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Barrister Murtaza Wahab Siddiqui Mayor Karachi Metropolitan Corporation, Karachi

Subject: Complaint Against Non-Provision of Birth Certificate

Dear Sir.

Transparency International Pakistan has received a complaint from Muneer Viqar Syed (Overseas Pakistani) regarding non-provision of birth certificate by the Office of Karachi Metropolitan Corporation (KMC) (Annex A).

The complainant has made the following allegations:

That.

- The complainant was born on January 24, 1953, and was issued the birth certificate from KMC in 1953.
- 2. Due to the loss of his birth certificate, the complainant approached the birth and death registration Office in the KMC to obtain a duplicate certificate.
- 3. Despite repeated visits to the KMC, the birth and death registration office of the KMC has failed to issue his duplicate certificate.

Transparency International Pakistan's Recommendations:

TI Pakistan requests the Mayor KMC to look into the complaint and take appropriate action to redress the citizen's problem in line with the applicable rules.

Transparency International Pakistan is striving for the across-the-board application of the rule of law, which is the only way to stop corruption and achieve zero tolerance against corruption.

Regards,

Advocate Daniyal Muzaffar,

Trustee/Legal Advisor

Transparency International Pakistan

Note:

This is to clarify that Transparency International Pakistan is not a complainant, it acts as a whistleblower and operates under Article 19-A of the Constitution of Pakistan which gives the right to the public to know how the government is being run by public officers. Article 19-A makes the right to access information pertaining to a public authority a fundamental right, and a three-member bench in the case of Mukhtar Ahmad Ali vs the Registrar, Supreme Court of Pakistan, Islamabad, headed by Chief Justice Qazi Faez Isa in the landmark judgment on 16 October 2023, in CP No. 3532/2023, has declared that;

"What previously may have been on a need-to-know basis Article 19A of the Constitution has transformed it to a right-to-know, and the Access to information is no longer a discretion granted through occasional benevolence, but is now a fundamental right available with every Pakistani which right may be invoked under Article 19A of the Constitution"

Transparency International Pakistan "Duplicate Birth Certificate is not issued from the KMC, M. A. Jinnach Road Karachi."

Date Wed 2025-07-23 2:29 PM

From: MUNEER VIQAR SYED < munnu123@gmx.de>

Subject: Duplicate Birth Certificate is not issued from the KMC, M. A. Jinnach Road Karachi.

Message Body:

Complainer Name: MUNEER VIQAR SYED Complainer Email: munnu123@gmx.de

Complainer Phone Number: +49-01525-1905760

Complainer Gender: Male complaint details: Dear Sirs,

I MUNEER VIQAR SYED, born on 24.01.1953, having my Birht Certificate isssued from the KMC in 1953, lost the Birth Certificate and my elder Brother, Captain (R) Bukhari, who is in Pakistan tried to get a Duplicate Birth Certificate for me.

- 1. He went to KMC Karachi on 29.05:2025 and contacted a Person in Birth and Death Registration Office, named Mr. KHALID and asked for a Duplicate Birht Certificate for me.
- 2. Mr.Khalid told him to come on 04.06.2025., My Brother came on 04.06.2025, and Mr. Khalid told him that He can not find any Record in Registers. (I must declare that A Birth Certificate was issued to me with Number like 2249 or like that)

My DOB was: 24.01.1953, Born in Jinnah Hospital Karachi, Name of Father: SYED MASOOD AHMAD SHAH BUKHARI, Name of Mother: SYED SAEEDA BUKHARI.

3. Further it is surprising that Mr. Khalid told my Brother to go to Union Councel to chedk with them, though Mr. Khalid knew that He had the Birth Registration Record in these Big Registers showing the Years, from 1947, 1948 and onwards, because I saw these Registers myself in 1993, when I needed a Duplicate Birth Certificate Copy for my Wife.

I request you to issue me a Duplicate Birth Certificate, and Mr. Khalid should look in the Registers from 24.01.1953 till next 3 Months, because I personally found the Registration of My wife having DOB. 08.10.1961, registered on 03.11.1961.

The Person of Contact is following:

Captain (R) Mansoor Bukhari in Karachi.

Telephone Nr: 03191929760 and with

E-Mail: mansoorbukhari49@gmail.com.

Please issue my Duplicate Birth Certificate to my elder Brother Captain (R) Mansoor Bukhari. I appreciate your services.

Respectfully

MUNEER VIQAR SYED