



BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE OF PAKISTAN MEDICAL COMMISSION

In the matter of

Complaint No. 8-1938/2021-DC/PMC

Mr. Adnan Nasir Vs. Dr. Taqdees Naqaish

Professor Dr. Naqib Ullah Achakzai	Chairman
Professor Dr. Noshad Ahmad Shaikh	Member
Mr. Jawad Amin Khan	Member
Barrister Ch. Sultan Mansoor	Secretary

Present:

Dr. Taqdees Naqaish (20446-P)	Respondent along with Counsel
Date of Hearing	10.10.2022

I. FACTUAL BACKGROUND

1. Mr. Adnan Nasir (herein referred to as the “Complainant”) filed a Complaint before the Disciplinary Committee of PMC on 18.01.2021 against Dr. Taqdees Naqaish (the “Respondent”) working at Medicare Pak Land Business Plaza, I-8 Markaz, Islamabad (the “Hospital”). Brief facts of the complaint are that:

- a) *Complainant took his wife, Sajda Ahmad (the “Patient”) to the Hospital on 11.05.2020, for an initial checkup concerning the patient’s pregnancy. The patient’s ultrasound was performed and early follow-up was advised by the Respondent. Owing to the physical pain experienced by the patient, she made a visit to the hospital on 13.05.2020, following which medical tests were suggested, encompassing ultrasound and thereafter diagnosed a 6-weeks incomplete miscarriage. Resultantly, on 14.05.2020, dilation and curettage (D&C) was performed by the Respondent and the patient was discharged with medications.*

- b) *On worsening of the patient's condition, she was taken to Shifa International Hospital, on 06.06.2020, where CT Scan displayed suspicion of ruptured ectopic pregnancy. On the 7th of June, 2020, the patient underwent exploratory laparotomy, and was found to have shown right tubal abortion with hemoperitoneum. Patient's right salpingectomy was done and was discharge on 09.06.2020.*
- c) *The Respondent misdiagnosed the patient's condition and failed to identify (diagnose) the ectopic pregnancy and removed the uterus pregnancy, that had no concern with the patient's actual problem. Due to the professional negligence and misconduct of the Respondent, the patient has suffered pain, went a near-death situation, critical surgery, which may cause the patient, a lifetime health complication incurring huge monetary cost.*

II. SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

2. In view of the allegations leveled in the Complaint, Show Cause Notice dated 17.02.2022 was issued to the Respondent in the following terms:

“... ”

4. **WHEREAS**, in terms of Complaint, it has been alleged that, Complainant brought his wife Mst. Sajda Ahmad (39 years) to Naqaish Medicare on 11th May 2020, for initial checkup regarding pregnancy where ultrasound was performed and the patient was advised for early follow up. On 13th May 2020 the patient experienced physical pain and visited you again at the above-mentioned hospital where you advised medical tests including ultrasound and diagnosed six weeks incomplete miscarriage. On 14th May 2020, dilation and curettage (D&C) was performed by you and the patient was discharged with medications; and
5. **WHEREAS**, in terms of Complaint, it has been alleged that, on 06th June 2020, the condition of the patient became critical and she was taken to Shifa International Hospital, Islamabad where CT scan showed suspicion of ruptured ectopic pregnancy. The patient underwent exploratory laparotomy on 07th June 2020 and was found to have right tubal abortion with hemoperitoneum. Her right salpingectomy was done and patient was discharged on 09th June 2020.; and
6. **WHEREAS**, in terms of Complaint, it has been alleged that, despite ultrasound being done twice you failed to diagnose ectopic pregnancy and removed the uterus pregnancy which was unrelated to the condition of the patient. It is further alleged that biopsy and ultrasound reports showed that there was no pregnancy in the uterus and you performed an uncalled-for D&C. Such conduct is, prima facie, in violation of the Code of Ethics of Practice for medical and dental Practitioners, Regulations, 2011 in general and Regulation 3 (e), 21(1) & (2) & 49(a) and 50 in particular ...”

III. REPLY OF THE RESPONDENT

3. In response of the Show Cause Notice dated 17.03.2020, the Respondent submitted her reply wherein she stated that:

- a) *The patient visited the Hospital on 11.05.2020, wherein her ultrasound displayed intrauterine gestational sac corresponding to 5weeks+4days without fetal pole and cyst which was most likely corpus luteal cyst. The patient was brought to the hospital again, on 13.05.2020 and was presented at the Hospital with*