MOST IMMEDIATE



NO.SOIII(S&GAD)Misc/2019 GOVERNMENT OF SINDH SERVICES, GENERAL, ADMINISTRATION & COORDINATION DEPARTMENT

Karachi, dated 10th December, 2019

To

- 1. The Chairperson, Planning & Development Board, Sindh, Karachi.
- 2. The Senior Member, Board of Revenue, Sindh
- 3. The Additional Chief Secretaries (All), Government of Sindh.
- 4. The Principal Secretary to Chief Minister Sindh, Karachi.
- 5. The Principal Secretary to Governor, Sindh, Karachi.
- The Administrative Secretaries (All), Government of Sindh (including Members Board of Revenue, Sindh)
- 7. The Inspector General of Police Sindh, Karachi
- 8. The Commissioners (all) in Sindh.
- The Managing Director, Sindh Public Procurement Regulatory Authority
- 10. The Deputy Commissioners (all) in Sindh.
- 11. The Secretary, Sindh Public Service Commission, Hyderabad

SUBJECT:-

MEDIA TALK / PARTICIPATION IN TV PROGRAMMES BY THE GOVERNMENT OFFICERS WITHOUT PERMISSION / AUTHORIZATION

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the subject noted above and to state that certain Government Officers / Civil Servants have been seen taking part in television talk shows / programs and tendering their opinion / views without prior authorization of the respective competent authority which is against the rules.

- In this regard attention is invited to Rule-56(i) of the Sindh Government Rules of Business 1986 which states that no government servant shall, unless generally or specially authorized in this behalf, communicate to the Press, Officials belonging to other Government Offices or any private individual, any information acquired directly or indirectly from official record or in the discharge of his official duties. Sub-Rule (iv) of Rule-56 further states that no person other than a Minister, Secretary or such other officer as may be authorized, shall act as Official spokesman of Government.
- 3. Further, Rule-22 of Government Servants (Conduct) Rules 1964 (Rules governing the Conduct of the Federal Government Officers) and Rule-23 of the Sindh Civil Servants (Conduct) Rules, 2008 which in essence say that no civil servant shall, in any document published, or in any public utterance or radio broadcast delivered, or in any television programme attended by him, make any statement of fact or opinion or act in a manner which is capable of embarrassing the Central or any Provincial Government.
- 4. Rule-22 of the Sindh Civil Servants (Conduct) Rules, 2008 states that no civil servants shall except with the previous sanction of Government or any other authority empowered by it in this behalf, or in the bonafide discharge of his duties, participate in a radio broad cast or television programme, or contribute any article or write any letter either anonymously or in his own name or in any other name, to any newspaper or periodical.

5. I am, therefore, directed to bring this to your notice and convey that the competent authority has taken serious view of this and has directed to bar all officers and officials from unauthorized appearance before media for opinion-making. Any civil servant found indulging in this practice in violation of the aforesaid conduct rules shall be strictly dealt with and proceeded against under the relevant rules.

(MUHAMMD ZAMAN NARETO, PAS) ADDITIONAL SECRETARY (SERVICES-I)

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OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE SINDH/SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT OF SINDH, POLICE DEPARTMENT, KARACHI

No. 14988-15010

/E-I Karachi,

dated 1 __12.2019

Copy forwarded to the following information and for strict compliance under intimation to this office, please:

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PSs DIsGP Headquarters and Establishment, CPO Sindh Karachi

(IMRAN QURESHI) PSP AIGP/ESTABLISHMENT

FOR INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE/ SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT OF SINDH POLICE DEPARTMENT, KARACHI