

DECISION POS/5521/SKK-103/2023

Complaint No.

Mr. Abdul Rasheed Channa,

Name and address of the complainant

President Youth Social Welfare Association, Village Dubar, Taluka Rohri, District, Sukkur.

Name of the Agency Complained against

Executive Engineer,

Provincial Highways Division Sukkur

Name & Designation of Investigating Officer Mr. Nazir Ahmed Dhoon,

Director, Regional Officer, Sukkur

Vetted by

Mr. Ghulam Abid Shaikh,

Advisor-K

Subject

ALLEGED DELAY IN COMPLETION OF CONSTRUCTION OF SANGI TO GHULAM BAND ROAD BY PROVINCIAL HIGHWAYS DIVISION,

SUKKUR.

COMPLAINT

Mr. Abdul Rasheed Channa, President Youth Social Welfare Association, Dubar, Taluka Rohri, filed a complaint on 20.07.2023 and alleged delay in completion of construction of Sangi to Ghulam Band Road work which is stopped since last one year by the Executive Engineer, Provincial Highways Division, Sukkur. He, therefore, solicited our intervention in the matter.

PROCEEDINGS

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The complaint was admitted under Section 10 of the Establishment of the Office of Ombudsman for the Province of Sindh, Act. 1991 (amended upto date), after receiving mandatory Affidavit on Form "A" and other relevant documents. The matter was taken up with the Executive Engineer, Provincial Highways Sub-Division, Sukkur vide this office letter dated: 02.10.2023. After necessary correspondence, the Assistant Engineer Highways Sub-Division, Sukkur appeared on 23.12.2024 and submitted the report stating that the said road has been completed and as soon as the quarterly budget is received from the Finance Department the asphalt will be laid on the road. The ongoing scheme 'Road from National Highway to Batee Chowk via Dubar (not Sangi to Ghulam Band) will be completed in the year 2026-27'. This agency's report was forwarded to the complainant for filing his rejoinder. In response, he showed his dissatisfaction on the agency's report and requested for early completion of the construction work.

Later-on, the Investigating Officer alongwith XEN, Provincial Highways Division, Sukkur conducted the site visit on 08.10.2024 and came to know that the contractor did not comply with the terms & conditions of the contract to complete the work in time. He shared this report with complainant vide letter dated: 21.10.2024.

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4. In response, the complainant vide his letter dated: 30.12.2024 withdrawn from his complaint.

FINDINGS

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Seemingly the complainant is influenced by the contractor, therefore, he has withdrawn from his complaint. However, the report submitted by Investigating Officer after conducting the site visit indicates that the contractor did not comply with the terms and conditions of the contract to complete the work in time.

DECISION

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In view of the above, the Executive Engineer, Provincial Highways Division, Sukkur is hereby directed to ensure that contractor of the scheme abides by the terms & conditions of the contract and complete his work within the stipulated time and report compliance.

Given under my hand and seal of office.



Sd /(Muhammad Sohail Rajput)
Sitara-e-Imtiaz. PAS
Ombudsman, Sindh
Karachi, dated;