

SENATE SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF PROCEDURE AND PRIVILEGES ON PRIVILEGE MOTION NO. 3(250) /2016-M.

(Report No. 33- 2016)

I, Chairman of the Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, have the honour to present report of the Committee on Privilege motion No. 3(250), moved by Senator Atta Ur Rehman on 26th July, 2016, against DPO Mianwali and some other police officers/officials deputed on check post of Kundian near Chasma Hydropower.

2. The composition of the Committee is as under:-

1.	Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini	Chairman
2.	Senator Zahida Khan	Member
3.	Senator Hilalur Rehman	Member
4.	Senator Atta Ur Rehman	Member
5.	Senator Nighat Mirza	Member
6.	Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah	Member
7.	Senator Saleem Zia	Member
8.	Senator Saeed Ghani	Member
9.	Senator Zaheerud Din Babar Awan	Member
10.	Senator Osman Saifullah Khan	Member
11.	Senator Farooq Hamid Naek	Member
12.	Senator Muhammad Yaqoob Khan Nasar	Member
13.	Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.	Ex-Officio Member

3. The details of the issue before the Committee were that Senator Atta Ur Rehman moved Privilege motion No. 3(250), on 26th July, 2016, against irresponsible, insulting and threatening attitude of Mr. Sadiq Ali Dogar, DPO Mianwali, Mr. Sher Ali Cheena, SHO Kundian, Mr. Abdur Rehman, Inspector, Mr. Mushtaq, ASI and Mr. Shahab, Constable, deputed near Chasma Hydropower check post of Kundian. After hearing the mover, the Honourable Chairman Senate held the motion in order and referred the same to the Committee for investigation and report. The committee discussed the motion in its meetings held on 26th August, 24th September, 24th October, 2nd December and 20th December, 2016. The mover and all officers/officials against whom the motion was moved were given ample opportunity to explain their position on the matter.

4. Senator Maulana Atta ur Rehman narrated the details of the incident and informed that on the night between 20th and 21st July, 2016, he was traveling from Dera Ismail Khan to Islamabad with some guests from China. When he reached at police

check post near Chashma Hydropower, he was stopped by a constable who asked for identity card which was shown to him. The constable asked him (the Senator) to go to SHO room for checkup. The Senator said that the behavior of the police officials was not appropriate due to which he tried to contact DPO Mianwali. The P.A. to DPO informed that the DPO was busy and would contact him (the Senator) later. However, the DPO did not contact him (the Senator) in spite of repeated calls and leaving messages. The Senator also stated that he did not want to move a privilege motion or to take any action in the matter but the SHO Kundian held a press conference in which he stated that the Senator misbehaved with the police officials and was not willing to prove identity or to show any card. The mover informed further that tickers were shown on T.V. channels regarding his (Senator's) alleged improper behavior with the police officials which was totally incorrect and uncalled for. The Senator was of the view that an effort was made to degrade him by making false statement in press conference and showing tickers on electronic media in this regard.

5. The Chairman Committee stated that the behavior of Punjab Police with the general public and public representatives was not appropriate. He said that the Police officials do enquire about the identity of persons and may carry out the search in order to combat terrorism but while performing such duties they should pay respect to the law abiding citizens. He suggested that appropriate training of the police officials should be conducted and they should be informed about the status of parliamentarians and the ways to deal with them. Regarding the case under consideration, he said that the mover of the motion, Senator Atta ur Rehman, is a well-known personality and there was no need to ask him to prove his identity. He was of the view that holding of conference, showing tickers on T.V. channels and leveling baseless allegations against the Senator was highly objectionable.

6. Mr. Mushtaq, ASI, narrated the incident and stated that one constable asked the Senator to go through search area and he did not misbehave. He informed that a lot of traffic from DI Khan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa pass through that point. The vehicle of the Senator was in the mid of road due to which traffic was blocked. He also stated that the personal staff of the Senator threatened that all policemen alongwith DPO will have to come to Islamabad for apology.

7. The SHO, Kundian, stated that he did not hold any press conference. He was of the view that the people waiting in vehicles behind the Senator's vehicle may have sent the news about the incident to the media.

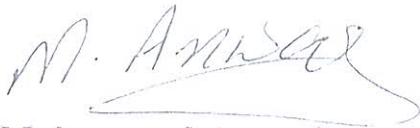
8. The DPO Mianwali was of the view that the news and ticker may be shown by the media at their own as the people present there may have shared the information with media. He informed that on the next day he made a call to Mr. Rafiullah, a staff member of the Senator, and requested him that he (the DPO) intended to talk to the Senator but Mr. Rafiullah did not let him to do so. He said that the Senator violated the one way and was only requested to adopt proper way. The police officials only requested the Senator to show the Card. They did not misbehave with him. However, after the incident, the officials concerned were transferred.

9. The IG Punjab Police informed that due to security threat the police had to take extra care. He informed that a number of modules have been prepared for imparting professional as well as ethical training to police officials. They were conducting a number of trainings to improve the working and behavior of police officials. The police officials have been directed to fully cooperate with the parliamentarians. Whenever any parliamentarian makes a call to the police officers and they are not present in the office, they have been directed to ring back to the concerned parliamentarian. They have also been directed to be polite with the general public. He also informed that they have appointed young civilian gradates and posted them in the police stations. Those civilians coordinate with public. After the appointment of the civilians in the police stations a lot of improvement is witnessed in the working and coping with the public complaints. He informed further that the DPO Mianwali conducted an inquiry into the incident and the persons against whom the Senator had made a complaint were transferred.

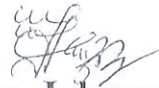
10. The Additional IG Punjab informed that he was heading the training wing of Punjab Police. They have taken a number of steps for the training of police officials. Seven psychologists had been appointed who were giving training in all training schools/institutes of police including those located in police lines. Psychological profiling of all police officials had also been done. The stress management courses had also been conducted for the police officials. During training they emphasize on the change of mindset of the police personnel. Regarding the incidence in question, he stated that Mr. Shahab, a constable of Punjab Constabulary, was deputed on check post of Kundian seven days before the incident and do not have the training to deal with the parliamentarians. He informed further that the DPO had taken action against that constable concerned.



11. The Chairman committee asked the IG Punjab to issue directions to the police personnel to change their behavior. He directed to send a copy of such directions to the Committee for information.
12. The IG Punjab assured that he will issue directions in this regard. The SOPs will be formed and copy thereof will be sent to the committee.
13. Senator Atta ur Rehman thanked the IG for attending the meeting and taking the matter seriously. He was satisfied with the statement made by the IG and withdrew the privilege motion.
14. The committee disposed off the motion by treating the same as withdrawn.



(Muhammad Anwar)
A.S. / Secretary Committee



(Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini)
Chairman