



## DECISION

Complaint No. : POS/6664/2021/HYD/2022/09

Name and address of the complainant : Mr. Khuda Dino Chutto s/o Muhammad Chutto  
R/o Jabal Chutto Goth, P.O Airport Road, Taluka Latifabad, Hyderabad.

Name of the Agency Complained against : School Education Department.

Name & Designation of Investigating Officer : Abdul Wahab Memon, Consultant / Regional Director, Regional Office, Hyderabad.

Vetted by : Muhammad Naseer Jamali, Advisor-N

Subject : COMPLAINT AGAINST NON-UTILIZATION OF SCHOOL BUILDING FOR EDUCATION PURPOSE AT THE VILLAGE OF THE COMPLAINANT

### Complaint

Mr. Khuda Dino Chutto filed a complaint dated 15.12.2021 wherein he stated that children of his village, Jabbal Chutto are deprived of education due to non-availability of school in the village. He approached various forums for construction of school building and the construction of school building was approved with the estimated cost, amounting to Rs.5.821 million during 2020-21 but the physical work has yet not been started. Aggrieved by that, he solicited intervention of this Institution.

### Proceedings

2. The case was admitted for investigation u/s 10 (3) of the Establishment of the office of Ombudsman for the Province of Sindh Act, 1991 (amended up to date) after receiving mandatory Affidavit on Form "A" and other relevant documents and by condoning the delay.
3. This office issued notice dated 12.01.2022 to the Executive Engineer, Education Works Division, Hyderabad and Director School Education (Primary) Hyderabad. In response, the Executive Engineer, Educations Works Division, Hyderabad informed vide letter dated 03.02.2022 that he has submitted a Rough Cost Estimate for construction of school building to the Deputy Commissioner, Hyderabad for approval.
4. The matter remained under lengthy correspondence and hearings were conducted. The Executive Engineer, Education Works Division, Hyderabad informed vide letter dated 22.03.2024 that the school building has been constructed by Pak PWD under MNA/MPA sponsored program.

Cont'd.....P/2.....



(2)

5. The complainant appeared before the Investigating Officer, Regional Office Hyderabad on 28.03.2024 and filed a written statement that the school building has been constructed by Pak PWD and his grievance has been redressed.

6. To ascertain the actual position, the Investigating Officer Hyderabad visited the school building on 13.11.2024 alongwith XEN Education Works Division, Hyderabad, AEN Education Works Sub-Division, Latifabad, Taluka Education Officer, Latifabad and the complainant. It was noticed that the school building has been constructed by the PWD (Federal Agency) which consisted of 02 classrooms with toilets and a boundary wall. The Taluka Education Officer informed that the said school is not under the ambit of Education Department, nor any specific SEMIS code has been allotted to this school. The complainant requested that School Education Department may be directed to take over possession of this school and post the teachers at the school.

#### **Findings**

7. The grievance of complainant has been redressed as the school building at his village has been constructed but the same is not being utilized due to lack of coordination between the agencies.

#### **Decision**

8. In view of the above and in exercise of powers vested in me under section 11 of Establishment of the office of the Ombudsman for the Province of Sindh Act, 1991 (amended upto date), I, hereby direct the Secretary, School Education & Literacy Department, Karachi to take immediate possession of the school building, allot it a SEMIS code and post staff there as per requirement of the school.

Given under my hand and seal of the office



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

Karachi, dated 10<sup>th</sup> January, 2025