Inquiry Report

On

Workplace Harassment by UCPO and TCO

UC: Mandi Kas,

Tehsil Bara, District Khyber

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1. Background:

A complaint from AS Mr. Asghar regarding workplace harassment by UCPO Mr. Ahmad Khan, TCO Dawood, and Acting TCO Gul Nazir has been received on 11th Sep, 2024.

(Attached as Annex A).

1.1 Allegation.

The complaint alleges that AS Mr. Asghar was physically assaulted by UCPO Mastak Mr. Ahmad Khan and by PEOPLE organization staff members TCO Mr. Dawood and acting TCO Mr. Gul Nazeer, which resulted in bruises to Mr. Asghar. Additionally, they displayed rude behavior and verbally abused him, which have caused significant mental stress.

2. Methodology:

In order to probe the matter, CTC conducted Investigation of the matter in the field on 23rd, Oct 2024. Individual meetings with the following staff members were conducted.

- UCPO Mr. Muhammad Farooq and UCOO Mr. Imran Khan (Written statements attached as Annex-B)
- AS Mr. Asghar
 (Written statements attached as Annex-C)
- UCPO Mr. Ahmad khan
 (Written statement attached as Annex-D)
- TCO Mr. Dawood, and Acting TCO Mr. Gul Nazir (Written statement attached as Annex- E)

3. Key findings:

Allegation against	Staff statements	Investigation	Evidence
UCPO Mr.Ahmad,	(UCOO , UCPO)	Committee	
TCO Dawood, and		Remarks	
Acting OIC Gul			
Nazir			
UCPO Mr.Ahmad,	The staff have agreed to	According to the	Statements of the
	incident to complainant	statements of the	staff in
U	statement that indeed all	staff members Mr.	(Annexure-B)
Mr. Gul Nazir are	three alleged	Asghar Khan was	
5	perpetrators were	physically assaulted	Statements of the
S	involved in physical	by the named	staff in
Asghar.	assault against Mr.	individuals,	(Annexure-C)
	Asghar.	resulting in visible	
		bruises.	
UCPO Mr.Ahmad,	The staff have	According to the	Statements of the
	acknowledged the complainant statement that indeed all three had exhibited rude behavior and were verbally	statements of the staff	staff in (Annexure-B) Statements of the staff in
		members the behavior	
		of the alleged staff	
		members was deemed	
	abusive towards Mr.	unprofessional, with	(Annexure-C)
Asghar.	,	verbal abuse and	,
		harassment causing	
		undue mental stress to	
		Mr. Asghar Khan.	

4. Conclusion:

As per the statements of UCPO Mr.Ahmad, TCO Mr. Dawood, and Acting TCO Mr. Gul Nazir denied having beaten AS Mr. Asghar (Refer to annex D and E). However, Mr. Asghar, along with the first and second supervisors, UCOO Mr. Imran Khan and UCPO Mr. Muhammad Farooq, stated that the complainant was indeed beaten by the senior staff, as observed (Annex B and C). Additionally, Dr. Wajeeha also witnessed and documented in the medical report that the complainant had been physically assaulted, resulting in small bruises on the body (Refer to Annex C).

Upon further verification from TDOSO Mr. Fazal Rabi, he stated that UCPO Mr. Ahmad was expected to be available at his Union Council during the active campaign days, as he is the lead of the Union Council. He did not inform his immediate supervisor, TDOSO Mr. Fazal Rabi about the meeting called by the Assistant Commissioner regarding the handling of refusals.

5. Recommendations:

- It is evident that UCPO Mr. Ahmad Khan engaged in physical assault at the workplace. Therefore, it is recommended that a Final Warning shall be issued to Mr. Ahmad Khan as per "Polio Third Party Personnel Service Rules (PTPPSR), Annex 7-B: Disciplinary Action in Case of Performance, Table 1: Disciplinary / Accountability Framework, Sub Clause 10- Physical Fight (within community or program)."
- The actions against TCO Mr. Dawood, and acting TCO Mr. Gul Nazir shall be initiated by the PEOPLE organization as per the SOP's of the organization.