## WAFAQI MOHTASIB (OMBUDSMAN)'S SECRETARIAT ISLAMABAD.

No.18 (1) WMS/Coord/2016

Islamabad the, 14th April, 2016

(Hafiz M. Ziauddin)
Additional Secretary (Admn)

## **CIRCULAR**

Subject:

MINUTES OF THE MEETING TO REVIEW THE IMPLEMENTATION

OF REPORTS OF COMMITTEES CONSTITUTED ON SYSTEMIC ISSUES OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES

The minutes of the meeting, duly approved by the Hon'ble Wafaqi Mohtasib, on the subject cited above are circulated herewith for information and further necessary action,

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All Concerned Officers in WMS, Islamabad.

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My 1. P.S. to HWM

2. P.S. to Secretary WMS

3. A.S. (Admn)

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A meeting was held on 13.4.2016 at 1345 hours in the office of the HWM under his chairmanship to review the implementation of recommendations of the Committees constituted to look into the systemic issues and to suggest remedial measures.

- 2. In his opening remarks, the HWM stated that it has been reported that implementation of the recommendations of various Committees who have already furnished their reports are not being implemented with the sense of importance and urgency that these reports deserved. He also stated that the Ministry of Interior has made a representation to the President against constitution of a committee to look into the systemic issues of NADRA. Similarly, Ministry of Housing and Works has already made a representation to the President against formation of a committee to address maladministration and malpractices in that Ministry in providing accommodation/plots to government servants. He further stated that the Committee has not explained the rationale for setting up this and other committees. Our objectives are to look into systemic issues and to lay down standards of good administration pursuant to our laws and directives of the Supreme Court; and not to find faults or blame.
- 3. The HWM also stated that there are reports that certain Agencies were not comfortable with the treatment meted out to their representatives or/and that some Federal Secretaries have specifically objected to the language used in serving of notices by us.
- 4. After due deliberation in the context of the issues raised above, the following decisions were taken:

- i. No letter containing directions from the WMS to any government Ministry/Department or Agency at senior level (Federal Secretary or Additional Secretary or equivalent or Head of any Agency) will be issued by any officer in Islamabad without vetting by Mr. Shahid Humayyun; and by any regional office without prior vetting/approval by the head of the region.
- ii. No Contempt Notice will be issued without approval of Secretary WMS.
- iii. The tone and tenor of all letters emanating from the WMS should be polite.
- iv. All the reports of the committees being prepared must indicate the maladministration identified in the functioning of the Agency being reported upon.
- v. Mr. Muhammad Ayub Khan Tarin will prepare guidelines for the working of as well as for preparation of reports by the committees already functioning and the ones to be constituted.
- vi. The Committee on implementation of Reforms Reports will be headed by Mr. Taimur Azmat Osman and will include Hafiz Ahsaan Khokhar, Capt. (R) Agha Nadeem, Mrs. Farah Ayub Tarin, as members and Syed Yasin Ahmed as Member Secretary. Meetings to which Secretaries of Ministries are invited should be attended by all the committee members. Hafiz Ahsaan Ahmed Khokhar will continue to follow up the decisions of the meetings and correspondence with ministries through Syed Yasin Ahmed.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the chair.

## List of participants

- i. Mr. M.Salman Faruqui, Federal Ombudsman
- ii. Capt. (R) Agha Nadeem, Sr. Advisor
- iii. Mr. Abdul Hameed, Sr. Advisor
- iv. Mr. Muhammad Ayub Khan Tarin, Sr. Advisor
- v. Mrs. Farah Ayub Tarin, Sr. Advisor
- vi. Hafiz Ahsaan Ahmed Khokhar, Sr. Advisor
- vii. Syed Yasin Ahmed, Sr. Advisor
- viii. Shah Mehboob Alam, Advisor
- ix. Syed Qamar Mustafa Shah, Associate Advisor