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Message from the Minister
Overseas Pakistanis Commission, Punjab

It is a matter of pride to present this Annual Report of the Overseas Pakistanis Commission, Punjab, which reflects the Government of Punjab's strong resolve to serve Overseas Pakistanis and recognise them as vital partners in the province's development journey. Overseas Pakistanis represent a powerful bridge between Punjab and the world—contributing to economic growth, social development, and the global image of Pakistan. They have consistently played a transformative role through record remittances; investments in housing, industry, agriculture, and services; and by sharing skills and innovation gained abroad. Their contribution goes far beyond economics: they act as cultural ambassadors, strengthening Punjab's global connections and reinforcing trust in its future.

During the past year, under the leadership and guidance of the Government of Punjab, the Commission has undertaken significant initiatives to safeguard the rights and interests of Overseas Pakistanis. Priority has been given to improving grievance redressal mechanisms, strengthening legal support, and enhancing coordination with district administrations and provincial departments. The introduction of technology-driven solutions has improved accessibility, transparency, and responsiveness, ensuring that Overseas Pakistanis can engage with public institutions without barriers of distance. A key focus of the Commission's work has been the protection of property and inheritance rights—an area of deep concern for Overseas Pakistanis. Through close collaboration with the Board of Revenue, police, and district authorities, tangible progress has been made in addressing land-related disputes and expediting their resolution.

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I extend my sincere gratitude to the Government of Punjab for its continued trust and support, to our dedicated team for their professionalism, and to Overseas Pakistanis across the world for their confidence in the province. Together, we will continue to build a relationship based on trust, inclusion, and shared prosperity, ensuring that Overseas Pakistanis remain an integral part of Punjab's present and future.

BARRISTER AMJAD MALIK
Minister
Overseas Pakistanis Commission
Punjab





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GLOBAL LINKAGES AND DIASPORA MANAGEMENT

Public Relationing, Trust, Care and empathy

Ambassador Khorev called on the Chief Minister of Punjab, Maryam Nawaz Sharif. Both sides discussed a wide range of matters of mutual interest, including ways to strengthen inter-regional ties between Russia and Pakistan, as well as cooperation in education and culture.
Chief Minister of Punjab Maryam Nawaz held a significant meeting with the Belgian Ambassador to Pakistan, Charles Delcour de Romerzeele, discussing avenues to enhance bilateral cooperation and strengthen ties between the two countries.

Chinese Ambassador Jiang Zaidong met Pakistan Muslim League–Nawaz (PML-N) President Nawaz Sharif and Punjab Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz Sharif to explore opportunities for enhancing cooperation in the technology, business, and investment sectors.
Chief Minister Punjab Maryam Nawaz Sharif met H.E. Mr. Sebastián Sayús, Ambassador of Argentina to Pakistan, to discuss options for promoting cooperation in the fields of livestock, agriculture, information technology, and other industrial sectors.

Pakistan Muslim League–Nawaz (PML-N) Senior Vice President Maryam Nawaz met British High Commissioner Jane Marriott in Raiwind. She congratulated Jane Marriott on her diplomatic responsibilities in Pakistan and discussed matters of mutual interest during the meeting, held in Lahore.



Pakistan Muslim League- Nawaz (PML-N) Senior Vice President **Maryam Nawaz** on Friday met British High Commissioner Jane Marriott in Raiwind. Maryam congratulated Jane Marriott on her diplomatic responsibilities in Pakistan and discussed matters of mutual interest during the meeting held in Lahore.



Russian Ambassador Call on CM Maryam Nawaz



Belgium Ambassador meeting with CM Maryam Nawaz



Chinese Ambassador meeting with CM Maryam Nawaz



Argentina Ambassador meeting with CM Maryam Nawaz



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JAPAN VISIT

Partnerships and adopting Japanese technological models for Punjab's urban and industrial growth.

Chief Minister Maryam Nawaz Sharif conducted a landmark official visit to Japan, becoming the first female Chief Minister of Punjab to receive a special invitation from the Japanese Government. The tour, which spanned Tokyo, Yokohama, and Osaka, focused on establishing "city-to-city" partnerships and adopting Japanese technological models for Punjab's urban and industrial growth.

Urban development in Yokohama

The Chief Minister met Yokohama city officials to discuss modern urban planning, sanitation, and wastewater treatment. She expressed a vision to model the Ravi Urban Development Authority (RUDA) on Yokohama's industrial and environmental systems.

World Expo 2025, Osaka

A primary highlight was her visit to World Expo 2025 in Osaka. She toured the Pakistan Pavilion, which showcased Punjab's heritage—including Ajrak and blue pottery—to over 1.2 million visitors.

Industrial and dairy cooperation

CM Maryam visited the headquarters of Morinaga, inviting the dairy giant to expand its investment in Punjab's livestock sector, specifically for baby food and export-quality meat production.

Infrastructure and technology

Discussions were held on high-speed rail links between Lahore and Islamabad and the potential for Japanese-standard road construction in Punjab.



Maryam Nawaz Sharif during her visit to Yokohama Japan



CM Maryam Nawaz Meeting with Japan's Ambassador



Meeting of CM Maryam Nawaz with Japan's senior Estate Minister



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BRAZIL VISIT

Inauguration of the "Pakistan Pavilion" at COP30

Chief Minister Punjab Maryam Nawaz Sharif visited Brazil to present her vision on climate resilience, a clean Punjab, electric vehicles, and the protection and promotion of forests and wildlife at the global COP30 Conference. She delivered a keynote address on her vision and measures for environmental improvement in Punjab. The COP30 Conference continued until 21 November. On the occasion, the Chief Minister also met world leaders, the leadership of international environmental organisations, and experts. Senior Provincial Minister Marriyum Aurangzeb, Minister for Education Rana Sikandar Hayat, and Minister for Local Government Zeeshan Rafique were also accompanying her on the visit.

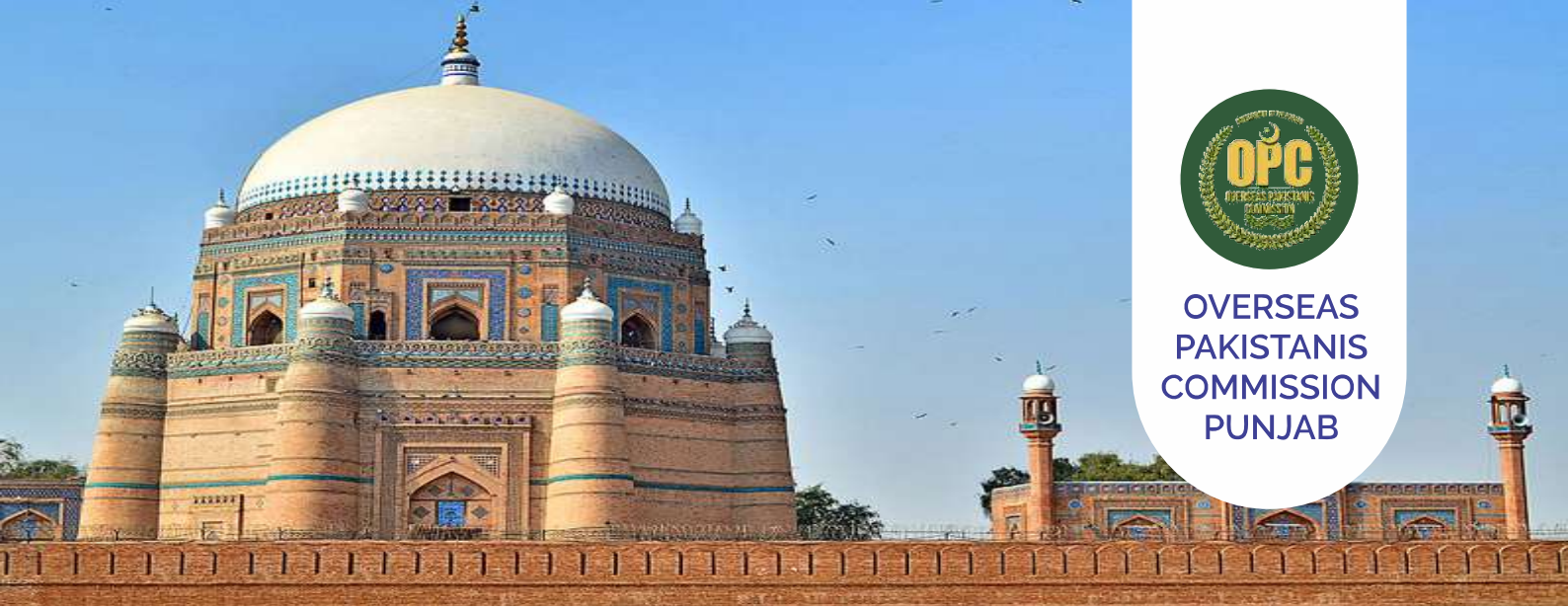




Maryam Nawaz, Jacinda Ardern Inaugurate Pakistan Pavilion at COP30 in Brazil



CM Maryam Nawaz Sharif Meets World Bank Global Director for Climate Change Group Valerie Hikey at COP-30 Conference in Brazil

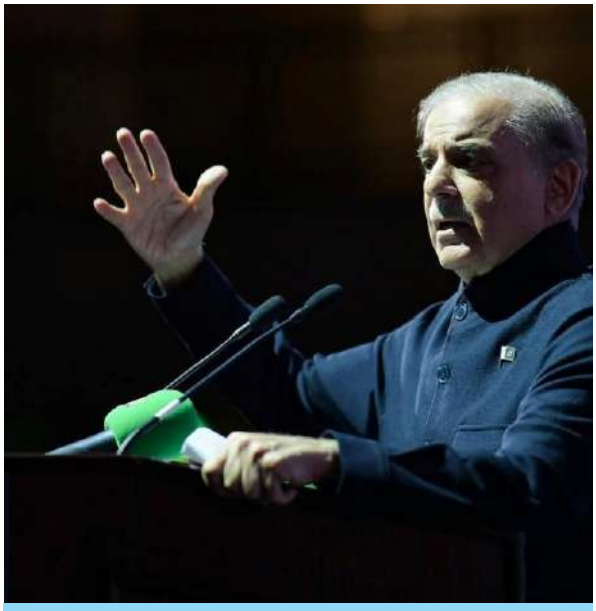


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LONDON CONVENTION OF OVERSEAS

Prime Minister Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif participated in and addressed a convention of Overseas Pakistanis in London. Addressing "young colleagues, distinguished guests, and Overseas Pakistanis," the Prime Minister said it was a matter of great honour and pleasure for him to be present before Overseas Pakistanis. He described Overseas Pakistanis as great ambassadors of the country who work day and night across the world—including in Europe, Britain, North America, and the Middle East—earning an honourable livelihood. He noted that in the past year they had sent $38.5 billion to Pakistan through their hard work, a valuable asset for the country, and saluted all Overseas Pakistanis for it.

The Prime Minister said the value of Overseas Pakistanis is greater than gold and jewels, and paid tribute to them for defending Pakistan both economically and politically. Whether working abroad as a doctor, engineer, businessman, or labourer, he said, they have raised the dignity of Pakistanis across the world through their hard work, honesty, and excellence.



PM Shehbaz Sharif is addressing the overseas convention



PM, Deputy PM and Defence Minister at the overseas convention



participants of overseas pakistanis at London Convention



PM, with overseas pakistanis at London Convention



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PAKISTAN DEFENCE DAY

On the occasion of Defence Day, the Minister for the Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission, Barrister Amjad Malik, said that this is the day of those ghazis and martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the country. He saluted the mothers who happily sacrificed their sons to protect the homeland. Defence Day, he said, is not just a day but a thought—the thought that has nurtured, protected, and sustained Pakistan ever since its creation.







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MINISTER MEET UPs

Naina Khan, met with Vice Chairperson, Punjab OPC, Barrister Amjad Malik, and Commissioner, Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission, Ms. Saman Rai. The meeting included detailed discussions on solutions to the problems of Overseas Pakistanis and on welfare projects.









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MINISTER MEET UPs

Shahid Mahmood, Chief Executive / Director, MK EC (Pvt.) Ltd., hosted a gala dinner in honour of Vice Chairperson, Punjab OPC, Barrister Amjad Malik. On this occasion, Shahid Mahmood congratulated Barrister Amjad Malik on the establishment of the Overseas Pakistanis Commission Punjab Facilitation Center and the effective steps taken for the immediate resolution of the problems of Overseas Pakistanis. Appreciating the services of Barrister Amjad Malik, he paid tribute to the Government of Pakistan and the Government of Punjab for their initiatives, such as the establishment of special courts for immigrants.

The event was attended by esteemed legal figures and Overseas Pakistanis, including Rana Abrar Hussain from Japan; Irfan Toor and Hassan Toor from the UAE; Omar Hanjra from Australia; Hassan Shahid from Turkey; and other prominent personalities. Local heroes included Olympians Akhtar Rasool, Shahbaz Senior, and Rana Mujahid. Former Human Rights Minister and President of the PML-N's Central Minority Wing Kamran Michael, and former PML-N Secretary Nadeem Mir, were special guests.

Ayesha Tahseen and Assistant Attorney General Sonia Babra Jadoon were special participants on behalf of the women. Tahseen Qadri assisted Barrister Amjad Malik. Punjab Minister for Zakat and Ushr Rashid Nasrullah, participating in the special session, appreciated the services and positive role of Overseas Pakistanis. Barrister Amjad Malik presented a commemorative shield to Shahid Mahmood and invited all participants to visit the Overseas Pakistanis Commission, Punjab.









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MINISTER MEET UPs

Haseeb Ullah Khan (Advocate), former Vice Chairman LTBA and Convener, Regional Standing Committee Punjab for Legal Education, FPCCI, along with his delegation, called on Vice Chairperson, Punjab OPC, Barrister Amjad Malik. Barrister Amrat Ahmed Sheikh, Zakar-ur-Rehman Nol, Ms. Ambreen Yousaf, Usman Latif, Burhanuddin, Naila Noreen, Salma Niazi, and Zahida Bhatti were also part of the delegation. Issues of Overseas Pakistanis, legal assistance, and the promotion of business cooperation were discussed. Advocate Haseebullah thanked Barrister Amjad Malik and reiterated that, on behalf of their organisation, they would work together for the welfare of the people.









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Facilitation Center, Overseas Pakistanis

In line with the vision of Chief Minister Punjab Maryam Nawaz Sharif, the Overseas Pakistanis Commission established a Facilitation Centre.

Minister and Vice Chairperson Barrister Amjad Malik visited the newly established facilitation centre for Overseas Pakistanis in Lahore. Commissioner Overseas, Ms. Saman Rai, and the staff of the Overseas Commission welcomed him and briefed him on the working of the facility, where Overseas Pakistanis will have their issues resolved under one roof.

This desk will provide immediate and direct facilities to Overseas Pakistanis in respect of the Police Khidmat Markaz, PLRA, and NADRA. Overseas Pakistanis will be able to register their complaints and issues at the centre and have them resolved in a timely manner. The establishment of this facilitation desk will provide better guidance and support to the overseas community.





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PERFORMANCE REVIEW MEETING

A high-level meeting was held at the Overseas Pakistanis Commission Punjab, chaired by Minister and Vice Chairperson Barrister Amjad Malik. The meeting was attended by Commissioner OPC Punjab, Ms. Saman Rai; DG OPC Ahmer Naik; Director Admin Aamir Ahmed Khan; Director (Police Matters) Imtiaz Ahmed Khan; and Director Revenue Muhammad Shoaib Naswana, among other officers. The overall performance of the Commission was reviewed in detail, and a special briefing was given on the grievance redressal system, which was described as effective, fast, and people-friendly. The Vice Chairperson and Commissioner Saman Rai expressed satisfaction with the Commission's performance.

The Vice Chairperson said the effective grievance redressal system had further strengthened the trust of Overseas Pakistanis in the institution. He added that the Commission need not stop at its current achievements but must introduce better facilities and modern measures so that the problems of Overseas Pakistanis can be resolved more quickly and transparently.















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Leadership of the Overseas Pakistanis Commission (meeting with PERA)

The high-level meeting between the leadership of the Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission (OPC) and PERA marks a significant step toward strengthening institutional support for expatriates. Minister and Vice Chairperson Barrister Amjad Malik and Commissioner Ms. Saman Rai of the Punjab OPC engaged in strategic discussions with DG PERA, Farrukh Attique.

Their primary focus was to outline actionable, collaborative mechanisms that leverage inter-departmental resources to better serve the diaspora. This synergy is designed to ensure that Overseas Pakistanis receive streamlined facilitation, robust administrative protection, and comprehensive support.









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LAHORE MUSEUM VISIT

Minister, Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission, Barrister Amjad Malik; Commissioner, Punjab OPC, Ms. Saman Rai; DG, Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission, Mr. Ahmer Naik; and Director Admin, Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission, Mr. Aamir Ahmed Khan visited the Lahore Museum. They were given a guided tour of the museum's rich collections, exploring the diverse heritage and cultural treasures preserved there. The distinguished guests expressed their gratitude for the courtesy extended by the Director, Lahore Museum, during their visit.

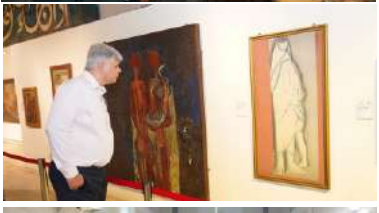




















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e-KATCHERY (OPEN COURT)

Under the vision of the Chief Minister Punjab and Chairperson, Overseas Pakistanis Commission Punjab, Ms. Maryam Nawaz, and as part of the "Public Relations Campaign," Vice Chairperson Barrister Amjad Malik and the Commissioner OPC held monthly online open courts.

The Vice Chairperson heard the complaints of Overseas Pakistani citizens and issued orders for their immediate resolution. Commissioner Saman Rai gave a special briefing on the steps taken for Overseas Pakistanis. The public welcomed the establishment of the special courts.















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THE OVERSEAS PAKISTANIS PULSE SURVEY

The Government of Punjab is embarking on a strategic mission to bridge the gap between the motherland and its vibrant diaspora. The recent Overseas Pakistanis Commission (OPC) Pulse Survey offers a compelling analysis of the demographics, engagement levels, and untapped potential of our community abroad. With over 10.5 million views and thousands of active interactions, the digital footprint of this initiative underscores a powerful truth: the diaspora is listening, and it is ready to engage.

Audience demographics

The survey reveals a highly influential and mature audience, characterised by professional stability and significant capacity for contribution.

- The power demographic: over 78% of viewers fall between the ages of 25 and 44.
- Primary age group: the 35–44 bracket represents the largest share, at 43%.
- Secondary age group: the 25–34 group accounts for 35% of the audience.

Geographic reach

While the Pakistani diaspora is global, the survey indicates a particularly strong presence in the Middle East, with nearly half of total views originating from the UAE (22%) and Saudi Arabia (22%). Engagement also remains notable in the following regions:

- Pakistan: 29%
- United Kingdom: 10%
- United States: 5%

Interaction analysis

With 7,787 total interactions, the overseas community has demonstrated a high level of engagement with the Government's outreach efforts.

- Reactions: 6,740 (86.5%)
- Comments: 686 (8.8%)
- Shares: 204 (2.6%)

Strategic objectives

The primary objective of this data collection is to transform insights into actionable policies. The Government of Punjab is actively exploring methods to leverage this immense pool of talent and capital through several key pillars:

- Expertise identification: determining what the diaspora can specifically offer to the Government of Punjab.
- Knowledge transfer: identifying how the Government can best leverage the expertise of overseas professionals.
- Skilled migration: facilitating the migration and integration of skilled professionals back into the domestic economy.
- Economic growth: tapping into the potential of businessmen, professionals, and philanthropists to harness new growth opportunities.

"The survey focused on identifying measures the Government may undertake to encourage meaningful and mutually beneficial engagement."



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MEETING WITH IG PUNJAB

for redressal of Overseas Pakistanis complaints

In a proactive step toward addressing the grievances of Overseas Pakistanis, Ms. Saman Rai, Commissioner Overseas Pakistanis Commission Punjab, visited Inspector General (IG) Punjab, Dr. Usman Anwar, to discuss effective mechanisms for the redressal of complaints lodged by Pakistani expatriates. The Commissioner's team provided a detailed briefing on the existing complaint-handling process and the police's response strategies, emphasising the need for streamlined operations to serve the diaspora community better.

At the district level, District Police Officers (DPOs) are already holding regular meetings to ensure the timely disposal of complaints from Overseas Pakistanis—an initiative that has proven effective in resolving issues promptly. The IG directed all DPOs to prioritise these matters with the utmost attention, underscoring that such efforts can vastly improve outcomes under established protocols and rules. The visiting team included the Director General and a Director of the Overseas Pakistanis Commission, highlighting strong institutional collaboration. This engagement reinforces Punjab Police's commitment to supporting Overseas Pakistanis, fostering trust and efficient service delivery.





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ABOUT OVERSEAS PAKISTANIS COMMISSION

Core mandate and purpose

The Overseas Pakistanis Commission (OPC) Punjab was established under the Punjab Overseas Pakistanis Commission Act to safeguard the interests of the diaspora. Its primary mandate is to provide a dedicated platform for the redressal of grievances faced by Overseas Pakistanis, particularly concerning property disputes, land grabbing, and issues involving government agencies. Beyond dispute resolution, the OPC is tasked with facilitating investments, protecting the legal and civic rights of expatriates, and ensuring that their contributions to the national economy are met with institutional support and security.

Working and complaint redressal mechanism

The OPC operates through a streamlined, digital-first grievance redressal system. Overseas Pakistanis can lodge complaints from anywhere in the world via an online portal, a 24/7 helpline, or a dedicated helpdesk in Lahore. Once a complaint is scrutinised for eligibility, it is referred either to the relevant government department or to a District Overseas Pakistanis Committee (DOPC). A unique aspect of its working is the assignment of a dealing officer to every case, who tracks progress and ensures coordination between the complainant and the field formations. The process is time-bound, typically requiring an initial response, with a final resolution target set.













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District Overseas Pakistanis Committee's Meetings

The Commission's strategic focus remains centred on combating land-grabbing, ensuring the swift restoration of illegally occupied property, and providing a time-bound mechanism to resolve disputes involving government departments, law enforcement agencies, and private entities.

In line with the 2025–2026 reforms agenda, the Commission has integrated landmark innovations, such as the establishment of specialised overseas courts across 41 districts, which are legally mandated to fast-track property disputes within a six-month timeframe. To further enhance accessibility, the Commission has implemented digital witness recording at various Pakistani embassies, allowing the diaspora to testify in local courts without the need for international travel. These efforts are supported by enhanced standard operating procedures that require field formations, including police and revenue officers, to act within 72 hours of a verified complaint regarding property possession.







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COMMISSIONER'S VISITS/MEETINGS



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COMMISSIONER'S VISITS/MEETINGS (Gujranwala) (Faisalabad)









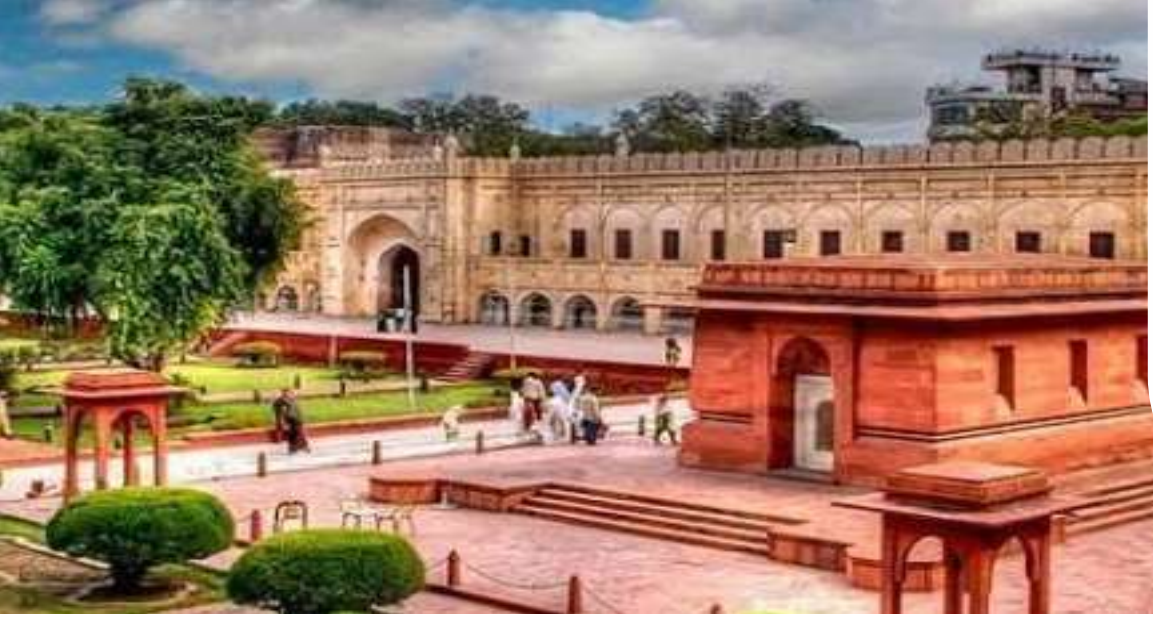




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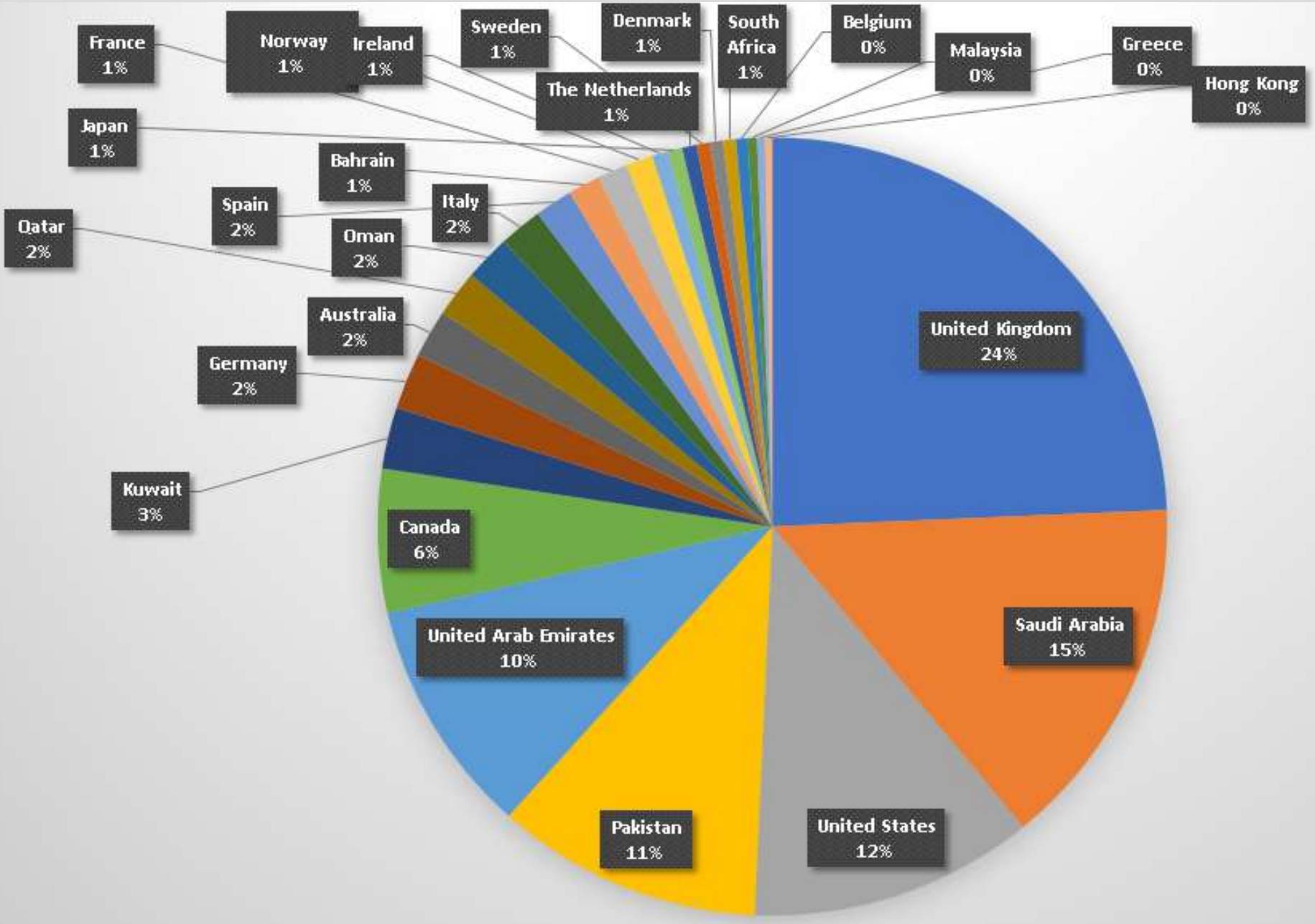
COMMISSIONER'S FAREWELL





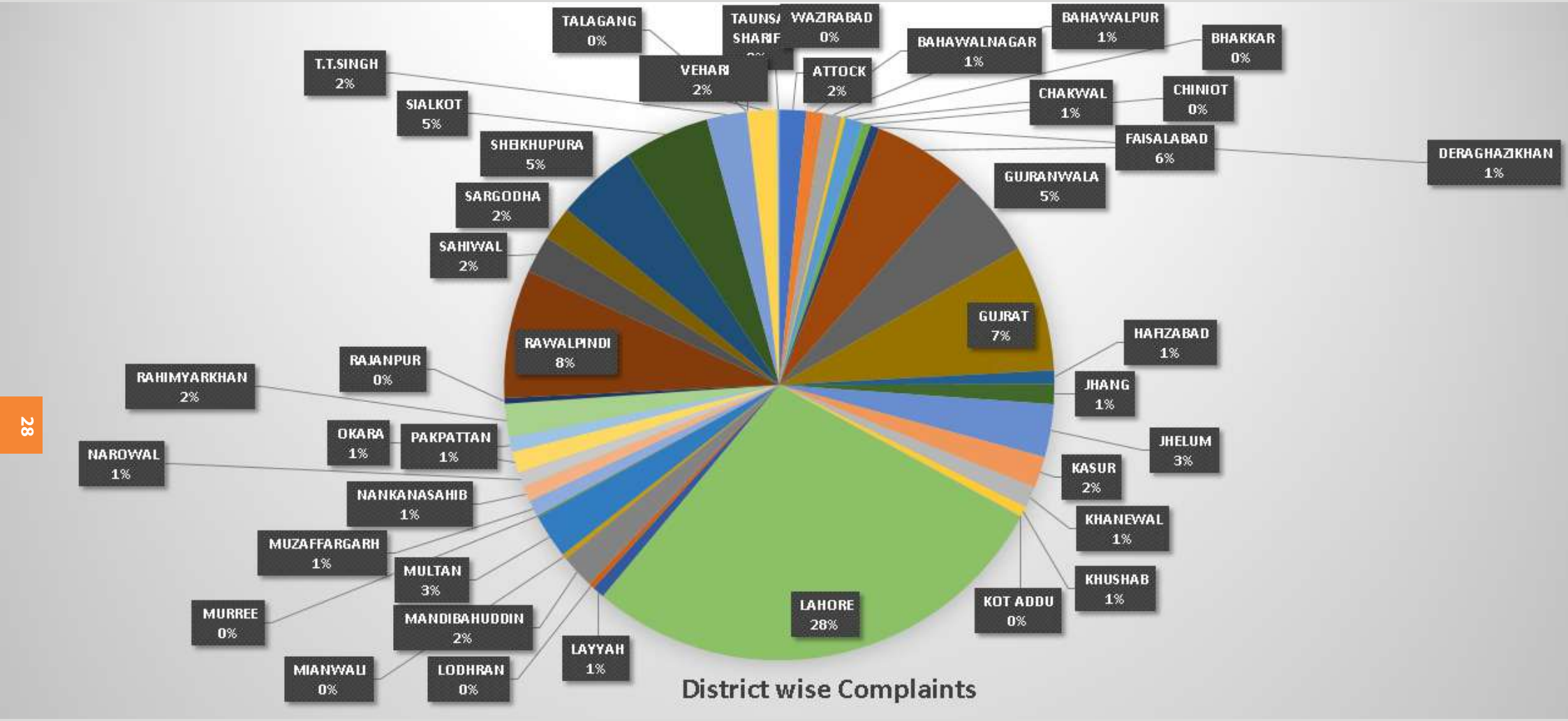


STATUS OF COMPLAINTS

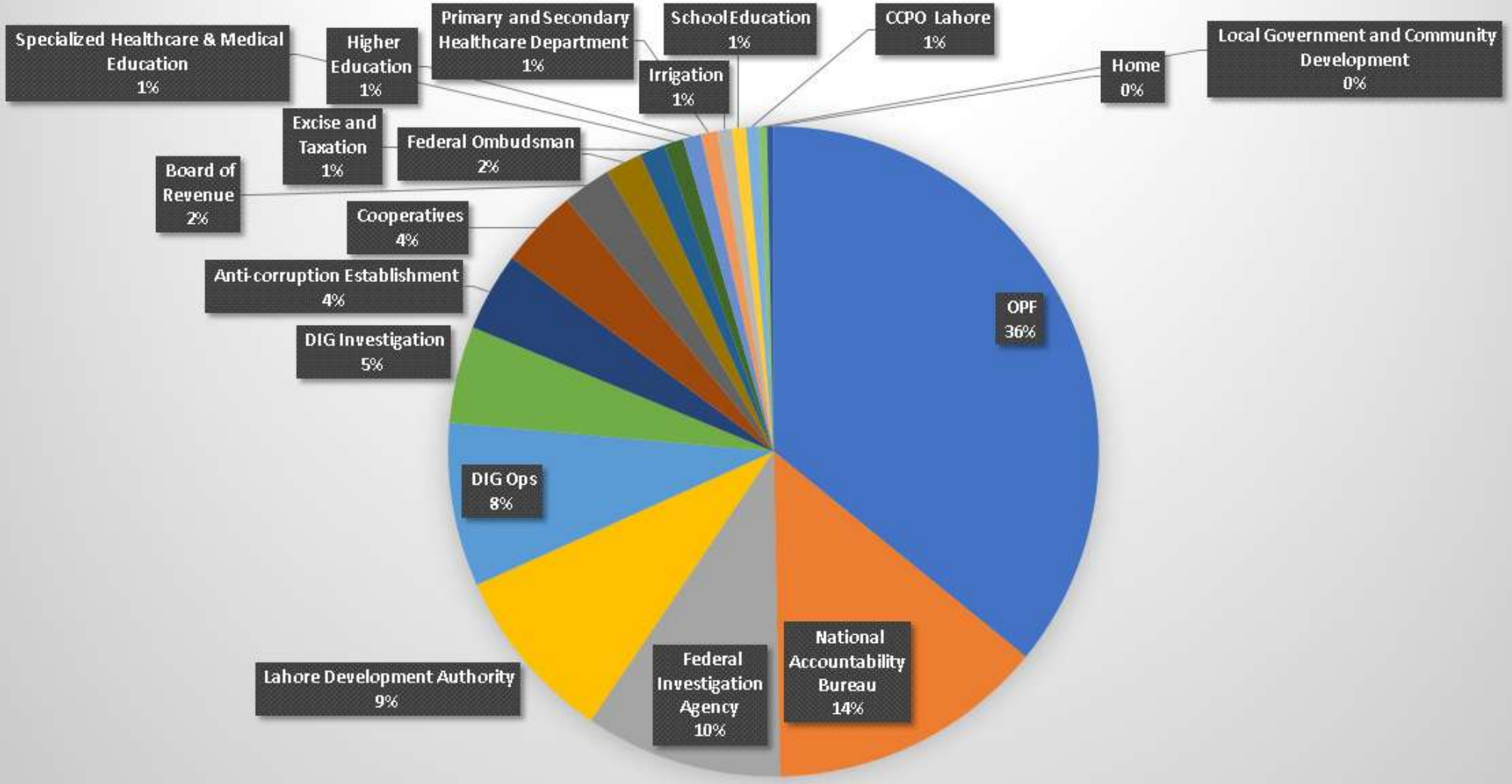


Country wise Complaints

DISTRICT WISE COMPLAINTS



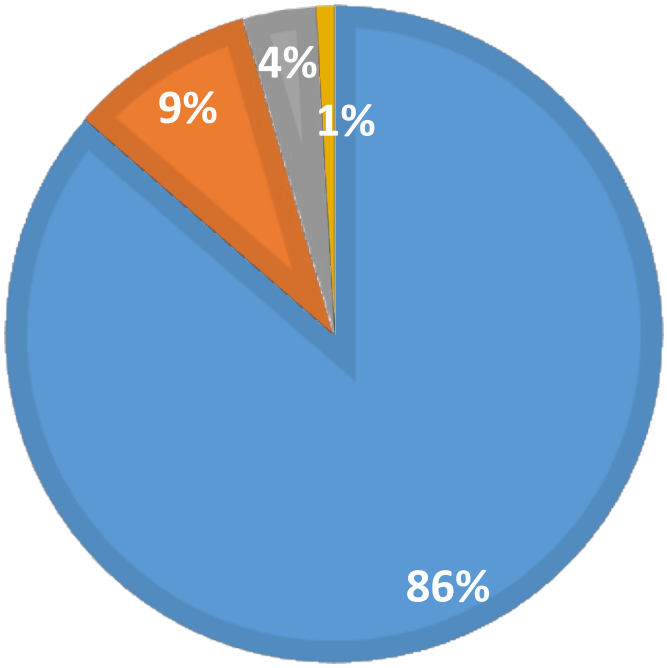
DEPARTMENT WISE COMPLAINTS





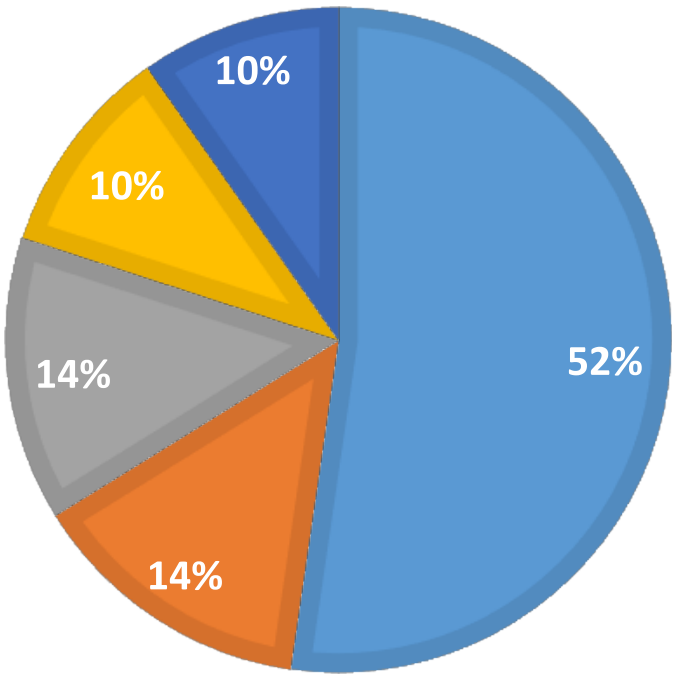
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STATUS OF COMPLAINTS



RESOLVED COMPLAINTS

- Total Complaints Received
- Total Complaints Disposed Of
- Pending with DOPC / Department
- Court Matters



TOP 5 DISTRICTS COMPLAINTS

- Lahore
- Gujrat
- Rawalpindi
- Faisalabad
- Gujranwala



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