

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
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**REPORT OF THE SENATE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON
CHILD PROTECTION**

***“ON THE SUBJECT MATTER OF POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE
RAISED BY
SENATOR MUHAMMAD TALHA MEHMOOD DURING THE SENATE
SITTING HELD ON 24TH JANUARY, 2020.”***

PRESENTED BY

**SENATOR RUBINA KHALID
CONVENER**

SENATE SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CHILD PROTECTION.

I, Senator Rubina Khalid, Convener of the Special Committee on Child Protection, have the honour to present this report, on behalf of the Committee on the subject matter of point of public importance regarding an incident of child abuse in Nowshera, raised by Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood during the Senate sitting held on 24th January, 2020 and referred to the Special Committee for consideration and report.

The composition of the Committee is as under:-

1.	Senator Rubina Khalid	Convener
2.	Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq	Member
3.	Senator Samina Saeed	Member
4.	Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif	Member
5.	Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi	Member
6.	Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad	Member

The Committee considered the said matter in its meetings held on 11th August and 1st October, 2020. In its first meeting, the Committee was briefed by District Police Officer (DPO) Nowshera, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, on the issue in detail, however, due to absence of the Mover, the Committee deferred the matter till its next meeting which was held on 1st October, 2020.

BRIEF FACTS OF THE CASE.

On 18-01-2020, a girl namely Ewaz Noor aging 7/8 years, resident of Kaka Sahib, District Nowshera was reportedly untraceable since she left home for going to nearby Madarsah. During the search process by the parents and neighbors, it transpired that two persons were trying to plunge her body into an underground water tank of the nearby fields. Upon arrival of locals on the spot the culprits left the body of the girl and fled away. Thereafter, a FIR was lodged u/s 302/34, 376/364-A/311 PPC. The Police after conducting its due process i.e. postmortem report, investigation and collection of evidences from crime scene arrested two persons who were found involved in the matter and produced them before the court for trial. Responding to a query raised by the Convener of the Committee, the DPO also shared that one of the accused has already confessed his guilt while the other denied. Various aspects involved in the matter were thoroughly discussed and responded to.




The Members of the Committee expressed grave concern over the reported denial of autopsy of dead body by DHQ Nowshera and demanded strict disciplinary action against the concerned doctor if he/she has done so. Senators Muhammad Javed Abbasi and Barrister Muhammad Ali Saif emphasized the need to ensure that there is no loophole left which could benefit the culprits and the Police should pursue the prosecution till its conclusion.

On 1st October, 2020, another meeting of the Committee was held wherein the issue was again deliberated upon and it was decided that since the Mover was not able to attend the meetings and whereas, the legal proceedings were being carried out in an appropriate manner and satisfactorily, therefore, the point of public importance may be disposed off.

The Committee also gave its approval for presentation of this report in the Senate in its next session.


(MUHAMMAD ASHFAQ)
S.O. / Secretary (Committee)


(SENATOR RUBINA KHALID)
Convener (Committee)