



Human Trafficking & Migrant smuggling Newsletter

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“The problem of human trafficking cannot be addressed by a single stakeholder, whether public, private or non-governmental. In order to be effective and to provide a sustainable solution to the issue, engagement must be multi-stakeholder in approach and focused on partnerships”.

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Drugs and Crime*



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Strategic Framework to Combat Human Trafficking

FIA in collaboration with UNODC has drafted and finalized the 'Strategic Framework to Combat Human Trafficking'. This is one of the key steps taken by the Agency after the National Action Plan commenced implementation in 2005. In addition to this FIA, as the lead agency in the country's campaign to combat human trafficking and migrant smuggling, has established a new Anti Human Trafficking Circle (AHTC) in Mardan. Furthermore, a Special Court has been instituted in Gujranwala to facilitate the Agency's speedy disposal of pending cases.

In its efforts during the year, FIA has arrested 994 Proclaimed Offenders and recovered the large sum of Rs 1.18 billion from their possession. Similarly, the Integrated Border Management System (IBMS) has been deployed at all 26 entry/exit points throughout Pakistan, phasing out the old system. In cases of deportation of illegal citizens from abroad, a policy has been put in place by which no deportee

is allowed into the country without prior verification of his/her national status through NADRA. These efforts have been fruitful, and have enhanced the Agency's image likewise. The trends denoted below describe a number of FIA's activities in the quarter October - December 2016.

Deportees from Iran

In December FIA received 71 illegal Pakistani immigrants at the Pak-Iran border in Taftan, handed over by Iranian security forces on 26 December. As per investigation, they had been working and living in Iran without proper travel or stay/work documents. It is pertinent to note that the Taftan border is often used by smugglers to smuggle people illegally into Iran, towards Turkey, and onward to European destinations.



Arrests of Traffickers and Smugglers

Punjab: During the month of November, FIA received a complaint regarding abduction of a citizen's relatives in Turkey and demand of ransom by the traffickers. The issue had already been highlighted in the media, and serious steps were being taken by the Government. Upon receipt of the complaint FIA investigated further. It was found that two alleged members of the gang were operating from Pakistan. The two, Syed Saqlain Ali and Nawaz, arrested from Sheikhupura, were receiving money from the families of the victims. It was clarified that 5 Pakistanis were under illegal detention. The case is being processed for positive and earliest possible resolution.

Also in November, FIA Punjab arrested five human traffickers attempting to flee the country from Sialkot International Airport. They were boarding a Dubai bound flight for further travel to Greece on false travel documents. Three others were arrested, on a tip-off from Sialkot Airport, allegedly involved in illegally, and by

charging high fees, smuggling persons to Europe, Africa, and the Middle East.

Islamabad: During the month of October, FIA arrested two human traffickers from Islamabad in two separate raids. The culprits, Khair-ul-Bashar and Abdul Shakoor, had been taking large sums of money for illegally sending persons to Northern Cyprus on study and work visas. Raids were conducted after a complaint was lodged by Touqeer Babar, who was promised a work visa for Rs 550,000 by Bashar. After receiving the visa Babar, verifying it through the Cyprus Embassy in Islamabad, found that his visa was forged; whereupon the documents were handed over to FIA and the complaint lodged.

In another raid in November FIA Islamabad Zone arrested a human trafficker from Taxila, on a tip-off from an apartment there. The man, Hussain Shah, was wanted in several HT related cases.



Fake/Forged Documents

Punjab: During October, FIA Punjab arrested two passengers trying to travel to the Netherlands on fake travel documents. Humayun Azhar and Ra-faqat Ali were apprehended from Allama Iqbal International Airport when their passports were checked by immigration officials and were found fake. A case has been registered against them in the Anti Human Trafficking Circle.

Similarly in November, FIA arrested Mohammad Iqbal, travelling to Greece on fake travel documents from Sialkot International Airport. He had been detained on a tip-off, and when checked his visa was found to be fake. A case has been registered against him in the AHTC.

Islamabad: During December, FIA Islamabad detained 13 illegal Pakistani immigrants at Benazir Bhutto International Airport, deported from Greece for fake documentation and overstay. The deportees were duly arrested and shifted to the Anti Human Trafficking Circle for further investigation.



Proclaimed Offenders

Islamabad: During December, FIA Islamabad apprehended two Proclaimed Offenders, Naimat-Ullah and Riaz, from Benazir Bhutto International Airport while arriving from Saudi Arabia and Dubai respectively. Naimat was arrested for obtaining a fake Pakistani National Identity Card (NIC); and Riaz for involvement in a murder case in Gujrat. Both suspects were shifted to the AHTC for further investigation.

Likewise in November, FIA Islamabad arrested a Proclaimed Offender in a raid conducted to arrest a human trafficker from Taxila (referred to above). PO Haqdar Hussain was apprehended on a tip-off, acting on a field intelligence report.



Public-Private Partnership Conference

UNODC in partnership with FIA organized the first-ever Public-Private Partnership Conference on Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling. Its main purpose was to discuss and promote the way forward in solving the human trafficking and migrant smuggling problems in Pakistan, through the synthesis of public-private partnership.

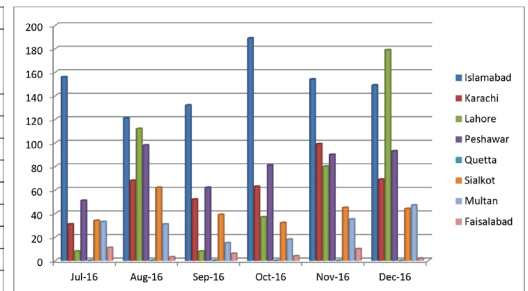
The event was attended by concerned government and law enforcement officials, members of civil society, international organizations, UN Agencies, and corporate sector organizations. Different strategies and perspectives to combat human trafficking and migrant smuggling were presented by the entities represented. By arranging this conference with multiple stakeholders, several organizations with an HTMS mandate were identified, and their significant efforts in this context noted.

Mr. Cesar Guedes, UNODC Representative to Pakistan, emphasized the need for immediate action by the private sector to assist multilateral efforts in meeting the aforementioned challenges.

Mr. Wajid Zia, Additional Director General FIA, stressed the importance of controlling the evils of HTMS, and specified the significant challenges faced by Pakistan in this regard. He further noted that FIA was committed to meeting its international obligations by developing concrete and consistent solutions to contribute to the global fight against human trafficking and migrant smuggling.

Quarterly Data Analysis

General Offloadees									
Station	Jul 16	Aug 16	Sep 16	3 rd Qtr Total	Oct 16	Nov 16	Dec 16	4 th Qtr Total	Total
Islamabad	156	121	132	409	189	154	149	492	901
Karachi	31	68	52	151	63	99	69	231	382
Lahore	8	112	8	128	37	80	179	296	424
Peshawar	51	98	62	211	81	90	93	264	475
Quetta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sialkot	34	62	39	135	32	45	44	121	256
Multan	33	31	15	79	18	35	47	100	179
Faisalabad	11	3	6	20	4	10	2	16	36
Total	324	495	314	1133	424	513	583	1520	2653



General Offloadees

Analysis: There has been an overall increase of 387 cases in comparison with the previous quarter i.e. 34.16%. A sharp increase has been observed in Karachi (80 cases), Lahore Airport (168 cases), Islamabad (83 cases), and Peshawar (53 cases); and a slight decrease of cases in Multan, Faisalabad, and Sialkot in comparison with the previous quarter.

Islamabad Airport remained at the top, where the maximum number of passengers was offloaded during the 3rd quarter of 2016 i.e. 492; followed by Lahore (296), Peshawar (264), Karachi (231), Sialkot (121), Faisalabad (16), and Multan (0).

General Offloadee Cases: Comparison with Previous Quarter by City

Islamabad: increase of 83 (20.29%), with fluctuation between Oct and Nov.

Karachi: increase of 80 (52.98%), with a steep rise in November.

Lahore: sharp increase, 168 cases (131.25%).

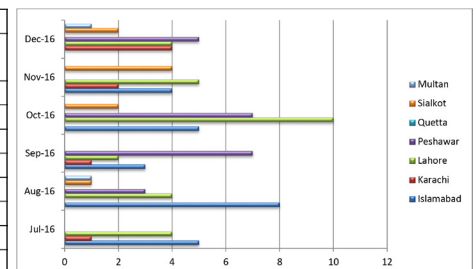
Peshawar: increase of 53 (25.12%).

Sialkot: minor decrease of 14, with fluctuation between Oct and Nov.

Multan: increase of 21 (26.58%) with fluctuation in July.

Faisalabad: decrease of 04 (20%) with fluctuation in Oct-Nov and Nov-Dec.

Offloaded on Forged Documents (OFD)									
Station	Jul 16	Aug 16	Sep 16	3 rd Qtr Total	Oct 16	Nov 16	Dec 16	4 th Qtr Total	Total
Islamabad	5	8	3	16	5	4	0	9	25
Karachi	1	0	1	2	0	2	4	6	8
Lahore	4	4	2	10	10	5	4	19	29
Peshawar	0	3	7	10	7	0	5	12	22
Quetta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sialkot	0	1	0	1	2	4	2	8	9
Multan	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	2
Total	10	17	13	40	24	15	16	55	95



Offloaded on Forged Documents

Analysis: There has been an overall increase of 17 cases i.e. 42.5% in comparison with the previous quarter. A major increase has been observed at Lahore Airport: from 10 cases to 19 cases i.e. 90% increase.

Lahore airport remained at the top where the maximum number of passengers were offloaded in this category (19), during this 4th quarter of 2016, followed by Peshawar (12), Islamabad (9), Sialkot (08), Karachi (06), and Multan (01).

OFD Cases: Comparison with Previous Quarter by City

Islamabad: decrease of 07(43.75 %).

Karachi: increase of 04(200%).

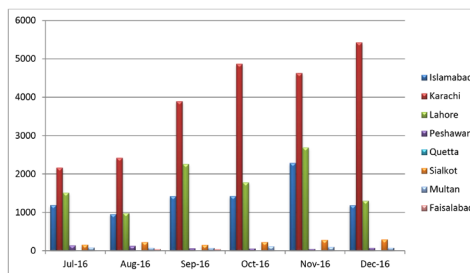
Lahore: increase of 9(90%).

Peshawar: increase of 02 (20%).

Sialkot: in comparison with previous quarter sharp increase of 07 cases i.e. 700%.

Multan: as in previous quarter, only 01 case Oct-Dec.

General Deportees (GD)									
Station	Jul 16	Aug 16	Sep 16	3 rd Qtr Total	Oct 16	Nov 16	Dec 16	4 th Qtr Total	Total
Islamabad	1189	955	1420	3564	1422	2288	1187	4897	8461
Karachi	2163	2418	3893	8474	4869	4629	5426	14924	23398
Lahore	1511	982	2259	4752	1778	2689	1303	5770	10522
Peshawar	144	125	66	335	63	49	77	189	524
Quetta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sialkot	160	227	152	539	226	281	294	801	1340
Multan	83	78	71	232	116	100	78	294	526
Faisalabad	13	41	39	93	14	17	3	34	127
Total	5263	4826	7900	17989	8488	10053	8368	26909	44898



General Deportees

particularly sharp increase in December.

Analysis: A sharp increase of 8,920 cases has been observed in comparison with the previous quarter, i.e. an overall increase of 49.59%. An increase of 1,333 cases was reported at Islamabad Airport. Karachi Airport remained on top with 14,924 deported passengers, followed by Lahore (5,770), Islamabad (4,897), Sialkot (801), Multan (294), Peshawar (189), Faisalabad (34), and Quetta (0).

Islamabad: increase of 1,333(37.4%), with sharp increase in November.

Lahore: increase of 1,018(21.42%), with significant increase in November.

Peshawar: decrease of 146(43.59%), with sharp decrease in November.

Sialkot: increase of 262(48.6%).

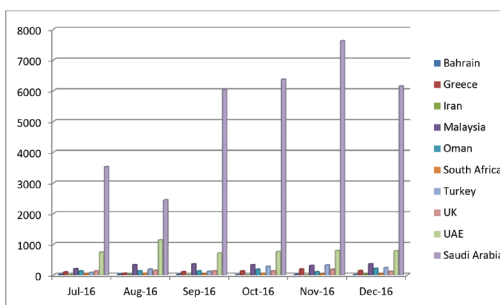
GD Cases: Comparison with Previous Quarter by City

Multan: increase of 62(26.72%).

Faisalabad: decrease of 59(63.44%), with fluctuation in Nov-Dec.

Karachi: increase of 6,450 (76.11%) with

Top Eleven Countries of General Deportation										
S. No	Country	Jul 16	Aug 16	Sep 16	3 rd Qtr Total	Oct 16	Nov 16	Dec 16	4 th Qtr Total	Total
1	Bahrain	16	20	14	50	8	16	10	34	84
2	Greece	97	62	104	263	130	189	146	465	728
3	Iran	8	14	4	26	2	2	19	23	49
4	Malaysia	205	334	360	899	330	311	363	1004	1903
5	Oman	130	135	129	394	184	102	218	504	898
6	South Africa	41	58	43	142	52	37	44	133	275
7	Turkey	85	189	120	394	279	325	238	842	1236
8	UK	133	152	130	415	133	181	117	431	846
9	UAE	741	1142	714	2597	760	794	787	2341	4938
10	S. ARABIA	3524	2447	6032	12003	6367	7620	6154	20141	32144
	Total	4980	4553	7650	17183	8245	9577	8096	25918	43101



Analysis: Overall a sharp increase of 8,735 cases i.e. 50.84% has been observed in comparison with the previous quarter. In-

crease in deportees from Saudi Arabia has been reported: from 12,003 to 20,141 i.e. 67.8% increase.

GD Cases: Comparison with Previous Quarter by Country

Saudi Arabia: sharp increase of 8,138 (67.8%), with major fluctuations between Oct – Nov and Nov -Dec.

UAE: decrease of 256(9.86%) with no major fluctuations.

Malaysia: increase of 105(11.68%), with no major fluctuations.

UK: increase of 16 cases (3.85%), with fluctuations.

Oman: increase of 110(28%), with fluctuations between Oct-Nov and Nov-Dec.

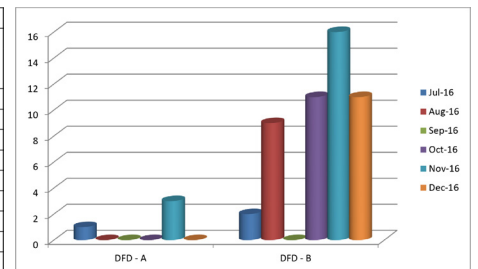
Turkey: sharp increase of 448(113.71%), notably between Oct-Nov.

South Africa: Slight decrease of 133(6.33%).

Greece: sharp increase of 202(76.81%), particularly between Oct-Nov.

Iran: decrease of 03(11.68%).

Deported on Forged Documents (DFD)														
Station	Jul 16		Aug 16		Sept 16		3 rd Qtr Total	Oct 16		Nov 16		Dec 16		4 th Qtr Total
	Cat 'A'	Cat 'B'	Cat 'A'	Cat 'B'	Cat 'A'	Cat 'B'		Cat 'A'	Cat 'B'	Cat 'A'	Cat 'B'	Cat 'A'	Cat 'B'	
Islamabad	0	0	0	0	0	0	00	0	1	0	5	0	0	6
Karachi	0	1	0	0	0	0	01	0	0	1	2	0	1	4
Lahore	1	1	0	8	0	0	10	0	9	2	9	0	6	26
Peshawar	0	0	0	0	0	0	00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Quetta	0	0	0	0	0	0	00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sialkot	0	0	0	1	0	0	01	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Multan	0	0	0	0	0	0	00	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Faisalabad	0	0	0	0	0	0	00	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Total	1	2	0	9	0	0	12	0	11	3	16	0	11	41



Deported on Forged Documents

Analysis: The data shows a sharp increase of 29 cases in comparison with the previ-

ous quarter i.e. a 241.67% incline. It was observed that the DFD cases occurred mostly at Lahore Airport during Oct - Dec 2016.