



TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL - PAKISTAN

Plot 72-F/2, 1st Floor, 9th Street, Jami Commercial,
Phase VII, Defence Housing Authority, Karachi
Phone: +92-21-35390408, 35311898
Fax: +92-21-35390410
Email: ti.pakistan@gmail.com
Website: www.transparency.org.pk

January 19, 2022

Dr. Reza Baqir
Governor State Bank of Pakistan
I.I Chundrigar Rd, Lalazar,
Karachi

**Subject: - NOC From State Bank of Pakistan for Operating Foreign Currency Account
01- 0213625-01 (Euro Account) under MOU File No.2 (210) NGO/EAD/2017 Dated
06th December 2021.**

Dear Sir,

We have signed an MOU with EAD (Economic Affair Department) copy of which is enclosed, accordingly we have been advised by Standard Chartered Bank to obtain an NOC from State Bank of Pakistan to continue receive foreign Currency in Account # 01-0213625-01 (Euro Account) for our project "**Strengthening Civic Voices for Good Governance & Accountability**" which we have been operating since last 10 Years for receiving donor's fund.

Though we think this not necessary, but to satisfy Standard Chartered Bank we request the governor to direct the relevant department to issue NOC to TI Pakistan to operate the Account # 01-0213625-01 (Euro Account) for this.

Governor is also requested to get this condition of NOC waived once the MOU has been signed by EAD (Economic Affair Department), as this is an un-necessary hurdle in operating foreign funded projects by NGOs in Pakistan.

An early reply will be appreciated.

Best Regards,

Syed Adil Gilani
Managing Director
Transparency International Pakistan.

Copies forwarded for the information with request to take action under their mandate to.

- 1, Joint Secretary -EAD (Economic Affair Department), Islamabad
- 2, President- Standard Chartered Bank - Karachi



Section Officer(INGOs/NGOs)
Phone: 051-9216821

Islamabad, the 7th December, 2021

SUBJECT:- **SIGNING OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN AND M/S TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL PAKISTAN**

Dear Sir,

This is to inform you that that the Government of Pakistan is pleased to register and sign MoU with M/S **Transparency International Pakistan** for a period upto **5th December, 2024** for the project **“Strengthening Civic Voices for Good Governance & Accountability”** located in Pakistan with the following conditions;

- i. Annual Action Plan (APA) of every new Activity/Project involving foreign funding will be required to be submitted to EAD along with the Project and Financing Agreement with the Donor/INGO well in time before commencing the project
- ii. Organization will seek concurrence of EAD if it changes its thematic area of working and expands geographical location of its activities other than that given in the signed MoU.
- iii. Organization will work with registered INGOs.
- iv. Not to use controversial terms like “Peace & Conflict Resolution, IDPs etc in your annual reports or any other Documents/Correspondence/Agreements.
- v. Organization will not employ any individual of Indian and Israeli nationality/origin.
- vi. The organization will declare to the Government all foreign contributions, along with the terms and conditions of those contributions, as well as details of all bank accounts maintained by it. The organization will maintain accounts under internationally recognized accounting standards, get these accounts audited on an annual basis by a registered Chartered Accountancy firm and will provide to the Government a copy of the audited annual statements, alongwith a certificate from the Auditors to the effect that the foreign contributions have been utilized for the objectives of the organization as specified in the MOU.
- vii. Organization shall receive foreign contributions through banking channel only. However, while doing so, it will have to comply with the Anti Money Laundering and other relevant rules as per applicable in Pakistan
- viii. Limit your work to concrete socio-economic activities.
- ix. **NGO will not indulge in any advocacy related activity during project execution.**
- x. **NOC for current project only; completion report will be forwarded by NGO to EAD.**
- xi. **No deviation from stated project and location without security clearance from EAD.**

2. Duly signed MoU, in original, is enclosed herewith.

With regards,

Syed Adil Gilani
Managing Director
Transparency International Pakistan
4-C, Mezzanine Floor, Khayaban-e-Ittehad,
Phase VII, Defence Housing Authority,
Karachi (03008229086)


(Abdullah Jan)

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF PAKISTAN
AND
TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL PAKISTAN**

This MOU is made between the Government of Pakistan through the Economic Affairs Division, (hereinafter referred to as "the Government") and Transparency International Pakistan (hereinafter referred to as "the Organization"), a not-for-profit organization registered under Trust Act 1882, and office at Plot 72F/2, Floor 1, 9th Street, Jami Commercial, DHA Phase 7, Karachi, Pakistan.

Whereas the Organization (Transparency International Pakistan) desires to undertake work for the project "**Strengthening Civic Voices for Good Governance & Accountability**" located in Pakistan, and for this purpose has submitted an application for registration accompanied by requisite documentary information. Now, the Government is pleased to allow the organization to carry out its work on the following conditions:-

1. This MOU shall be governed by laws and policies of the Government of Pakistan.
2. **The Government may:**
 - 2.1. Allow Transparency International Pakistan to receive foreign contributions including funds, materials and services, emanating from declared sources, through legal channels, subject to reporting requirements.
 - 2.2. Allow Transparency International Pakistan to open, maintain and operate accounts for the execution of its work.

Provided that for opening and operating foreign currency accounts, the Transparency International Pakistan shall seek permission of the State Bank of Pakistan, under the applicable law and rules;
 - 2.3. Allow Transparency International Pakistan to maintain its office at Plot 72F/2, Floor 1, 9th Street, Jami Commercial, DHA Phase 7, Karachi, Pakistan and to open other offices, if required, with prior written approval of the Government, subject to the concurrence of the Provincial Government / local government and compliance with applicable law / rules.
3. **Import / Tax Regulations**
 - 3.1. The Organization may avail 100% tax credit subject to the provisions of the Section 100C and approval of the Commissioner Inland Revenue concerned, under Section 2(36) of the Income Tax Ordinance 2001.

4. **Obligations of the Organization**

The Organization shall:-

- 4.1. Use funds, materials and services received by it as foreign contribution or foreign economic assistance from declared sources, through legal channels, for its specified work, and provide to the Government every six months complete information regarding flow of such funds, materials and services and when required by the Government.
 - 4.2. Obtain prior concurrence of the Government for any additional funding or different source of funding other than that specified by the Organization.
 - 4.3. Appoint and employ a representative and other senior management personnel as appropriate, who will manage the work and supervise the staff on behalf of the Organization and liaise with the Government, and the Provincial / local Governments.
 - 4.4. Make payment above Rs.20,000/- (Twenty Thousand) in Pakistan through banking channels and to provide complete details in this respect to the Government every six months.
- and that all staff shall pay applicable taxes.

06.12.2021
Joint Secretary (NGO/INGO)
Economic Affairs Division
Government of Pakistan
Islamabad



6. The Organization may file a written request for cancellation of its registration and closing of its activities with 3 months prior notice to the Government for its approval and clearance in accordance with the laid down procedure.

~~3 months~~
Three years
3 years

7. Entry into Force and Duration of MOU

This MOU shall enter into force on the date of signatures and shall remain valid up to ~~31st October 2023~~.

In witness whereof, the undersigned representatives, duly authorized by the Government and the Transparency International Pakistan, have signed this Memorandum of Understanding.

Done at Islamabad, on this.....06th.....day of December..... 2021, in English language in two originals, the signatories to retain a copy each.

Adil
06.12.2021
Joint Secretary
For the Government of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan
Joint Secretary (Economic Affairs) on behalf of the Government of Pakistan
Islamabad



Adil Gilani
Syed Adil Gilani
Managing Director
TI Pakistan