



F.No. 2(194)22-Complaint (NCHR)
GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS
5th Floor Evacuee Trust Complex, F-5/1,
Agha Khan Road, Islamabad.



NATIONAL COMMISSION
FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Islamabad, the 13th June, 2022

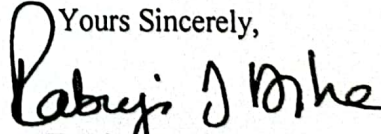
Subject: **POLICE ARREST 28 PROTESTERS DEMONSTRATING AGAINST
'MISSING' BALOCH STUDENTS OUTSIDE SINDH ASSEMBLY**

Dear Dr. Muhammad Sohail Rajput,

Apropos to the subject cited above.

1. 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 Pakistan by virtue of the National Commission for Human Rights Act of 2012.
2. The NCHR is concerned about media reports regarding excessive use of force by police against innocent women protesting against missing Baloch Students outside Sindh Assembly.
3. Peaceful protest staged by unarmed persons is a Constitutionally protected right, this right which stems from the Fundamental Rights of Freedom of Assembly, Freedom of Association and Freedom of Speech/Expression, guaranteed under Articles 16, 17 and 19 of the Constitution respectively. No law-abiding citizen can be denied the right of protest.
4. In view of the above, you are requested to look into the matter, take action against excessive use of force by police and kindly forward a comprehensive report in this regard at the earliest.

Thanking you.

Yours Sincerely,

(Rabiya Javeri Agha)
Chairperson (NCHR)

The Chief Secretary,
Government of Sindh,
Karachi.