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GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB  
HOME DEPARTMENT

Dated Lahore, the 16<sup>th</sup> October, 2023

To,

1. The Provincial Police Officer, Punjab Lahore.
2. The Inspector General of Prisons, Punjab, Lahore.
3. The Director General, Child Protection & Welfare Bureau, Punjab.
4. The Director General, Forensic Science Agency, Lahore.
5. The Director General of Monitoring, Home Deptt. Lahore.
6. The Director (Civil Defense), Punjab, Lahore.
7. The Director General, Punjab Probation & Parole Service, Lahore.
8. The Commandant, Border Military Police, D.G. Khan.
9. The Commandant, Border Military Police, Rajanpur.
10. The Commandant, Baloch Levy, D.G. Khan.

**Subject: USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA BY GOVERNMENT SERVANTS**

I am directed to refer to the subject cited above and to enclose herewith a copy of letter No. SO(Admn-II)/1-1/2023 dated 09.10.2023 alongwith its enclosure received from Section Officer (Admn-II), Government of the Punjab, S&GAD for information and compliance of instructions contained therein.

(SADIA JAFAR)  
SECTION OFFICER (GENERAL)

**No. & Date Even:**

A copy is forwarded for similar action to:

- All Section Officers, Home Department.
- PAs to all Additional Secretaries, Home Department.
- PAs to all Deputy Secretaries, Home Department.

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GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB  
SERVICES & GENERAL ADMINISTRATION  
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1. The Additional Chief Secretary, South Punjab, Bahawalpur.
2. All Administrative Secretaries to Government of the Punjab.
3. All Divisional Commissioners in the Punjab.

No.SO(Admn-II)1-1/2023  
Dated Lahore, the 09<sup>th</sup> October, 2023

Subject: USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA BY GOVERNMENT SERVANTS

I am directed to refer to the subject cited above and to enclose herewith a copy of this Department's letter of even number dated 06.10.2023 containing instructions regarding use of Social Media by PAS/PMS/BS-17 officers working under Government of the Punjab.

2. I am further directed to request that delivery of the afore-said instructions may kindly be ensured to all PAS/PMS/BS-17 officers, posted under your kind control, for compliance in letter and spirit.

  
(MUHAMMAD SAFDAR)  
SECTION OFFICER (ADMN-II) 09/10/23

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1. PSO to Additional Chief Secretary, Punjab, S&GAD.
2. PA to Additional Secretary (Admn.), S&GAD.

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GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB  
SERVICES & GENERAL ADMINISTRATION  
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To

All PAS/PMS Officers (BS-17),  
Government of the Punjab.

No.SO(Admn-II)1-1/2023  
Dated Lahore, the 06<sup>th</sup> October, 2023

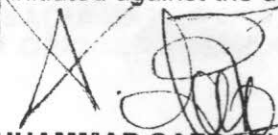
Subject: **USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA BY GOVERNMENT SERVANTS**

I am directed to refer to Establishment Divisions' Office Memorandum letter No.14/04/2021-D-II dated 25.08.2021 on the subject cited above and Punjab Civil Servants (Conduct) Rules, 1966, which provide instructions regarding conduct of Civil Servants, particularly, participation in different media / social media forums.

2. The rules ibid and instructions of Establishment Division, Government of Pakistan, prohibit civil servants for making any statement of facts or opinion or any communication made to the press or in any public utterance or television programme or radio broadcast or on any social media platform. The young officers of PAS/PMS in BS-17, posted against various slots in the field as well as in the Secretariat, are considered as the face of the Provincial Government. However, it has been observed with grave-concern that these officers often engage themselves with social media i.e. Websites, Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp, Instagram, Microblogging, TikTok, YouTube etc, without taking into consideration of its fall out amongst public at large, especially using the social media in official capacity. Oftenly, the views/ comments/ conduct/ personal opinion of the officers, may either harm the national security; or offend public order, decency or morality; or amount to contempt of court or defamation or incitement to an offence; or propagate sectarian creeds and capable of embarrassing the government, which is tantamount to misconduct and inefficiency under the rules.

3. Hence, the Competent Authority has desired that no officer shall air his/her views, opinion, statement, share any information, document, video that tends to unbecoming of an officer etc., while using different social media platforms i.e. Websites, Facebook, Twitter, WhatsApp, Instagram, Microblogging, TikTok, YouTube etc., that does not conform to the required standards of official conduct.

4. I am further directed to inform you to follow the above-mentioned instructions in letter and spirit, failing which strict disciplinary action shall be initiated against the deviation as per rules / law / policy.

  
(MUHAMMAD SAFDAR) 06/10/23  
SECTION OFFICER (ADMN-II)

CC:

1. PSO to Chief Secretary, Punjab.
2. PSO to Additional Chief Secretary, Punjab, S&GAD.
3. PSO to Additional Chief Secretary, South Punjab.
4. PA to Additional Secretary (Admn), S&GAD.