



DECISION

Complaint No. : POS/ROM/84/2025/RM-147

Name and address of the complainant : Mr. Gohar Ali,
R/o. Bungalow No.69, Block-A, Paradise City,
Mirpurkhas.

Name of the Agency Complained against : Director, Housing & Town Planning Hyderabad

Name & Designation of Investigating Officer : Mr. Zulfiqar Ali Junejo, T.I
Consultant/Regional Director, Mirpurkhas.

Vetted by : **Muhammad Naseer Jamali, Advisor-N**

Subject : **COMPLAINT AGAINST HOUSING & TOWN PLANNING HYDERABAD ALLEGING ISSUANCE OF A CHALLAN FOR PAYMENT OVER AND ABOVE THE NOTIFICATION OF GOVERNMENT OF SINDH**

Complaint

Mr. Gohar Ali filed a complaint dated 25.02.2025 wherein he stated that he has developed a private housing scheme namely "Rana Shamshad Town" Mirpurkhas as per approved plan. The Government of Sindh has published a Gazette notification dated 17.08.2023 wherein the fee structure for the extension of development period has been fixed @ Rs.8,000/- per acre but the Directorate of Housing Town Planning Department, Hyderabad has allegedly issued a challan No.7054 dated 10.02.2025 demanding Rs.384,500/- for 09 acres of the housing scheme which was against the notification. Aggrieved by that, he solicited intervention of this Institution.

Proceedings

2. The complaint was admitted under section 10 of Establishment of the office of Ombudsman for the Province of Sindh Act 1991 (amended up to date) after receiving mandatory affidavit on Form-A, copy of CNIC and by condoning the delay.
3. This office issued a notice dated 28.02.2025 to the Director, Housing & Town Planning Department, Hyderabad for report. In response, the Assistant Director, Town Planning Sindh Master Plan Authority, Mirpurkhas informed vide letter dated 11.03.2025 that the complaint is baseless. As per Notification, the fee for extension of time period of developing a private housing scheme has been revised from Rs.8,000/- to Rs.20,000/- per acre vide notification dated 17.08.2023 hence, the challan No.7054 dated 10.02.2025 for payment of Rs.384,500/- has been issued to the complainant. He enclosed the copy of Notification and challan as an evidence.
4. A copy of the agency's report was sent to the complainant for rejoinder vide letter dated 12.03.2025, followed by a reminder and telephonic contact on his cell number 0332-2960840 but he did not respond.

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5. In view of the 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 up to date), the complaint is disposed of due to non-prosecution, in terms of Regulation 21(d) of Investigation and Disposal of complaints Regulation 2024 of the Ombudsman Act.

Given under my hand and seal of the office



Sd /-

(MUHAMMAD SOHAIL RAJPUT)
Sitara-e-Imtiaz, PAS
Ombudsman Sindh

Karachi, dated **26th** June, 2025

