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REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR & NARCOTICS
CONTROL ON THE SUBEJCT MATTER OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE MOVED BY
SENATOR MANZOOR AHMED KAKAR, IN THE SENATE SITTING HELD ON
8TH MAY, 2026

PRESENTED BY:
SENATOR FAISAL SALEEM REHMAN
CHAIRMAN COMMITTEE

SENATE SECRETARIAT

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1, Senator Faisal Saleem Rehman, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control, have the honour to present this report, on behalf of the Committee, on the subject matter of Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Manzoor Ahmed, in the Senate sitting held on 8th May, 2026, "Concerning the alleged harassment of the Suleiman Khel Tribe, under the pretext of identifying illegal Afghan refugees, by the Punjab Police, in District Rawalpindi." referred by the House for consideration and report.

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

1.	Senator Faisal Saleem Rehman	Chairman
2.	Senator Syedaal Khan	Member
3.	Senator Syed Faisal Ali Sabzwari	Member
4.	Senator Shahadat Awan	Member
5.	Senator Naseema Ehsan	Member
6.	Senator Saifullah Abro	Member
7.	Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri	Member
8.	Senator Umer Farooq	Member
9.	Senator Palwasha Muhammad Zai Khan	Member
10.	Senator Jam Saifullah Khan	Member
11.	Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood	Member
12.	Senator Mir Dostain Khan Domki	Member
13.	Senator Dilawar Khan	Member
14.	Senator Abid Sher Ali	Member
15.	Minister for Interior	Ex-Officio Member

3. The Committee took up the matter in its meeting held on 20th May, 2026, which was attended by the following Members, namely: -

1.	Senator Faisal Saleem Rehman	Chairman
2.	Senator Shahadat Awan	Member
3.	Senator Palwasha Muhammad Zai Khan	Member
4.	Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood	Member
5.	Senator Jam Saifullah Khan	Member
6.	Senator Saifullah Abro	Member
7.	Senator Abid Sher Ali	Member
8.	Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri	Member
9.	Senator Dilawar Khan	Member
10.	Senator Mir Dostain Khan Domki	Member
11.	Senator Manzoor Ahmed Kakar	Mover
12.	Senator Abdul Qadir	Special Invitee
13.	Senator Nasir Mehmood Butt	Special Invitee

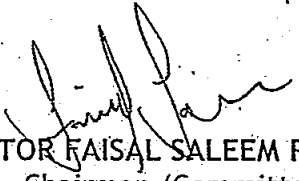
4. Senator Manzoor Ahmed Kakar apprised the Committee on an incident that took place in Rawalpindi on 1st May, 2026, in Rawalpindi, within the jurisdiction of the Ganj Mandi Police Station whereby Fourteen (14) labourers were detained by the Punjab Police despite being Pakistani citizens and having provided proof of their nationality. Nevertheless, the police held them for over three hours for verification purposes. The Station House Officer (SHO) of the concerned police station subsequently arrived and stated that since it was Labour Day, no case would be registered and directed the labourers to get themselves registered at the police station. Senator Manzoor Ahmed further briefed the Committee on the historical background of the Suleiman Khel tribe, tracing their presence in the region back to 1901, prior to the creation of Pakistan. He further alleged that certain police personnel had threatened members of the tribe that if they refused to pay bribes, they would be declared illegal Afghan nationals.

5. The RPO Rawalpindi, during the briefing, informed the Committee that the matter had been formally investigated by the SP Rawal Division in its report he has reported that during a routine patrol, Si Hassan Manzoor had brought an individual named Sami Ullah Khan along with fourteen unregistered labourers to the Ganj Mandi Police Station for legal verification, where they were handed over to the duty officer, ASI Zahid Bashir. The labourers were subsequently presented before the SHO, who, in the observance of Labour Day, took a lenient approach by issuing a warning and directing them to complete their registration process immediately. The investigation concluded that no police officer had committed any act of highhandedness or subjected any individual to torture. With regard to the matter concerning the Suleiman Khel tribe, he further informed the Committee that a tribal elder, Mr. Asad Haqqani, serves as the focal person responsible for issuing certificates and verifying individuals belonging to the Suleiman Khel tribe.

6. The Committee expressed concern that the certification of individuals by a civilian focal person raises serious security concerns. The Committee recommended that an official procedure be adopted whereby representatives of the District Government, Police, and other law enforcement agencies are designated in each and every tehsil for the purpose of verification, and that their certification be considered authentic and authoritative, rather than relying upon a civilian who may declare any individual a Pakistani citizen. The Committee further recommended that no discrimination be exercised against Pakistani citizens, while simultaneously emphasising that there shall be zero tolerance for illegal immigrants, in particular Afghan nationals.

7. After detailed deliberation, the Committee decided to dispose off the matter.


(HAMMAD KHAN MARRI)
J.S / Secretary (Committee)


(SENATOR FAISAL SALEEM REHMAN)
Chairman (Committee)

Islamabad, the
20th May, 2026.