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PUNJAB INFORMATION COMMISSION  
GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB  
64-Nursery Lane, Lawrence Road, Lahore  
042-99205794  
Date 18-7-2018

To  
Worthy Vice Chancellor,  
Government College University,  
Lahore.

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Subject: Alarming Number of RTI Complaints Against GCU

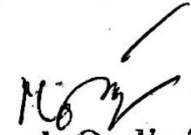
The Punjab Information Commission has received approximately 72 RTI complaints a couple of days ago filed by two citizens. The same citizens have already been filing a large number of RTI complaints only against GCU, Lahore. The filling of most of RTI applications by same persons and conversion of all of them into RTI complaints reflect something dubious or poor functions of public information officer GCU Lahore.

2. It is reminded that under the law a public information officer can decline the provision of any information invoking any of exemptions provided u/s 13 of RTI Act 2013 but through a speaking order. However in other cases PIO should ensure the provision of information within 14 days positively.

3. The Commission is further concerned for pursuance of all RTI complaints before Commission through law officers thereby adding huge financial burden for the institution. In cases of all other institutions only PIOs appear in keeping with the spirit of law.

4. It appears that Registrar office is probably not paying due attention to ensure the disposal of RTI applications at the level of GCU Lahore and

contributing to financial burden by letting all RTI applications to convert into RTI complaints and then appearance of a counsel in each case. You being VC of a most prestigious institution are requested to kindly look into the issues and direct the Registrar to appear in person before the Commission on 22.07.2019 at 01:00 PM along-with Public Information Officer to discuss in the interest of institution and implementation of RTI law.



(Mahboob Qadir Shah)  
Chief Information Commissioner

CC to:

The Registrar, Government College University Lahore.