

SENATE SECRETARIAT

F.No.10 (1)/2021-24/C-I

Islamabad, the 27th March, 2023

NOTICE

A Meeting of the Senate Standing Committee on Human Rights will be held on **3rd April, 2023**
at 10:30 a.m. in Committee Room No. 1, Parliament House, Islamabad.

2. The agenda before the Committee would be as under:-

- (i) Further Consideration of the gruesome incident of rape of a female at Fatima Jinnah Park, Sector F-9, Islamabad; actions taken and developments so far in the matter, and measures required to be adopted to make public spaces safe for women and other vulnerable groups.
(The matter was kept pending in the meeting dated 13.02.2023 until the anticipated arrest of the culprits, which, according to Inspector General of Police, Islamabad, was then likely to occur within a matter of days).
- (ii) Briefing by Inspector General of Police, Punjab, CCPO, Lahore, Chief Secretary, Punjab, Secretary, Home Department, Punjab, and Deputy Commissioner, Lahore, on the violation of fundamental rights especially guaranteed by Article 16 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 (Freedom of Assembly) by inhuman treatment meted out to political workers who were peacefully assembling to participate in a political rally on 8th March 2023, particularly keeping in mind that general election to the Punjab Assembly has been called for 30th April 2023; use of excessive police force against unarmed men, women and children; imposition of Section 144 in Lahore for seven days on the pretext of security threats which was lifted on the very next day (when the matter was challenged before the Lahore High Court) and re-imposition thereof on 12th March 2023.
- (iii) Briefing by the Inspector General of Police, Islamabad, on the 'over the top' application of provisions of the Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997, against lawyers and political workers in violation of Articles 15 and 16 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 (Freedom of Movement and Freedom of Assembly), consequent to the use of excessive force by police, along with obstructing the movement of former Prime Minister Mr. Imran Khan for purposes of appearing before a Court of law at Federal Judicial Complex, Islamabad, on 18th March 2023.
- (iv) Briefing by the Inspector General of Police, Islamabad, on the arrest of Mr. Siddique Jan, a journalist affiliated with Bol News, again under the Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997, and in violation of Article 19 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 (Freedom of Speech and Expression), in connection with his reporting of former Prime Minister Mr. Imran Khan's aforementioned Court appearance in Islamabad on 18th March 2023.
- (v) Briefing by Inspector General of Police, Punjab, CCPO, Lahore, Chief Secretary, Punjab, Secretary Home Department, Punjab, and Deputy Commissioner, Lahore, regarding the excessive and violent use of force at the residence of former Prime Minister Mr. Imran Khan on 18th March 2023, along with the alleged theft and looting of his personal property in the process, when only his spouse and household staff were present, in apparent disobedience of the undertaking given in the Lahore High Court and the Court Orders thereby passed, and in sheer violation of Article 14 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973, which guarantees of inviolability of human dignity and privacy of the home.
- (vi) Briefing by the Chairman PEMRA on the Policy regarding telecasting/airing of audio/video leaks on electronic media.
- (vii) Briefing by Inspector General of Police, Punjab, Inspector General of Prisons, Punjab, Secretary Home Department, Punjab, Deputy Commissioner, Lahore, and Superintendent, Central Jail, Kot Lakhpat, Lahore, regarding the cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment of political prisoners

detained in Punjab under Section 3(1) of the Maintenance of Public Order Ordinance, 1960, between 22nd February and 3rd March 2023, in violation of the guarantee of human dignity in terms of Article 14 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973, particularly in view of the sudden withdrawal of the related Detention Orders almost immediately after the Lahore High Court suspended their operation.

(viii) Any other matter with permission of the Chair.

3. Members are requested to make it convenient to attend the meeting.



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1.	Senator Walid Iqbal	Chairman
2.	Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani	Member
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5.	Senator Syed Faisal Ali Subzwari	Member
6.	Senator Quratul Ain Marri	Member
7.	Senator Kamran Michael	Member
8.	Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed	Member
9.	Senator Abida Muhammad Azeem	Member
10.	Senator Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo	Member
11.	Senator Irfanul Haq Siddiqui	Member
12.	Senator Falak Naz	Member
13.	Senator Syed Waqar Mehdi	Member
14.	Minister for Human Rights	Ex-Officio Member

Copy forwarded for necessary action to:-

1. The Secretary, Ministry of Human Rights, Islamabad is requested to kindly attend the meeting with all concerned.
2. The Secretary, Ministry of Interior, Islamabad is requested to kindly attend the meeting with all concerned.
3. The following officers are requested to kindly attend the meeting with all concerned and direct the concerned officers to provide 40 copies of the working papers both in Urdu & English (hard & soft copy through email at rabeea.anwar@senate.gov.pk) alongwith list of participants to the Secretariat two working days (48 hours) prior to the Committee meeting otherwise it will be treated as NOT RECEIVED:-

- a) Inspector General of Police Islamabad,
- b) Inspector General of Police, Punjab,
- c) Inspector General of Prisons, Punjab.
- d) Chairman PEMRA
- e) Chief Commissioner ICT
- f) Chairman, Capital Development Authority, Islamabad
- g) CCPO, Lahore,
- h) Chief Secretary, Punjab,
- i) Secretary, Home Department, Punjab,
- j) Deputy Commissioner, Lahore
- k) Superintendent, Central Jail, Kot Lakhpat, Lahore

4. The Section Officer (Council), Ministry of Human Rights, Islamabad to provide 40 copies of the working papers both in Urdu and English (hard & soft copy through email at rabeea.anwar@senate.gov.pk) along with list of participants to this Secretariat two working days (48 hours) prior to the Committee meeting otherwise it will be treated as NOT RECEIVED.
5. The Section Officer (Council), Ministry of Interior, Islamabad to provide 40 copies of the working papers both in Urdu and English (hard & soft copy through email at rabeea.anwar@senate.gov.pk) along with list of participants to this Secretariat two working days (48 hours) prior to the Committee meeting otherwise it will be treated as NOT RECEIVED.
6. Sr. P.S. to Minister for Human Rights, Islamabad to request the Minister to kindly attend the meeting.

Copy also forwarded for information to: -

1. The Attorney General of Pakistan.
2. The Accountant General Pakistan Revenues, Islamabad.
3. The Secretary, Ministry of Law and Justice, Islamabad.
4. The Secretary, Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, Islamabad.
5. The Secretary, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
6. The Principal Secretary, to Chairman, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
7. The Joint Secretary (Admin), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
8. **The Director (LAN), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad for SMS.**
9. The Director Staff to Deputy Chairman, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
10. The Director Staff to Leader of the House, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
11. The Director Staff to Leader of the Opposition, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
12. **The Director Staff to Chairman, Standing Committee on Human Rights, Islamabad to make confirmation of the Members.**
13. The Deputy Director Library, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
14. The Sergeant-at-Arms, Senate Secretariat, Parliament House, Islamabad.
15. The Section Officer (F & A), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
16. The Director News P.T.V, Islamabad, with the request to make necessary arrangements for the T.V. coverage of the meeting.
17. **The Executive Director, Federal Government Poly Clinic (FGPC), Islamabad with the request to make necessary medical arrangement in the Parliament House, Islamabad.**
18. The Information Officer, (Senate) P.I.D. Islamabad.
19. The **Engineer In-charge, Senate/N.A Secretariats, Islamabad.**
20. The Committee Branch-II, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad
21. **The Assistant Director, I.T, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad (For Senate Website).**
22. The Ladies Senator's Services Center, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
23. The Senator's Services Center, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
24. The Director (Protocol/Cafeteria), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
25. The Parliamentary Reporters Association, Parliament House, Islamabad.
26. **The Annunciator Cell, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.**
27. Master File.



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