



**BEFORE THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE OF PAKISTAN MEDICAL & DENTAL  
COUNCIL**

In the matter of

Complaint No. PF.8-2044/2021-DC/PMC

Ms. Razia Sultana against Dr. Shireen Kazmi (41769-P) & Dr. Muhammad Nadeem (29015-P)

Prof. Dr. Muhammad Zubair Khan	Chairman
Barrister Ch. Sultan Mansoor	Secretary
Prof. Dr. Mahmud Aurangzeb	Member (online)
Mr. Jawad Amin Khan	Member (online)
Specialty Expert	

*Present:*

Dr. Shireen Kazmi (41769-P)	Respondent No. 1
Dr. Muhammad Nadeem (29015-P)	Respondent No. 2
Hearing dated	12.12.2024

**I. FACTUAL BACKGROUND**

1. The instant complaint was referred from the Honorable Medical Tribunal, Islamabad through its order dated 25.10.2021 to the erstwhile Pakistan Medical Commission. Mst/ Razia Sultana (the "Complainant") had submitted a complaint against Dr. Shireen Kazmi (the "Respondent No. 1") and Dr. Muhammad Nadeem (the "Respondent No. 2"). The Complainant alleged negligence and mistreatment on the part of Respondents while treating her daughter, Ms Saima Irum \*the "Patient"). The relevant para of the order of the Medical Tribunal dated 25.10.2021, is as under:



*“... Accordingly, the complaint/petition is disposed of, with direction to the PMC to proceed with the matter on merit and render a decision in accordance with law and justice at the earliest ...”*

2. Briefly, the patient had been allegedly administered slow poison and was negligently treated by the Respondents when she was taken to the Shifa International Hospital, Islamabad (the “Hospital”). Complainant stated that patient was taken to Hospital on 03.09.2019 by her son and his wife and admitted in ICU, thereafter, Complainant was informed through the lawyer of her son regarding the patient being in ICU. Further, when the patient was taken to Respondents at the Hospital, she was alive and in her senses, where she was given slow poisoning, allegedly suffered a fall and her ventilator support was also removed with intent to kill the patient, who expired on 04.09.2019.
3. The Complainant stated that the medical records of the patient had been tampered, in view of the malafide of the Respondents.

## II. SHOW CAUSE NOTICE ISSUED TO RESPONDENT NO. 1

4. In view of the allegations leveled in the complaint; a Show Cause Notice dated 24.10.2022 was issued to the Respondent No.1, in the following terms:

“... ”

*“...3. WHEREAS, a Complaint by Ms. Razia Sultana has been forwarded by the Medical Tribunal to the Disciplinary Committee of the Commission (the "Complaint") which is enclosed along with its annexures and shall be read as an integral part of this notice; and*

*4. WHEREAS, in terms of the complaint, it has been alleged that you negligently treated Ms. Saima Irum (the "Patient") against her Extensive Subarachnoid Hemorrhage, identified by CT Scan. It is further alleged by the Complainant that you acted with ulterior motives while treating the patient, who collapsed. Due to negligent treatment provided by you and carelessly you removed the patient from ventilator even though she was alive, causing patient's death; and; ...”*

## III. REPLY OF RESPONDENT NO. 1

5. The Respondent No. 1 submitted his response on 23.11.2022, wherein she stated, in terms that:

*“...4. That the allegations are denied. It is pertinent to mention that the Patient was neither treated nor was ever under the care of the Respondent therefore, the allegations of ulterior motive, negligent treatment and carelessly removing the Patient from ventilator are reprehensible and vehemently denied.*



5. *That penalty should not be imposed on the Respondent as per the aforementioned reason in para no. 4 that the Patient was neither treated nor was ever under the care of the Respondent. ...”*

#### IV. SHOW CAUSE NOTICE ISSUED TO RESPONDENT NO. 2

6. In view of the allegations leveled in the complaint; a Show Cause Notice dated 24.10.2022 was issued to the Respondent No.2, in the following terms:

“... ”

*“...3. WHEREAS, a Complaint by Ms. Razia Sultana has been forwarded by the Medical Tribunal to the Disciplinary Committee of the Commission (the "Complaint") which is enclosed along with its annexures and shall be read as an integral part of this notice; and*

*4. WHEREAS, in terms of the complaint, it has been alleged that you negligently treated Ms. Saima Irum (the "Patient") against her Extensive Subarachnoid Hemorrhage, identified by CT Scan. It is further alleged by the Complainant that the patient collapsed and due to mala fide treatment provided by you and you deliberately removed the patient from ventilator even though she was alive, causing patient's death; and ...”*

#### V. REPLY OF RESPONDENT NO. 2

7. The Respondent No. 2 submitted his response on 23.11.2022, wherein he stated, in terms that:

*“... The matter and substance of the complaint filed by the complainant now is the same as per the complaint that was filed earlier and my reply is the same as was submitted earlier to PMC's letter dated 04.07.2022 which is annexed herewith. Penalty should not be imposed on the Respondent as the allegations of negligent treatment of the Patient against Subarachnoid Hemorrhage, mala fide treatment and deliberate removal of Patient from ventilator are absolutely false, baseless and unfounded accusations and therefore, denied in entirety by the Respondent. It is pertinent to mention that from the complaint it appears that this is a family issue/ dispute between the Complainant and her son (Mr. Muhammad Irfan) whom she is blaming and holding responsible for her daughter's death and through the complaint the Complainant, in the particular circumstances, has unnecessarily roped in the Respondent. ...”*

#### VI. REJOINDER OF COMPLAINANT

8. A letter for rejoinder was sent to the Complainant on 24.11.2022 enclosing the comments received from the Respondent doctors, directing her to submit her response. The complainant



submitted her reply on 07.12.2022 wherein she contended that she is unable to submit rejoinder because the order of the Medical Tribunal has not been complied.

9. Notwithstanding, a letter dated 15.12.2022 from this Council, conveyed to the Complainant medical record received from the Hospital, as well. However, Complainant requested a further period of four weeks to submit rejoinder, which has not been received, till date.

## VII. HEARING

10. The matter was fixed for hearing before the Disciplinary Committee for 12.12.2024. Notices dated 04.12.2024 were issued to the Complainant and the Respondents, directing them to appear before the Disciplinary Committee on 12.12.2024.
11. On the date of hearing, the Respondents were present before the Disciplinary Committee, in person. However, the Complainant did not appear before the Disciplinary Committee today.
12. The Disciplinary Committee notes that the Complainant has not appeared today, despite service of notice of hearing. However, in the interest of justice, the Disciplinary Committee recommends to provide another opportunity to the Complainant to appear and if he fails to show up in the next meeting, the instant complaint shall be decided ex-parte on the basis of available record. Fresh Notices of appearance shall be issued to the Complainant and the Respondent to appear before the Disciplinary Committee in its next meeting.
13. The case is adjourned in the above terms.

**Professor Dr. Muhammad Zubair Khan**  
Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_ January, 2025