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Ombudsman takes notice of negligence in neutralising stray dogs, shortage of vaccine in Islamabad

ISLAMABAD (OUR STAFF REPORT): Federal Ombudsman Syed Tahir Shahbaz has taken notice of authorities failing to neutralise the stray dogs and shortage of anti-rabies vaccine in the capital. In this context, residents of different sectors of Islamabad have filed complaints before the Federal Ombudsman for no action by Municipal Corporation Islamabad in neutralising stray dogs as it is a big threat to people. They stated that a number of people were bitten by these dogs but MCI is sleeping on this issue of public importance. The Federal Ombudsman by taking action in the matter has constituted a high-level committee under the headship of Secretary Wafaqi Mohtasib Shoaib Ahmed Siddiqui to resolve the issue of public importance. A special meeting was convened under the chair of Shoaib Ahmed Siddiqui which was attended by Sr. Adviser Appraisal Ejaz A. Qureshi; Aftab Akbar Durrani, Additional Secretary; Sardar M. Ashfaq Khan, DG, DG (CM) CDA Naveed Tareen, Director Sanitation MCI Fateh Mako, Abdul Haye Agha from IWMB and Dr. Umair Hassan Khan from National Institute of Health. In his opening remarks, Shoaib Siddiqui said that due to inaction of both the agencies, people are suffering, especially the people of low-cost areas who cannot even afford the anti-rabies vaccine. He said that the media has also highlighted this issue of public importance but no action was taken by the civic agency. He further said that it is a painful treatment but no strategy has so far been devised by the Agency.



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1st truck with Pakistani goods reaches Turkey: Razak

Advisor to Prime Minister on Commerce, Razak Dawood says I am very pleased to announce that under the TIR treaty, the first NLC truck, transporting commodities from Pakistan, reached Turkey via Iran. The NLC truck left Karachi on Sep 28 and reached Istanbul on Oct 7 covering the distance of 5300 KM.



Govt committed to smooth gas supply to domestic consumers: Hammad

Minister for Energy Hammad Akhtar says the government is committed to ensure smooth and uninterrupted gas supply to domestic consumers. He says power and export sectors under the gas load-management plan. Local gas is allocated to the domestic consumers on priority basis. Our 70 per cent gas demand is met through local reserves with an average price of \$ 4 per MMGTU.

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ISLAMABAD: The Federal Ombudsman, Syed Tahir Shahbaz by taking a cognizance in failing to neutralize the stray dogs by the Civic Agency of Islamabad and shortage of anti-rabies vaccine.

In this context residents of different sectors of Islamabad also filed complaints before the Federal Ombudsman for not taking any action by Municipal Corporation Islamabad in neutralizing of stray dogs as it is a big threat for people. They stated that number of people has bitten by these dogs but MCI is sleeping on this issue of public importance. The Federal Ombudsman by taking action in the matter has constituted a high level committee under the leadership of Secretary Wafaqi Mohtasib Shoaib Ahmed Siddiqui to resolve the issue of public importance.

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In his opening remarks Shoaib Siddiqui said that due to inaction of both the agencies people are suffering, especially the people of low cost areas who cannot even afford the anti-rabies vaccine. He said that media has also highlighted this issue of public importance number of times especially biting by stray dogs to children and Namazi in the morning but no action has been taken by the Civic Agency. He further said that it is a painful treatment but no strategy has so far been devised by the Civic Agency. The representative of IWMB informed that the issue relates to MCI whereas their mandate is to protect wild life.