



## LETTER OF INTENT (LOI)

BETWEEN

THE NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS (NCHR) PAKISTAN

AND

Bank AL Habib

The National Commission for Human Rights Pakistan (NCHR) and Bank AL Habib (hereinafter referred to individually as a “Party” and collectively as the “Parties”).

The NCHR is a federal statutory body set up under the NCHR Act XVI of 2012, in accordance with the Paris Principles. It is an independent National Human Rights Institute (NHRI) set up in 2015. Pakistan is signatory to ICCPR, ICESCR, CRPD, CAT, CEDAW, CRC, and CERD.

Bank AL Habib demonstrates a staunch commitment to Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR), actively engaging in a diverse array of initiatives. This includes Sponsorships in Social and educational development, focusing on enhancing the advancement of communities.

The core functions of the NCHR are;

1. **Judicial Mandate:** NCHR has the powers of a civil court, can initiate an inquiry based on complaints or suo moto action, can become party to any case regarding human rights violations, can directly investigate into incidents of human rights violations, and can inspect places of detention to ensure prisoners’ rights.
2. **Legal Monitoring:** NCHR has the powers to review existing domestic legislation, to propose amendments/new legislation, and to monitor implementation. NCHR also reviews international treaties and instruments, and provides the Government with recommendations for their effective implementation.



3. **Policy Advisor:** NCHR can develop the National Action Plan for human rights, submit independent reports and policy briefs to the government, and engage in alternate treaty body reporting.
4. **Knowledge Production:** NCHR can conduct research on human rights issues, publish independent reports and research papers, and develop a repository for human rights data and research in the country.
5. **Advocacy and Awareness:** NCHR contributes to human rights awareness and advocacy initiatives by raising rights awareness through advocacy campaigns and media, by showcasing and elevating the latest research on human rights issues, and by developing human rights modules and trainings.

The NCHR and Bank AL Habib wish to work together on a project for the empowerment of women and girls through sport-based human development interventions, with a focus on mobilising marginalised communities. NCHR is currently engaged in a project around this theme through the Canada Fund for Local Initiatives (CFLI) project, supported by the High Commission of Canada in Pakistan. However, NCHR has identified the need to support the most vulnerable and marginalized group within this project: the Women United Football Academy in Quetta.

This LOI details the terms of agreement for Bank AL Habib's sponsorship of the Women United Football Academy in Quetta through NCHR as the intermediary. The sponsorship will help the Academy to train and equip more girls extending the impact of current project, and support the sustainability of the Academy after the completion of the CFLI project.

This document will help the Parties to fulfill their requirements to achieve the overall vision and objectives outlined within the proposed project. This LOI signed by the parties is an umbrella document for collaboration; specific details of each initiative and activity will be discussed as and when the initiatives are taken up. All parties will abide by the rules and regulations of the other party.



## **OBLIGATIONS:**

### **Obligations of Bank AL Habib:**

- 1) Bank AL Habib agrees to provide Rs. 1,000,000 in sponsorship funds to NCHR for the Women United Football Academy in Quetta.
- 2) The payment will be made in full to NCHR following the signing of this LOI.
- 3) Bank AL Habib can visit the Women United Football Academy in Quetta for the collection of content or cross-promote NCHR's content on social media. Any content used may also include NCHR's logo.

### **Obligations of the NCHR:**

- 1) The NCHR will have oversight of the funds received for sponsorship, and communicate the needs of the Women United Football Academy.
- 2) The NCHR will release funds to the Women United Football Academy for the implementation of their project activities and based on their needs as they are communicated.
- 3) NCHR will ensure that Bank AL Habib receives recognition as a sponsor in event promotional materials, including but not limited to signage, brochures, online platforms, and the players football kits.
- 4) Retain records and any supporting documents related to the sponsorship for monitoring, audit and evaluation purposes.

### **Final Provision**

1. This letter of intent (LOI) may be amended or modified at any time through mutual written consent of the Parties.
2. All differences or disputes arising from or covered in the application or interpretation of this letter of intent (LOI) shall be settled amicably through mutual consultations and negotiation between the Parties.



3. This letter of intent (LOI) shall enter into force on the date of its signatures. It shall remain valid for a period of six (6) months unless terminated or modified by mutual agreement.
4. This letter of intent (LOI) shall remain valid unless terminated through mutual written consent of the Parties or it has been replaced by an agreement between the Parties or concerned institutions.
5. Each party will designate a point of contact, who will be responsible for all communications and coordination pertaining to the execution of this letter of intent (LOI) and delivery of any notices or official communication.
6. Notices will be deemed to be served should they be sent via electronic means at the contact's correct designated email address or served physically at the registered addresses of the parties given above.

Signed electronically on 18<sup>th</sup> December 2023 in originals in the English language.

  
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