

CHRONOLOGY OF FOI IN PAKISTAN

- 1990: First attempt was made by Professor Khurshid Ahmad, Senator JI.
- 1997: **FIRST FOI LEGISLATION,**
an ordinance is enacted by Malik Mairaj Khalid. (29-01-1997)
- 2002: Gen. Pervez Musharraf promulgates the FOI Ordinance. (26-10-2002)
- 2004: Federal FOI Rules & Regulations, 2004. (18-06-2004)
- 2005: Balochistan Freedom Of Information Act, 2005. (06-12-2005)
- 2006: Sindh Freedom Of Information Act, 2006. (22-12-2006)
- 2007: Balochistan FOI Rules & Regulations, 2007. (20-11-2007)
- 2010: Article 19-A, in the 18th Amendment to the Constitution. (08-04-2010)
- 2013: KP Right To Information Act, 2013. (05-11-2013)
- 2013: Punjab Transparency & Right To Information Act, 2013. (16-12-2013)

Dr. SYED RAZA BILGARDEZI
Coalition for Transparency & Access to Information

January 27th, 2016

Coalition for Transparency



People's initiatives



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS
GOAL 16:
PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

... accessible and accountable institutions of all levels
... integrity, impartiality and prompt enforcement of legislation
... with national legislation and international agreements

Coalition for Transparency and Access to Information (C-TAI)

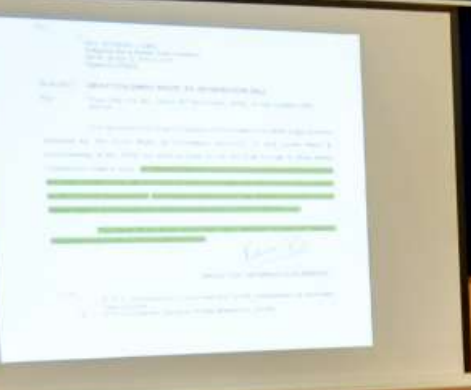
The banner displays the title "Coalition for Transparency and Access to Information (C-TAI)" at the top. Below the title, there is a grid of logos for various member organizations. Visible logos include BIF, NCCW, PPF, SPDC, and WAR. Other logos include the Helpline logo and the Right to Information logo. The banner is white with black and red text and logos.

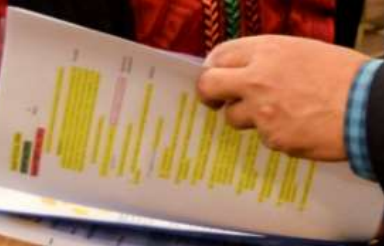
Small table with a laptop and other equipment.

Large group of people seated in an audience, facing the stage.









ADD-ING-3-EMAP-FI
C. TAI DRAFT

Topic: ...
Date: ...
Time: ...
Venue: ...
Organized by: ...
Sponsored by: ...



Coalition for Transparency and Access to Information (C-TAI)

BRF
HELPLINE!
SPDC
SPO
WAR





CHARTER OF DEMAND

by

C-TAI



(Coalition on Transparency & Access to Information)

- Whereas, Article 19-A of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan gives citizens the right to access information, and whereas such right is also upheld by various UN Resolutions & Declarations to which Pakistan is a signatory, including the Sustainable Development Goals; and
- Whereas, Sindh Freedom of Information Act 2006, has failed to deliver this right to the citizens, and has also reneged on its preamble of providing transparency and improved access to public record; and
- Whereas, the Sindh Freedom of Information Bill, 2015 drafted by the Information & Archives Department, Government of Sindh, is a complete cut-and-paste of the old Sindh FOI Act 2006 and the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Right To Information Act 2013, and has been proposed without any consultation of the civil society or public; and
- Whereas, the civil society has prepared a draft Sindh Right To Information Bill, 2015 under the banner of the "Coalition on Transparency & Access to Information", after an extensive and detailed deliberation and consultation involving input from the public.

Therefore, the civil society demands,

1. **THAT, THE GOVERNMENT OF SINDH REPEAL THE SINDH FOI ACT 2006, FOR HAVING FAILED TO DELIVER ON THE CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHT OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION.**
2. **REJECT THE INFORMATION & ARCHIVES DEPARTMENT DRAFTED SINDH FREEDOM OF INFORMATION BILL, 2015.**
3. **START A CONSULTATIVE PROCESS WITH THE CIVIL SOCIETY, AND HOLD PUBLIC HEARINGS TO ELICIT THE OPINION OF THE CITIZENS ON THE C-TAI DRAFTED SINDH RTI BILL, 2015.**
4. **ADOPT AND ENACT THE C-TAI DRAFTED SINDH RIGHT TO INFORMATION BILL, 2015.**

Dr. SYED RAZA ALI GARDEZI

Coalition for Transparency & Access To Information





