



## DECISION

Complaint No. : POS/3903/2024/HYD/577

Name and address of the complainant : Mr. Mairaj Khan  
R/o H.No: 1047, Near Eid Gah Road, Ahsan Academy,  
Jamshoro

Name of the Agency Complained against : Irrigation Department, Government of Sindh.

Name & Designation of Investigating Officer : Abdul Wahab Memon, Consultant / Regional Director,  
Regional Office, Hyderabad.

Vetted by : Muhammad Naseer Jamali, Advisor-N

Subject : COMPLAINT AGAINST NON-MAINTENANCE OF  
BRIDGE ON RIVER INDUS CONNECTING  
HYDERABAD AND KOTRI

### Complaint

Mr. Mairaj Khan filed an online complaint dated 26.08.2024 wherein he stated that the condition of Kotri Bridge on river Indus from Hyderabad to Kotri has deteriorated since long but no repair work is being carried by the agency. Aggrieved by that, he solicited intervention of this Institution.

### Proceedings

2. The complaint was admitted for investigation u/s 10 (3) of the Establishment of the office of Ombudsman for the Province of Sindh Act, 1991 (amended up to date) subject to submission of mandatory Affidavit on Form "A" and other relevant documents and by condoning the delay.
3. This office issued notice dated 07.10.2024 to the Chief Engineer, Kotri Barrage, Hyderabad for report, who in response informed vide letter dated 21.10.2024 that Kotri Bridge was constructed during British Era in 18<sup>th</sup> Century by Railway Department. Since then, the Railway Authorities are maintaining the Kotri Bridge.

### Decision

4. In view of the above and in exercise of powers vested in me under section 11 of Establishment of the office of the Ombudsman for the Province of Sindh Act, 1991 (amended upto date), the complaint is referred to Federal Ombudsman.

Given under my hand and seal of the office



**Sd /-**  
(MUHAMMAD SOHAIL RAJPUT)  
Sitara-e-Imtiaz, PAS  
Ombudsman Sindh

Karachi, dated 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2025