



BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE OF PAKISTAN MEDICAL COMMISSION

In the matter of

Complaint No. PF.8-2112/2022-DC-PMC

Complaint through PM Portal against Dr. Sabar Ali Butt (20836-P)

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

Present:

Dr. Sabar Ali Butt (20836-P)	Respondent
Hearing dated	21.11.2022

I. FACTUAL BACKGROUND

1. A Complaint was received from Prime Minister Citizen's Portal at the Pakistan Medical Commission (the "Commission") on 09.03.2022 against Dr. Sabar Ali Butt (the "Respondent") working at Sabri Surgical Hospital Ameen Pur Bangla, Faisalabad (the "Hospital"). The Complaint reveals that the Respondent is misrepresenting himself and has mentioned multiple degrees with his name which are not authentic/registered.

II. SHOW CAUSE NOTICE TO RESPONDENT, DR. SABAR ALI BUTT

2. In view of information, a Show Cause Notice dated 03.08.2022 was issued to the Respondent, in the following terms:

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“... ”

4. **WHEREAS**, in terms of information, it is observed that, you are practicing at Sabri Surgical Hospital Ameen Pur Bangla, Faisalabad; and
5. **WHEREAS**, you are registered with Pakistan Medical Commission under Registration No. 20836-P, whereby you have got the degree of Basic Medical Qualification (MBBS) only. Whereas, in terms of information, you are carrying out practice of specialty and qualification(s) imprinted on your prescription pad are as follows:

Dr. Sabar Ali Butt
MBBS (Pb), RMP (Pk), M.U.S.F (Pk),
M.A.I.U.M (USA), Fellowship Ultrasound (USA),
F.T.I.D.U (Tokyo), M.S.M.Phill (Ultrasound),
Ph.D Scholar (Diagnostic Ultrasound),
Consultant Sonologist,
Member American Institute of Ultrasound Medicine,
Member Ultrasound Society of Pakistan,
Certified in Advanced Color Doppler Ultrasound Imaging from Toronomon Institute of Diagnostic Ultrasound,
Specialist at Intensive Ultrasonography.

6. **WHEREAS**, in terms of documents available on record, and information available on other social media networking accounts, you are delivering online lectures and offering "Online Ultrasound Course" of 3 months at Sabir Ultrasound Training Institute, Ghulam Muhammad Abad Faisalabad, and
7. **WHEREAS**, a general practitioner cannot practice in the field or specialty without requisite qualification duly recognized by the Commission and represent as having acquired or seek to practice a specialty unless same is recognized by the Commission. Furthermore, no registered licensee shall use or publish in any manner whatsoever any title, description or symbol indicating that or intended to lead persons to infer that he possesses any additional or other professional qualification unless, the same is registered on his license by the Commission. Therefore, in view of the facts mentioned above your conduct of representing yourself as a specialist/consultant and publishing unauthorized qualifications is in violation of Section 29 (2), (8), (10) & 13 of the Act, read with Regulation 8 (2) of Code of Ethics of Practice for medical and dental practitioners, Regulations, 2011. ...”

III. REPLY OF RESPONDENT, DR. SABAR ALI BUTT

3. The Respondent, Dr. Sabar Ali Butt submitted his reply to the Show Cause Notice on 05.09.2022, wherein he contended that:

a. *The issued Show Cause Notice is based upon incomplete and wrong information. The Complaint does not contain any actionable claims, relevant evidences or their sources. Further, how has the Complainant seen the prescription pad of the Respondent. Thus, the Complaint is based upon vague, wrong and unsatisfactory information which is not trust worthy and is liable to be discarded.*

b. *Complainant is correct to the extent of registration of the Respondent as a doctor with the Commission, however, no documentary evidence related to the allegations is attached to the Show Cause Notice or has been submitted by the Complainant. A detailed reply is furnished as under:*

- *MBBS(Pb) - correct.*
- *RMP (Pk) - correct.*
- *M.U.S.F (Pk) – Yes, Dr. Sabar Ali Butt has life time membership of Ultrasound society of Pakistan*
- *M.A.LUM (USA) Member of American Institute of Ultrasound Medicine.*
- *Fellowship Ultrasound (USA) – The respondent has the membership.*
- *F.T.IDU (Tokyo) Fellowship of Toronomon Institute of Diagnostic Ultrasound.*
(last four are mere memberships of either any institution or ultrasound society)
- *M.S M. Phill. - This degree has been awarded to the respondent by the University of Labore which is dully attested by HEC Pakistan.*
- *Ph. D Scholar (Diagnostic Ultrasound) - It is correct that Dr. Sabar Ali Butt is a scholar of Ph. D of University of Labore and a certificate has also been obtained from the University of Labore to verify this fact and the same is also attached herewith.*
- *Consultant Sonologist – The respondent emphasized that this information is wrong and is not supported with any documentary evidence rather certain fake, fictitious, fabricated and self-made documents have been provided, whereas the prescription pad of Dr. Sabar Ali Butt and file rapper as a proof is being attached herewith to nullify this wrong allegation.*

c. *The respondent addressed that the Complainant has provided wrong/ incorrect information. Sabri Ultrasound is a private institute being run under the command and control of certain person who are working for the welfare of society and the respondent is working there just as a director Medical affair.*