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Lt. Gen ® Asif Yaseen Malik
Secretary,
Ministry of Defence
Room No. 202-203, 2nd Floor,
A-Block Pak Secretariat, Islamabad, Pakistan

Ref: Alleged misappropriation of funds by Heavy Industries, Taxila
Contract given without Public Auction

Dear Sir,

Transparency International Pakistan has received a complaint from Bashir Ahmed Khan Nazir against the Heavy Industries, Taxila for the misappropriation of millions of rupees.

According to the complainant, the Cantonment Board, Taxila used to hold a cattle market within its territorial jurisdiction which was the only main source for the Cantonment Board Taxila. The complainant alleges that in 2004, a routine public auction of collection rights was taking place when some military officers entered the premises and took over the proceedings. Allegedly, the collection rights of the cattle market were assigned to a private party for Rs32.5 million without public auction in 2004, and no public auction has been allowed since then. According to the complainant, the current turnout of this market is estimated around **Rs80 million**. He further alleges that the said amount is not accounted for in the books of account of Heavy Industries Taxila.

The complainant requests that an inquiry be held to recover the amount and transfer it to the Cantonment Board since the Heavy Industries, Taxila has no mandate under the law to hold such markets. Secondly, the complainant wishes that public auctions be held again in order to utilize funds for the benefit of the public.

Transparency International Pakistan would greatly appreciate if you would kindly look into this matter, and if found genuine/correct take appropriate action so that a community of citizens can get relief.

TI Pakistan is striving to have **Rule of Law** in Pakistan, which is the only way of eliminating corruption and have good governance in the country.

With Regards,


Syed Adil Gilani
Adviser

Copied for the information of:

1. Chairman, PAC, Islamabad
2. Chairman, NAB, Islamabad
3. Director, Heavy Industries Taxila
4. Auditor General of Pakistan