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6th Feb 2020

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LTR/RTI/FED/9449-0

SUBJECT: REQUEST UNDER RIGHT OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT, 2017 TO PROVIDE
UPDATED COPY OF CLASS LICENSING AND REGISTRATION REGULATIONS, 2007 WITH
AMENDMENTS UPTO CURRENT DATE

Dear Public Information Officer

I hope this letter finds you in the best of circumstances. As a concerned citizen of Pakistan, under the rights granted to me by Article 19-A of the Constitution of Pakistan¹ and the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017², I'd like to request: **an up-to-date copy of the Class Licensing and Registration Regulations, 2007, including all amendments, enforced by the Pakistan Telecommunication Authority today.**

Please note that this letter sufficiently qualifies as a request under the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017 and, therefore, your organization is *"required to respond to a request as soon as possible and in any case within ten working days of receipt of the request."*

You may send me a reply in writing to my address above, or preferably via email to amin@gilani.me. I am also available for any clarifications to this request that you may require.

Sincerely,

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¹ <http://www.pakistani.org/pakistan/constitution/part2.ch1.html>

² http://www.na.gov.pk/uploads/documents/1506960942_594.pdf



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SAY NO TO CORRUPTION

No. PTA/G&EA/614/2018

13 February, 2020

Subject: REQUEST UNDER RIGHT OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT, 2017 TO PROVIDE UPDATED COPY OF CLASS LICENSING AND REGISTRATION REGULATIONS, 2007 WITH AMENDMENTS UPTO CURRENT DATE

With reference to your letter No LTR/RTI/FED/9449-0 dated 6th Feb, 2020 on the captioned subject. It is submitted that, Class Licensing and Registration Regulations along with amendments are available on PTA's Website at S.No. 1, 2, 12, 20 and 38. The link is given herewith, please <https://www.pta.gov.pk/en/laws-&-policies/regulations>.

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To:

Mr. Syed Muhammad Amin Gillani



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14th Feb 2020

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LTR/RTI/FED/9449-1

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Dear Public Information Officer

Thank you for your prompt Response, and especially for emailing a copy of the Response. It was most helpful and allowed me to send this follow up quickly. You do not have to physically mail me copies of your responses unless you prefer it—an email alone is sufficient and I will always acknowledge receipt.

In my Request, I asked for:

[A]n up-to-date copy of the Class Licensing and Registration Regulations, 2007, including all amendments, enforced by the Pakistan Telecommunication Authority today.

I do not wish to amend my Request, however, please note these supplementary elaborations. These are merely clarifications to aid in the search of the record and do not extend the scope of my original request:

1. The PTA has in its possession a single, finalized, fully amended and “up-to-date” copy of the *Class Licensing and Registration Regulations 2007* “including all amendments” that it enforces today.
2. This document is the final regulation PTA has created when we accumulate the net total effect of PTA’s notifications related to *Class Licensing and Registration Regulations 2007* and *Class Value Added Services Licensing and Registration Regulations 2007*.
3. This document is not a notification published in the Gazette of Pakistan, but a body of text containing the final version of the regulations that are “enforced by the Pakistan Telecommunication Authority today”

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4. By virtue of being a regulation, this document is a public record under section 5(b) of the *Right of Access to Information Act 2017*.
 5. That document has not been published on its website.
 6. That very document is the subject of my Request.

In your Response, you stated:

It is submitted that, Class Licensing and Registration Regulations along with amendments are available on PTA's Website at S.No. 1, 2, 12, 20 and 38.

The PTA's website, at <https://www.pta.gov.pk/en/laws-&-policies/regulations>, contains the following (arranged in chronological order):

1. **Serial number 2:** *Class Value Added Services Licensing and Registration Regulations 2007*, Gazette of Pakistan Extraordinary. 11 July 2007;
2. **Serial number 1:** S. R. O. 56(I)/2008, "amendments in the Regulations", Gazette of Pakistan Extraordinary. 16 January 2008;
3. **Serial number 12:** *Class Licensing and Registration (Amendment) Regulations, 2008*, Gazette of Pakistan Extraordinary. 27 October 2008;
4. **Serial number 20:** *Class Licensing and Registration (Amendment) Regulations, 2010*, Gazette of Pakistan Extraordinary. 3 May 2010; and
5. **Serial number 38:** *Class Licensing and Registration (Amendment) Regulations, 2016*, Gazette of Pakistan Extraordinary. 4 April 2016.

None of these are "[A]n up-to-date copy of the *Class Licensing and Registration Regulations, 2007*" as was the subject of my Request.

I hope I was able to clear any confusion and explain exactly which record is required. As always, you may send me a reply in writing to my address above, or preferably via email to amin@gilani.me. I am still available for any clarifications to the Request that you may require.

Sincerely,

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References:

1. LTR/RTI/FED/9449-0 ("Request")
2. PTA/G&EA/614/2018 ("Response")



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SAY NO TO CORRUPTION

No. PTA/G&EA/614/2018

25 February, 2020

Subject: REQUEST UNDER RIGHT OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT, 2017 TO PROVIDE UPDATED COPY OF CLASS LICENSING AND REGISTRATION REGULATIONS, 2007 WITH AMENDMENTS UPTO CURRENT DATE

With reference to your letter No LTR/RTI/FED/9449-1 dated 14th Feb, 2020 on the captioned subject. It is submitted that, Class Licensing and Registration Regulations along with amendments are enclosed herewith, please

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Director (Govt. & External Affairs)

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28th Feb 2020

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SUBJECT: REQUEST UNDER RIGHT OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT, 2017 TO PROVIDE UPDATED COPY OF CLASS LICENSING AND REGISTRATION REGULATIONS, 2007 WITH AMENDMENTS UPTO CURRENT DATE

Dear Public Information Officer

Thank you very much for your cooperation and for providing the Information. I appreciate the promptness with which you answered my request and the fact that you communicated via email when possible. This was a refreshingly bright interaction with my Government.

While my Request has been satisfied, please note that by virtue of section 5 of the Right of Access to Information Act, 2017¹, you, as the Public Information Officer, must ensure this Information is “duly published including uploading over the Internet“. The same must be true of all other information that falls under the scope of section 5 of the same act. This has been reiterated by the Federal Information Commission in their circular on proactive disclosure².

I urge you to publish this and all other regulations by the PTA in their fully amended forms online, and not just as their component iterative Gazette notifications, as is required by law.

Sincerely,

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References:

¹<http://rti.gov.pk/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Section-5-of-the-Right-of-Access-to-Information-Act-2017.pdf>

² <http://rti.gov.pk/wp-content/uploads/2019/09/Proactive-Disclosure-of-Information-Letter-29-8.pdf>

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1. LTR/RTI/FED/9449-0 ("Request")
 2. PTA/G&EA/614/2018, dated 25 February 2020 ("Information")

Delivered via email to:

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*Note: This letter will **not** be physically mailed.*