

Pakistan Information Commission

Government of Pakistan

Order

Date: February 16, 2023

Appeal No. 2379-11/22

Muhammad Saqib Riaz

Vs

Federal Ombudsman Secretariat for Protection Against Harassment

1. The Appellant through his appeal dated October 18, 2022 has requested the following information from the respondent public body,
 - i. Complete noting along with correspondence from initiation to finalization process for the recruitment on the subject post.
 - ii. Result declared by Sindh Testing Services (STS).
 - iii. Recruitment policy and Rules of the FOSPAH relating to subject post.
 - iv. Short listing process adopted by the FOSPAH as per recruitment policy and rules.
 - v. Short listed candidates' profile with all relevant documents called for interview.
 - vi. Interview panel and its recommendations with marks of the candidates appeared in the interview.
 - vii. Calling up record relating to the shortlisted candidates.
 - viii. Complete credential detail of candidate finally recruited.
 - ix. Offer and appointment letters of the finalized candidate.
 - x. Copy of Joining letter (if any).
2. Notices were issued to the respondent on December 14, 2022 and January 19, 2023.
3. The appeal was fixed for hearing on January 26, 2023. Mr. Rahman Shahzad, Registrar, Federal Ombudsman for Protection Against Harassment, attended the hearing and

requested adjournment for the provision of the information which was granted and the hearing was adjourned for February 08, 2023.

4. Despite commitment before the Commission, no one appeared on behalf of respondent during the hearing held on February 08, 2023.
5. In the instant appeal, the appellant has sought record about recruitment of Registrar BS-18 in the office of Federal Ombudsmen Lahore. The documents requested by the appellant are public record as per the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017. None of the said document enjoys the privilege or is otherwise a secret document. Since the respondent has failed to appear before the commission, hence is proceeded against ex-party. The appeal is allowed. The Respondent is directed to provide requested information to the appellant within 10 working days of the receipt of this Order.
6. Copies of the order be sent to the appellant and respondent.

Shoaib Ahmed Siddiqui
Chief Information Commissioner

Ijaz Hassan Awan
Information Commissioner