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A WORD FROM THE CHAIR

Transparency International Pakistan continues its dedicated efforts to enhance transparency in governance at the national, provincial, and local levels. Annually, the organization implements various initiatives to advocate for transparent and accountable governance, promoting equal rights, citizen empowerment, and capacity building.

The Annual Report of 2023 encapsulates the relentless dedication and hard work of the Transparency International Pakistan team in pursuit of the organization's objectives. I extend my heartfelt appreciation to all individuals and institutions, both local and international, from the public and private sectors, who collaborated with us. Their unwavering commitment has been instrumental in empowering citizens and fostering the principles of good governance.

JUSTICE (R) ZIA PERWEZ

CHAIRMAN

TI PAKISTAN



A WORD FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

As the Executive Director of Transparency International Pakistan, I am honored to present the Annual Report for the year 2023. In our relentless pursuit of a corruption-free society, this year has been marked by unprecedented efforts to combat corruption. Transparency International Pakistan remains steadfast in its commitment to promoting accountability, integrity, and transparency across all sectors. Our dedicated team has worked extensively on anti-corruption initiatives, collaborating with government institutions, anti-corruption agencies, civil society and international organizations with an aim to foster a culture of honesty and fairness.

In this report, you will find a comprehensive overview of the strides made in the battle against corruption and the challenges faced. Through rigorous research, advocacy, and collaborative endeavors, we continue to push for systemic change and advocate for ethical practices. The Likert scale, a valuable tool, has been employed to gauge the effectiveness of our endeavors. We invite you to delve into the findings, recognizing that only through collective efforts can we truly achieve a corruption-free future for Pakistan.

KASHIF ALI

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

TI PAKISTAN

Executive Summary

In 2023, Transparency International Pakistan (TI Pakistan) made significant strides in advancing its mission to combat corruption and promote transparency at both grassroots and national levels. The organization engaged with 547 citizens, including 178 females, through impactful Mobile Legal Advice Camps held across various districts of Pakistan, in alignment with its core values to provide free legal advice to the citizens. The commitment to combating corruption at the grassroots level was further emphasized through a series of eight enlightening workshops on Right to Information (RTI) laws, where 365 citizens, including 84 females, were trained. These workshops aimed to enhance awareness and practical application of RTI laws, empowering citizens to actively participate in the fight against corruption.

In its relentless pursuit of transparency and accountability, Transparency International Pakistan (TI Pakistan) actively focused on the implementation of PPRA Rules. Throughout the year, the organization sent 227 cases/complaints to authorities, addressing instances of potential violations of PPRA Rules, further underscoring its commitment to fostering ethical practices and good governance.

TI Pakistan's collaboration with partner organizations resulted in the successful organization of four "Citizens' Meeting with Local Government Representatives" in Balochistan, Punjab, and Sindh, engaging 335 citizens, including 56 females. These sessions facilitated dialogue and advocated for citizen engagement in local governance, holding representatives accountable.

The organization launched "Strengthening Transparency & Integrity in Climate Governance" project which seeks to address the endemic of corruption by working with different groups and stakeholders to ensure that climate action in Pakistan is inclusive and transparent. TI Pakistan has established four Civil Society Networks in the provinces, fostering collaboration among civil society actors, UN bodies, and government stakeholders. Training workshops and community dialogues on climate change were conducted, engaging 196 citizens, including 75 females in workshops, and 382 citizens in community dialogues.

TI Pakistan demonstrated a commitment to gender empowerment by conducting ten community dialogues and four workshops on Gender and Corruption, specifically targeting the involvement of women in anti-corruption efforts. A significant number of 751 females actively participated in these sessions. The organization further organized "Provincial Punjab Conference on Tackling Corruption to Enhance Gender Equality," bringing together experts, policymakers, and civil society representatives to strategize ways to empower women in the fight against corruption and promote gender equality.

Youth engagement remained a focal point, with 1,127 individuals, including 382 females, trained in workshops and conferences.

TI Pakistan actively participated in COP28, addressing critical issues in side events and emphasizing the role of young people in promoting transparent, accountable, and good governance.

TI Pakistan's multifaceted efforts extended to training 129 government officials on Anti-Corruption Mechanism and Right to Information Laws. Additionally, 04 workshops on Sustainable Development Goals (SDG16) were conducted, involving students and faculty in understanding sustainable development.

On International Anti-Corruption Day, TI Pakistan organized seminars and walks across the country, mobilizing 1,104 citizens, including 252 women. The National Corruption Perception Survey 2023, involving 1,600 respondents, provided insights into citizens' perceptions of corruption. The organization also released reports on the state of implementation of online proactive disclosure provisions and a civil society parallel report on Pakistan's progress towards four SDG targets related to anti-corruption and transparency. These reports aimed to provide independent assessments of the country's anti-corruption efforts in the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

As TI Pakistan moves forward, the focus will remain on empowering marginalized communities, especially women, and strengthening accountability mechanisms within government institutions. Continued research and advocacy, coupled with active citizen engagement, will be crucial in driving lasting change and building a corruption-free Pakistan.

About Us

Transparency International (TI) is the world's largest global anti-corruption network, operating as an international, non-political, non-partisan, non-profit, non-governmental organization based in Berlin, Germany. With over 90 National Chapters (NCs) worldwide, TI works towards combating corruption globally. TI-Pakistan, based in Karachi, is one of the National Chapters of TI. The Board comprises of 11 eminent members belonging to the Judiciary, Legal Profession, Business, Finance, Academia and the social sector. A locally tailored vision, mission statement and values, drive and shape our efforts. TI Pakistan has established itself as one of the most credible organizations in Pakistan .



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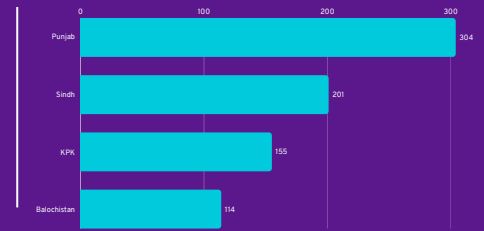
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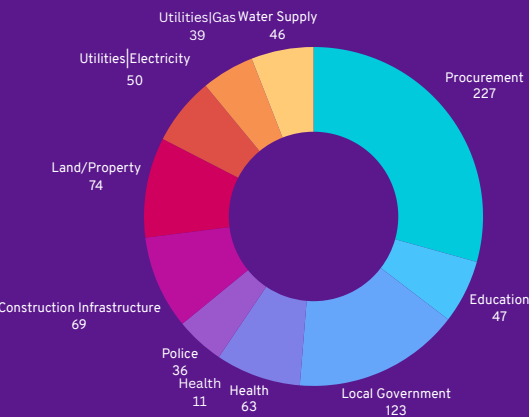
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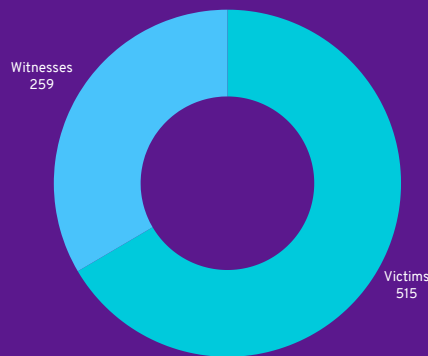


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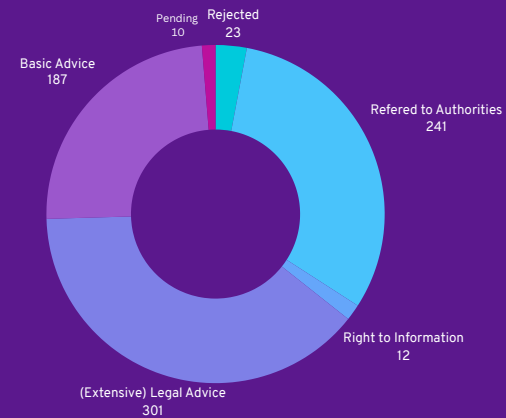
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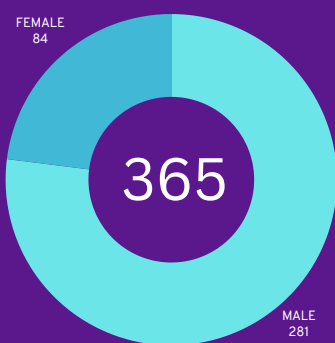
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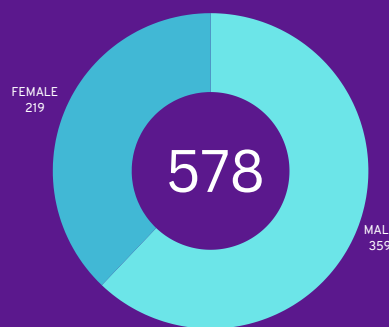
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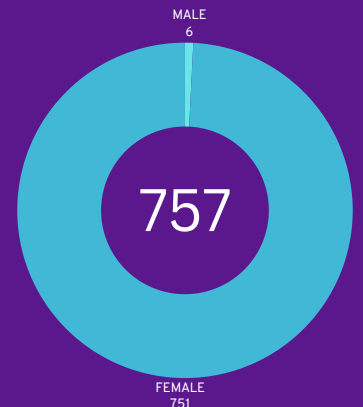
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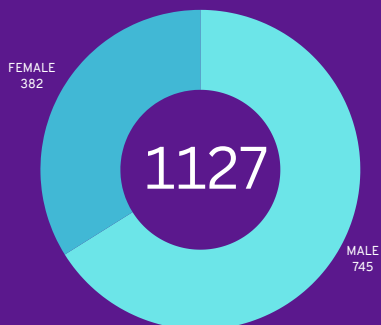
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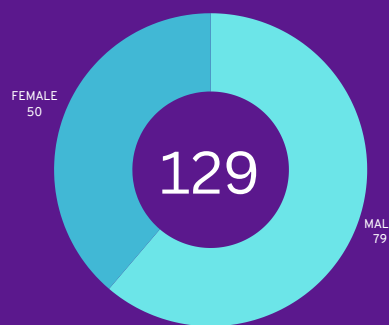
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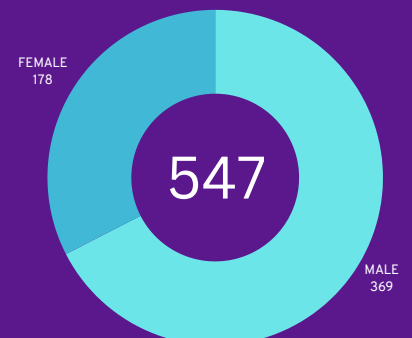
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TRAINING OF GOVT. OFFICIALS



MOBILE ALAC



LAUNCHING OF CLIMATE GOVERNANCE INTEGRITY PROGRAMME (CGIP)



Pakistan which is rated as the 5th most vulnerable country to be impacted by climate change and the least well-equipped country to respond to climate risks. In June 2022, Pakistan endured severe monsoon which saw area-weighted rainfall 67 per cent above normal levels in that month alone. This has caused widespread flooding and landslides, with severe repercussions for human lives, property and infrastructure in Pakistan.

Given Pakistan's limited fiscal resources, significant international support and private investments have been promised for a comprehensive and resilient recovery. However, the adverse impacts of climate change and the humanitarian efforts to overcome the same are further accelerated by corruption that takes place in multiple forms.

To address this, in 2023, TI Pakistan launched the "Strengthening Transparency & Integrity in Climate Governance" project. It seeks to address the endemic of corruption by working with different groups and stakeholders to ensure that climate action in Pakistan is inclusive and transparent and the climate governance frameworks at federal and provincial levels are effective and responsive to the community needs.

The Program (CGIP) aims to strengthen integrity and inclusiveness in climate governance and its main objects are:

- Make Climate Action Transparent and Inclusive
- Improve Climate Accountability
- Safeguard Climate Funding
- Protect Communities

**Section 1:
Social
Accountability
and
Anti-Corruption
Tools**



ADVOCACY AND LEGAL ADVICE CENTER - MOBILE ALAC

Transparency International Pakistan continued its commitment to delivering free legal advice to the citizens throughout 2023. In collaboration with partner organizations, TI Pakistan organized eight impactful Mobile Legal Advice Camps in various districts, covering all provinces aligning with its mission to combat corruption at the grassroots level.

The primary aim of these legal advice camps remained consistent: to provide free guidance to victims and witnesses of corruption, empowering them to seek redress for their complaints.

Diverse range of citizens, including females, actively participated in these camps, availing themselves of the opportunity to receive valuable legal advice for addressing their specific problems. Legal experts extended their support to the complainants, resulting in the registration of numerous complaints.

These Mobile ALAC camps were strategically conducted in:

- In Province Sindh: Badin, Hala
- In Province Punjab: Vehari, Jhang, Khanewal
- In Province KP: Takht Bhai, Swat
- In Province Balochistan: Kalat

The issues raised by citizens encompassed a wide spectrum, from concerns about the sewerage system, online fraud, and the availability of public amenities to challenges like doctor shortages in public hospitals, property disputes, violations of women rights, water supply issues, tube-well malfunctions, electricity problems, and the registration of people with special needs.

Citizens expressed gratitude for the impactful efforts made by Transparency International Pakistan in organizing free legal advice camps, providing a platform to highlight their concerns at the provincial level. The free legal advice camps not only facilitated immediate problem-solving but also played a crucial role in enhancing citizens' awareness of their fundamental rights.



ENHANCED AWARENESS RIGHT TO INFORMATION

Empowering Citizens, Building Accountability: Access to Information Unlocks the Doors to Transparent Governance

In 2023, Transparency International Pakistan organized a series of eight enlightening workshops, focusing on Right to Information (RTI) laws to foster a culture of transparency and accountability.



These workshops spanned diverse regions, empowering citizens with knowledge and understanding of their right to access information.

The workshops were strategically conducted in:

- Sindh: Khairpur
- Punjab: Layyah, Sialkot
- Balochistan: Khuzdar, Sohrab
- Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP): Kohat, Malakand

The workshops were designed with the objective of enhancing citizens awareness regarding Access to Information laws in Pakistan. Participants were guided on the practical application of Right to Information (RTI) laws, empowering citizens to actively engage in the fight against corruption. Comprehensive training sessions delved into the intricacies of RTI laws, elucidating the clauses and procedures necessary for obtaining information from public bodies.





In 2023, Transparency International Pakistan, in collaboration with partner organizations, hosted four "Citizens' Meeting with Local Government Representatives" in Kalat and Lasbela, Balochistan; Sahiwal, Punjab; and Mirpurkhas, Sindh. The sessions aimed to facilitate dialogue between citizens and local government representatives, addressing challenges and advocating citizen engagement in local governance.

Presentations covered the local government structure, emphasizing citizen participation and effective governance. Local govt representatives expressed the effectiveness of direct contact and highlighted the system's potential for empowerment. The events fostered awareness, empowering citizens and fostering engagement in local governance.

TI Pakistan encourages grassroots social accountability through citizen meetings with local government representatives, emphasizing the vital role of local governance in fostering democratic participation and addressing community needs directly.



**Section 2:
Capacity Building
of Government
Officials on Anti-
Corruption
Mechanisms and
Right to
Information**

Training of Public Officials on Section 5, Proactive Disclosure, Federal Right of Access to Information Act 2017



On November 20, 2023, TI Pakistan organized training of Public Information Officers under Section 5 Proactive Disclosure, Right of Access to Information Act 2017, in collaboration with Pakistan Information Commission at a local hotel in Islamabad.

The primary objective was to highlight key elements of proactive disclosure. It sought to increase awareness and build the capacity of Public Information Officers to ensure adherence to the Right of Access to Information Act 2017.

The training was attended by designated PIOs of various departments of the Federal Government.

Notable speakers, including Advocate Daniyal Muzaffar, Legal Advisor at the Board of Trustee, TI Pakistan, Mr. Shoaib Ahmed Siddiqui, Chief Information Commissioner at the Pakistan Information Commission, Mr. Kashif Ali, Executive Director of TI Pakistan, Mr. Mukhtar Ahmed Ali, Executive Director of the Centre for Peace and Development Initiatives and former Commissioner of the Punjab Information Commission, as well as Mr. Muhammad Azam, former Chief Information Commissioner addressed various aspects of the Federal RTI Act 2017 during the training.

Training of Public Officials on Section 6, Proactive Disclosure, Sindh Transparency and RTI Act 2016



Transparency International Pakistan conducted a training session for Public Information Officers (PIOs) in Karachi under Section 6 Proactive Disclosure, Sindh Transparency and RTI Act 2016. Over 50 government department PIOs attended, and speakers, including Chairman TI-Pakistan Justice (R) Zia Perwez and Executive Director, Mr. Kashif Ali, highlighted the significance of proactive disclosure in RTI laws. The training covered various aspects of proactive disclosure, emphasizing the future role of PIOs in effective RTI implementation. The other speakers including Dr. Nausheen Wasi, Assistant Professor of International Relations at the University of Karachi and member of the Board of Trustees of TI Pakistan; Dr. Jawaid

Ali, Chief Information Commissioner, Sindh Information Commission; Advocate Saima Agha, Information Commissioner, Sindh Information Commission; Mr. Shahid Jatoj, Information Commissioner, Sindh Information Commission; Mr. Nadeem Ur Rehman, Secretary Information, Government of Sindh. Dr. Raza Gardezi, an RTI expert, delved into key provisions and obligations of public bodies under the Sindh Transparency and RTI Act 2016, providing detailed training on the role of PIOs.

Justice (R) Zia Perwez, Chairman of TI Pakistan, highlighted the significance of RTI legislation and hoped that the training would enhance their understanding and enable effective handling of RTI requests.



TRAINING OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS ON SOCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND ANTI-CORRUPTION MECHANISMS

Transparency International Pakistan, in collaboration with City Institute of Image Management (CIIM), hosted a highly informative workshop on “Training of Public Officials on Social Accountability and Anti-Corruption Mechanisms” at Karachi Metropolitan (KMC) on 22 February 2023.

The workshop, attended by 37 government officials, including 15 females, covered diverse topics such as anti-corruption approaches, social accountability, public procurement, and the Right to Information Law. Expert speakers, including Mr. Kashif Ali, Executive Director of TI Pakistan, and Mr. Ashfaq Ahmed, Project Coordinator, shared insights on public procurement systems, laws, social accountability mechanisms, and RTI procedures. The workshop addressed challenges faced by public officials and emphasized the role of transparent administrations in promoting good governance. The interactive session showcased participants' enthusiasm, concluding with the distribution of certificates to acknowledge their active engagement and attendance.

**Section 3:
Gender and
Corruption:
Women
Empowerment
Through
Participation in
Decision Making**



Transparency International Pakistan (TI Pakistan) successfully organized the “Provincial Punjab Conference on Tackling Corruption to Enhance Gender Equality” at Avari Hotel in Lahore on September 19th, 2023. The event brought together renowned experts, policymakers, and civil society representatives to discuss and strategize ways to empower women in the fight against corruption and promote gender equality.

The speakers of the conference were Dr. Nausheen Wasi, Board of Trustee, TI Pakistan. Mr. Kashif Ali, Executive Director TI Pakistan; Mr. Mehboob Qadir Shah, Chief Information Commissioner of the Punjab Information Commission; Ms. Saadia Sabir, Senior Program Officer at the U.S. Institute of Peace (USIP) Pakistan; Mr. Ashfaq Ahmed, Project Coordinator at TI Pakistan; Ms. Ammara Athar, AIG Administration Punjab Police, Government of Punjab; SSP Makhdoom Qaiser Bashir, Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) Punjab; Mr. Shahzad Ashraf from UN Women, Punjab; and Ms. Bushra Khaliq, Executive Director of Women in Struggle for Empowerment (WISE);

The conference successfully fostered meaningful dialogue, encouraging collaboration in the fight for gender equality and the eradication of corruption, with Transparency International Pakistan remaining committed to working towards a more just and equitable society.





GENDER & CORRUPTION

Community Dialogue on Women Empowerment through Awareness of Their Rights

TI Pakistan conducted ten Community dialogues on women empowerment and awareness of their rights across various regions in Pakistan. In Punjab, dialogues took place in Lahore, Qasoor, Nankana, and Sheikhpura, while in Sindh, sessions were arranged in Larkana, Mirpurkhas, and Sanghar. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa witnessed dialogues in Haripur and Mansehra, and in Balochistan, a dialogue was held in Pishin. These initiatives aimed to foster awareness and empowerment among women, promoting a deeper understanding of their rights within different communities across the country.





Workshops on Gender and Corruption

TI Pakistan's decision to conduct four workshops on Gender and Corruption, specifically focused on empowering women in the fight against corruption, highlights the critical importance of addressing gender dynamics in combating corrupt practices. By holding these workshops in diverse locations—Mithi, Sindh; Gujranwala, Punjab; Quetta, Balochistan; and Nowshera, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa—the initiative recognizes the need

for a comprehensive, nationwide approach. The workshops serve as a strategic platform to not only raise awareness about gendered dimension of corruption, gendered impacts but also to equip women with the knowledge and tools necessary to actively participate in anti-corruption efforts. It acknowledges the pivotal role women play in promoting transparency and accountability, emphasizing their empowerment as a key element in fostering a corruption-free society.



**Section 4:
Youth
Workshops
&
Conferences**

Provincial Sindh Youth Anti-Corruption Conference – Role of Young People in Promoting Transparent, Accountable and Good Governance



On July 6, 2023, Transparency International Pakistan hosted Sindh Youth Anti-Corruption Conference at Karachi's Movenpick hotel, focusing on the role of young people in fostering transparent, accountable, and good governance. The event aimed to empower over 130 participants from 30 universities across Sindh, including members of civil society, individuals with special needs, and transgender individuals. Diverse speakers including Justice (R) Zia Perwez, Former Judge Supreme Court of Pakistan and Chairman TI Pakistan, Mr. Kashif Ali Shaikh, A. Executive Director, TI Pakistan, Justice (R) M. Shaiq Usmani, Former Judge, Sindh High Court and Board of Trustee, TI Pakistan, Dr. Nausheen

Wasi, Asst. Professor of International Relation, University of Karachi and Board of Trustee TI Pakistan, Mr. Abdul Hafeez, Siddiqui, Director Investigations, NAB Karachi, Mr. Jawaid Ahmed Khan, A. Director Prevention and Awareness NAB Karachi, Mr. Qamar Raza Baloch, Special Secretary Sports & Youth Affairs Department, Government of Sindh, Mr. Syed Hussain Haider, Integrity Expert, UNODC Pakistan, Mr. Malheer Khan, Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) Nawabshah, Sindh, Ms. Marvi Awan, Executive Director Women Protection Centre Sindh, Mr. Junaid Malik from Federal Investigation Agency (FIA) on behalf of Addl. Director FIA Mr. Imran Riaz, Mr. Ahmed Hasan, Monitoring and Evaluation expert, UNDP SDGs Support Unit, Dr. Muhammad Ali

Shaikh, RTI Expert and former Vice Chancellor, Sindh Madressatul Islam University Karachi, Mr. Sheikh Hammad Amjad, Youth Trainer and Corporate Consultant were among the distinguished guests.

In the youth conference, representatives and heads of esteemed organization discussed the pivotal role of youth in promoting transparent, accountable governance and combatting corruption, underscoring the strength that comes from unity. Additionally, Mr. Abdul Hafeez Siddiqui of NAB provided a comprehensive overview of NAB's anti-corruption efforts, urging young individuals to uphold self-integrity.

The conference served as a platform to showcase the collective commitment of various organizations and authorities, including UNDP, UNODC, and NAB, in empowering youth as active agents for positive change in Pakistan.

Topics covered included good governance, the Right to Information (RTI), and youth-driven governance. Breakout sessions explored human rights, SDGs, political engagement, and social accountability.

The conference concluded with Mr. Qamar Raza Baloch emphasizing the Sindh government's commitment to addressing youth challenges. Justice (R) Zia Perwez, Chair TI Pakistan encouraged participants to become active citizens, recognizing their pivotal role in shaping Pakistan's future.



Provincial Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Youth Integrity, Leadership & Anti-Corruption Conference



On August 8, 2023, Transparency International Pakistan organized the "Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Youth Integrity, Leadership & Anti-Corruption Conference" on August 8, 2023, at Serena Hotel, Peshawar. The conference aimed to engage and inspire youth in the fight against corruption, with 140 participants from 14 universities in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa attending the conference.

Speakers included Advocate Hasmat Habib, Board of Trustee TI Pakistan, Mr. Kashif Ali, Executive Director, Transparency International Pakistan), Mr. Nisar Ahmad Khan (Director, FIA KP), Mr. Mian Muhammad Waqar, Director Awareness & Prevention (A&P) wing, NAB KP, Mr. Saayad Saadat Jehan (Deputy Director, KP Information Commission), Syed Sabir Ali Shah (Project Manager, UNDP SDG Unit), Syed Raza Ali (CEO, Peace and Justice Network) and Ms. Amna Kausar (Senior Projects Manager, PILDAT Pakistan) spoke during the conference.

Discussions covered topics including the Right to Information Act, youth-driven governance for SDGs, youth leadership and integrity, democracy and rule of law, and accountability procedures by NAB. The event fostered insightful discussions and engaged participants in breakout activities, promoting transparency, accountability, and youth empowerment in Pakistan.



Workshop: Youth and Anti-Corruption Efforts



Youth Engagement, Leadership and Participation for Transparent and Inclusive Governance

Throughout 2023, Transparency International Pakistan (TI-Pakistan) embarked on a mission to empower young people across Pakistan, conducting impactful workshops in Thatta and Umerkot (Sindh) and Gujranwala and Multan (Punjab). These insightful sessions aimed to equip young minds with the knowledge and skills needed to actively participate in building a more transparent and inclusive future.

Each workshop delved into key topics like leadership skills, understanding the respective provincial Youth Policies and navigating the Right to Information (RTI) laws. These sessions were meticulously designed to include dedicated breakout groups, fostering focused discussions and enabling participants to formulate concrete recommendations for improving the relevant Youth Policies.

Throughout the workshops, the emphasis remained on promoting education, advocating for transparent policies, and encouraging youth-led initiatives to combat corruption. These sessions also facilitated valuable interactions between students and government officials, creating a platform for open dialogue on critical issues impacting their communities.

Section 5: Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

Capacity-Building Training Workshop: Sustainable Development Goals (SDG16: Peace, Justice, And Strong Institutions)

Capacity Building Workshop at Shaikh Ayaz University, Shikarpur

TI Pakistan held a training workshop on SDG16 (Peace, Justice & Strong Institutions) at Shaikh Ayaz University, Shikarpur, Sindh. Over 120 students and faculty members attended, aiming to understand sustainable development and their role in achieving it.

A key highlight was the signing of a MoU to establish a Youth Integrity Club (YIC). This platform will provide students with training on transparency, governance, and SDGs.

Mr. Kashif Ali, TI Pakistan's Executive Director, spoke about SDG16 and its focus on peace, justice, and accountable institutions. He encouraged students to use YIC to push for SDG16 implementation in Pakistan.

Presentations on Sindh RTI Act and leadership for SDGs further engaged the audience. Dr. Saqib Mahar, University Registrar, concluded by emphasizing the importance of youth in driving progress towards a sustainable future.

Certificates were awarded, followed by networking opportunities, enriching the experience for all participants.



SDG16: Peace, Justice, And Strong Institutions

Goal 16 is about promoting peaceful and inclusive societies, providing access to justice for all and building effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels. People everywhere should be free of fear from all forms of violence and feel safe as they go about their lives whatever their ethnicity, faith or sexual orientation.



Youth Awareness and Capacity Building Workshop on Sustainable Development Goal 16 (Peace, Justice & Strong Institutions)

Capacity Building Workshop at Sindh Madrasa ul Islam University, Karachi

Transparency International Pakistan held a workshop at Sindh Madrasa ul Islam University, Karachi on March 20th, 2023, raising awareness among 200 students (90 females) about SDGs and youth's role in SDG 16 (Peace, Justice & Strong Institutions). Dr. Kamran Ahmed (Thinkers Tribe) emphasized Pakistan's economic crisis highlighting SDGs' importance. He encouraged research and academic contributions, stressing universities' role in promoting SDGs. Mr. Avinash Advani (Shahid Afridi Foundation) emphasized brainstorming youth input for Goal 16 implementation. He acknowledged Pakistan's youth potential, encouraging them to share their ideas.

Mr. Kashif Ali (TI Pakistan) presented SDGs, discussing Goal 16's targets and TI Pakistan's civil society shadow report findings. He highlighted that SDGs provides a historic opportunity: to realize the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and secure a better future for all of us. But this inspiring vision is challenged by risks, the most serious of which is that all 17 unanimously adopted Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) could be severely undermined by corruption.

Mr. Ashfaque Ahmed (TI Pakistan) briefed on Right to Information Laws, explaining their background and importance. Dr. Hashim Zuberi (SMI University) stressed the environmental impact and need for youth's role in achieving SDGs through conservation measures.

Students worked in breakout groups after presentations, formulating ideas on their role in promoting sustainable development.

Dr. Jamshed Adil (SMI University) thanked TI Pakistan, emphasizing the need for more such workshops. He encouraged students to actively participate in promoting SDGs.

The workshop concluded with a refreshment session for all participants and guests.



Panel Discussion: SDG-16, Peace, Justice, & Strong Institutions in Greenwich University



Transparency International Pakistan, UNDP, and Thinkers Tribe convened a panel discussion at Greenwich University Karachi on SDG16 - Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions.

Representatives from UNDP, academia, and NGOs explored the goal's importance for sustainable development and how youth can contribute.

Key points:

- **Mr. Kashif Ali (TI Pakistan):** Emphasized combatting corruption through strong anti-corruption laws, whistleblower protection, and transparent governance.
- **Mr. Ahmad Hasan (UNDP):** Highlighted SDG16's role as a cornerstone for overall sustainable development and encouraged student research and initiatives.
- **Ms. Sabeena Abbasi:** Stressed the importance of quality education for empowering citizens, particularly vulnerable groups, in accessing justice and upholding the rule of law.
- **Ms. Saima Khuhro:** Emphasized the crucial role of civil society, NGOs, and individuals in implementing and monitoring SDG16 at all levels, urging youth to leverage social media for awareness.
- **Mr. Ali Jillani (Greenwich University):** Underlined the critical role of education and awareness campaigns in promoting SDG16 and highlighted universities' contributions through research and policy advocacy.

**Section 6:
Climate
Governance
Integrity
Programme
(CGIP)**



**COP28
UAE**



Transparency International Pakistan attends COP28 this year which brings the world together at a critical moment for global transformative climate action. The conference aims to assess progress in dealing with climate change, negotiate agreements, and discuss strategies for addressing the challenges associated with climate change.



Executive Director, TI Pakistan Kashif Ali spoke at two side events on "Equity and Justice in the Financing Mechanism of Loss and Damage to meet the Needs of the Communities" and "The Global Stocktake and Climate Accountability: Unlocking Finance and Action".



MEETING WITH FEDERAL SECRETARY CLIMATE CHANGE

Transparency International Pakistan Executive Director and Project Coordinator, Climate Governance Integrity Program had a meeting with the federal secretary Ministry of Climate Change to discuss recommendations on strengthening integrity and inclusiveness in Pakistan's climate response. TI Pakistan is advocating for the establishment of a national tracking system to disclose information pertaining to climate finance in Pakistan, its utilisation and compliance with procurement rules in climate related projects.

The discussions highlighted how Conflict of Interests and Undue Influence in climate finance can undermine the fair allocation of resources, diverting funds towards projects that may not effectively address climate issues. The side events emphasized that establishing clear institutional accountability mechanisms for climate finance enhances trust among stakeholders, promotes adherence to climate goals, and ultimately contributes to the success of global efforts in addressing climate change.



CIVIL SOCIETY NETWORKS ON TRANSPARENT AND INCLUSIVE CLIMATE GOVERNANCE



TI Pakistan established 04 Civil Society Networks on Transparent and Inclusive Climate Governance in Sindh, Punjab, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan provinces. The networks brought together provincial civil society actors, UN bodies and the government stakeholders on one table to highlight the need for accountability mechanisms within provincial climate policies to ensure that climate action is transparent and inclusive.

The networks have reviewed climate policies, identified gaps and developed recommendations focusing on enhancing inclusiveness and integrity in climate action in Pakistan. TI Pakistan has advocated with relevant line departments for implementation.

SUCCESS STORY

One of the recommendations was the appointment of a Public Information Officer (PIO) who would serve as a bridge between the government, funding agencies, and the public, ensuring that information about climate initiatives was readily available to ensure citizens oversight in climate action and allocation of funds.

Due to consistent advocacy of TI Pakistan, on 13th of June, 2023, the ministry of Environment, Climate Change & Coastal Development Department, Sindh appointed (PIO) officer under the Section 7 and also uploaded the details on their website .

TRAINING WORKSHOPS ON CLIMATE MITIGATION, ADAPTATION, RISK REDUCTION & SOCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY TOOLS

Transparency International Pakistan organized 04 Training Workshops on ‘Climate Change Impacts, Mitigation, Adaptation, Risk Reduction & Social Accountability Tools’ to enhance communities participation in climate planning and decision making. These workshops were organized in Districts of Sanghar, Kot Addu, Swat and Naseerabad. These districts are some of the most vulnerable to climate change and one of the worst affected during floods 2022.

The workshops were attended by local community members, youth, civil society representatives, representatives of DDMA, climate change experts and journalists. During the workshops, the speakers gave awareness sessions on climate mitigation and adaptation.

Speakers from District Disaster Management Authorities (DDMA) and climate experts conducted the sessions on basic concepts and terminologies in disaster management, climate disaster risk, mitigation and risk reduction. They provided basic awareness on disaster, hazard, and disaster risk reduction strategies.

Participants were asked to identify between vulnerability and capacity from their daily life practices. Representatives from DDMA also spoke on the importance of District Disaster Management Committee and coordination mechanisms among the institutions during any disaster.





Transparency International Pakistan organized 07 Community Dialogues in the climate-vulnerable districts of Sindh, Punjab, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan. The purpose of these dialogues was to raise awareness against environmental corruption among marginalized communities, fostering citizen participation in climate decision-making and planning.

The dialogues were attended by the members of the communities and civil society, from climate vulnerable tehsils, along with members of the district administration, representatives of EPA and DDMA.

These dialogues were organized in Sujawal and Jacobabad, Nowshera, Swabi and Jaffarabad where speakers conducted awareness sessions on climate change, climate mitigation, Provincial Right to Information Acts, social accountability tools, climate vulnerabilities of districts, gendered vulnerabilities to climate change and role of local administration during emergencies.





PUBLIC CAMPAIGN ON CLIMATE CHANGE

TI Pakistan, through its social media ran a public campaign on climate change which aimed to inspire tangible actions, encouraging individuals and communities to embrace eco-friendly habits and contribute to a resilient future.

These campaigns served as a platform for disseminating crucial information on climate change. By fostering a sense of responsibility and empowerment, we aimed to mobilize a broad spectrum of society to take meaningful steps towards reducing carbon footprints and embracing renewable energy sources. The campaign reached out to more than 3000 people effectively raising awareness on climate change, its effects and citizens participation in the climate action.

WATER SCARCITY
Pakistan faces challenges related to water scarcity, which can lead to social and economic tensions.

FLOODS
Pakistan is highly susceptible to floods causing widespread damage to infrastructure, crops, and displacement of communities.

HEATWAVES
Pakistan experiences intense heatwaves which can have severe health impacts, leading to heat-related illnesses and mortality. Heatwaves also pose challenges for agriculture and energy consumption.

DROUGHTS
Balochistan and parts of Sindh are prone to drought conditions. Prolonged periods of low rainfall can lead to water scarcity, affecting agriculture, livestock, and water supply for both rural and urban areas.

MELTING GLACIERS
The accelerated glacial melt contributes to rising river levels, increasing the risk of glacial lake outburst floods (GLOFs), threatening downstream communities, infrastructure, and water resources.

How you can help mitigate effects of climate change?

- WATER CONSERVATION**: Conserve water and adopt water-saving techniques such as using less water for household and agricultural purposes.
- SAVE ENERGY**: Reduce the use of electricity, gas, and other fossil fuels.
- REDUCE WASTE/USE OF FOOD**: Cook as much as needed and avoid waste to reduce food.
- DISASTER RISK PREPAREDNESS**: If you live in areas prone to natural disasters, take preventive measures such as making fire escape plans, practicing earthquake drills, and staying informed about local emergency procedures.

کلائمٹ چینج یا موسمیاتی تبدیلی اور پاکستان

کلائمٹ چینج یا موسمیاتی تبدیلی کیا ہے؟
کسی بھی علاقے کے معمول کے موسم میں آنے والی تبدیلی کا نام کلائمٹ چینج ہے۔
جب کسی علاقے میں لمبے دورانیے تک ایک ہی موسم (گرمہ سرد یا معتدلہ طرز میں) کا زیادہ ہونا رہا ہو اور اب اس میں تبدیلی آ رہی ہو تو اس کا مطلب ہے کہ وہ علاقہ کلائمٹ چینج سے متاثر ہو رہا ہے۔
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گزشتہ چند دہائیوں میں دنیا کی آبادی میں بے تحاشہ اضافہ ہوا ہے جس کی ضروریات کو پورا کرنے کے لیے کوئلے، گیس اور پتلی جڑی نعاہ میں ترقی کر رہے ہیں۔
زیادتی اور غذا کے لیے جنگلات کو کاٹ کر زیادتی لہجوں بنائی گئیں یا وہاں بڑے پراختہ کی جائے لگیں، وہاں کی ضروریات کو پورا کرنے کے لیے ایسے ایسے نعاہ فیڈن جانا۔

The Pillars of Climate Governance

- Mitigation
- Adaptation
- Resilience
- Means of Implementation

Transparency in Climate Governance could increase its effectiveness. See TI Pakistan' work on Climate Governance: <https://transparency.org.pk/>

DID YOU KNOW?
Women are more Vulnerable to Climate Change

- Women and girls' mortality risk is 14 times higher than men during a climate disaster.
- According to UN, 80% of people displaced by climate change are women.

**Section 7:
International
Anti-Corruption
Day-2023**



academia, and the youth reflected a multi-stakeholder approach essential for an effective anti-corruption strategy.

Walks and Seminars were also organized under CGIP, providing awareness related to climate governance. The seminars drew attention towards corruption which poses a significant impediment to effective climate action.

When funds intended for climate-related projects are siphoned off or misappropriated, it hampers the implementation of crucial initiatives



UNCAC AT 20: IACD 2023

On International Anti-Corruption Day, December 9, 2023, Transparency International Pakistan organized seminars and walks across the country. The objective was to mobilize diverse stakeholders and unite efforts against corruption.

A total of 22 events were organized in 22 districts across all the four provinces of Pakistan in which around 1,104 citizens including 252 women participated.

A diverse representation of government officials, civil servants, law enforcement officers, media representatives, the private sector, civil society,



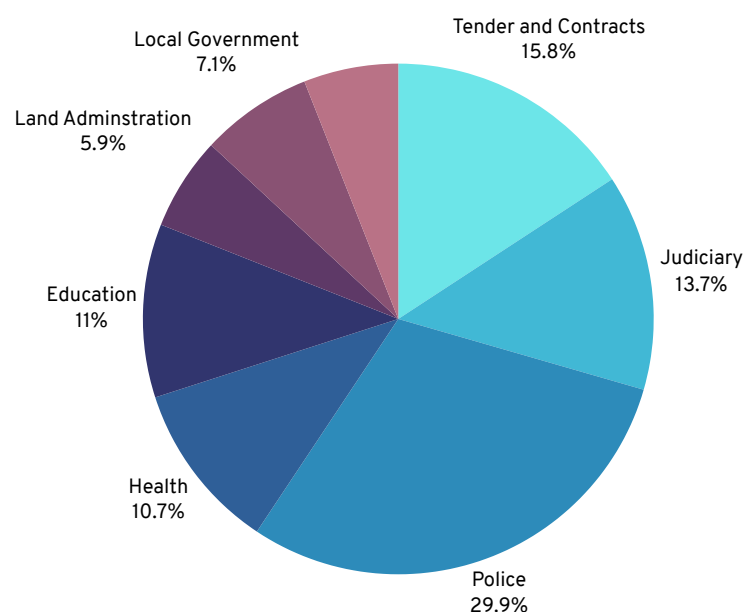
aimed at mitigating environmental challenges. Combating corruption is, therefore, integral to ensuring that resources allocated for climate action are utilized efficiently, transparently, and in a manner that fosters sustainable development and environmental resilience. Ensuring transparent and accountable use of funds and community participation in climate planning and decision making is essential to enhance the resilience of communities to climate impacts.

Section 8 : TI-Pakistan's Survey and Reports

TI PAKISTAN NATIONAL CORRUPTION PERCEPTION SURVEY-2023

In the last 23 years, Transparency International Pakistan has conducted National Corruption Perception Surveys eight times: NCPS 2002, NCPS 2006, NCPS 2009, NCPS 2010, NCPS 2011, NCPS 2021, NCPS 2022 and NCPS 2023.

The NCPS 2023 comprises the perception of levels and frequency of corruption perceived by the Pakistani Citizens. TI Pakistan conducted National Corruption Perception Survey 2023 through its Partner Organizations, in all four provinces from 13 October 2023 to 31 October 2023 with 1,600 respondents (400 respondents from each Province).



	National		Sindh		Punjab		KP		Baluchistan	
	F	%	F	%	F	%	F	%	F	%
Tenders & Government Contracts	232	16%↓	52	14%↓	24	6%↓	50	13%↓	106	31%↑
Judiciary	201	13%↓	28	7%↓	63	17%↑	56	15%↓	54	16%↓
Police	439	30%↑	137	37%↑	92	25%↓	143	37%↑	67	20%→
Health	157	11%↑	43	12%↑	56	15%↑	29	8%↓	29	8%↑
Education	162	11%↓	48	13%↓	48	13%↑	38	10%↑	28	8%↑
Land Administration	87	6%	10	3%	24	6%	25	7%	28	8%
Local Government	104	7%↑	37	10%↑	38	10%↑	17	4%→	11	3%↓
Custom/Excise/Income Tax	88	6%↓	14	4%↓	31	8%↑	23	6%↑	20	6%↓
Total	1470	100	369	100	376	100	381	100	343	100

STATE OF IMPLEMENTATION OF ONLINE PROACTIVE DISCLOSURE PROVISION

Right of Access to Information is a backbone of democracy. Pakistan has come a long way in ensuring that effective Access to Information laws are enacted at the federal and provincial level. The Second generation RTI laws are distinguished from the First generation RTI laws in number of ways including provision of Proactive Disclosure information to the citizens of Pakistan mainly through the websites of public departments.

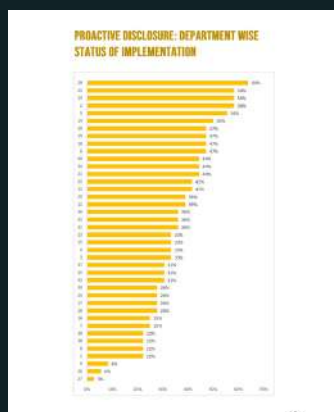
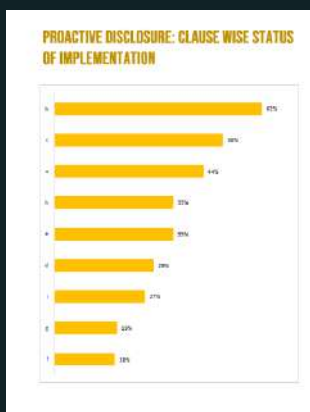
State of Implementation of Proactive Disclosure Provision – Case Study of Federal Right of Access to Information Act 2017 is an attempt to identify gaps regarding proactive disclosure of information by the Federal Ministries and Departments of the Federal Government, in line with Section 5 of Right of Access to Information Act 2017.

Since May 2020, Transparency International Pakistan has been monitoring the implementation of Proactive Disclosure provisions in the context of federal and provincial RTI laws.

In this regard, TI Pakistan has published case studies of Sindh Transparency and Right to Information Act 2016, The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Right to Information Act 2013 and Punjab Transparency and Right to Information Act 2013.

This study on Federal RTI Act 2017 finds that the official websites of various important ministries and the departments of the Federal Government disclose only little information. The selected ministries and departments have been studied in the context of 9 clauses of Section 5 of Federal Right of Access to Information Act 2017.

The study provides various recommendations aimed at enhancing the understanding of public bodies of their legal obligation to disclose information to the citizens and the role of the Pakistan Information Commission. It is hoped that the ministries and the federal government departments will use the findings of this research to ensure effective implementation of proactive disclosure as per the Federal Right of Access to Information Act 2017.



THE OVERALL IMPLEMENTATION OF CLAUSE B (RULES/ REGULATIONS) IS

62%

15% OF THE DEPARTMENTS HAVE UPLOADED **50%** OF THE REQUIRED INFORMATION

MINISTRY OF CLIMATE CHANGE HAS THE HIGHEST SCORE

64%

HALF OF THE DEPARTMENTS HAVE LESS THAN **35%** SCORE

UPLOADING THE DETAILED BUDGET AND EXPENDITURE IS

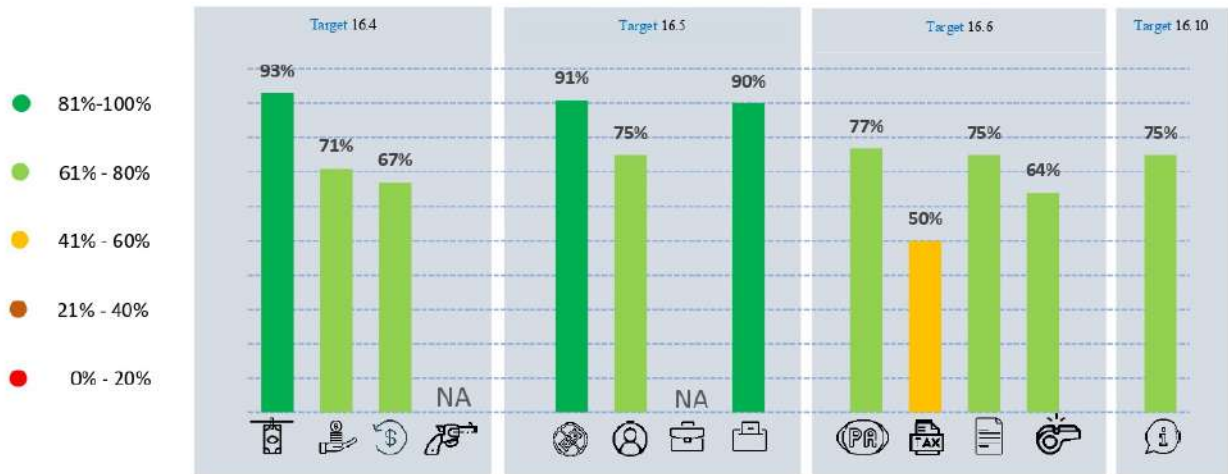
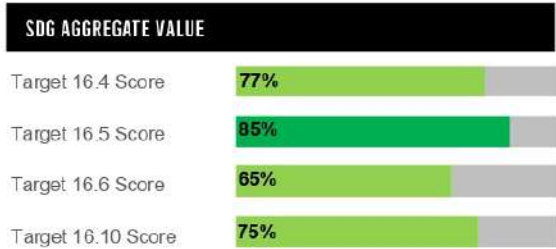
19%

DESCRIPTION OF DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES IS

18%

TI PAKISTAN PARALLEL REPORT OF POLICY, SDGS AND FIGHTING CORRUPTION FOR THE PEOPLE

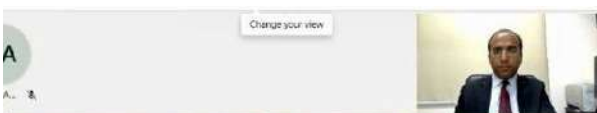
COUNTRY LEGAL SCORECARD* PAKISTAN



POLICY AREA

Target 16.4	Target 16.5	Target 16.6	Target 16.10
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beneficial Ownership 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Private Sector 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fiscal Transparency 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Asset Recovery 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transparency in Lobbying 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrity in Public Procurement 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Arms Trafficking 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Transparency in Party & Election Campaign Finance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whistleblowing 	

PRIVATE SECTOR ENGAGEMENT FOR ETHICAL COMPLIANCE AND ANTI-CORRUPTION



Transparency International Pakistan has entered into mutual cooperation with the Novo Nordisk Pakistan. The MoU was signed by Justice (R) Zia Perwez, Chairman TI Pakistan and Mr. Kashif Ali, Executive Director TI Pakistan and Mr. Rasheed Butt, Vice President Novo Nordisk Pakistan and Mr. Danial Ahmed, Director Legal and Compliance, Novo Nordisk Pakistan on 27th November 2023.

The objective is to enhance the ethical mindset among internal and external stakeholders, fostering a culture of integrity and responsible business conduct in health care sector.

Transparency International Pakistan also collaborated with Novo Nordisk for conference on Beyond Regulations: Partnering for Ethics. Mr. Jonathan, Director Transparency International Global Health Program spoke at the conference and emphasized on transparency and accountability in the health systems in order to improve health outcomes and achieve Sustainable Development Goal 3.

On International Anti-Corruption Day 2023, celebrated on 9th December, TI Pakistan collaborated with Scatec Pakistan to organize a chat with the staff on the importance of addressing corruption and the mitigating measures an organization and its employees can take to combat corruption at different levels. Mr. Kashif Ali, Executive Director TI Pakistan spoke about the corruption risks and business integrity measures organization's must put in place.

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