



## DECISION

Complaint No. : POS/7000/ROK-67/(Khp)/2021

Name and address of the complainant : Mr. Qurban Ali Memon,  
Founder, Meeran Mohiuddin,  
"Meeran Sain" Public Library Ranipur, District Khairpur.

Name of the Agency Complained against : T.C Ranipur

Name & Designation of Investigating Officer : AHMED BAKHSH GHUMRO,  
Consultant/Incharge, Regional Office Khairpur

Vetted by : Mr. Muhammad Misbah Tunio, Advisor-J

Subject : **COMPLAINT AGAINST ADMINISTRATOR, TOWN COMMITTEE RANIPUR FOR ALLEGEDLY WITHDRAWING THE FACILITY OF NEWSPAPERS AND MONTHLY JOURNALS FROM TALUKA LIBRARY.**

### COMPLAINT

Mr. Qurban Ali Memon filed a complaint on 28-12-2021 stating that "Meeran Sain" Public Library Ranipur was the only library of Taluka Sobhodero for the citizens. The Administrator, Town Committee Ranipur has withdrawn the facility of Newspapers and Monthly Journals from there. He alleged that building of the library was deteriorating and that library badly required books, furniture and washrooms. He further alleged that Rs. 300,000/- earmarked for the library were being embezzled by Town Committee authorities. He, therefore, solicited intervention of this Institution.

### PROCEEDINGS

02. The complaint was admitted u/s 10 of the Establishment of the office of Ombudsman for the Province of Sindh Act, 1991 (amended up to date), by condoning the delay in filing it, subject to submission of Affidavit on Form "A" and a copy of CNIC.

03. After completion of codal formalities, the matter was taken up with Town Officer, Town Committee Ranipur on 21-01-2022 for comments. After extensive correspondence and hearings, the Administrator, T.C, Ranipur reported on 20-02-2023 that bills of library's newspapers were being paid monthly and complaint against him was false. He also submitted copy of complainant's statement withdrawing the complaint.

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04. In order to ascertain the factual position, the Investigation Office visited the "Meeran Sain Library" located in the premises of Town Committee Ranipur on 19.12.2024 in presence of the complainant, Town Officer Mr. Jahanzaib Babar Mangnejo, Councilors of the Town Committee namely Mr. Aghar Manzoor Ansari and Mr. Mureed Abbas Solnagi. The complainant informed that twenty six students were regular readers at the Library and the Library had collection of 3000 books on various subjects including Medicine, Engineering and Law. The Newspapers and Journal were being provided by the Town Committee.

05. During site inspection, it was observed that Library Building consisting of two small rooms was in dilapidated condition. On enquiry, the Engineer of the Town Committee informed that its foundation was very weak and it was not repairable. The Town Officer and both Councilors informed that a new structure for Tuck Shops had been constructed at Public Park Al-Haj Pir Syed Abdul Qadir Shah Jillani Ranipur at the end of Shahi Bazar. Therefore Library could be shifted there. The same structure was also visited and the complainant consented to shift the Library there. The Town Officer as well as both the Councilors agreed to provide/ arrange two rooms (shops) along with corridor for establishment of Library.

#### **FINDINGS**

06. Since the grievance of the complainant has been redressed on the intervention of this Institution, hence no further action is required.

#### **DECISION**

07. In view of the above, the complaint stands disposed of as redressed and consigned to the record.

"Given under my hand and seal of office"



**Sd /-**  
**(Muhammad Sohail Rajput)**  
**Sitara-e-Imtiaz. PAS**  
 Ombudsman, Sindh  
 Karachi, dated 4<sup>th</sup> February, 2025