SENATE SECRETARIAT

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

Islamabad, the 11th April, 2023

NOTICE

A Meeting of the Senate Standing Committee on Human Rights will be held on 17th April, 2023 at 10:30 a.m. in Committee Room No. 4, Parliament House, Islamabad.

- 2. The agenda before the Committee would be as under:-
 - Briefing by Inspector General of Police, Punjab, CCPO, Lahore, Chief Secretary, Punjab, Secretary Home Department, Punjab, and Deputy Commissioner, Lahore, regarding the 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 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. Following documents shall also be provided:-
 - (a) A copy of the undertaking given by the Punjab Police in the Lahore High Court with respect to any investigation relating to Mr. Imran Khan that involved searching his home at Lahore, including the manner of conducting such search. If no written undertaking was given, then the copy of the Court order that reflects the undertaking otherwise given in Court.
 - (b) A copy of the Order passed by the Lahore High Court in consequence of the undertaking given by the Punjab Police (or the agreement/understanding reached by the Punjab Police and the PTI leadership) in relation to the manner of search of Mr. Imran Khan's home as part of any investigation.
 - (ii) Further briefing by Inspector General of Police, Punjab, Inspector General of Prisons, Punjab, Secretary Home Department, Punjab, and Deputy Commissioner, 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. Following documents shall also be provided:-
 - (a) A copy of the detention order of Senator Walid Iqbal.
 - (b) A copy of the Lahore High Court's order whereby the operation of all detention orders relating to PTI leaders/workers held in prisons across the province of Punjab, including Senator Walid Iqbal, was suspended.
 - (c) A copy of the withdrawal of Senator Walid Iqbal's detention order.
 - (d) Copies of all correspondence, from beginning to end, whereby Senator Walid Iqbal had called upon the IG Prisons, Punjab, to be granted Better Class facility at District Jail, Layyah, where he was being held as a political prisoner, along with a copy of those provisions of the Prison Rules or Jail Manual that relate to the classes of facilities that can be availed by various categories of prisoners.
 - (e) A copy of the record of DHQ Hospital, Layyah, relating to political prisoner Noran Sohail who fell ill and unconscious while traveling in a prison van between Lahore and Layyah with Senator Walid Iqbal and others on 23rd February 2023 (to be provided by IG Police, Punjab, since his illness occurred in Police custody, not while in jail).
 - (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. Following documents shall also be provided:-
 - (a) A list of names of the persons against whom FIRs have been lodged under the Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997. in connection with the assembly and movement that occurred in Islamabad on 18th March 2023.

- (b) The number of unknown persons who have been mentioned in the aforesaid FIRs to whom provisions of the Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997, have been made applicable.
- (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. Following documents shall also be provided:-
 - (a) A copy of the FIR lodged against Mr. Siddique Jan in connection with the assembly and movement that occurred in Islamabad on 18th March 2023.
 - (b) A copy of the Court order that quashed the application of the provisions of the Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997, against Mr. Siddique Jan.
- (v) 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 Igbal Chairman 2. Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani Member 3. Senator Dr. Mohammad Humayun Mohamand Member 4. Senator Seemee Ezdi Member 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 Senator Irfanul Haq Siddiqui 11. Member 12. Senator Falak Naz Member 13. Senator Syed Wagar Mehdi Member 14. Minister for Human Rights Ex-Officio Member

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- 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) CCPO, Lahore.
 - e) Chief Secretary, Punjab.
 - f) Secretary, Home Department, Punjab.
 - g) Deputy Commissioner, 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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