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Dr. Abdul Hafiz Shaikh,
Ministry of Finance,
Islamabad.

Sub: Submission of National Action Plan for Open Government Partnership (OGP)

Dear Sir,

Transparency International Pakistan would like to draw your attention towards delay in finalization and submission of National Action Plan for the Open Government Partnership. As part of OGP's agenda, the OGP member countries are required to develop a National Action Plan (NAP) based on voluntary commitments. It is important to mention that Pakistan has already missed all the deadlines set by the Open Government Partnership (OGP) to submit the Action Plan.

The OGP approach aligns perfectly with the mandate of the incumbent government that aspires to empower people by giving them a voice in shaping policies reflective of their aspirations. The three pillars of OGP, transparency, accountability and co-creation, are vehicles for ensuring a more open and inclusive governance that has been envisaged by the leadership of PTI government. At a national level, the finalization of NAP will bridge the gap in service delivery and promote peoples participation in the decision making. On the International front, it will demonstrate the government's commitment to ensure openness, accountability and transparency in the affairs of governance.

Transparency International Pakistan would request you to look into this matter on a priority basis so that we, as a country, can uphold our commitments as outlined under OGP membership. It's our sincere hope that under your leadership, the Ministry will be able to successfully pursue the action plan to prioritize the draft commitments, ensuring the participation of relevant ministries and civil society stakeholders for all commitment areas

Best Regards,

Saad Rashid
Executive Director
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