appeared on behalf of the public body.

2. Information furnished by the public body was shared with the appellant vide letter dated 03-03-2025 under RGL No. 146202995. No objection has been received from the appellant. It appears that the appellant is satisfied with the response of the public body. No further proceedings are required. The appeal stands disposed of.
3. 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:4407-01/2025

Shakeel Ahmed

Vs

International Islamic University Islamabad- IIUI

April 09, 2025

Dr. Asma Mansoor, Assistant Professor, Muhammad Nauman, Assistant Director and Naeer Ahmed, Law Officer appeared on behalf of the public body.

2. The public body has furnished the required information as Annex-A to Annex-D, which addresses the information request of the appellant, and a copy of the same has been handed over to the appellant, who has shown satisfaction thereover.
3. 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:4453-01/2025

Shakeel Ahmed

Vs

International Islamic University Islamabad- IIUI

April 09, 2025

Dr. Asma Mansoor, Assistant Professor, Muhammad Nauman, Assistant Director and Naeer Ahmed, Law Officer appeared on behalf of the public body.

2. The public body has furnished the required information as Annex-A to Annex-D, which addresses the information request of the appellant, and a copy of the same has been handed over to the appellant, who has shown satisfaction thereover.
3. 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