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GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS
5th Floor Evacuee Trust Complex, F-5/1,
Agha Khan Road, Islamabad.



Islamabad, the 13th December, 2022

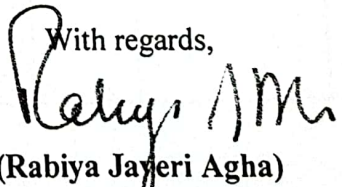
Subject: AFGHAN WOMEN PRISON POPULATION IN KARACHI
CENTRAL JAIL

Dear Sir,

The National Commission for Human Rights is an independent statutory body created to look into matters pertaining to all forms of violations of Human Rights within the territorial jurisdiction of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan by virtue of the National Commission for Human Rights Act of 2012.

2. Recent visits by NCHR alongside the Legal Aid Society found that over 500 Afghan women and children were being held in Central Jail Karachi. The situation in the Central Prison for women requires immediate attention. The previous visit found Afghan women and their children make up an overwhelming portion of the prison population as 282 Afghan women are being reportedly held in a prison with capacity of 300. This is far beyond prison capacity and acting as a constraint on prison resources and rehabilitation efforts.

3. A Performa has been attached herewith in the next page to collect socio-demographic information on Prison population. Would be grateful if you would fill in the requested information and return to the National Commission for Human Rights at the earliest.

With regards,

(Rabiya Jayeri Agha)
Chairperson NCHR

The Inspector General of Prisons,
Government of Sindh,
Karachi.

Copy for information to:

- The Chief Secretary, Government of Sindh, Karachi.

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