

No.F.3(25)/2024-Estt-DL&CP
ELECTION COMMISSION OF PAKISTAN

CONFIDENTIAL



Secretariat,
Constitution Avenue, G-5/2,
Islamabad, the 19th September, 2024

ORDER

The Authority has been pleased to constitute a fact finding inquiry committee consisting of following officers to investigate the untoward incident that happened at the **Strong Room, of Karachi at TCP, Pipri** on the night of **17th September, 2024**, whereby, the incident of forcible breaking of the locks of Strong Room and damage to several gunny bags of various polling stations has reportedly occurred:-

- i. Mr. Nazar Abbas, Joint Provincial Election Commissioner (Admn), Sindh Convener
- ii. Mr. Waseem Ahmed, Director (HR), ECP Secretariat, Islamabad Member-I
- iii. Mr. Abdul Wahid, REC, Larkana Division, Larkana. Member-II

2. The report of the above said incident furnished by Election Officer Strong Room Karachi, along with statements from the concerned, is enclosed for ready reference.

3. The fact finding inquiry committee is required to complete the inquiry and submit its report within a period of **03 days** alongwith specific recommendations.


Encl: As Above


(Muhammad Khalid Siddiq)
Director General (HR)

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Copy also forwarded for information to the:

- i. Provincial Election Commissioner, Sindh, Karachi
- ii. Regional Election Commissioner, Karachi.
- iii. Director to the Hon'ble CEC, ECP Secretariat, Islamabad.
- iv. Staff Officer to the Secretary, ECP Secretariat, Islamabad.


(Ishtiaq Ahmed Khan)
Deputy Director (DL&CP)

To,

The Station House Officer,
Bin Qasim


Subject: INCIDENT OCCURED AT STRONG ROOM, KARACHI.

Dear sir,

I have the honour to refer the subject cited above and to state that today in early morning the undersigned had received a call from Mr. Noman, Junior Assistant, deputed at Strong Room @ TCP, Pipri, and informed telephonically that the locks installed previously had been changed and new locks were placed at the front main gate and at the backdoor by unidentified persons. Thereupon, the undersigned informed you verbally too, at the office about the untoward happening there at the strong room, and then we left for the Strong Room in order to assess the situation physically. Therein, we found the reported incident correct and with prior permission the new locks placed by someone were broken down and we entered in the room to examine the situation of inside of the room. Thereupon, a few Gunny Bags of some polling stations were found damaged. Moreover, the police personnel deputed there in morning shift were asked time and again for a written statement but they were reluctant and did not submit written statement and in that connection the undersigned also talked with the SHO of concerned Police Station telephonically regarding the instant matter who told that he had withdrawn security from the Strong Room for half an hour to cover the Rituals of Eid-Milad-ul Nabi (17/09/2024) and he too refuse to give any written statement in that regard. However, the statements taken from Junior Assistant, and Chowkidar deputed at Strong Room are enclosed herewith. Wherein, the statement given by the Chowkidar is contradictory with the actual position and with the statement submitted by the Junior Assistant, and he has denied that no locks have been changed and further stated that police personnel of night shift were not available last night at strong room.

2. The report is submitted for kind information and further necessary actions, please.

Yours faithfully,


19.9.24
Azhar Hussain Tanwazi
REC Karachi