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Government of Pakistan
Ministry of Law and Justice

Dy. No.5/2023-Sol.(RTI)

Islamabad 15th February, 2024

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: DISPOSAL OF APPEALS UNDER THE RIGHT OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT, 2017.

The undersigned is directed to refer to F.No. 5(4)/2020-PIC dated 01.01.2024, on subject noted above and to state that response from this Division in the previous year stands already expeditious in implementation of the provisions of Section 4 of the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017. A copy of list showing the overall progress and status of applications/appeals received under the RTI laws is enclosed herewith for information. However, the PIC is requested to share this Division data about the appeals if pending against Law and Justice Division for taking necessary action.

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189-11/19	Ministry of Law and Justice	Mukhtar Ahmed Ali	Penalty Imposition notice	17-Feb-22
218-12/19	Ministry of Law and Justice	Muhammad Waseem Elahi	Case closed	Closed
278-02/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Azaz Syed	Case closed	Closed
283-02/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Azaz Syed	Case closed	Closed
284-02/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Azaz Syed	Interim Order Issued / Sine die adjourned	Sine die adjourned
302-02/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Muhammad Waseem Elahi	Case closed	Closed
353-03/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Abdul Waseem	Case closed	Closed
402-06/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Faisal Manzoor Anwar	Case closed	Closed
403-06/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Faisal Manzoor Anwar	Case closed	Closed
404-06/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Faisal Manzoor Anwar	Case closed	Closed
517-08/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Dr. Abdul Hameed Nayyar	Order Issued	02-Jul-21
602-09/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Rubian Saigon	Order Issued	02-Jul-21
603-09/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Usman Norani	Order Issued	02-Jul-21
605-09/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Naila Nawaz	Order Issued	02-Jul-21
606-09/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Night Said Khan	Order Issued	02-Jul-21
611-09/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Dr. Abdul Hameed Nayyar & Others	Order Issued	02-Jul-21
613-09/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Maria Rashid	Order Issued	02-Jul-21
614-09/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Memoona Rauf Khan	Order Issued	02-Jul-21
617-09/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Memoona Rauf Khan	Order Issued	02-Jul-21
621-09/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Nasreen Siddiqui	Order Issued	02-Jul-21
623-09/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Kausar S. Khan	Order Issued	02-Jul-21
625-09/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Nazish Brohi	Order Issued	02-Jul-21
627-09/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Anees Haroon	Order Issued	02-Jul-21
629-09/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Hilda Saeed	Order Issued	02-Jul-21
631-09/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Muhammad Waseem Elahi	Case closed	Closed
635-09/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Shireen Aijaz	Order Issued	02-Jul-21
741-11/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Irfan Rafique	Inadmissible	Closed
796-12/20	Ministry of Law and Justice	Syed Kausar Abbas	Compliance Report	20-Sep-21
832-1/21	Ministry of Law and Justice	Shoaib Rehman	Inadmissible	Closed
910-2/21	Ministry of Law and Justice	Khaliq Hussain	Hearing Notice Issued	1-Aug-21
927-2/21	Ministry of Law and Justice	Khaliq Hussain	Hearing Notice Issued	01-Jun-21
1023-4/21	Ministry of Law and Justice	Zahid Gishkori	Case closed	Closed

1039-5/21	Ministry of Law and Justice	Mishaal Sardar Khan	Case closed	Closed
1086-5/21	Ministry of Law and Justice	Muhammad Atif	Case closed	Closed
1143-6/21	Ministry of Law and Justice	Faisal Manzoor Anwar	Case closed	Closed
1186-7/21	Ministry of Law and Justice	Taha Mir	Case closed	Closed
1260-08/21	Ministry of Law and Justice	M. Saleem Butt	Order Issued	Closed
1263-08/21	Ministry of Law and Justice	Sajjad Hussain	Order Issued	Closed
1337-09/2021	Ministry of Law and Justice	Syed Ishtiaq Mustafa Bukhari	Case closed	Closed
1351-09/2021	Ministry of Law and Justice	Irfan Jahangir Wattoo	Order issued	Closed
1385-10/2021	Ministry of Law and Justice	Shaheryar Ali Ahmed	Case closed	Closed
1465-11/2021	Ministry of Law and Justice	Muhammad Waseem Elahi	Case closed	Closed
1609-1/2022	Ministry of Law and Justice	Naveed Ahmed	Case closed	Closed
2023-06/2022	Ministry of Law and Justice	Shahbaz Ahmad	Case closed	Closed
2161-08/2022	Ministry of Law and Justice	Malik Umar Ali	Case closed	Closed
2164-08/2022	Ministry of Law and Justice	Malik Umar Ali	Case closed	Closed
2288-10/2022	Ministry of Law and Justice	Irfan Jahangir Wattoo	Case closed	Closed
2323-11/2022	Ministry of Law and Justice	Yousaf Khalid	Case closed	Closed
2467-01/2023	Ministry of Law and Justice	Hammad Saeed Dar	Hearing Notice Issued	21-Feb-23
3017-08/2023	Ministry of Law and Justice	Kashif Mirza	Order Issued / Disposed of	Closed
3146-10/2023	Ministry of Law and Justice	Murtaza Hashim	Order Issued / Disposed of	Closed
3209-11/2023	Ministry of Law and Justice	Shahbaz Akmal Jandran	Order Issued / Disposed of	Closed

Summary showing the status of Applications/appeals received under the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017 w.e.f. 01.01.2023 to 31.12.2023.

Number of receipts received	Total Number of applications/appeals received in law Division	Replied /disposed of	Applications Pending in Law Division	Appeal Pending in PIC	Decision of PIC challenged before IHC
48	19	18	1	0	0

List Showing Applications/Appeals received under the RTI and Status of the same during the year 2023

Sr.No	Date of Receipt F/Dy.Nos	Appeal/Application Title	Brief Description for the Requisitioned Information	Action Taken by This Division /Directions/Reply of PIC	Status of Application/Appeal
1.	Dy.No.2192/2022 Dy.No.2/2023-RTI	Appeal No. 2467-01/2023 filed by Mr. Hammad Saeed Dar	Request for provision of list information about those convicted persons which received aid from Administrative Committee formulated under Diyat, Arsh and Daman Rules 2007 during the period from 2015 till date.	The applicant and the PIC was informed about the relevant forum for utilization of funds regarding grant of fund of Diyat, Arsh and Daman Fund vide letter dated 13.02.2023	Appeal disposed of on 21.02.2023
2.	F.No.7(16)/2022 Dy.No.3&7/2023	Appeal No.2323-10/2022 filed by Mr. Muhammad Yousaf Khalid Chughtai	Request for provision of information that "are citizens of Islamic Republic of Pakistan allowed to keep a rifle marked with either "223", "5.56/223" or "5.56" on a valid fire arm license issued for a 223 rifle."	Applicant informed vide letter dated 03.10.2022 that the subject matter relates to the Ministry of Interior	Disposed of on 22.02.2023 being relates to Ministry of Interior.
3.	F.No.10(1)/2017-A-VII Dy.No.06/2023-RTI	Application sent by filed by Dr. G.M. Chaudhry	Requestion for Provision of information and details regarding appointment of advocates law officers on retainership basis etc.	Letter dated 23.02.2023 was issued to the applicant and informed taht appointment of Law Officers are regulated by the Central Law Officers Ordinance 1970, along-with relevant regarding terms & conditions in respect of Law Officers. Copies of the same have also been forwarded to the applicant for information.	Applicant Informed.

4.	Dy.No.1127/2023 RTI	PIC U.O.No.1(15)/PIC/2023 dated 31.07.2023	Directions to the Public Bodies for implementation of minimum Wages on hiring of services of security guards, Janitors etc. through third part contractor	This Division does not provide any kind of security Service, as such, the instant receipt does not relate to it, therefore, no action is required at PUC, it may be filed please	Filed being not related to the Law Division (L.D).
5.	F.No.12(12)/2022 -A-V Dy.No.9-10-12/2023 RTI	Application sent by Mr. Zahid Gishkori	Request for provision of total number of vehicles and fuel consumption details	Letter dated 04.04.2023 was issued to the applicant along-with requisite Information	Copy of application sent to the quarter concerned.
6.	Dy.No.11/2023	Appeal No.2131-08/22	Request for provision of information that the Ministry of Defence Rawalpindi advertised the vacant posts through daily Jang dated 24.01.2021 and charged six hundred rupees per student for each and call the CV through website instead of by post. Therefore, the details of its income and expenditure may be provided to the applicant at your earliest under 19-A, Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, please.	No information has been sought from the Ministry of Law and Justice under the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017, as such, no action needs to be taken at PUC, the same may be filed please.	File Closed being relates to the Ministry Defence
7.	F.No.14(37)/2023 -Lit	Application sent by Irfan Jahangir Watoo	Request for provision copy of solved Answer Books/Scripts		W.P. No. 3510/2022 filed by Irfan Jahangir Watoo Vs. FOP etc. Pending before the Islamabad High Court, Islamabad
8.	F.No.7/1/2023 Dy.No.13/2023	Cabinet Division has forwarded an application by Mohammad Azhar Siddque, ASC criteria/authority for	Binding effect of Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority, etc. Vs. ARY Communications Ltd. Etc. (2022 SCP 286); (ii) Muhammad Ashraf Tiwana	O.M dated 27.06.2023 was issued to the Cabinet Division with the advice Law and Justice Division is not obliged to give <u>legal opinion</u> to the private person who has requested for information under	The sender i.e. Cabinet Division was replied. (Legal Opinion)

		SAPM	Vs. Pakistan and others (2013 SCMR 1159; (iii). Mushtaq Ahmed Mohal and others Vs. the Hon'abl Lahore High Court, Lahore and others (1997 SCMR 1043) and Abdul Jabbar Memon and others (1996 SCMR 1349) Etc.	the RTI.	
9.	29.03.2023 Dy. No.14&16-22/ 2023	Appeal No.2291-10/2022 filed by Abdullah Malik Vs. M/O Law	Request for provision of record in respect of Judges salary packages and facilities etc.	On 12.06.2023, the appellant replied that the requisite information was not cover under Section 6 of the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017 etc., under intimation to PIC.	Fate on 07.06.2023 or thereafter? Copy of decision?
10.	13.04.2023 Dy. No.15&23/2023	Public Interest Law Association of Pakistan (PILAP) Health Rights	Family Planning & Reproductive Health (FP&RH) Rights Bills ensuring mandatory FP/RH services by all general health care facilities in public and private sector. PILAP asks questions about what is the expected date for the passing of the KPK Family Planning & Reproductive Health (FP&RH) Rights Bill) etc.	Letters dated 08.05.2023 & 14.06.2023 was issued to the PILAP and informed that the requisite information does not pertain to the Ministry of Law and Justice Division, Islamabad	Applicant has been replied.

11.	Dy.No.16/2023	Application sent by Mr. Hassan Nawaz Sheikh (Date about settlement through Arbitrations)	Request for information regarding time-spans in arbitral procedures can be reduced and, hence, we are looking for scientific data in this regard for domestic arbitrations	Replied sent on 10.05.2023 under the Rule 14(2) of the Rules of Business, 1973, the Ministries/Division concerned made direct consultation with the Attorney General for Pakistan for the purpose of settlement of their disputes through Arbitration at National and International level. This Division has no such data as requested by the applicant, therefore, requested the applicant to seek data from the quarter concerned i.e. the Office of the Attorney General for Pakistan.	Applicant has been replied
12.	20.04.2023 D.No.17/2023	Application sent by Usman Torwali	Request for Information regarding individuals asking for safe heavens from the state of Pakistan against <u>Jarga Masharan</u> (elders) verdicts? How many people including minors and females have filed requests for justice against Jargas in KPK?	Letter was issued on 12.05.2023 with the advice to send the application/query to the Parliament Affairs, Islamabad.	Applicant has been replied
13.	Dy. No.18/2023	Ministry of Housing and Works sought nomination to defend it in Appeal No.2417-	The Appellant has sought information/record for plot No.144-M, Hali Road, P.E.C.H.S, Block-2, Karahci	Mr. Ahmad Rasheed, Assistant Attorney General, Karachi was nominated to represent the FOP, before the PIC,	Nomination issued to the Ministry of Housing and Works.

		12/2022 filed by Mr. Amber Alibhai Vs. M/o Housing and Works, before the PIC. Plots of Cooperative Societies at Karachi. DRAP			
14.	Dy.No.19/2023	Application sent by Mr. Saqib Mustaq	Regarding draft Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan Bill, 2012 which was passed by the Parliament on 13.10.2012 as well as relevant rules/regulations made there under on the DRAP Employees Service Regulations 2015 which was notified through SRO dated 21.04.2015 and SRO 97(KE)/2015 dated 10.9.2015	Letter dated 08.06.2023 issued the applicant with the advice that Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan Bill and in respect of the draft rules and regulations made there under after its enactment is neither the property of this Division nor available with this Division, instead may be obtained from the M/o of National Health Service Regulatory and Coordination as well as from the Senate and National Assembly.	The applicant replied that the query sought by him relates to the M/o National Health Service and Regulation.
15.	18.05.2023 Dy. No.20/2023	Application sent by Chaudhry Ghulam Sabir	Request for information regarding Civil Servant Efficiency and Discipline Rules 2020 that during suspension period the Civil servant shall be entitled to his pay, allowance and other benefits in accordance fundamental Rule-53.	Letter issued to the applicant on 22.05.2023 that the requisite information/clarification would attract financial implications and required inter petition on Fundamental rules which is the mandate of Finance Division	The Information sought by the applicant relates to the Finance Division.

16.	18.05.2023 No.21/2023	Dy. Application sent by Chaudhry Ghulam Sabir	Request for information that whether the rules allow the Senate Finance Committee to give any recommendations/orders/proposal or can exercise the powers of the "Authority" as defined in rule 2(1)(c) of Civil Servant Efficiency and Disciplinary Rules 2020 or otherwise.	Letter issued to the applicant on 22.05.2023 that the requisite information/clarification fall in domain of Establishment Division in view of Rule 11(h) of the Rules of Business 1973.	Applicant has been replied
17.	Dy.No.24/2023	Application sent by Mr. Zahid Abdullah	Request for provision of Certified Copy of the Freedom of Information Ordinance which was promulgated in 1997 and subsequently lapsed. He also requested to upload email on the web site so that the citizens can file information requests under the Act.	Letter dated 23.06.2023 was issued to the applicant with respect that the requisite documents is enclosed. Query No.(ii) stands already uploaded to this Division 's Website Menu Bar, under the button i.e. Policies	Requisite information provided to the applicant.
18.	Dy.No.25, 27& 33 /2023 RTI	Appeal No.284-02/20 filed by Azaz Syed	The applicant sought information/list of lawyers/firms w.e.f 01.01.2008 to 31.12.2018 along-with detail of cases and fee fixed/paid to them.	The PIC had allowed the appeal on 05.06.2020 which was assailed before the IHC through W.P. No.2762/2020.	On 14.09.2023, adjourned the case sine-die due to suspension of order of PIC dated 06.06.2020, by the Islamabad High Court's Order dated 30.09.2020 in W.P. No.2762/2020.

19.	Dy. No.26& 42/23	Kashif Mirza filed Appeal No.3017-08/2023	Regarding exemption of FPSC Rules, 2019 though S.R.Os No.1452(I)/2018. Opinion matter.	1. letter was issued on 21.08.2023 and answered the queries as requested by the applicant.	Applicant was replied about the quarries. Appeal disposed of on 18.10.2023 being satisfied of the applicant.
20.	F.No.7(28)/23-Sol-I Dy.No.28, 31, 39& 51/23-RTI	Request received from M/O of Information and Broadcasting. 2. Dy. No.39 Again request received from PIC, Again Request received from PIC	Request for Assistance of Law Officers to represent the PIC in the High Courts. 2. Request for Assistance of Law Officers to represent the PIC in the High Courts	O.M dated 13.09.2023 was issued to the M/O Information and Broadcasting. O.M dated 14.11. 2023 sent to the PIC with the suggestion that to arrange a legal advisor to represent its cases before the Superior Courts	
21.	Dy. No.29/30-2023 RTI	Appeal No.2880-05/2023 filed by Mr.Nauman Haider Vs. M/O of NFSR Islamabad	Regarding provision of record to applicant pertaining to MOU signed between Pakistan and Iran to import of apples on barter system etc.	O.M dated 18.09.2023 was issued to the Section Officer (IC-II), Ministry of NFS&R with the advice to decide about the provision of information administratively in accordance with law etc	L.D was not party. Relates to the M/O of National Food Security Research, Islamabad
22.	Dy.No.32/2023-RTI, F.No.13(207)/2021 Lit	Application sent by Muhammad Zahid Akram	Whether or not the Law and Justice division has issued guidelines/instructions to all Ministries, Divisions, Department, Autonomous and Semi-Autonomous Bodies etc. vide O.M. F. No.5(2)/2017-A-I, dated 4th October 2019 regarding consultation with the Ministry of Law and Justice under the Rules of Business 1973? If yes, please provide the certified copy of this O.M. etc.	Letter dated 25.09.2023 issued to the applicant and informed that the requisite information relates to the M/O NFS&R, etc.	Applicant has been replied

23.	Dy.No.34/2023 RTI	Application sent by Abdul Shakil Khan	For provision of copy of O.M F.No.130/2016-Law-I dated 22.02.2016 opinion about sensitive matter of Security.	Letter dated 05.10.2023 was issued to Mr. Abdul Shakil Khan and informed that under Section 6 of the Rights of Access to Information Act,2017, the requisite information does not fall within the meaning of public record.	Applicant has been replied
24.	Dy.No.35/2023- RTI	The Cabinet Division has requested for Clarification regarding Right of Access to Information	The Cabinet Division has requested for Clarification regarding Right of Access to Information	O.M dated 04.10.2023 was issued to the Cabinet Division with the advise to decide the matter regarding sharing or otherwise of any information at their level and if desire to not share it with applicant then get it declared as classified in accordance with Section of Right to Information Act,2017.	No application/appeal.
25.	Dy.No.37&49/ 2023	Mr. Touqeer Ahmed Private person has Requested for information/record regarding appointment of Mr. Muhammad Aslam Waseem, Deputy Solicitor-19	Requested for information/record regarding appointment of Mr. Muhammad Aslam Waseem, Deputy Solicitor-19	Letter dated 23.10.2023 issued to the applicant and informed the applicant that the information asked for is personal and excluded from public record as per Section 7(g) of the Right of Access to information Act, 2017	Applicant has been replied.
26.	Dy.No.38/2023	Mr. Zahid Gishkori has requested for information	Request for information that how many cases were overall decided under the Expeditious Justice Initiative (EJI) programme its establishment?	Letter dated 01.11.2023 issued to the applicant and Informed him that Law and Justice Commission is the appropriate forum wherefrom requisite information may be sought.	Applicant has been informed

27.	Dy.No43/2023-RTI F.No.7(43)/2023	PUC Received from National Commission for Human Rights seeking copy of Juvenile Justice System Act, 2018	PUC Received from National Commission for Human Rights seeking copy of Juvenile Justice System Act, 2018	O.M dated 17.11.2023 was issued to the NCHR with advised that the Juvenile Justice System Act, 2018 is under administrative control of the Ministry of Interior to whom the Commission may addressed its request	The NC&HR has been informed.
28.	Dy.No44&50/2023 Dy.No.1/2024-RTI	Appeal No.3209-11/2023 filed by Mr. Shahbaz Akmal Jandra	Request for Provision copies of agenda items of board meeting held under Section 6 of the Legal Aid and Justice Authority Act, 2020, since the inception of Authority.	O.M dated 21.11.2023 was issued to the PIC with the advice that the requisite information pertains to the M/o of Human Rights.	Applicant has been replied Pakistan Information Commission disposed of the appeal on 19.12.2023
29.	Dy.No.45/2023 Dy.No.855/2023-Sol-II	Application sent by Mr. Abdul Shakil Khan	1. Request for provision of copy of O.M bearing Dy.No.8159/2022-Sol-II 2. Request for provision of copy of O.M bearing Dy.No.8(549)/2022-Sol-II dated 29.09.2022	2. Letter dated 15.11.2023 was issued with the request to seek the requisite O.M from the FBR with reference to the FBR's Notification as mentioned in his letter being related to the FBR.	Applicant has been replied.
30.	Dy.No.46&52/2023/RTI	Appeal No.3146-10/2023, filed by Murtaza Hashim Vs. M/o Law and Justice	Request for certified copy of enforced National Accountability Ordinance 1999, after announcement of Judgment of Supreme Court of Pakistan in Const. P.21/2022 (Imran Ahmed Khan Niazi Vs. FOP etc.	1. Reply has been sent to the appellant under endorsement to the PIC	Appeal disposed of on 13.12.2023 Being satisfied.
31.	Dy.No.47/2023-RTI	Appeal No.3210-11/2023 filed by Shahbaz Akmal Vs. M/o HR	Request for provision the details of the Anti-Rape crises cells established under Section 4 of the Anti-Rape (Investigation and Trial) Ordinance, 2020, throughout the country, with the names of cities.	Information provided to the application through letter dated 05.12.2023.	Applicant has been replied.

32.	Dy.No.48/2023 RTI	Appeal No.2312-10/ 2022 filed by Zafar Iqbal	Request received from the M/o Commerce for vetting and nomination of Law officer to represent it before the PIC in the subject appeal	Nomination Letter was issued on 21.11.2023 Mr. Ahmed Rasheed, AAG was nominated	Pending-Ministry of Commerce party.
33.	F.No.7(23)/2021- Sol-I Dy.No.1562/2023 Sol-I RTI	Appeal No.060-06/19 filed by Mukhtar Ahmed	Information regarding admin of the Supreme Court A-2A & A.175 of Court.	PIC Order dated 12.07.2021 whereby appeal allowed to assail before the High Court.	
34.	F.No.7(58)/2021- Sol-I	Appeal No.1351-09/ 2021 Irfan Jahangir Watto Vs. M/o Law and Justice.	Rules 7-A & 10 of FPSC and inspect of Mustafa Impex case.	In F.No.4(227)/2021-Sol-I vide O.M dated 17.12.2021, sent to the FPSC.	Lastly, it fixed on 23.12.2021 Fate?