

DECISION

POS/8124/23/NFZ-98

Mr. Haq Nawaz & Others, Name and address

Clerk, Municipal Committee, Muhabat Dero Jatoi, of the complainant

Taluka Kandiaro, District N'Feroze

Name of the Agency U.C. Muhabat Dero, Jatoi, Complained against

Taluka Kandiaro/Local Government

Name & Designation of

Complaint No.

Khalid Shaikh, Investigating Officer

Regional Director, N' Feroze

Vetted by Fasihuddin Khan,

Advisor 'Z'

Subject ALLEGED STOPPAGE OF SALARIES AND RELIEVING THE

COMPLAINANTS FROM DUTY BY<u>ADMINISTRATION OF UC MUHABAT DERO JATOI</u>

## THE COMPLAINT

Mr. Haq Nawaz & others filed a joint complaint on 09.10.2023 stating therein that they are employees of Local Government Department, Sindh and working at the U.C. Muhabat Dero Jatoi for twelve years. The Chairman, Javed Khan Dehraj and the Secretary, Saddam Hussain Abbasi of the said Union Council illegally stopped payment of their salaries and relieved them from duty vide letter dated 17.08.2023. They allegedly demanded bribe of Rs.200,000/- for releasing their salaries. Therefore, they approached the Regional Director, Local Government, Shaheed Benazirabad who cancelled their relieving order but the Chairman and Secretary, Union Council, Muhabat Dero Jatoi refused to oblige. Hence they solicited the intervention of this Institution for relief.

## **PROCEEDINGS**

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 delay subject to submission of copy of **E**NIC and Affidavit on Form 'A'. After fulfillment of the codal formalities, the matter was taken up with the Chairman & Secretary, Union Council, Muhabat Dero Jatoi for comments vide letter dated 07.11.2023, followed by reminders. Thereafter, Summon was issued to the Chairman & Secretary, Union Council, Muhabbat Dero Jatoi through Police vide letter dated 22.11.2024. On 02.01.2025, the complainant, Chairman & Secretary, Union Council, Muhabat Dero Jatoi appeared before the Investigating Officer and submitted a copy of Order dated 16.05.2024 of the Hon'ble High Court of Sindh Bench at Sukkur in different petitions including complainant's



petition No. D-1490 of 2023 on the similar matter viz Haq Nawaz v/s Province of Sindh and others on the same cause of action. The complainant confirmed having filed CP before the Hon'ble High Court for the same purpose. Under such circumstances, since the matter has been subjected to court proceedings, jurisdiction of this Institution to probe into the matter is barred.

## **DECISION**

3. In view of the above, the complaint is disposed of being subjudice.

Given under my hand and seal of Office.

