



*Honourable*  
**SUPREME COURT  
MATTER  
MOST URGENT  
IMMEDIATE  
TIME LIMIT CASE**

No. L-II-7-67/2014  
GOVERNMENT OF SINDH  
LABOUR & HUMAN RESOURCES  
DEPARTMENT

Karachi, dated the 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2015

To,

The Secretary, Information,  
Information Department,  
Government of Sindh,  
Karachi.

**SUBJECT: PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGN FOR SILICOSIS.**

The Honourable Supreme Court of Pakistan in H.R.C. No. 16143-P/2014 have issued directions to the Labour Department of all the provinces to start public awareness campaign about the deadly occupational diseases especially silicosis. A copy of Supreme Court Order dated 08-06-2015 is enclosed. Relevant portion i.e. Para-6 of the Order is reproduced below:

"6. The information departments and other relevant government departments should also ensure the dissemination of information both in relation to occupational diseases and also as to the facilities which the governments make available for redressing such diseases. In paragraph 5 of our dated 04-06-2015 we have directed as under:-

*"The Federation PEMRA and Information/Labour/Environment Departments of the Provinces shall devise and submit in Court a plan for effective dissemination through radio, television etc. for the information of the general public and to provide for help lines or other ways in which affectees can be facilitated in getting redress."*

Apparently no effort has been made in furtherance of the above objective. It is to be noted that the licenses from PEMRA are obliged by the terms of their licenses to provide up to 10% transmission time, free of cost to the government for disseminating public interest information. The learned Law Officers should therefore, submit a report in this behalf before the next date of hearing"

2. In consonance with above orders of Honourable Supreme Court of Pakistan, the department has prepared some pamphlets in Urdu for publication for general information of the public (copies of these pamphlets and CD is enclosed).

3. You are requested to please get it publish in all leading Newspaper (Urdu, Sindhi and English & Electronic Media) immediately, enabling this department to submit report before the Honourable Supreme Court of Pakistan on next date of hearing i.e. 02-09-2015.

(ASIF ALI MEMON)  
ADDITIONAL SECRETARY LABOUR

C.c. to:-

1. Focal Person to Chief Secretary Sindh for Court Cases.
2. The Additional Advocate General Sindh, Supreme Court Building, Islamabad.
3. P. S to Secretary Labour & HR Department Sindh.