



**REPORT ON
LAW & JUSTICE CONFERENCE
TOPIC :
A RIGHT DELAYED IS A RIGHT
DENIED**

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The "Law and Justice Conference 2024," organized by the Implementation Minority Rights Forum (IMRF), took place on September 28, 2024, at Waris Road, Lahore. The Conference, themed "A Right Delayed is a Right Denied," attracted a significant gathering of Advocates, Civil Society representatives, and Christian Journalists, all of whom share a commitment to the promotion of justice and human rights.



Mr. Samuel Payara, the Chairman of the Implementation Minority Rights Forum, warmly welcomed all the participants and guest speakers at the conference. In his opening speech, he stressed the importance of addressing the problem of delayed justice. He explained that when justice is delayed, it often results in the complete denial of people's basic rights. Mr. Payara pointed out that failing to deliver justice on time makes vulnerable communities, especially minorities, even more at risk and weakens people's trust in the legal system. He highlighted that this issue is very important in today's world, where delays in justice continue to cause inequality and unfair treatment of certain groups.

A panel of distinguished speakers graced the event, including

- Advocate Mr. Liaquat John,
- IMRF Advisor Mr. Emanuel Pervaiz,
- Advocate Mr. Amir Niaz, and
- Rising law student Mr. Zeeshan Pervaiz Bhatti.



Advocate Liaquat John



**Mr. Emmanuel Pervaiz
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Advocate Amir Niaz



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Each speaker provided in-depth analysis and reflections on various forms of rights—civil, political, economic, and social—and explored how delays in securing these rights lead to their effective denial. They examined both legal and bureaucratic delays, discussing the far-reaching consequences of such inaction and inefficiency in upholding the rights enshrined in law. The panel highlighted that justice delayed not only harms the aggrieved parties but also undermines the entire justice system and the rule of law, weakening the moral and legal fabric of society.

In his concluding remarks, IMRF Coordinator Mr. Khalid Gill expressed his deep gratitude to the attendees and reiterated the importance of the Conference's theme. He further illuminated

the legal principle that “Justice delayed is Justice denied” by tracing its implications across a broad spectrum of legal rights and social justice issues. Mr. Gill called for immediate and concrete reforms to address these delays, urging all stakeholders to act with urgency to safeguard the rights of all citizens, particularly those from minority communities.



The conference successfully fostered a critical dialogue on the need for reform and the timely enforcement of rights, reinforcing the fundamental legal principle that rights must be upheld without delay if justice is to be truly served.