



DECISION

Complaint No. : POS/10/2024/SGR-82

Name and address of the complainant : Mr. Khair Muhammad Wassan,
Chairman, SMC, GGP School, Jhol, R/o. Wassan House,
Mohalla Ward No.4, Jhol, Tehsil Sinjhoru, District Sanghar

Name of the Agency Complained against : School Education / DAO Sanghar

Name & Designation of Investigating Officer : Ghulam Shabir Memon,
Regional Director, Sanghar

Vetted by : Syed Hashim Raza Zaidi
Advisor-S

Subject : **REQUEST FOR ENQUIRY AGAINST GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WHO MISAPPROPRIATED THE BUDGET FROM THE DISTRICT ACCOUNTS OFFICE, SANGHAR.**

THE COMPLAINT:

Mr. Khair Muhammad Wassan, who is also Chairman, SMC, GGPS, Main Sindhi School, Jhol filed a complaint dated 03-06-2024, wherein, he requested for enquiry against Govt. Officials who misappropriated the budget allocated for GGPS, Main Sindhi School, Jhol in collaboration with the District Accounts Office, Sanghar. The complainant had frequently approached the concerned agency for redressal of his grievance, but to no avail. Aggrieved by that, he solicited the intervention of this Institution.

PROCEEDINGS:

2. The complaint was admitted under *Section 10 of the Establishment of the Office of Ombudsman for the Province of Sindh Act, 1991 (amended upto date)*, after receiving mandatory Affidavit on Form "A" and other relevant documents.

3. This office issued notices to the District Education Officer (Primary), Sanghar, and the District Accounts Officer, Sanghar, requesting a report via letter dated 11-07-2024, followed by multiple reminders. In response, the District Accounts Officer, Sanghar, informed via letter dated 21-08-2024 that the complainant alleged the DDO and his officials, including one official from his office, had drawn payments without providing the corresponding facilities to the students. However, he stated that his office does not have the authority to physically verify whether the funds were properly utilized and requested the removal of his office's name from the case. Furthermore, the District Education Officer (Primary), Sanghar, submitted his report along with supporting documents via letter dated 04-09-2024, stating that all budgets under the School Education & Literacy Department are utilized following codal formalities. He clarified that for the 2023-24 budget, Rs. 209,615/- was allocated, and the bills were processed through the District Accounts Office, which issued two cheques No. 5039990 dated 22-11-2023 for Rs. 104,808/- and No. 3220116 dated 08-04-2024 for Rs. 104,807/- in favor of M/s. Ahmedani Enterprises, Sanghar (Account No. 1007338231, Bank Alfalah, Sanghar Branch) as per government policies. The materials, including uniform cloth, were supplied to the Head Mistress of Govt. Girls Primary School, Sindhi Jhol, who confirmed receipt in her statement. Based on this, the District Education Officer asserted that the allegations made by the complainant are baseless and fabricated, requesting that the complaint be permanently closed.

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4. Meanwhile, the complainant has also appeared, shown his stratification and submitted his written statement dated 04-09-2024, wherein, he has confirmed the report of both agencies and also stated that previously this complaint was made due to delay in providing the school uniform and other material which created the mis-understanding in the mind of complainant, but after intervention of this office the grievances of the school going girls of said school have been redressed. The complainant has offered his thanks for intervention/redressal of his grievances and also requested to close further proceedings on his complaint.

FINDINGS:

5. On the intervention of this Institution, the agency has redressed the grievances of complainant.

DECISION:

6. In view of above and in exercise of powers vested in me under Section-11 of Establishment of the Office of Ombudsman for the Province of Sindh Act 1991 (amended upto date), the complaint is disposed of as redressed.

Given under my hand and seal of the office.



Sd /-
(MUHAMMAD SOHAIL RAJPUT)
Sitara-e-Imtiaz, PAS
 Ombudsman Sindh,
 Karachi, dated 20th March, 2025

