

Complaint No.

DECISION

POS /4901/2022 (MT) 12/R. Thar/2022.

Name and address of the complainant

Mr. Khair Muhammad Shah and others r/o Village Faqeer Wali Muhammad, P.O & Taluka Mithi, DistrictTharparkar.

Name of the Agency Complained against

District Council, Tharparkar.

Name & Designation of Investigating Officer

Jam Farhad Baig S. Dahar Regional Director.

Regional Office Tharparkar @ Mithi

Vetted by

Dr. Muhammad Nawaz Shaikh, Advisor (Impl)

Subject

COMPLAINT REGARDING NON-PAYMENT OF HEALTH RISK ALLOWANCE TO THE COMPLAINANTS DESPITE ORDERS OF SECRETARY LOCAL GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT

GOVERNMENT OF SINDH, KARACHI.

THE COMPLAINT.

Mr. Khair Muhammad Shah & others filed complaint dated 06-09-2022 alleging therein that District Counc<mark>il Tharp</mark>arka<mark>r denied the</mark>m the payment of Health Risk Allowance despite order dated 06.12.2021 issued by the Secretary to Government of Sindh, Local Government Department. Hence they sought intervention of this Institution for redressal of their grievance.

PROCEEDINGS.

- The case was admitted for investigation u/s 10 of Establishment of the Office of Ombudsman for the Province of Sindh Act 1991 (amended upto date) after receiving affidavit on form "A", relevant documents and condoning the delay. The Investigation Officer called report from the Chief Officer, District Council Tharparkar # Mithi vide letter dated 19.10.2022. The Chief Officer, District Council, Tharparkar @ Mithi vide letter No. DCL/TPR/659/of 2022-23 dated 24.04.2022 informed that District Health Officer was requested to identify the employees who were engaged for Covid-19 duties and the Secretary to Government of Sindh, Local Government Department for provision of additional funds for payment of Health Risk Allowance.
- The District Health Officer reported that neither covid-19 ward / isolation centre was established nor the employees of District Council engaged for Covid related duty. Furthermore, the Health Risk Allowance was withdrawn by the Finance Department, Government of Sindh vide Memorandum No. FD(SR-III)5-772/2020 (Covid-19) dated 14.10.2022. The report of the agency was forwarded to the complainants for comments/rejoinder. The complainants appeared before the Investigation Officer on 26.04.2023 with their statement and expressed satisfaction on reports of the Chief Officer, District Council and District Officer Health, Tharparkar @ Mithi and withdrew their complaint. DECISION.

In view of above facts and circumstances, the complaint is hereby closed and case file is consigned to record.

Given under my hand and seal of office

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(Muhammad Sohail Rajput) Sitara-e-Imtiaz, PAS **Ombudsman Sindh** Karachi, dated 18 November, 2024

