

DECISION

Complaint No. : POS/3479/ROK-140/(Khp)/2024

Name and address Mr. Sarfaraz Ali Magsi, R/o Abid Colony,

of the complainant : Near Microsoft Computer Centre,

Mirwah Canal Khairpur, Taluka & District Khairpur

Name of the Agency <u>sa0844856@gmail.com</u>

Complained against : District Accounts Office Khairpur / Health

Name & Designation of AHMED BAKHSH GHUMRO,

Investigating Officer : Consultant / Incharge, Regional Office Khairpur

Vetted by : Mr. Ghulam Sarwar, Advisor-J

Subject : COMPLAINT REGARDING ALLEGED

NON-PAYMENT OF SALARIES TO 119

EMPLOYEES HELD DURING COVID-19.

COMPLAINT

Mr. Sarfaraz Ali Magsi filed an online complaint on 02-08-2024 alleging that the District Health Officer, Khairpur Mirs, had not paid salaries for the months of May and June 2024 to 119 employees held during Covid-19. He further alleged that Mr. Abdul Sattar Maitlo, a Clerk at the District Health Office and the District Accounts Office, Khairpur, had embezzled the funds. He, therefore, requested the intervention of this Institution.

PROCEEDINGS

- 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 original signed complaint addressed to Provincial Ombudsman Sindh, an Affidavit on Form "A" and a copy of the CNIC.
- O3. Upon completion of the required formalities the matter was taken up with the District Health Officer and the District Accounts Officer, Khairpur, on 10-09-2024 for comments. In response, the Additional District Accounts Officer, Khairpur, reported on 26-09-2024 that the complainant's salary bill amounting to Rs.237,600/had been processed and passed. This report was shared with the complainant on 30-09-2024.

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- 04. On 21-11-2024, the District Health Officer, Khairpur, submitted a report stating that the salary bill for May 2024 had been handed over to the complainant, while the salary for June 2024 could not be paid due to non-availability of funds. He further stated that the pending salary would be disbursed upon release of funds.
- **05.** On 20-01-2025, the District Health Officer submitted a list of daily-wages employees held during Covid-19 in which the complainant's name appears at Sr. No. 19.

FINDINGS

06. Based on the available record and correspondence, there is no evidence of embezzlement of funds by the District Health Office or the District Accounts Office, Khairpur. Furthermore, the salary amounting to Rs. 237,600/- has already been paid to the complainant. Therefore, the complaint stands addressed and does not warrant further proceedings.

DECISION

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

"Given under my hand and seal of office"

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