



25th July 2013

Chairman,
Karachi Port Trust, (KPT),
Edujlee Dinshaw Road,
Karachi -74000

Subject: Collusion by KPT on Plots of KPT's store and Pak-Suzuki Plot allotted to M/s Venus Pakistan Pvt Ltd, of Mr. Adnan Asad on 3 months temporary rental in March/April 2012

Dear Sir,

Transparency International Pakistan refers its letters dated 10th September 2012, in which amongst other complaints, it was also reported that KPT's store and Pak-Suzuki Motor Plot allotment without Tender to a private party on 25 years lease. It is reported that M/s Venus Pakistan Pvt Ltd, of Mr. Adnan Asad has been allotted over 20,000 sqm. area plots worth billions of rupees without public auction/tender.

After discussions held with Minister Ports & Shipping, KPT sent following response on allotment of these plots.

KPT's Store and Pak Suzuki Motor Plot Allotment without Tender:

KPT's Store and Pak Suzuki Motor Plot allotment has not yet been actualized on 25 years lease and the matter is under consideration. These plots were allotted on 3 months rental from time to time, as per rules for port related use only. The plots will be disposed as per procedure as and when KPT Board finally decides.

According to the terms of the temporary allotment, user is not allowed any construction on KPT property. But it has been reported to TIP that Mr. Adnan Asad without approval of KPT Engineering Department, is doing illegal construction on the Plot, and is guilty of violating KPT Temporary Lease conditions. This is also reported that KPT vigilance cell and estate department is in collusion with Mr. Adnan Asad, and are allowing the illegal construction. Following Photograph is taken on 24th July 2013.





Another complaint of similar case of allotment in 2009 of 1.5 acres plot in West Wharf to a company owned by Mr. Shahid Ansari, on 3 months rental basis is reported to TIP.

This has been stated by the complainant that;

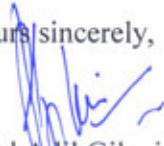
1. M/s United Linkers, clearing agent of KICT, owned by Mr. Shahid Ansari, **is debarred by KPT since 1998** for non payment of Wharfage on the Ship to Shore cranes imported by Karachi International Container Terminal.
2. That Mr. Shahid Ansari owner of the debarred company M/s United Linkers, has also been awarded in 2007 Pakistan Deep Water Container Port by KPT under a new company by the name of Karachi New Ports Container Terminals Ltd, in which Mr Shahid Ansari with name of a new company M/s Sky Forward Private Ltd is 10% shareholder, and M/s Hutchison Ports Gateway Investment B.V. has 90% shares.
3. That Mr. Shahid Ansari was also illegally temporarily allotted land in 2010 in area Pakistan Deep Water Container Port by KPT, to handle US Cargo, shifted from KPT Yards.

TIP request the Chairman to immediately terminate the temporary allotments, and also take action against the parties and officers involved in the alleged illegal acts.

Clarification on why a company, whose owner are debarred by KPT since 1998 have approved to be 10% partner in the in the Pakistan Deep Water Container Port Contract, and if the allegation is correct, action against the companies and KPT officers involved in this illegal act may also be taken.

Transparency International Pakistan is striving for across the board application of Rule of Law, which is the only way to stop corruption.

Yours sincerely,


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Adviser

Copy forwarded for information with request to take action under their mandate to,

1. Secretary to the Prime Minister, for information of the Prime Minister, , Islamabad.
2. Minister of Ports & Shipping, Islamabad
3. DG NAB (A & P) NAB, Islamabad.
4. Registrar, Supreme Court Pakistan, Islamabad