Judicial Statistics of Pakistan 2023

Law & Justice Commission of Pakistan
SUPREME COURT OF PAKISTAN BUILDING,, ISLAMABAD

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I. Foreword

The Law and Justice Commission of Pakistan (LJCP) is committed to facilitating the development and implementation of National Judicial Policy within Pakistan's judiciary. It plays a pivotal role in advancing legal and judicial processes through policy formulation, strategic oversight, and the promotion of innovative solutions to ensure the fair and efficient administration of justice. Additionally, as the Secretariat of the National Judicial Policy Making Committee (NJPMC), the LJCP is dedicatedly making efforts for enhancing judicial efficiency, ensuring access to justice and upholding the rule of law in Pakistan.

In line with its mandate, the LJCP publishes the **Judicial Statistics of Pakistan**, providing an in-depth analysis of the performance of the judiciary and tracking progress in addressing systemic challenges. This report, prepared under the NJPMC's directive, offers valuable insights into the trends of case filings, resolutions, and the increasing backlog in courts. For the first time, the report includes a detailed category-wise analysis, offering a comprehensive understanding of the factors contributing to judicial delays and identifying actionable steps for reforms.

The year 2023 marked significant achievements and challenges for the judiciary. Over 4.5 Million cases were filed, and more than 4.4 Million were resolved. However, the backlog has exceeded 2.1 Million cases, emphasizing the urgent need for sustained reforms. These findings underline the necessity for both immediate and long-term solutions to enhance judicial efficiency. By leveraging rigorous data collection, detailed analysis, and public legal awareness campaigns, the LJCP aims to build a judiciary that is transparent, efficient, and responsive to the needs of all citizens.

As we look ahead, collective collaboration from all stakeholders is imperative to tackle the challenges facing the justice system. Through shared efforts, we aim to strengthen the rule of law and ensure justice is delivered swiftly and fairly for all. This report not only highlights the current working status of Pakistan's judiciary but also establishes a foundational dataset for research and reforms that will shape its future. Together, we can address today's issues while building a more just and equitable society for generations to come.

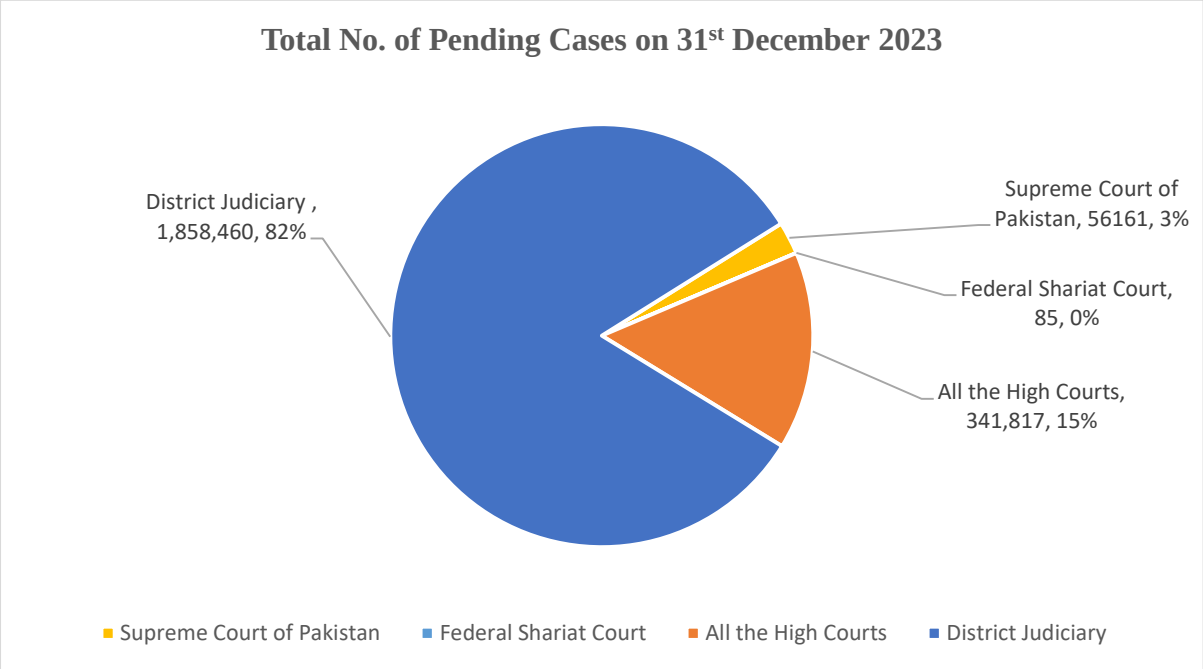
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II. Overview of the Year 2023 Judicial Landscape in Pakistan

The **Judicial Statistics of Pakistan** for the year 2023 presents a comprehensive analysis of the judiciary's performance. This report offers a chapter-wise breakdown covering key aspects such as the sanctioned and working strength of judges, human resources within the courts, and budgetary allocations. Each chapter focuses on a specific court, including the Supreme Court of Pakistan, Federal Shariat Court, and the five High Courts along with their respective district judiciaries. It provides insights into the number of cases instituted and disposed of during the year, with detailed breakdowns by bench, case category, and jurisdiction. Additionally, the report includes a ten-year trend of case pendency, and at the end of each chapter, an age-wise breakdown of pending cases categorized by the year of institution is provided, reflecting a clear view of the backlog.

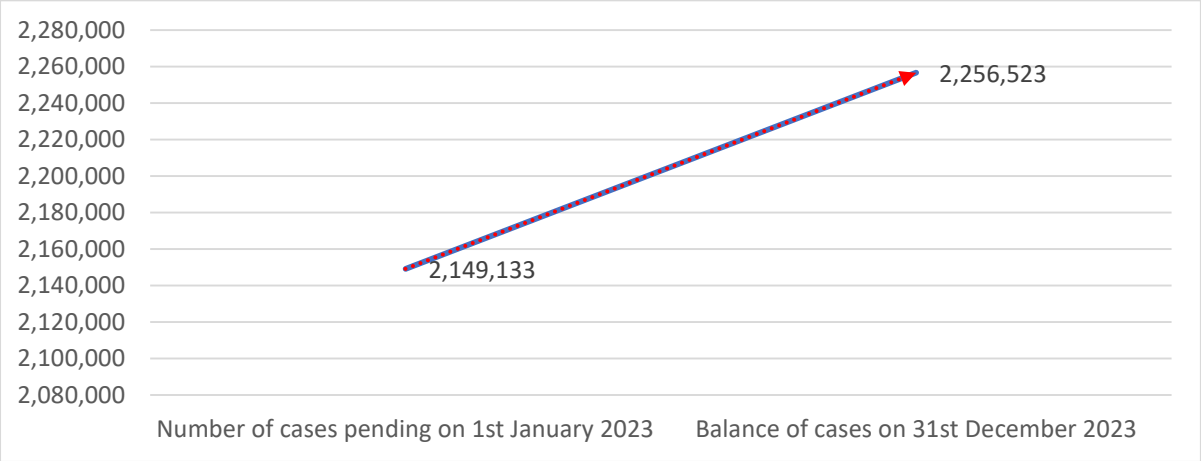
This data is essential for improving the administration of justice and can be leveraged by policymakers to introduce more effective case management practices within the courts. By analyzing the trends and backlog, judicial systems can allocate resources more efficiently, streamline case processing, and enhance court productivity. Legal researchers can use these statistics to study judicial trends and identify systemic issues, while the report also provides data enabling lawmakers to propose targeted solutions to reduce pendency and improve access to justice.

Name of Court	Pendency	Institution	Disposal	Balance	% Increase
Supreme Court of Pakistan	52487	20827	17153	56161	7.00%
Federal Shariat Court	103	77	95	85	-17.48%
All the High Courts	329,918	236,061	224,248	341,817	4%
District Judiciary	1,766,625	4,221,485	4,176,130	1,858,460	5.20%
Grand Total	**2,149,133**	**4,478,450**	**4,417,626**	**2,256,523**	**5.00%**



As of December 31st, 2023, the Judiciary in Pakistan is grappling with a significant backlog, with the **District Judiciary** bearing the brunt, handling 82% of the total 2,256,523 pending cases. **The High Court's** account for 15% of the caseload with 341,817 cases, while the **Supreme Court** holds 3% of the backlog, managing 56,161 cases. In stark contrast, the **Federal Shariat Court** carries less than 0.01% of the total, with just 85 cases. This breakdown underscores the immense pressure on the lower courts, highlighting the urgent need for effective case management reforms.

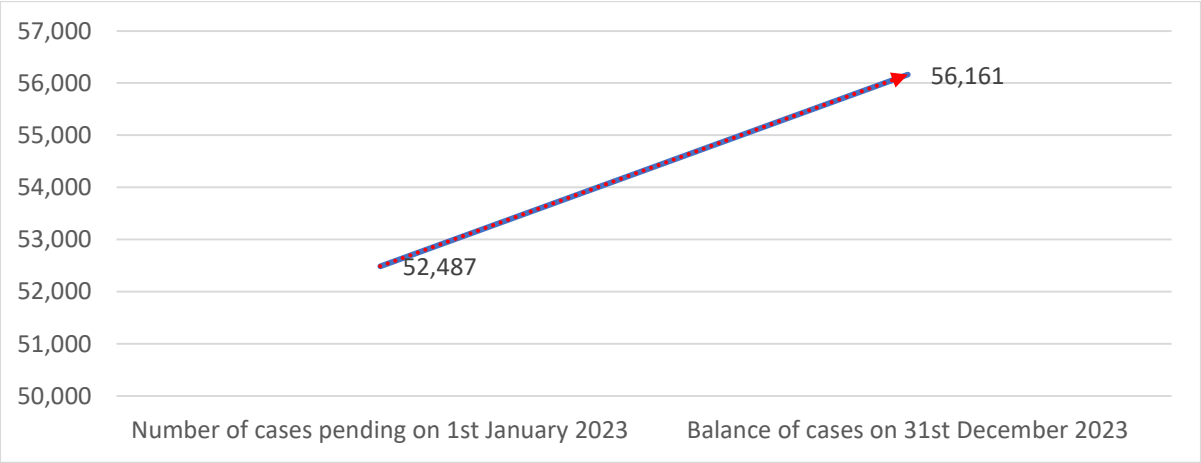
The overall picture reveals a troubling trend: despite the disposal of over 4.4 Million cases, Pakistan's total pendency has grown by 5%, increasing from 2.14 Million to 2.25 Million. This rise in pending cases signals that while ongoing efforts are in place, the justice system continues to struggle with a mounting backlog that requires more comprehensive solutions.



In 2023, Pakistan's courts face an uphill battle against rising case backlogs. As we dive into the details of each court's performance, a picture of both progress and challenges emerges. This is the story of the justice system of Pakistan, one told through numbers, trends, and the stark reality of growing pendency.

The situation in the Supreme Court of Pakistan during the Year 2023 was as follows:

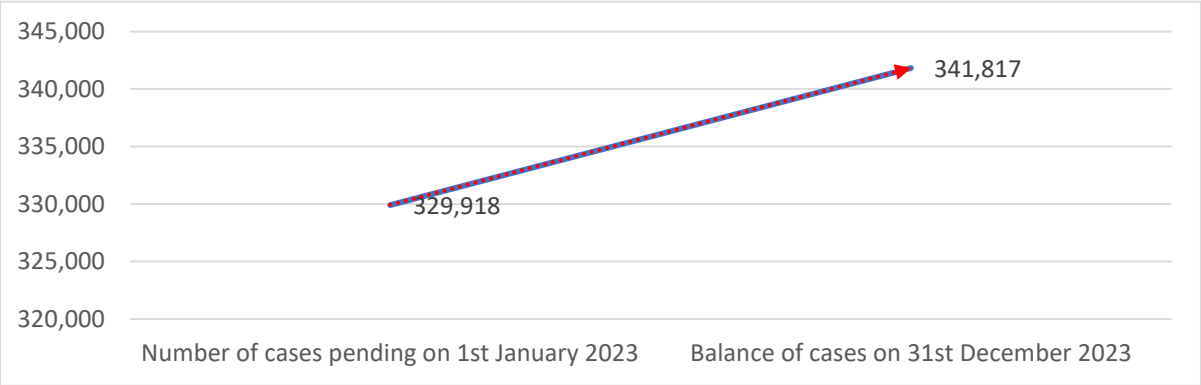
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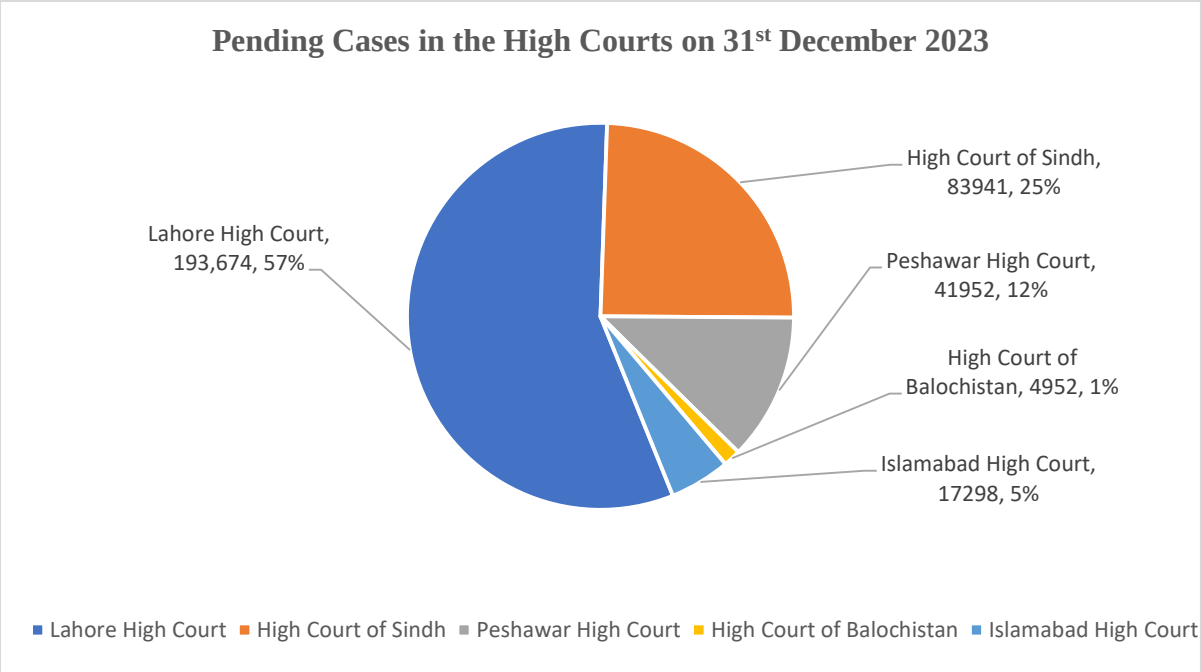
Being the highest judicial body, the **Supreme Court of Pakistan**, handles the most critical cases in the country. In 2023, the court witnessed a **7% increase in pending cases**, moving from **52,487** to **56,161**. While the institution of new cases is robust, at **20,827**, the disposal of **17,153** cases reveals the court's struggle to keep up with demand.

The following table summarizes the situation in the High Courts during Year 2023

Name of Court	Pendency	Institution	Disposal	Balance	% Increase
Lahore High Court	179,425	154,118	139,869	193,674	7.94%
High Court of Sindh	85781	33915	35841	83941	-2.14%
Peshawar High Court	43136	30291	31475	41952	-2.74%
High Court of Balochistan	4472	6920	6440	4952	10.73%
Islamabad High Court	17104	10817	10623	17298	1.13%
All the High Courts	329,918	236,061	224,248	341,817	4%



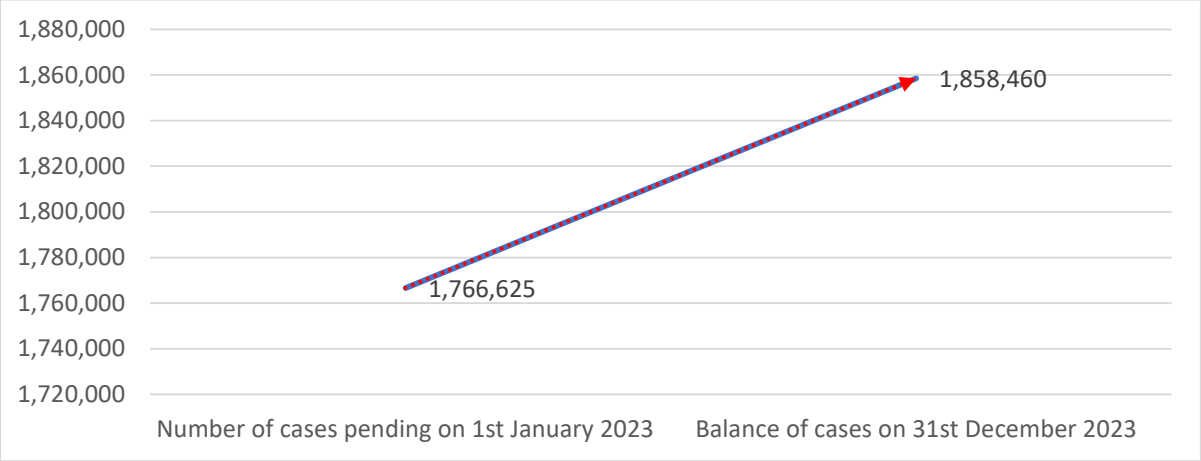
The **High Courts** across Pakistan witnessed a **4% increase** in the number of pending cases, moving from **329,918 to 341,817**. Despite disposing of **224,248** cases, a steady inflow of **236,061** new cases has kept the courts from significantly reducing their backlog.



The Lahore High Court has the highest caseload and showed a notable increase in pending cases. Both the High Court of Sindh and Peshawar High Court successfully reduced their pending cases. The High Court of Balochistan also has seen an 11% increase in backlog. The Islamabad High Court shows marginal growth in pending cases, indicating balanced performance.

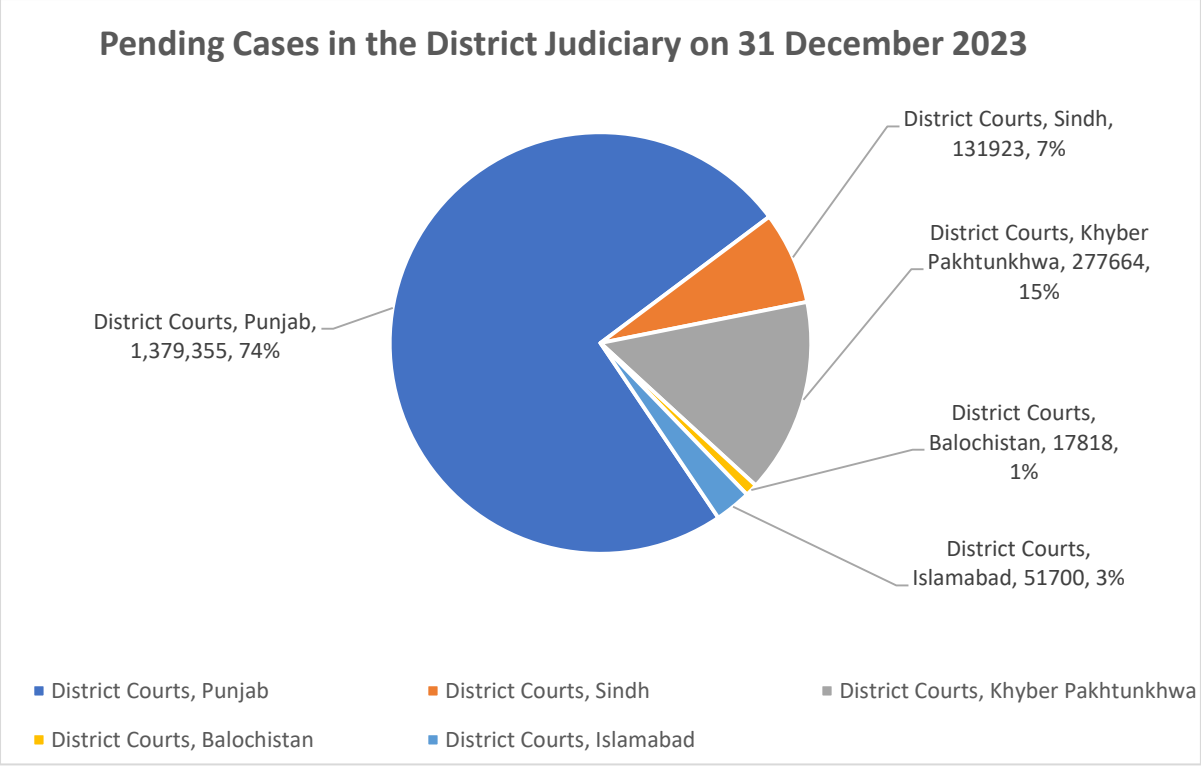
This small but consistent rise indicates that while progress is being made, the High Courts remain under pressure. The backlog requires more aggressive interventions and better resource management to prevent further buildup.

Name of Court	Pendency	Institution	Disposal	Balance	% Increase
District Courts, Punjab	1,312,379	3,113,163	3,086,960	1,379,355	5.10%
District Courts, Sindh	123484	385706	377159	131923	6.83%
District Courts, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	263639	540734	532524	277664	5.32%
District Courts, Balochistan	16020	59541	57743	17818	11.22%
District Courts, Islamabad	51103	122341	121744	51700	1.17%
Total – District Judiciary	**1,766,625**	**4,221,485**	**4,176,130**	**1,858,460**	5.20%



The **District Judiciary** is the backbone of Pakistan's legal system, handling the majority of cases. In 2023, this judiciary processed a staggering **4.2 Million cases**. However, despite these efforts, pending cases still rose by **5.2%**, increasing from **1.77 Million to 1.86 Million**. This rise, though modest in percentage, is significant due to the massive volume of cases. The district courts continue to face overwhelming demand, calling for innovative solutions like case management systems and Alternative Dispute Resolution methods to reduce the strain.

The District Courts of Punjab handle the bulk of the caseload but despite their efforts, pendency continues to grow due to the sheer volume. District Courts of Sindh and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa perform efficiently but still face moderate increases in pending cases. Balochistan's District Courts saw the highest percentage increase, which could signal a need for more resources or systemic reforms. Islamabad's District Courts are managing their caseload effectively, with a minimal increase in pendency.



This data underscores the importance of judicial reforms in Pakistan. The growth in pending cases across the Supreme Court, High Courts, and District Judiciary reveals that the system is under considerable strain. To combat the rising backlog, the courts must adopt new technologies, streamline case management, and further promote Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) methods. These steps are essential to ensuring that Pakistan's justice system can keep pace with its growing demand.

1. Supreme Court of Pakistan



1.1 Introduction:

The Supreme Court of Pakistan is the highest judicial authority in the country, entrusted with upholding the Constitution and ensuring the rule of law. It is the final appellate court for all legal matters and plays a pivotal role in maintaining a balance of power between the Legislature, Executive, and Judiciary. As the ultimate guardian of the Constitution, its rulings are binding on all courts and authorities throughout the nation, reinforcing the supremacy of law in Pakistan.

The Court exercises broad original, appellate, and review jurisdiction, covering cases of constitutional interpretation, disputes between the Federal and Provincial Governments, and issues concerning fundamental rights of public significance. These powers enable the Supreme Court to address key matters affecting the governance and legal system of the country.

Judges of the Supreme Court are appointed through a transparent, merit-based process. Nominations are made by the Judicial Commission of Pakistan, which is chaired by the Hon'ble Chief Justice and includes senior judges, the Attorney General, and representatives

from the legal community. These nominations are then confirmed by the Parliamentary Committee, ensuring that judicial appointments are based on competence and integrity. Currently, the strength of the Court is set at Sixteen judges, excluding the Chief Justice, as per the "Supreme Court (Number of Judges) Act, 1997."

To ensure accountability within the higher judiciary, the **Supreme Judicial Council** (SJC) was established under Article 209 of the Constitution of Pakistan, 1973. The SJC comprises the Chief Justice of Pakistan, two senior judges of the Supreme Court, and two senior Chief Justices from the High Courts. It is empowered to investigate cases of misconduct or incapacity of judges. Based on its findings, the SJC can recommend the removal of a judge to the President, thereby maintaining the integrity and ethical standards of the judiciary.

The administration of the Supreme Court is managed by the Registrar, who works under the supervision of the Hon'ble Chief Justice. Supporting staff, including Additional Registrars and Deputy Registrars, assist in managing the Court's operations, such as case preparation, scheduling, and coordination with legal practitioners. The Registry plays a crucial role in ensuring the smooth functioning of the Court by maintaining records, preparing cause lists, notifying parties, and facilitating the timely issuance of judgments.

Since its establishment in 1956 as the successor to the Federal Court, the Supreme Court had played a vital role in shaping the legal, political, and social fabric of Pakistan. Operating from its landmark building in Islamabad, the Court embodies the principles of justice, constitutionalism, and the rule of law, serving as a beacon of justice for all citizens.

1.2 Hon'ble Chief Justice of Pakistan and Judges in the Supreme Court of Pakistan on 31st December 2023

Sr. #	Name	Date of elevation to the Supreme Court	Date of Superannuation
1	Mr. Justice Qazi Faez Isa Elevated as Chief Justice of Pakistan on 17-9-2023	05.09.2014	25.10.2024
2	Mr. Justice Sardar Tariq Masood	06.11.2015	10.03.2024
3	Mr. Justice Syed Mansoor Ali Shah	07.02.2018	27.11.2027
4	Mr. Justice Ijaz ul Ahsan	28.06.2016	04-08-2025
5	Mr. Justice Munib Akhtar	08.05.2018	13.12.2028
6	Mr. Justice Yahya Afridi	28.06.2018	22.01.2030
7	Mr. Justice Amin-ud-Din Khan	21.10.2020	30.11.2025
8	Mr. Justice Sayyed Mazahar Ali Akbar Naqvi	16.03.2020	31.8.2025
9	Mr. Justice Jamal Khan Mandokhail	09.08.2021	11.11.2026
10	Mr. Justice Muhammad Ali Mazhar	16.08.2021	04.10.2029
11	Mrs. Justice Ayesha A. Malik	24.01.2022	02.06.2031
12	Mr. Justice Athar Minallah	11.11.2022	12.12.2026
13	Mr. Justice Syed Hasan Azhar Rizvi	11.11.2022	01.02.2027
14	Mr. Justice Shahid Waheed	11.11.2022	24.12.2031
15	Ms. Justice Musarrat Hilali	07.07.2023	07.08.2026
16	Mr. Justice Irfan Saadat Khan	03.11.2023	06.02.2028

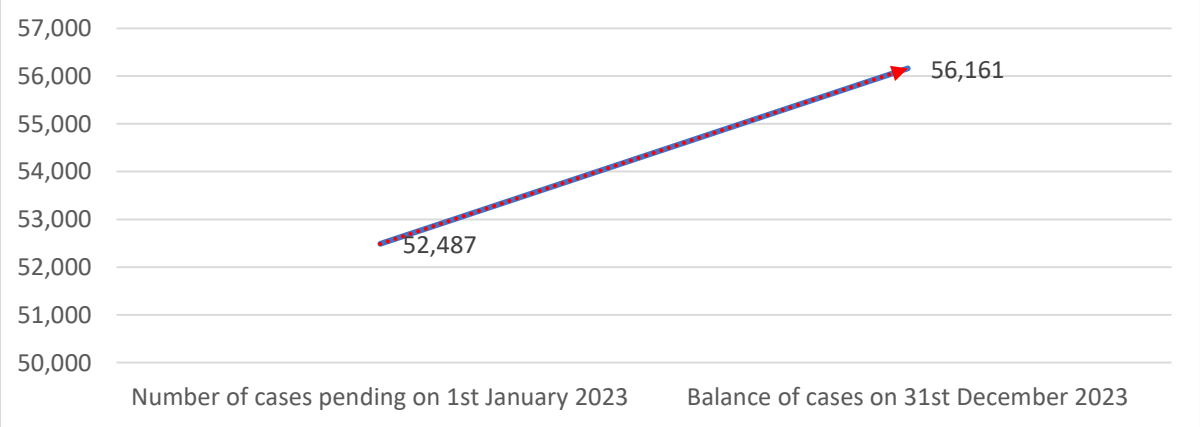
16 Judges were working in the Supreme Court of Pakistan on 31 December 2023 against a sanctioned strength of 17 Judges

1.3 Hon'ble Judges of the Supreme Court of Pakistan Retired/Resigned during the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name	Date of Retirement
1	Mr. Justice Umar Atta Bandial, Former HCJ	16.09.2023

1.4 Consolidated statement of Category-wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the Supreme Court of Pakistan During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Categories	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution	Disposal	Balance as on 31-12-2023
1	Civil Appeal	9801	3049	3203	9647
2	Civil Petition Leave to Appeal	27398	11445	8739	30104
3	Civil Review Petition	1851	1120	841	2130
4	Civil Shariat Appeal	97	6	13	90
5	Civil Shariat Petition	0	0	0	0
6	Civil Shariat Review Petition	1	0	0	1
7	Case Under Objection	0	4	0	4
8	Constitution Petition	123	53	60	116
9	Criminal Appeal	864	828	548	1144
10	Criminal Original Petition	247	66	62	251
11	Criminal Petition Leave to Appeal	8580	3592	3225	8947
12	Criminal Review Petition	99	55	43	111
13	Criminal Suo MotuReview Petition	31	15	15	31
14	Criminal Suo MotuShariat Review Petition	2	0	0	2
15	Criminal Shariat Appeal	16	0	0	16
16	Criminal Shariat Petition	20	3	0	23
17	Criminal Shariat Review Petition	5	0	0	5
18	Department Selection Appeal	1	0	0	1
19	Human Rights Case	155	3	24	134
20	Intra Court Appeal	44	26	0	70
21	Jail Petition	3083	538	344	3277
22	Jail Shariat Petition	17	0	0	17
23	Reference	1	0	0	1
24	Suo MotuCase	33	2	8	27
25	Suo MotuReview Petition	18	22	28	12
Total		**52487**	**20827**	**17153**	**56161**



- The **total number of pending cases** increased from **52487 to 56161**, reflecting a **7.00% increase** over the year. This net increase of **3674 cases** highlights the challenge of clearing the backlog despite significant disposal efforts.
- Certain categories like **Civil Petition Leave to Appeal** and **Criminal Petition Leave to Appeal** experienced notable increases, while categories like **Suo Motu Review** and **Human Rights Cases** saw reductions in the pending case load.

1.4.1 Principal Seat, Islamabad

Sr. #	Categories	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution	Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
1	Civil Appeal	7491	2384	3051	6824
2	Civil Petition Leave to Appeal	11512	4894	7780	8626
3	Civil Review Petition	1580	1024	752	1852
4	Civil Shariat Appeal	97	6	13	90
5	Civil Shariat Review Petition	1	0	0	1
6	Case Under Objection	0	4	0	4
7	Constitution Petition	119	53	60	112
8	Criminal Appeal	751	769	529	991
9	Criminal Original Petition	200	46	61	185
10	Criminal Petition Leave to Appeal	5782	1621	3052	4351
11	Criminal Review Petition	75	54	43	86
12	Criminal Suo Motu Review Petition	31	13	15	29
13	Criminal Suo Motu Shariat Review Petition	2	0	0	2
14	Criminal Shariat Appeal	16	0	0	16
15	Criminal Shariat Petition	20	3	0	23
16	Criminal Shariat Review Petition	5	0	0	5
17	Department Selection Appeal	1	0	0	1
18	Human Rights Case	113	2	4	111
19	Intra Court Appeal	44	26	0	70
20	Jail Petition	2627	538	344	2821
21	Jail Shariat Petition	17	0	0	17
22	Reference	1	0	0	1
23	Suo Motu Case	29	2	8	23
24	Suo Motu Review Petition	13	18	24	7
Total		**30527**	**11457**	**15736**	**26248**

1.4.2 Branch Registry, Lahore

Sr. #	Categories	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution	Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
1	Civil Appeal	1718	121	38	1801
2	Civil Petition Leave to Appeal	11130	3745	416	14459
3	Civil Review Petition	198	35	10	223
4	Criminal Appeal	60	8	7	61
5	Criminal Original Petition	19	2	0	21
6	Criminal Petition Leave to Appeal	2580	1451	103	3928
7	Criminal Review Petition	18	0	0	18
8	Criminal Suo Motu Review Petition	0	1	0	1
9	Human Rights Case	20	1	20	1
10	Jail Petition	448	0	0	448
11	Suo Motu Review Petition	4	4	4	4
Total		**16195**	**5368**	**598**	**20965**

1.4.3 Branch Registry, Karachi

Sr. #	Categories	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution	Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
1	Civil Appeal	117	115	94	138
2	Civil Petition Leave to Appeal	849	1376	343	1882
3	Civil Review Petition	60	54	77	37
4	Constitution Petition	4	0	0	4
5	Criminal Appeal	27	23	9	41
6	Criminal Original Petition	28	18	1	45
7	Criminal Petition Leave to Appeal	65	219	22	262
8	Criminal Review Petition	5	1	0	3
9	Criminal Suo MotuReview Petition	0	1	0	1
10	Human Rights Case	22	0	0	22
11	Intra Court Appeal	2	0	0	2
12	Jail Petition	2	0	0	2
13	Suo Motu Case	4	0	0	4
14	Suo Motu Review Petition	1	0	0	1
Total		**1181**	**1807**	**546**	**2442**

1.4.4 Branch Registry, Peshawar

Sr. #	Categories	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution	Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
1	Civil Appeal	440	282	9	713
2	Civil Petition Leave to Appeal	3348	1027	46	4329
3	Civil Review Petition	10	4	1	13
4	Criminal Appeal	13	4	0	17
5	Criminal Petition Leave to Appeal	59	221	0	280
6	Criminal Review Petition	2	0	0	2
7	Jail Petition	5	0	0	5
Total		**3877**	**1538**	**56**	**5359**

1.4.5 Branch Registry, Quetta

Sr. #	Categories	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution	Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
1	Civil Appeal	35	147	11	171
2	Civil Petition Leave to Appeal	559	403	154	808
3	Civil Review Petition	3	3	1	5
4	Criminal Appeal	13	24	3	34
5	Criminal Petition Leave to Appeal	94	80	48	126
6	Criminal Review Petition	2	0	0	2
7	Jail Petition	1	0	0	1
Total		**707**	**657**	**217**	**1147**

1.5 Branch wise Consolidated Statement showing Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of cases in the Supreme Court of Pakistan during the Year, 2023

Brach Registry	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution	Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
Principal Seat, Islamabad	30527	11547	15736	26248
Branch Registry, Lahore	16195	5368	598	20965
Branch Registry, Karachi	1181	1807	546	2442
Branch Registry, Peshawar	3877	1538	56	5359
Branch Registry, Quetta	707	657	217	1147
Total	**52487**	**20827**	**17153**	**56161**

1.6 Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Petitions in the Supreme Court of Pakistan during the Year, 2023

Brach Registry	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution	Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
Principal Seat, Islamabad	19921	7053	11176	15798
Branch Registry, Lahore	14158	5196	519	18835
Branch Registry, Karachi	916	1595	365	2146
Branch Registry, Peshawar	3412	1248	46	4614
Branch Registry, Quetta	654	483	202	935
Total	**39061**	**15575**	**12308**	**42328**

1.7 Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Appeals in the Supreme Court of Pakistan during the Year, 2023

Brach Registry	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution	Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
Principal Seat, Islamabad	8242	3153	3580	7815
Branch Registry, Lahore	1778	129	45	1862
Branch Registry, Karachi	144	138	103	179
Branch Registry, Peshawar	453	286	9	730
Branch Registry, Quetta	48	171	14	205
Total	**10665**	**3877**	**3751**	**10791**

1.8 Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of other Cases in the Supreme Court of Pakistan during the Year, 2023

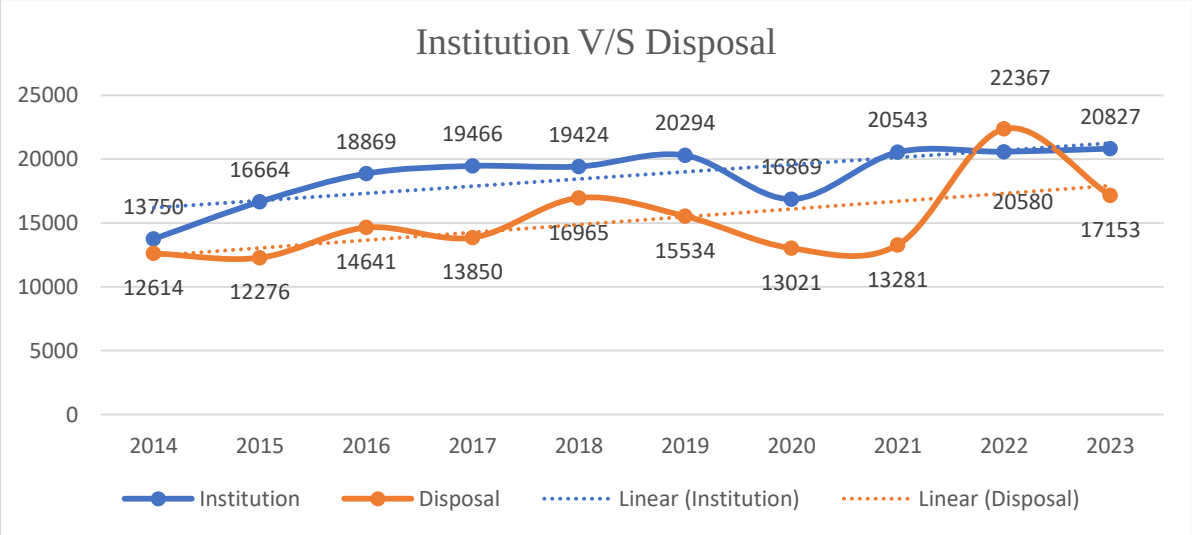
Brach Registry	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution	Disposal	Balance on 31 -12-2023
Principal Seat, Islamabad	2364	1251	980	2635
Branch Registry, Lahore	259	43	34	268
Branch Registry, Karachi	121	74	78	117
Branch Registry, Peshawar	12	4	1	15
Branch Registry, Quetta	5	3	1	7
Total	**2761**	**1375**	**1094**	**3042**

1.9 Consolidated Statement Showing Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the Supreme Court of Pakistan During the last 10 Years

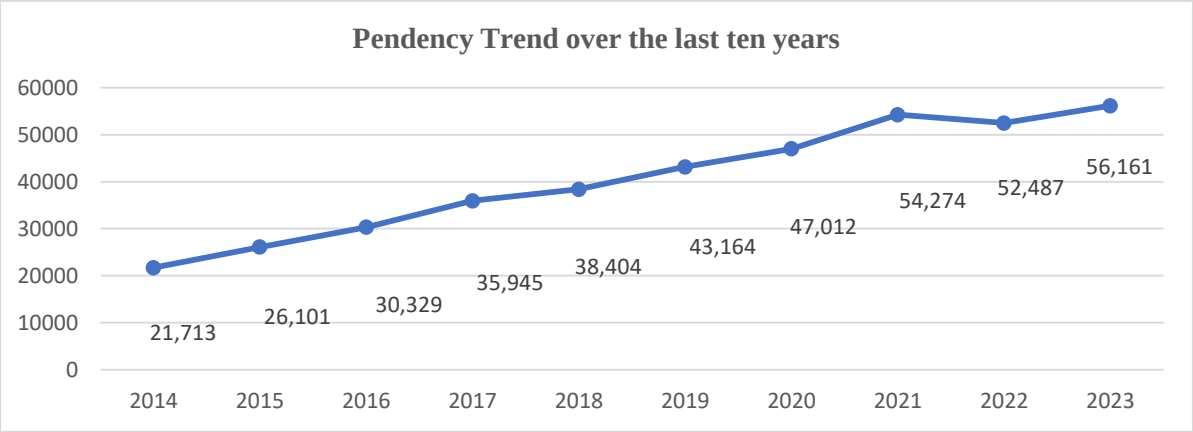
The Supreme Court of Pakistan has faced a consistent increase in both the institution of new cases and the backlog of pending cases over the last decade. The table below highlights the number of cases instituted, disposed of, and pending in the Supreme Court from 2014 to 2023.

Sr. #	Year	Pendency	Institution	Disposal	Balance
1	**2014**	20577	13750	12614	21713
2	**2015**	21713	16664	12276	26101
3	**2016**	26101	18869	14641	30329
4	**2017**	30329	19466	13850	35945
5	**2018**	35945	19424	16965	38404
6	**2019**	38404	20294	15534	43164
7	**2020**	43164	16869	13021	47012
8	**2021**	47012	20543	13281	54274
9	**2022**	54274	20580	22367	52487
10	**2023**	52487	20827	17153	56161

- **Increasing Institution of Cases:** From 2014 to 2023, the number of new cases instituted annually has remained relatively high, particularly after 2015. The peak was in 2022, with 20,580 cases filed. This trend reflects a growing demand for justice and the increasing reliance on the Supreme Court for resolving disputes.
- **Disposal of Cases:** Despite significant case disposal efforts by the Court, with the highest number of disposals recorded in 2022 **(22,367 cases),** the Court has not consistently been able to match or surpass the annual institution of cases. In most years, the disposal numbers lagged behind the institution, contributing to the rise in pending cases.



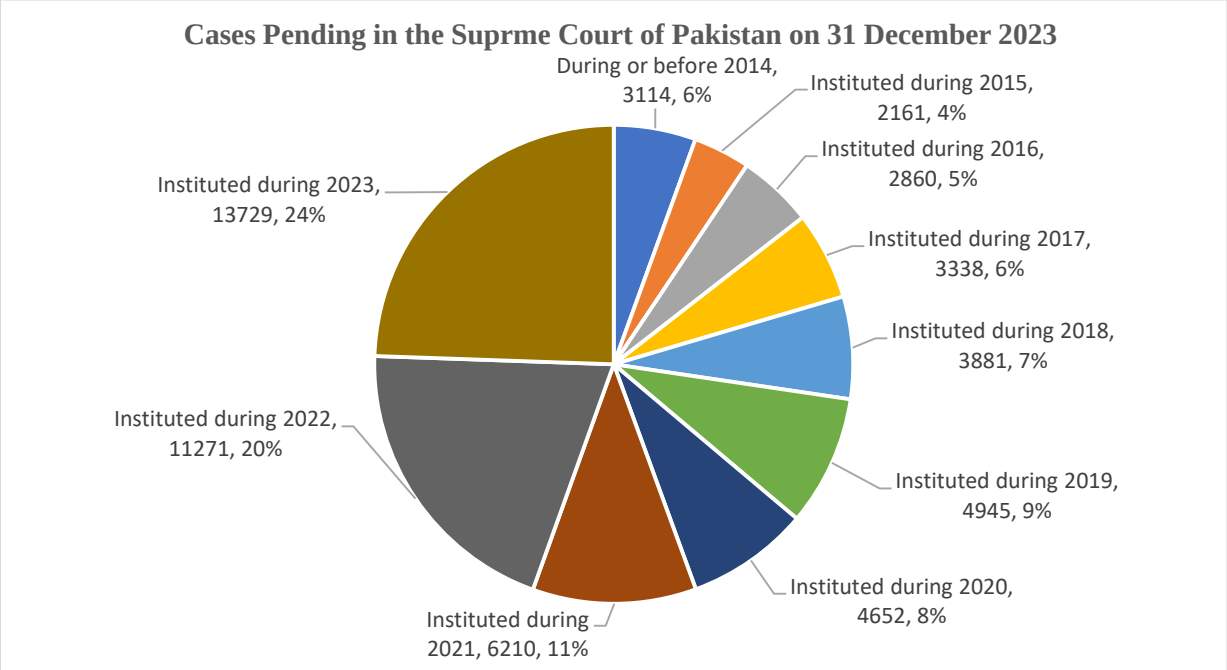
The data indicates a consistent increase in the backlog of pending cases. While 2014 saw a balance of **21,713** cases, the pendency steadily grew to **56,161** cases by the end of 2023. Notably, despite the Court's best efforts in 2022 to dispose of a significant number of cases, the overall backlog remained substantial. The backlog surge in 2023 (56,161 cases) represents a critical challenge that the judiciary continues to face.



- **Caseload Growth**: The number of cases pending at the start of each year consistently increased from 2014 to 2023. By the end of 2023, the pendency had more than doubled compared to 2014.
- **Institution vs. Disposal**: Although the Supreme Court managed to dispose of a substantial number of cases each year, particularly in 2022, the institution of cases consistently outpaced disposals, further exacerbating the pendency.
- **Backlog**: The increase in the balance of cases each year highlights the growing backlog, which needs targeted interventions to prevent further delays in the dispensation of justice.

1.10 Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution

The chart below presents the pending caseload of Supreme Court on 31st December 2023, bifurcated by the year of institution.



The table below presents the category-wise sorted pending caseload of Supreme Court on 31st December 2023, bifurcated by the Year of institution.

Categories	No. of cases pending on 31.12.23	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		During or before 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Civil Appeal	**9,643**	1655	579	887	533	598	685	844	947	2,046	869
Civil Petition Leave to Appeal	**30,104**	1187	1,315	1,396	1,701	1,892	2,420	1,752	3,090	6,170	9,181
Civil Review Petition	**2,130**	8	6	118	124	159	141	165	100	590	719
Civil Shariat Appeal	**91**	61	5	0	1	1	1	1	0	15	6
Civil Shariat Review Petition	**1**	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Criminal Appeal	**1,140**	3	1	0	5	2	56	334	163	243	333
Criminal Original Petition	**251**	10	6	7	14	23	35	36	24	39	57
Criminal Petition Leave to Appeal	**8,947**	80	184	379	592	743	1,179	1,120	1,257	1,498	1,915
Criminal Review Petition	**110**	1	0	4	2	8	14	7	21	14	39
Criminal Suo MotuShariat Review Petition	**31**	3	0	2	1	6	7	1	2	3	6
Criminal Suo MotuShariat	**2**	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

Categories	No. of cases pending on 31.12.23	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		During or before 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Review Petition											
Criminal Shariat Appeal	**16**	1	0	2	7	4	0	2	0	0	0
Criminal Shariat Petition	**23**	1	2	0	0	2	7	0	2	6	3
Criminal Shariat Review Petition	**5**	2	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
Department Selection Appeal	**1**	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Human Rights Case	**134**	70	43	0	3	18	0	0	0	0	0
Intra Court Appeal	**69**	1	2	1	3	8	5	0	23	0	26
Jail Petition	**3,288**	3	7	57	335	400	381	373	558	625	549
Jail Shariat Petition	**17**	0	0	0	1	3	4	3	6	0	0
Reference	**1**	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Suo MotuCase	**27**	5	6	2	0	3	0	2	6	2	1
Suo MotuReview Petition	**14**	1	0	1	1	0	3	1	1	1	5
Total	**56,161**	**3,114**	**2,161**	**2,860**	**3,338**	**3,881**	**4,945**	**4,652**	**6,210**	**11,271**	**13,729**

1.11 Budget Allocation for the Financial Year 2023-24

For the fiscal Year 2023-24, the Supreme Court of Pakistan received a total budget allocation of **Rs. 3.555 billion** for its operations. The provided financial resources aim to support the Court's efforts in ensuring efficient judicial processes and maintaining administrative operations. The budgetary focus on the Principal Seat underlines its pivotal role in the functioning of the country's highest judicial body.

Sr.#	Name of the Principal Seat and Branch/Bench Registries	Budget in Rupees
1	Total Allocation for Principal Seat, Islamabad.	3,555,000,000/-
2	Branch Registry, Lahore	
3	Branch Registry, Karachi	
4	Branch Registry, Peshawar	
5	Branch Registry, Quetta	
	Total	**3,555,000,000/-**

1.12 Sanctioned and Working Strength of the Officers and Officials, as on 31-12-2022

The provided table outlines the sanctioned and working strength of various posts within an institution, categorized by post name, grade (BPS), and gender distribution. It offers a detailed breakdown of staffing levels across administrative, research, IT, legal, and support roles, indicating vacancies where applicable. The total number of sanctioned posts is 894, with 652 male and 35 female staff currently employed, leaving 207 positions vacant.

Sr. #	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength		Vacant
				Male	Female	
1	Registrar	22	1	0	1	0
2	Director General (Monitoring Cell)	22	1	1	0	1
3	Additional Registrar	21	2	2	0	2
4	Director General (HR Cell)	21	1	1	1	0
5	Additional Registrar (Research)	21	1	1	0	1
6	Director Research	21	1	1	0	1
7	Executive officer to CJ	20	1	1	1	0
8	Deputy Registrar	20	6	4	0	2
9	Deputy Registrar Research	20	1	1	1	0
10	Secretary to Chief Justice	20	1	1	1	0
11	Director (HR Cell)	19	1	1	0	1
12	Director (FRB)	19	1	1	0	1
13	Assistant Registrar	19	15	12	0	3
14	Sr. Research Officer/ Research Officer	19-20	15	10	3	2
15	PRO	19	1	1	0	0
16	Curator	19	1	1	0	0
17	Staff Officer to Chief Justice	19	1	1	0	0
18	Sr.Librarian	20	1	1	0	0
19	Director IT	19	1	1	0	0
20	Translator	18	1	0	0	1
21	Sr.Private Secretary	19	28	26	0	2
22	Accounts officer	18	2	2	0	0
23	Sr.Court Associate	19	29	23	3	3
24	Deputy Director (Software)	19	1	1	0	0
25	Deputy Director (Network)	19	1	1	0	0
26	Sr.Protocol Officer/ Protocol Officer	18-20	5	4	0	1
27	Revenue Record officer	17/18	1	0	0	1
28	Sr.Deputy Librarian	19	2	2	0	0
29	Web Master	18	1	1	0	0
30	Assistant Research Officer	17	4	0	0	4
31	Deputy Director (Web)	17	0	0	0	0
32	Deputy Translator	17	0	0	0	0
33	Asst. Protocol Officer	16	2	0	0	2
34	Assistant Accounts Officers	16	1	0	0	1
35	Assistant Librarian	16	6	3	1	2
36	Judicial Assistant	16-17	36	23	7	6
37	Senior Assistant	16	14	7	0	7

Sr. #	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength		Vacant
				Male	Female	
38	Assistant Private Secretary	16	29	15	1	13
39	Computer Supervisor (no fresh induction since 2015)	16	1	1	0	0
40	Research Assistant	16	6	0	0	6
41	Assistant Director (Network)	16	1	1	0	0
42	Assistant Director (Software)	16	1	1	0	0
43	Assistant Translator	16	0	0	0	0
44	Khateeb	15	2	1	0	1
45 1	Data Coder (no fresh induction since 2015)	14	7	7	0	0
46	Stenotypist	15-16	18	8	0	10
47	Assistant	14-15	22	16	0	6
48	Library Assistant	14-15	11	6	3	2
49	Software Developer (Web/mobile Apps)	16	2	0	0	2
50	Software Developer (Artificial Intelligence/Machine Learning)	16	1	0	0	1
51	Network Technician/Video Link operator	15	5	0	0	5
52	User Support Technician	14	2	0	0	2
53	IT Assistant	14-15	5	4	1	0
54	Accounts Assistant	15	3	2	0	1
55	Protocol Assistant	14-15	9	8	0	1
56	DEO (no fresh induction since 2015)	12	21	21	0	0
57	Catering Supervisor	14	1	1	0	0
58	Garage Supervisor	14	1	1	0	0
59	EPB	11-12	25	10	0	15
60	Caretaker	10-13	3	2	0	1
61	Head Cook	12	1	1	0	0
62	Junior Library Assistant	11	4	0	0	4
63	Junior Protocol Assistant	12	5	3	0	2
64	Transcript Writer	9	1	0	0	1
65	UDC	9	30	13	0	17
66	Telephone Operator	10-13	12	6	2	4
67	Book Binder	9	3	1	0	2
68	Library Clerk	9-10	5	4	0	1
69	Moazzin	9	2	2	0	0
70	Urdu Typist	8	2	0	0	2
71	Driver to Chief Justice	8	2	1	0	1
72	LDC	7-9	90	70	3	17
73	Operators-cum-Technician for CCTV System	7	6	0	4	2
74	Motor Machine	7	1	1	0	0
75	Electrician	7	1	0	0	1
76	Driver	5-9	79	77	0	2
77	Dispatch Rider	7	7	6	0	1
78	DMO	5	3	1	0	2
79	Record Sorter (no fresh induction since 2015)	5	2	2	0	0
80	Daftary	3-5	28	26	0	2

Sr. #	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength		Vacant
				Male	Female	
81	Qasid	3-5	40	34	1	5
82	Cook	3-4	5	5	0	0
83	Naib Qasid	2-4	149	135	5	9
84	Cleaner	2	4	1	0	3
85	Sweeper	2	31	16	0	15
86	Chowkidar	2	16	13	0	3
87	Mali	2	2	1	0	1
Total			**894**	**652**	**35**	**207**

2. FEDERAL SHARIAT COURT OF PAKISTAN



The Federal Shariat Court of Pakistan was established to ensure that all laws in the country conform to the Injunctions of Islam, as prescribed by the Holy Quran and the Sunnah of the Last Prophet (PBUH). The creation of the Court stems from the **Objectives Resolution** and **Article 227** of the Constitution of Pakistan, 1973 which emphasize that Pakistan's laws need to be in conformity with Islamic principles of laid down in the Holy Quran and Sunna. Initially, Shariat Benches were set up in the Provincial High Courts in 1979, but the need for an independent Institution to oversee this process led to the formation of the Federal Shariat Court in 1980, under Article 203-C of the Constitution of the Pakistan 1973.

The Court is composed of up to Eight Muslim Judges, including Ulema with expertise in Islamic law. Judges, including the Chief Justice, are appointed by the President on the recommendation of the Judicial Commission of Pakistan, ensuring appointments are based on both Islamic and judicial qualifications.

The Court’s jurisdiction includes the power to review any law, on its own motion or through petitions, to determine if it is repugnant to Islamic Injunctions. Additionally, it serves as the appellate court for cases under the Hudood laws, making its decisions vital in upholding the principles of Islamic law across Pakistan.

2.1 Hon'ble Judges of the Federal Shariat Court as on 31.12.2023

Sr. No.	Name	Date of Assumption	Date of Relinquish
1.	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Iqbal Hameedur Rehman Chief Justice	01-06-2023	31-05-2026
2.	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Khadim Hussain M. Shaikh	27.03.2021	26.03.2024
3.	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Dr. Syed Muhammad Anwer	10.07.2023	09.07.2026

Sanctioned Strength of Hon'ble Judges (as on 31.12.2023)	01 Chief Justice + 07 Judges
Working strength of Hon'ble Judges (as on 31.12.2023)	01 Chief Justice + 02 Judges

2.2 Hon'ble Judges of the Federal Shariat Court who retired during the year 2023

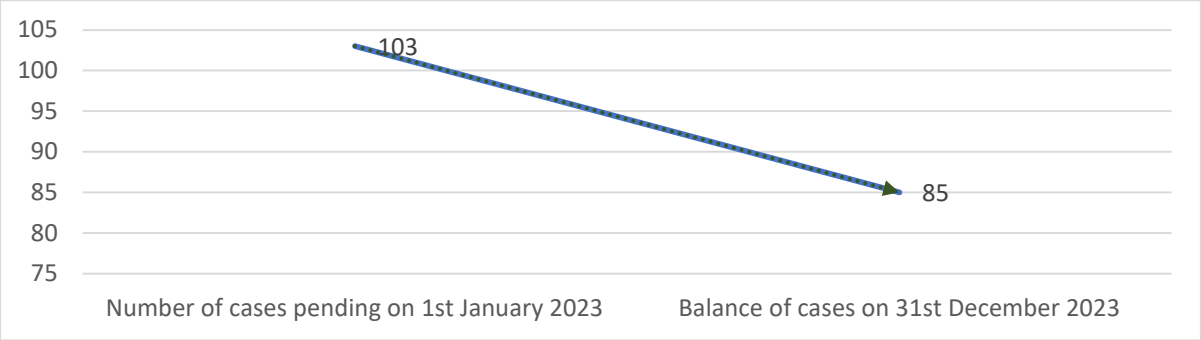
Sr. No	Name	Date of Retirement
1.	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Dr. Syed Muhammad Anwer, Judge	20.05.2023

2.3 Status of complaints and Penalties against officers/ officials of the Federal Shariat Court during the Year 2023

Complaints		Against Officers	Against Officials	Total
i.	**Number of Complaints Received**			
1.	Total complaints received	-	04	04
2.	Total complaints disposed of	-	02	02
3.	Under Process	-	02	02
ii.	**Nature of Complaints received**			
1.	Corruption	-	-	-
2.	Misconduct	-	04	04
3.	Misuse and Arbitrary use of Power	-	-	-
4.	Harassment	-	-	-
5.	Living Beyond Means	-	-	-
6.	Other	-	-	-
Total		**-**	**04**	**04**
iii.	**Penalties imposed under ED Rules:**			
A.	**Major Punishment**			
i.	Dismissal from service	-	-	-
ii.	Removal from service	-	-	-
iii.	Compulsory retirement	-	-	-
iv.	Reduction to lower stage	-	-	-
v.	Reduction to lower post	-	-	-
Total		-	-	-
B.	**Minor punishment**			
i.	Stoppage of increment	-	-	-
ii.	Withholding promotion	-	-	-
iii.	Censure/ Warning	-	02	02
Total		**0**	**02**	**02**
C.	**Administrative Actions**			
i.	Transfer	-	01	01
ii.	Suspension	-	-	-
iii.	Supersession	-	-	-
iv.	Other	-	-	-
Total		**-**	**01**	**01**

2.4 Consolidated Category-wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the Federal Shariat Court during the Year 2023

Sr. No.	Category of Cases	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution	Disposal	Balance On 31.12.2023
1.	Cr. Appeal	22	10	08	24
2.	Cr. Revision	07	05	08	04
3.	Cr. PSLA	05	-	04	01
4.	Cr. Murder/Hadd References	01	02	-	03
5.	Cr. Misc.	14	23	22	15
6.	Shariat Matter	54	37	53	38
Total		**103**	**77**	**95**	**85**



- The Federal Shariat Court (FSC) maintains a smaller caseload due to its focused jurisdiction and specialized function.
- It has shown a strong disposal rate in key areas. In total 95 cases were decided, most of the disposal was seen in Shariat matters (53 cases) and criminal miscellaneous (22 cases).

2.4.1 Principal Seat, Islamabad

Sr.#	Category of Cases	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution	Received In	Transferred out	Disposal	Balance on 30-12-2023
1.	Cr. Appeal	06	03	03	01	04	07
2.	Cr. Revision	05	03	-	-	06	02
3.	Cr. P.S.L.A	02	-	-	-	02	-
4.	Cr. Murder/ Hadd Ref.	-	-	01	-	-	01
5.	Cr. Misc.	05	12	-	-	11	06
6.	Shariat Matter	51	34	-	01	49	35
Total		**69**	**52**	**04**	**02**	**72**	**51**

2.4.2 Bench Registry, Lahore

Sr.#	Category of Cases	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution	Received In	Transferred out	Disposal	Balance on 30-12-2023
1.	Cr. Appeal	01	-	-	-	-	01
2.	Cr. Revision	-	-	-	-	-	-
3.	Cr. P.S.L.A	03	-	-	-	02	01
4.	Cr. Murder/ Hadd Ref.	-	-	-	-	-	-
5.	Cr. Misc.	04	-	-	-	04	-
6.	Shariat Matter	-	03	-	-	-	03
Total		**08**	**03**	**-**	**-**	**06**	**05**

2.4.3 Bench Registry, Karachi

Sr.#	Category of Cases	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution	Received In	Transferred out	Disposal	Balance on 30-12-2023
1.	Cr. Appeal	06	-	05	-	03	08
2.	Cr. Revision	02	02	-	-	02	02
3.	Cr. P.S.L.A	-	-	-	-	-	-
4.	Cr. Murder/ Hadd Ref.	01	-	-	-	-	01
5.	Cr. Misc.	03	05	02	-	03	07
6.	Shariat Matter	03	-	01	-	04	-
Total		**15**	**07**	**08**	**-**	**12**	**18**

2.4.4 Bench Registry, Peshawar

Sr.#	Category of Cases	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution	Received In	Transferred out	Disposal	Balance on 30-12-2023
1.	Cr. Appeal	04	06	01	03	01	07
2.	Cr. Murder/ Hadd Reference	-	02	-	01	-	01
3.	Cr. Misc.	-	05	-	-	04	01
Total		**04**	**13**	**01**	**04**	**05**	**09**

2.4.5 Bench Registry, Quetta

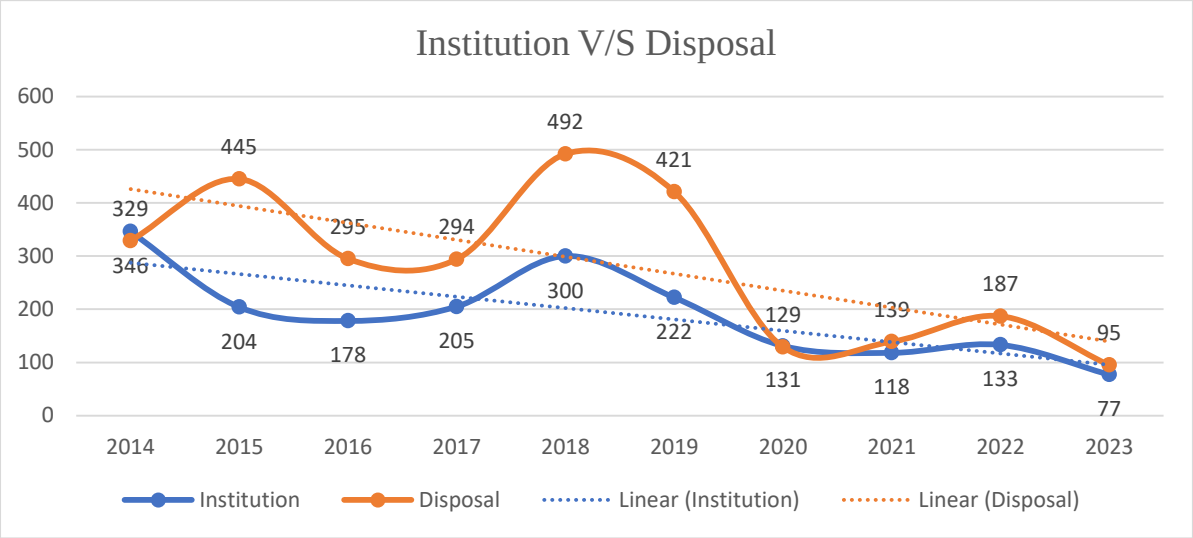
Sr.#	Category of Cases	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution	Received In	Transferred out	Disposal	Balance on 30-12-2023
1.	Cr. Appeal	05	01	-	05	-	01
2.	Cr. Misc.	02	01	-	02	-	01
Total		**07**	**02**	**-**	**07**	**-**	**02**

2.5 Consolidated Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the Federal Shariat Court, Principal Seat and its Bench Registries during the Last 10 Years

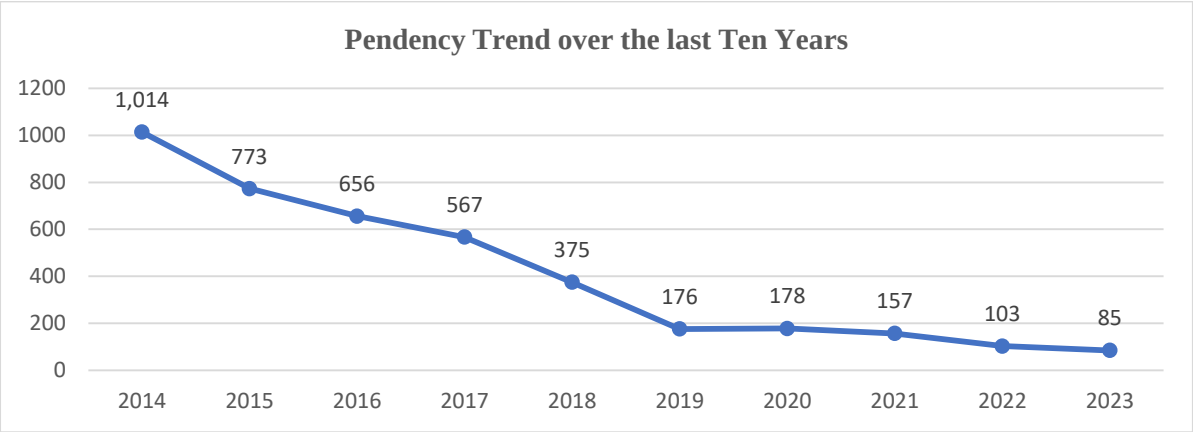
Over the past decade, the Federal Shariat Court (FSC) has made significant strides in managing to reduce its case load, as reflected in the consolidated data on pendency, institution, disposal, and case balance from 2014 to 2023.

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance on 31.12.2023
2014	997	346	329	1014
2015	1014	204	445	773
2016	773	178	295	656
2017	656	205	294	567
2018	567	300	492	375
2019	375	222	421	176
2020	176	131	129	178
2021	178	118	139	157
2022	157	133	187	103
2023	103	77	95	85

- The number of new cases instituted each year showed some fluctuation, starting with 346 new filings in 2014. However, over the next decade, the number of cases filed each year steadily declined, with 2023 witnessing the lowest figure of just 77 new cases.
- The rate of case disposal, while fluctuating throughout the years, peaked in 2018 when the Court managed to resolve an impressive 492 cases. This significant spike in disposals during 2018 reduced the balance of cases to 375, showing a concerted effort by the Court to address the backlog that year. However, the number of cases disposed of annually has since decreased, with only 95 cases resolved in 2023.



Despite the decline in the number of new cases and the slowing rate of disposals in recent years, the FSC's overall performance in reducing its backlog remains commendable. By the end of 2023, the Court had successfully brought down the number of pending cases to a mere 85—compared to the 1014 at the beginning of 2014.



This decade-long data suggests a positive trend of improving case resolution at the Federal Shariat Court, although the more recent drop in disposal rates may warrant a closer look into judicial efficiency in the coming years. Nonetheless, the Court's ability to reduce its case backlog is a promising indicator of progress in the administration of justice.

i. Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the Federal Shariat Court, Principal Seat during the Last 10 Years

Year	Pending	Institution	Received from Bench Registries	Transferred to Bench Registries	Disposal	Balance on 31.12.2023
2014	253	139	-	-	110	282
2015	282	96	-	-	150	228
2016	228	77	09	01	104	209
2017	209	124	25	07	105	246
2018	246	161	16	17	243	163
2019	163	103	05	11	128	132
2020	132	56	14	10	61	131
2021	131	68	25	32	58	134
2022	134	86	11	07	155	69
2023	69	52	04	02	72	51

ii. Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the Federal Shariat Court, Bench Registry Lahore during the Last 10 Years

Year	Pending	Institution	Received from Bench Registries	Transferred to Bench Registries	Disposal	Balance on 31.12.2023
2014	441	27	-	-	53	415
2015	415	12	-	-	104	323
2016	323	24	-	-	142	205
2017	205	25	01	15	98	118
2018	118	15	01	07	63	64
2019	64	12	-	03	67	06
2020	06	02	02	-	07	03
2021	03	02	-	-	-	05
2022	05	07	-	02	02	08
2023	08	03	-	-	06	05

iii. Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of cases in the Federal Shariat Court, Bench Registry Karachi during the Last 10 Years

Year	Pending	Institution	Received from Bench Registries	Transferred to Bench Registries	Disposal	Balance on 31.12.2023
2014	90	38	-	-	47	81
2015	81	54	-	-	55	80
2016	80	52	-	06	35	91
2017	91	35	04	01	45	84
2018	84	94	06	03	97	84
2019	84	52	09	-	124	21
2020	21	44	06	07	43	21
2021	21	26	16	13	44	06
2022	06	26	03	-	20	15
2023	15	07	08	-	12	18

iv. Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of cases in the Federal Shariat Court, Bench Registry Peshawar during the Last 10 Years

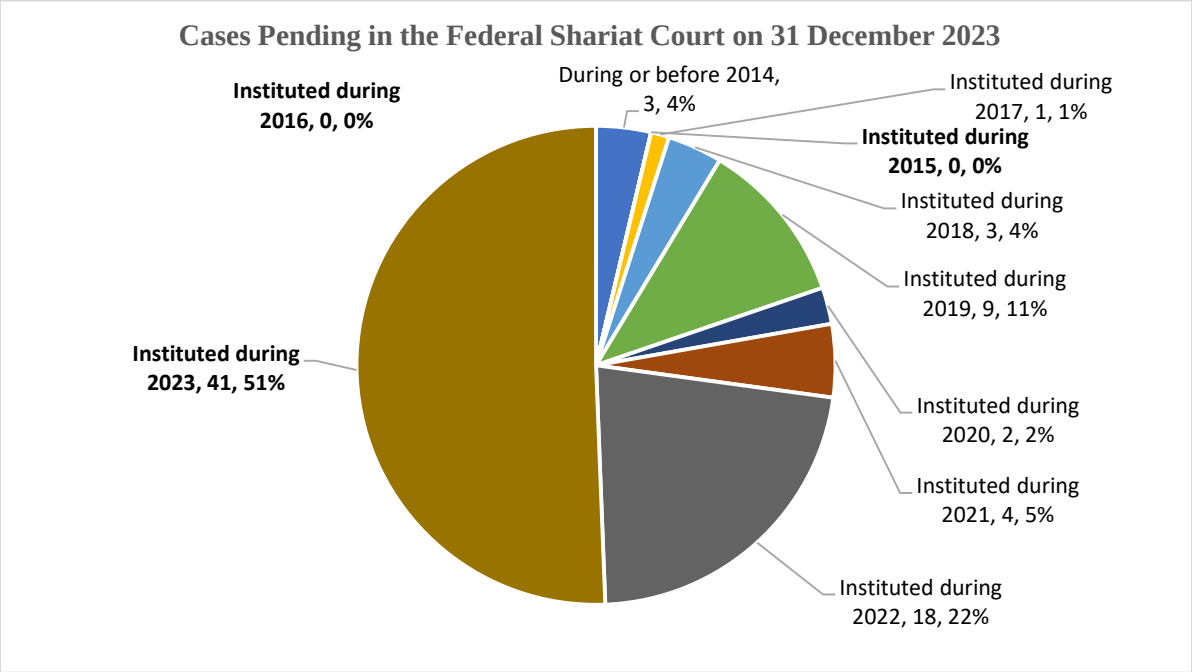
Year	Pending	Institution	Received from Bench Registries	Transferred to Bench Registries	Disposal	Balance on 31.12.2023
2014	84	33	-	-	32	85
2015	85	15	-	-	23	77
2016	77	08	-	02	-	83
2017	83	06	01	02	21	67
2018	67	15	-	03	36	43
2019	43	33	-	01	62	13
2020	13	20	01	07	14	13
2021	13	06	12	03	16	12
2022	12	06	02	07	09	04
2023	04	13	01	04	05	09

v. Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the Federal Shariat Court, Bench Registry Quetta during the Last 10 Years

Year	Pending	Institution	Received from Bench Registries	Transferred to Bench Registries	Disposal	Balance on 31.12.2023
2014	129	109	-	-	87	151
2015	151	27	-	-	113	65
2016	65	17	-	-	14	68
2017	68	15	03	09	25	52
2018	52	15	10	03	53	21
2019	21	22	02	01	40	04
2020	04	09	01	-	04	10
2021	10	16	04	09	21	-
2022	-	08	02	02	01	07
2023	07	02	-	07	-	02

2.6 Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution

The chart below presents the pending caseload of Shariat Court on 31st December 2023, bifurcated by the year of institution.



The table below presents the category-wise sorted pending caseload of Shariat Court on 31st December 2023, bifurcated by the year of institution.

Category of Cases	No. of cases pending on 31.12.23	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		During and before 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Criminal Matters	**47**	02	0	0	0	01	04	01	01	14	24
Shariat Matters	**38**	01	0	0	1	2	5	1	3	8	17
Total	**85**	**3**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**3**	**9**	**2**	**4**	**18**	**41**

2.7 Budget allocation for the Federal Shariat Court for the Financial Year 2023-24

Federal Shariat Court is a constitutional Court Established under article 203C of Constitution of Pakistan. The budget of the Federal Shariat Court is centralized and controlled from Principal Seat at Islamabad for incurring expenditure of Branch Registries including sub-Registries in all the provinces.

Sr. No	Principal Seat/Bench Registry	Budget Allocation (In Rupees)
1.	Principal Seat Islamabad	**Rs. 827,031,000/-**
2.	Bench Registry, Lahore (including sub–Registry, Multan)	
3.	Bench Registry, Karachi (including sub–Registry, Sukkar)	
4	Bench Registry, Peshawar (including sub–Registry Swat)	
5.	Bench Registry, Quetta (including sub Registry, Turbat)	
Total		**Rs. 827,031,000/-**

2.8 Sanctioned and Working strength of the officers and officials of the Federal Shariat Court on 31.12.2023

The provided table outlines the sanctioned and working strength of various posts within an institution, categorized by post name, grade (BPS), and gender distribution. It offers a detailed breakdown of staffing levels across administrative, research, IT, legal, and support roles, indicating vacancies where applicable. The total number of sanctioned posts is 268, with 237 male and 12 female staff currently employed, leaving 19 positions vacant.

Sr. No.	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength		Vacant
				Male	Female	
1.	Registrar	22	01	01	0	0
2.	Secretary to Chief Justice	21	01	01	0	0
3.	Senior Research Advisor	21	01	01	0	0
4.	Research Advisor	20	01	0	0	01
5.	Deputy Registrar	20	04	01	0	03
6.	Assistant Registrar	19	06	05	0	01
7.	Reader to Chief Justice	19	01	0	0	01
8.	Private Secretary to Chief Justice	19	01	01	0	0
9.	Private Secretary to Judge	18	06	06	0	0
10.	Librarian	18	01	01	0	0
11.	Superintendent	18	07	03	01	03

Sr. No.	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength		Vacant
				Male	Female	
12.	Reader to the Judge	18	06	05	0	01
13.	Computer Programmer	18	01	0	01	0
14.	Assistant Programmer	18	01	01	0	0
15.	Protocol Officer	18	01	01	0	0
16.	Accountant	18	01	01	0	0
17.	Research Officer	18	01	01	0	0
18.	Network Administrator	17	01	01	0	0
19.	Database Administrator	17	01	0	01	0
20.	Computer Operator/P.A.	17	01	0	0	01
21.	Assistant Protocol Officer	17	01	01	0	0
22.	Judicial Assistant	17	06	02	0	04
23.	Senior Assistant	17	05	05	0	0
24.	Assistant Private Secretary	17	01	01	0	0
25.	Research Assistant	16	04	02	02	0
26.	Protocol Assistant	16	04	03	0	01
27.	Stenographers/J.Ws	16	07	04	0	03
28.	Hardware Technician	16	01	01	0	0
29.	Scanning Expert	16	01	01	0	0
30.	Account Assistant	16	01	01	0	0
31.	Assistant	15	15	13	02	0
32.	Translation Assistant	15	02	02	0	0
33.	Care Taker	15	01	01	0	0
34.	Cataloguer	15	02	01	01	0
35.	Stenotypist	14	03	03	0	0
36.	U.D.Cs	13	10	10	0	0
37.	Urdu Typist	11	02	02	0	0
38.	Receptionist	11	01	01	0	0
39.	L.D.Cs	11	31	29	02	0
40.	Assistant Caretaker	11	02	02	0	0
41.	Imam Masjid	11	01	01	0	0
42.	Book Binder	5	01	01	0	0
43.	D.M.O.	5	02	02	0	0

Sr. No.	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength		Vacant
				Male	Female	
44.	Electrician	5	01	01	0	0
45.	Driver	5	15	15	0	0
46.	Dispatch Rider	5	04	04	0	0
47.	Daftary	3	03	03	0	0
48.	Qasid	3	10	10	0	0
49.	Naib Qasid	2	40	40	0	0
50.	Farash	2	03	03	0	0
51.	Mali	2	05	05	0	0
52.	Chowkidar	2	09	09	0	0
53.	Cook	2	09	09	0	0
54.	Bearer	2	07	06	01	0
55.	Sweeper	2	14	13	01	0
Total			**268**	**237**	**12**	**19**

3. Lahore High Court, Lahore

3.1 History



The Lahore High Court has a history spanning over 150 years. By 1830, small principalities in the region handled civil and criminal disputes through arbitrators, governed by inconsistent customs. The Sadar Adalat Court in Lahore was the only judicial body at the time. In 1866, the Chief Court of Punjab was established under the Chief Court Act as the highest appellate court for civil and criminal cases, with original and supervisory jurisdiction over subordinate courts. The Punjab Courts Act of 1877 later consolidated the laws governing the Chief Court.

After Pakistan's partition, the Governor General set the Lahore High Court's strength at six permanent judges and one additional judge, effective from September 28th, 1948. In 1979, as part of separating the judiciary from the executive, 41 Extra Assistant Commissioners were placed under the court's control. On January 1st, 1981, permanent benches were established in Bahawalpur, Multan, and Rawalpindi.

Judges of the High Court are appointed by the President of Pakistan on the recommendation of the Judicial Commission under Article 175(A) of the Constitution. Candidates must have at least ten years of experience as an Advocate or relevant judicial experience, and judges serve until the age of 62 unless they resign or are removed due to incapacity or misconduct, as determined by the Supreme Judicial Council. The Lahore High Court has a total of 60 judges, including the Chief Justice.

In addition to appellate jurisdiction, the High Court has original jurisdiction to issue writs such as Habeas Corpus, Mandamus, Prohibition, Certiorari, and Quo Warranto.

3.2 Hon'ble Chief Justice, and, Judges of the Lahore High Court as on 31-12-2023

Sr. #	Name	Date of Elevation	Date of Superannuation
1.	Mr. Justice Muhammad Ameer Bhatti, Chief Justice	12.05. 2011	07.03. 2024
2.	Mr. Justice Malik Shahzad Ahmad Khan	12.05. 2011	14.03. 2025
3.	Mr. Justice Shujaat Ali Khan	27. 03. 2012	22.04. 2026
4.	Mr. Justice Ali Baqar Najafi	16.04.2012	Sep. 14, 2025
5.	Mr. Justice Shahid Bilal Hassan	12.04. 2013	11.03. 2027
6.	Justice Miss Aalia Neelum	12.04. 2013	11.11. 2028
7.	Mr. Justice Abid Aziz Sheikh	12.04. 2013	04. 25, 2029
8.	Mr. Justice Sadaqat Ali Khan	29.10.2013	20.06 2029
9.	Mr. Justice Shams Mehmood Mirza	22.03. 2014	06.03. 2028
10.	Mr. Justice Syed Shahbaz Ali Rizvi	22.03. 2014	21.04. 2028
11.	Mr. Justice Shahid Jamil Khan	23.03.2014	29.04.2028
12.	Mr. Justice Faisal Zaman Khan	22.03.2014	30.07.2029
13.	Mr. Justice Masud Abid Naqvi	07.11.2014	04.07.2026
14.	Mr. Justice Shahid Karim	07.11.2014	19.08.2026
15.	Mr. Justice Mirza Viqas Rauf	07.11.2014	26.04.2028
16.	Mr. Justice Ch. Muhammad Iqbal	07.11.2014	31.10.2028
17.	Mr. Justice Shehram Sarwar Ch.	08.06.2015	23.04.2030
18.	Mr. Justice Muhammad Sajid Mehmood Sethi	08.06.2015	18.05.2030
19.	Mr. Justice Sardar Muhammad Sarfraz Dogar	08.06.2015	02.07.2030
20.	Mr. Justice Asjad Javaid Ghural	26.11.2016	29.04.2026
21.	Mr. Justice Tariq Saleem Sheikh	26.11.2016	23.06.2027
22.	Mr. Justice Jawad Hassan	26.11.2016	27.07.2029
23.	Mr. Justice Muzamil Akhtar Shabir	26.11.2016	13.01.2031
24.	Mr. Justice Ch. Abdul Aziz	26.11.2016	08.09.2033
25.	Mr. Justice Anwaarul Haq Pannun	23.10.2018	27.03.2025
26.	Mr. Justice Farooq Haider	23.10.2018	23.04.2030
27.	Mr. Justice Muhammad Waheed Khan	23.10.2018	27.04.2031
28.	Mr. Justice Rasaal Hasan Syed	23.10.2018	10.09.2032
29.	Mr. Justice Asim Hafeez	23.10.2018	13.09.2032
30.	Mr. Justice Sadiq Mahmud Khurram	23.10.2018	07.01.2035
31.	Mr. Justice Shakil Ahmad	07.05.2021	11.11.2024
32.	Mr. Justice Ahmad Nadeem Arshad	07.05.2021	01.05.2027
33.	Mr. Justice Muhammad Tariq Nadeem	07.05.2021	18.07.2029
34.	Mr. Justice Muhammad Amjad Rafiq	07.05.2021	01.02.2032
35.	Mr. Justice Abid Hussain Chattha	07.05.2021	01.04.2034
36.	Mr. Justice Anwaar Hussain	07.05.2021	30.01.2035
37.	Mr. Justice Ali Zia Bajwa	07.05.2021	30.06.2035
38.	Mr. Justice Sultan Tanvir Ahmad	07.05.2021	27.08.2035
39.	Mr. Justice Muhammad Raza Qureshi	07.05.2021	15.09.2035
40.	Mr. Justice Raheel Kamran	07.05.2021	20.01.2036

Sanctioned Strength of Hon'ble Judges31.12.2023: **60**

Working Strength of Hon'ble Judges 31.12.2023: **40**

3.3 Hon'ble Judges Retired During the year 2023

Sr. No	Name	Date of Retirement
1.	Mr. Justice Safdar Saleem Shahid	31-7-2023

3.4 Status of Complaints and Penalties during the Year 2023

In 2023, a total of **3,128 complaints** were received across various judicial and administrative categories, highlighting a continued focus on transparency and accountability. Of these, **2,547 complaints** were disposed of and **1,112 complaints** remain under process.

Complaints		Officers (High Court)	Officials (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
1.	Total Complaints Received	35	178	855	2060	**3128**
2.	Total Complaints Disposed	25	153	901	1468	**2547**
3.	Under Process	10	25	335	742	**1112**

ii) **Nature of Complaints Received**

	Complaints	Officers (High Court)	Officials (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
1.	Corruption	3	8	7	213	**231**
2.	Misconduct	27	162	19	1180	**1388**
3.	Misuses and Arbitrary use of powers	5	4	383	82	**474**
4.	Harassment	0	2	0	1	**3**
5.	Living beyond means	0	0	0	2	**2**
6.	others	0	2	446	582	**1030**
Total		**35**	**178**	**855**	**2060**	**3128**

- **Corruption and Misconduct** dominated the complaints, with a staggering 1,388 complaints related to misconduct alone, particularly among district judiciary staff.
- Complaints of **arbitrary use of power** reached 474 cases, showcasing the judiciary's commitment to curbing excess of authority.

iii) Penalties imposed under E&D Rules

A: Major Punishment						
Penalties		**Officers (High Court)**	**Officials (High Court)**	**Judicial Officers**	**Staff (District Judiciary)**	**Total**
i	Dismissal from Service	0	5	2	103	**110**
ii	Removal from Service	0	8	2	47	**57**
iii	Compulsory Retirement	0	1	1	10	**12**
iv	Reduction to Lower Stage	5	1	0	23	**29**
v	Reduction to Lower Post	4	1	0	7	**12**
Total		**9**	**16**	**5**	**190**	**220**

- **Major penalties** were imposed on **220 individuals**, including **110 dismissals**, **57 removals from service**, and **29 reductions to lower stages or posts**.

B: Minor Punishment						
Penalties		**Officers (High Court)**	**Officials (High Court)**	**Judicial Officers**	**Staff (District Judiciary)**	**Total**
i	Stoppage of Increment	7	21	1	180	**209**
ii	Withholding Promotion	1	0	0	13	**14**
iii	Censure/Warning	6	52	1	310	**369**
Total		**14**	**73**	**2**	**503**	**592**

- **Minor penalties** affected **592 individuals**, with **209 stoppages of increments** and **369 censure or warnings** being issued.

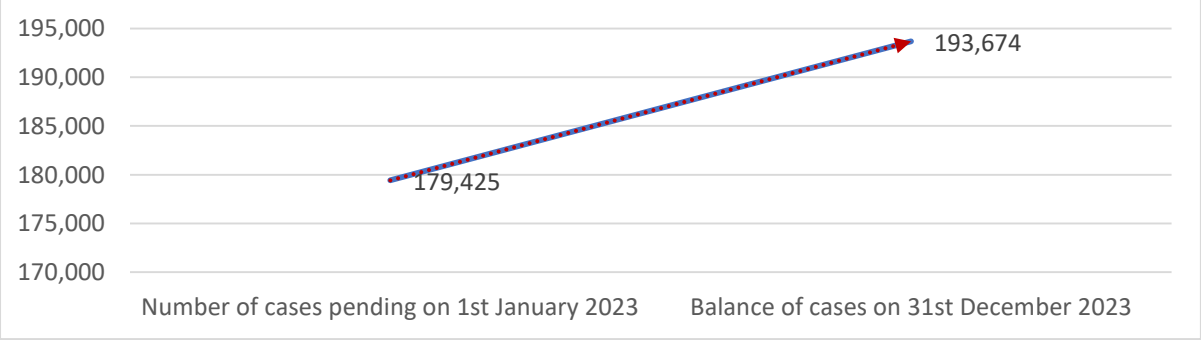
C: Administrative Actions						
Penalties		**Officers (High Court)**	**Officials (High Court)**	**Judicial Officers**	**Staff (District Judiciary)**	**Total**
i	Transfer	0	0	754	67	821
ii	Suspension	1	5	1	48	55
iii	Supersession	0	0	0	0	0
iv	Other	0	60	0	74	134
Total		**1**	**65**	**755**	**189**	**1010**

- **Administrative actions** saw **821 transfers** and **55 suspensions** to ensure the integrity of the judicial system.

3.5 Consolidated Statement of Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the Lahore High Court and its Benches during the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of Principal Seat and Benches	Pending 01-01-2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance 31-12-2023
1.	Principal Seat, Lahore	109,922	85,964	76,891	118,995
2.	Rawalpindi Bench	16,252	19,228	18,596	16,884
3.	Multan Bench	38,800	37,370	33,581	42,589
4.	Bahawalpur Bench	14,451	11,556	10,801	15,206
	Total:	**179,425**	**154,118**	**139,869**	**193,674**

- The Lahore Principal Seat started the year with **109,922 pending cases** and received **85,964 new filings**, totaling **195,886 cases**. It disposed of **76,891 cases**, leaving **118,995 pending** by year-end
- Beginning with **16,252 pending cases**, the Rawalpindi Bench saw **19,228 new filings**, resulting in a total of **35,480 cases**. After disposing of **18,596 cases**, it concluded the year with **16,884 pending cases**
- The Multan Bench had **38,800 cases** pending at the start and received **37,370 new cases**, leading to **76,170 total cases**. It disposed of **33,581 cases**, ending the year with **42,589 pending cases**
- With **14,451 pending cases** at the beginning, Bahawalpur recorded **11,556 new filings**, totaling **26,007 cases**. The bench disposed of **10,801 cases**, finishing the year with **15,206 pending cases**



At the beginning of 2023, the judiciary was confronted with **179,425 pending cases**. Over the year, it received an impressive **154,118 new cases**, bringing the total caseload to **333,543 cases**. Throughout the year, the judiciary successfully disposed of **139,869 cases**, yet an aggregate balance of **193,674 pending cases** remained by December 31st, 2023.

This data reveals a **7.9% increase** in the overall backlog compared to the start of the year, underscoring persistent challenges in managing case backlogs. The judiciary's ongoing efforts to enhance efficiency are crucial in addressing these trends and improving overall case resolution outcomes.

3.6 Category-wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the Lahore High Court during the Year 2023

3.6.1 Consolidate Statement

Case Category	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
Civil Original	328	107	80	355
Civil Original Suit (Banking)	730	70	80	720
Civil Revision	34.498	7,820	5,150	37,168
Capital Sentence Reference	101	12	26	87
Civil Tax Reference	7	-	1	6
Commercial Appeal	75	2	15	62
Crl. Appeal	21,041	6,093	6,675	20,459
Crl. Misc.	5,360	44,977	42,136	8,201
Crl. Misc.(Q)	61	35	42	54
Crl. Original	9,547	6,047	5,388	10,206
Crl. Revision	6,586	2,369	2,247	6,708
Cross Objection	59	4	9	54
Custom Apl.	1	-	-	1
Execution First Appeal	565	367	284	648
Execution Second Appeal	6	51	18	39
Excise Tax Reference	65	27	15	77
Environmental Appeal	102	5	23	84
Execution Appeal Banking	348	32	15	77
First Appeal Against Order	2,487	794	595	2,686
Intra Court Appeal	5,390	3,401	1,731	7,
Income / Wealth Tax Appeal	1	-	-	1
Income Tax Reference	2,332	1,167	320	3,179
Murder Ref.	1,471	296	440	1,058
Others	1,006	492	440	1,058
Petition for Special Leave to Appeal	2,902	551	297	3,156
Petition Cooperative	87	32	32	87
Review Application	391	186	148	429
Regular First Appeal	8,513	2,350	1,170	9,693
Regular Second Appeal	1,992	71	246	1,817
Second Appeal Against Order	32	21	8	45
Sales Tax Appeal / Reference	1,574	720	196	2,098
Transfer Application	513	889	996	406
Tax Reference	716	287	243	760
Writ Petition (Settlement)	695	275	259	711
Writ Petition	68,936	74,432	70,489	72,879
Misc. (Service/Labour App. etc.)	907	136	55	988
Total	**179,425**	**154,118**	**139,869**	**193,674**

3.6.2 Principal Seat

Case Category	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
Civil Original	290	93	65	318
Civil Original Suit (Banking)	666	53	73	646
Civil Revision	16,462	4,215	2,582	18,095
Capital Sentence Reference	68	1	7	62
Civil Tax Reference	7	-	1	6
Commercial Appeal	71	1	14	58
Crl. Appeal	13,639	3,306	3,954	12,991
Crl. Misc.	3,783	25,885	23,686	5,982
Crl. Misc.(Q)	46	12	12	46
Crl. Original	6,578	3,002	2,404	7,176
Crl. Revision	4,659	1,384	1,295	4,748

Case Category	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
Cross Objection	41	1	5	37
Custom Apl.	1	-	-	1
Execution First Appeal	478	291	216	553
Execution Second Appeal	6	51	18	39
Excise Tax Reference	65	26	15	76
Environmental Appeal	100	4	23	81
Execution Appeal Banking	314	27	13	328
First Appeal Against Order	1,376	446	312	1,510
Intra Court Appeal	5,020	2,837	1,251	6,606
Income / Wealth Tax Appeal	1	-	-	1
Income Tax Reference	2,151	1,059	280	2,930
Murder Ref.	974	25	236	763
Others	784	387	352	819
Petition for Special Leave to Appeal	2,235	341	99	2,477
Petition Cooperative	87	32	32	87
Review Application	290	65	73	282
Regular First Appeal	4,833	1,156	689	5,300
Regular Second Appeal	985	48	160	873
Second Appeal Against Order	26	20	7	39
Sales Tax Appeal / Reference	1,387	585	167	1,807
Transfer Application	324	450	492	282
Tax Reference	684	273	239	718
Writ Petition (Settlement)	510	224	213	521
Writ Petition	40,185	39,552	37,853	41,884
Misc. (Service/Labour App. etc.)	794	112	53	853
Total	**109,920**	**44,329**	**76,891**	**118,995**

3.6.3 Bahawalpur Bench

Case Category	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
Civil Original	4	1	-	5
Civil Original Suit (Banking)	10	-	1	9
Civil Revision	5,096	760	676	5,180
Capital Sentence Reference	9	2	4	7
Civil Tax Reference	-	-	-	-
Commercial Appeal	-	-	-	-
Crl. Appeal	1,460	572	962	1,070
Crl. Misc.	383	5,542	5,343	582
Crl. Misc.(Q)	15	21	28	8
Crl. Original	574	1000	891	683
Crl. Revision	526	225	329	422
Cross Objection	-	1	-	1
Custom Apl.	-	-	-	-
Execution First Appeal	19	12	16	15
Execution Second Appeal	-	-	-	-
Excise Tax Reference	-	-	-	-
Environmental Appeal	-	1	-	1
Execution Appeal Banking	-	-	-	-

Case Category	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
First Appeal Against Order	221	69	77	213
Intra Court Appeal	64	187	205	46
Income / Wealth Tax Appeal	-	-	-	-
Income Tax Reference	-	1	1	-
Murder Ref.	46	39	26	59
Others	90	22	15	97
Petition for Special Leave to Appeal	81	54	59	76
Petition Cooperative	-	-	-	-
Review Application	35	29	18	46
Regular First Appeal	1,089	245	166	1,168
Regular Second Appeal	217	-	19	198
Second Appeal Against Order	3	-	-	3
Sales Tax Appeal / Reference	3	-	-	1
Transfer Application	20	74	2	33
Tax Reference	2	1	61	-
Writ Petition (Settlement)	15	4	3	16
Writ Petition	6,266	10,366	3	9,941
Misc. (Service/Labour App. etc.)	4	-	9,691	4
Total	**16,252**	**19,228**	**18,596**	**16,884**

3.6.4 Multan Bench

Case Category	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
Civil Original	15	5	3	17
Civil Original Suit (Banking)	52	4	5	51
Civil Revision	8,299	1,802	1,042	9,059
Capital Sentence Reference	9	-	2	7
Civil Tax Reference	-	-	-	-
Commercial Appeal	-	-	-	-
Crl. Appeal	4,789	1,247	752	5,284
Crl. Misc.	999	10,002	9,688	1,313
Crl. Misc.(Q)	-	2	2	-
Crl. Original	2,124	1,748	1,831	2,041
Crl. Revision	1,214	454	330	1,338
Cross Objection	6	-	2	4
Custom Apl.	-	-	-	-
Execution First Appeal	20	49	37	32
Execution Second Appeal	-	-	-	-
Excise Tax Reference	-	1	-	1
Environmental Appeal	2	-	-	2
Execution Appeal Banking	31	5	2	34
First Appeal Against Order	415	147	85	477
Intra Court Appeal	146	264	209	201
Income / Wealth Tax Appeal	-	-	-	-
Income Tax Reference	54	86	19	121
Murder Ref.	349	97	56	390
Others	117	69	55	131
Petition for Special Leave to Appeal	555	117	119	553

Case Category	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
Petition Cooperative	-	-	-	-
Review Application	24	77	40	61
Regular First Appeal	1,533	609	202	1,940
Regular Second Appeal	742	20	63	699
Second Appeal Against Order	2	1	1	2
Sales Tax Appeal / Reference	82	97	18	161
Transfer Application	140	305	365	80
Tax Reference	30	13	1	42
Writ Petition (Settlement)	137	13	19	131
Writ Petition	16,809	20,124	18,633	18,300
Misc. (Service/Labour App. etc.)	105	12	-	117
Total	**38,800**	**37,370**	**33,581**	**42,589**

3.6.5 Rawalpindi Bench

Case Category	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
Civil Original	19	8	12	15
Civil Original Suit (Banking)	2	13	1	14
Civil Revision	4,641	1,043	850	4,834
Capital Sentence Reference	15	9	13	11
Civil Tax Reference	-	-	-	-
Commercial Appeal	4	1	1	4
Crl. Appeal	1,153	968	1,007	1,114
Crl. Misc.	195	3,548	3,419	324
Crl. Misc.(Q)	-	-	-	-
Crl. Original	271	297	262	306
Crl. Revision	187	306	293	200
Cross Objection	12	2	2	12
Custom Apl.	-	-	-	-
Execution First Appeal	48	15	15	48
Execution Second Appeal	-	-	-	-
Excise Tax Reference	-	-	-	-
Environmental Appeal	-	-	-	-
Execution Appeal Banking	3	-	-	3
First Appeal Against Order	475	132	121	486
Intra Court Appeal	160	113	66	207
Income / Wealth Tax Appeal	-	-	-	-
Income Tax Reference	127	21	20	128
Murder Ref.	102	135	122	115
Others	15	14	18	11
Petition for Special Leave to Appeal	31	39	20	50
Petition Cooperative	-	-	-	-
Review Application	42	15	17	40
Regular First Appeal	1,058	340	113	1,285
Regular Second Appeal	48	3	4	47
Second Appeal Against Order	1	-	-	1
Sales Tax Appeal / Reference	100	38	9	129
Transfer Application	29	60	78	11

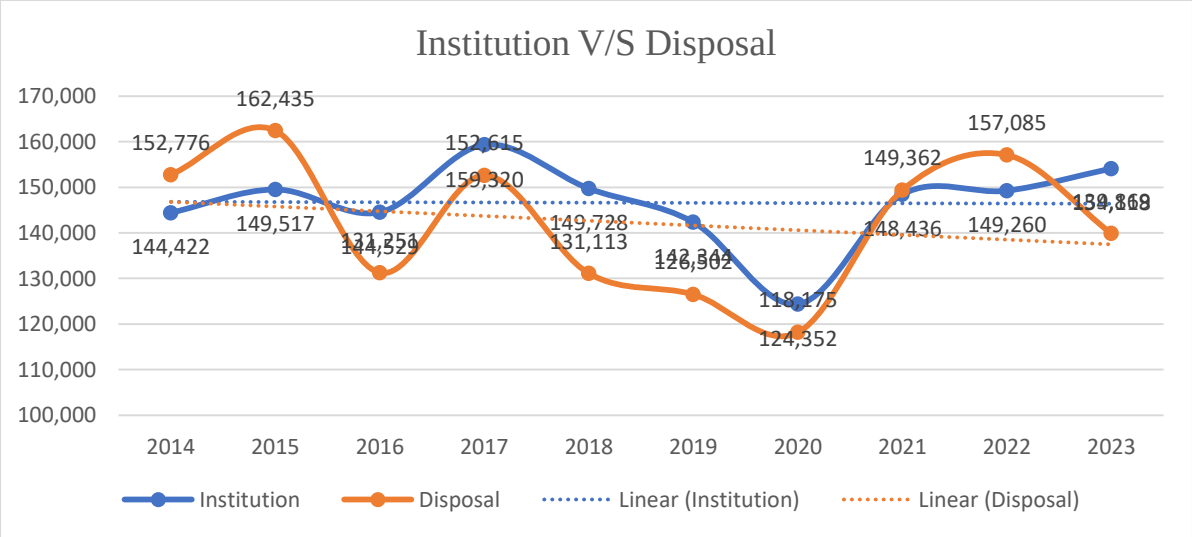
Case Category	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
Tax Reference	-	-	-	-
Writ Petition (Settlement)	33	34	24	43
Writ Petition	5,676	4,390	4,312	5,754
Misc. (Service/Labour App. etc.)	4	12	2	14
Total	**14,451**	**11,556**	**10,801**	**15,206**

3.7 Consolidated Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the Lahore High Court, during the Last 10 Years

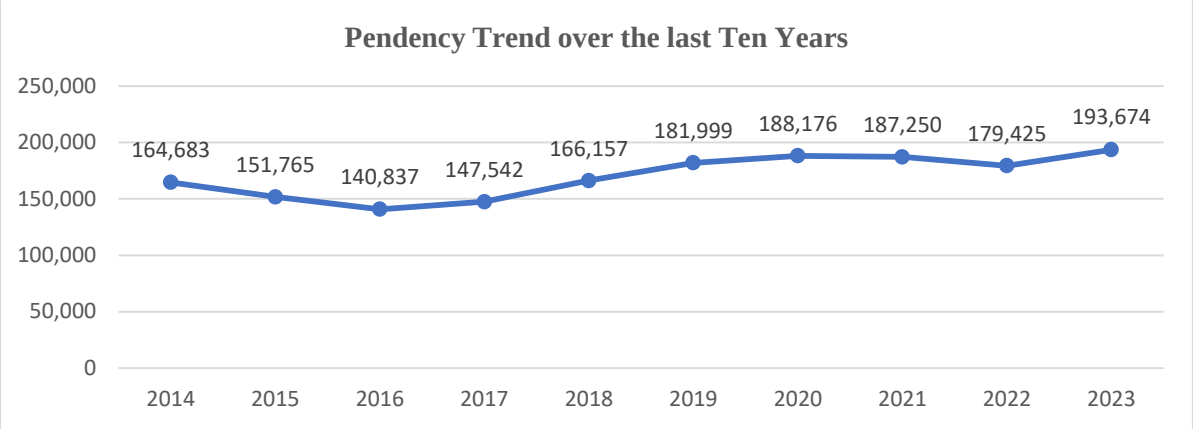
From 2014 to 2023, the judicial system experienced fluctuating trends in the number of pending, instituted, and disposed cases. In 2014, there were 173,037 pending cases, but despite consistent efforts, the pending caseload has generally increased, reaching 193,674 in 2023.

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	173,037	144,422	152,776	164,683
2015	164,683	149,517	162,435	151,765
2016	151,765	144,529	131,251	140,837
2017	140,837	159,320	152,615	147,542
2018	147,542	149,728	131,113	166,157
2019	166,157	142,344	126,502	181,999
2020	181,999	124,352	118,175	188,176
2021	188,176	148,436	149,362	187,250
2022	187,250	149,260	157,085	179,425
2023	179,425	154,118	139,869	193,674

- The institution of new cases saw a peak in 2017 with 159,320 cases, while the lowest was in 2020 with 124,352 cases, likely reflecting a dip due to external factors such as the pandemic.
- Case disposals showed a high in 2015 with 162,435 cases resolved, but decreased in the following years, hitting a low of 118,175 in 2020. Although disposals rebounded in 2021 and 2022, reaching 157,085 in 2022, the increasing balance of pending cases highlights the growing backlog.



Over the past decade, the backlog of pending cases has shown a clear upward trend, reflecting the increasing challenge of case resolution in the judiciary. In 2014, the pending cases stood at 164,683, but despite some fluctuations, the backlog steadily rose, reaching 193,674 by 2023.



Notably, even in years where case disposals increased, such as in 2015 and 2022, the balance of unresolved cases continued to grow. This consistent rise in pending cases points to a widening gap between the institution and disposal rates, highlighting the need for reforms to enhance the efficiency of case management and reduce delays in the judicial process.

3.7.1 Principal Seat, Lahore

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	106,171	78,657	86,751	98,077
2015	98,077	87,258	96,010	97,111
2016	97,111	84,632	86,068	79,802
2017	79,802	97,900	88,494	89,208
2018	89,208	82,452	72,774	98,886
2019	98,886	79,575	69,631	108,830
2020	108,830	69,625	65,946	112,509
2021	112,509	81,982	79,292	115,199
2022	115,199	84,403.	89,680	109,922
2023	109,922	85,964	76,891	118,995

3.7.2 Rawalpindi – Bench Registry

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	13,915	12,966	13,130	13,751
2015	13,751	9,630	9,903	12,521
2016	12,521	9,953	9,042	11,765
2017	11,765	11,178	9,773	13,170
2018	13,170	11,481	11,221	13,430
2019	13,430	9,449	9,239	13,640
2020	13,640	8,365	8,070	13,935
2021	13,935	10,941	10,286	14,590

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2022	14,590	10,057	10,196	14,451
2023	14,451	11,556	10,801	15,206

3.7.3 Multan – Bench Registry

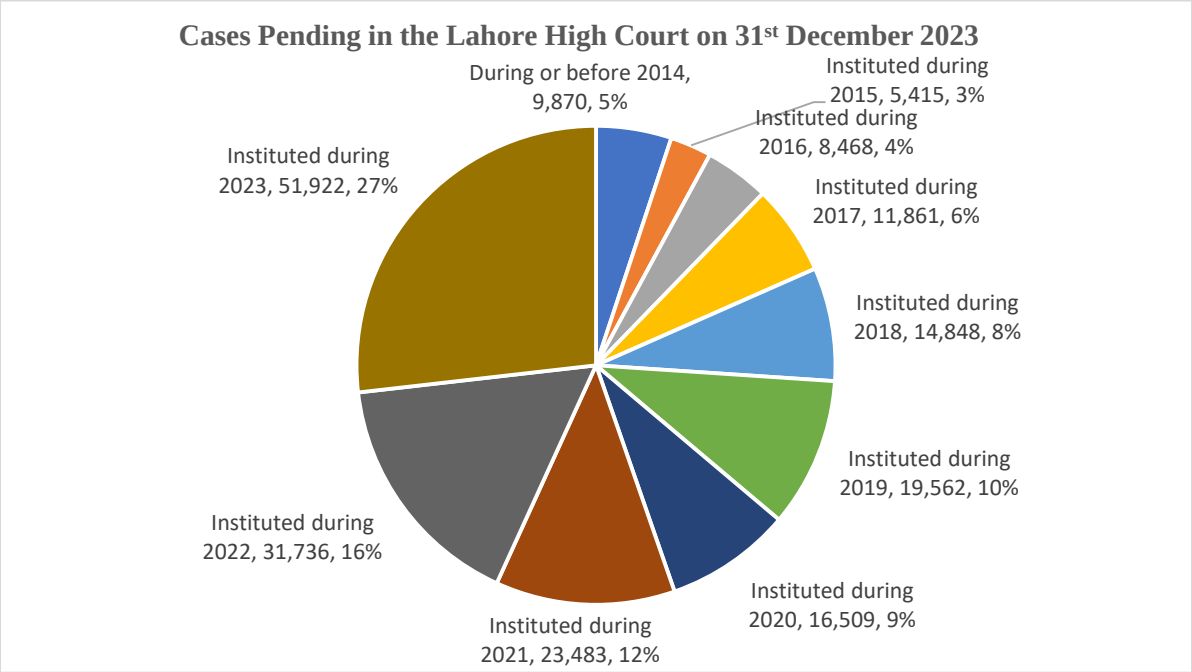
Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	38,009	34,343	31,537	40,815
2015	40,815	35,450	39,503	30,994
2016	30,994	66,446	24,116	35,876
2017	35,876	32,067	36,259	31,684
2018	31,684	35,820	30,875	36,629
2019	36,629	35,737	32,275	40,091
2020	40,091	31,284	27,168	44,207
2021	44,207	36,169	38,782	41,594
2022	41,594	36,460	39,254	38,800
2023	38,800	37,370	33,581	42,589

3.7.4 Bahawalpur - Bench Registry

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	14,942	18,456	21,358	12,040
2015	12,040	17,179	17,019	11,139
2016	11,139	16,498	12,025	13,394
2017	13,394	18,175	18,089	13,480
2018	13,480	19,975	16,43	17,212
2019	17,212	17,583	15,357	19,438
2020	19,438	15,078	16,991	17,525
2021	17,525	19,344	21,002	15,867
2022	15,867	18,340	17,955	16252
2023	16,252	19,228	18,596	16,884

3.8 Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution

The chart below presents the pending caseload of Lahore High Court on 31st December 2023, bifurcated by the year of institution



The table presents the total pending cases as of December 31st, 2023, categorized by case type (Criminal, Civil, and Writ Cases) and provides a breakdown of these cases based on the year they were instituted.

Case Type	Total Pendency on 31-12-2023	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the year of Institution									
		Up to 31-12-2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Criminal Cases	39556	1223	667	1018	1969	2519	4411	2891	4709	6614	13535
Civil Cases	56401	5687	2957	4567	4667	5513	5103	4077	6160	7936	9734
Writ Cases	97717	2960	1791	2883	5225	6816	10048	9541	12614	17186	28653
Total	**193,674**	**9,870**	**5,415**	**8,468**	**11,861**	**14,848**	**19,562**	**16,509**	**23,483**	**31,736**	**51,922**

- **Criminal Cases**: Out of 39,556 total pending cases, a significant portion (13,535) was instituted in 2023, indicating that recent filings account for a large share of the backlog. Older cases from prior to 2014 contribute minimally, with only 1,223 pending from that period.

- **Civil Cases**: The backlog of civil cases stands at 56,401, with notable numbers spread across the years. However, cases from 2023 (9,734) form a large chunk of the pendency, while older cases are gradually being disposed, but still remain in substantial numbers.
- **Writ Cases**: The largest category by far, writ cases total 97,717 pending cases. There is a significant number of writ cases from 2023 (28,653), suggesting a surge in recent years. However, writ cases dating back several years remain a persistent issue, particularly those from 2021 and 2022, which together account for over 29,000 cases.

The data shows a substantial and increasing backlog across all case types, particularly for recent years. While older cases (pre-2015) make up a smaller proportion of the total pendency, the majority of unresolved cases stem from the past three to four years. This highlights a growing trend of cases accumulating faster than they are being resolved, especially in writ and criminal cases. Effective case management and expedited resolution strategies are critical to addressing this backlog, with particular attention needed for the influx of cases in recent years.

3.9 Budget Allocation for the Financial Year 2022-23

- The budget allocation for the Lahore High Court in the Fiscal Year 2022-23 amounted to **Rs. 6,416.02 million**. This includes **Rs. 5,092.55 million** for the Principal Seat in Lahore, along with funding for the Rawalpindi, Multan, and Bahawalpur Benches.
- The district judiciary, consisting of Sessions and Civil Courts, was allocated an additional **Rs. 21,449.01 Million**.
- The total budget allocation of **Rs. 27,865.03 million** was made for the judicial system under the Lahore High Court's jurisdiction.

Sr. #	Particulars	Budget 2022-23 (Rs.)
•	**High Court**	
1	Principal Seat, Lahore	5,092,548,729
2	Rawalpindi Bench	527,165,773
3	Multan Bench	465,701,693
4	Bahawalpur Bench	330,602,097
	Total	**6,416,018,292**
•	**District Judiciary**	
1	Sessions Courts	9,078,204,438
2	Civil Courts	12,370,806,060
	Total	**21,449,010,498**
	Grand Total	**27,865,028,790**

3.10 Sectioned and Working Strength of Officers and Officials in the Lahore High Court (31st December 2023)

As of December 31st, 2023, the **Lahore High Court** had a sanctioned human resource strength of **3,307** personnel. Out of these, **2,639 male** and **138 female** employees are currently working, leaving **530 positions vacant**. The staff covers a wide range of roles, from high-ranking officers like the **Registrar** and **Additional Registrars** to technical and support positions.

The data on human resource strength in the Lahore High Court as of December 31st, 2023, shows a significant gender disparity, with **2,639 male employees** and only **138 female employees** actively working. This indicates that women constitute a small percentage of the workforce, representing just over **5%** of the total working strength. Gender inclusion remains limited, particularly in senior roles, highlighting the need for greater diversity and balanced representation across various positions.

Sr. No.	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned	Working		Vacant
				Male	Female	
1.	Registrar	22	1	1	0	0
2.	Officer on special duty OSD		1	1	0	0
3.	OSD Inquiries	22	1	0	0	1
4.	Director General, Directorate of District Judiciary the HCJ	21	1	1	0	0
5.	Director General (Judicial & Case Management)	21	1	1	0	0
6.	Senior Additional Registrar	21	3	3	0	0
7.	Secretary to H.C.J	21	1	1	0	0
8.	District &SJ HR-DJ	21	1	1	0	0
9.	Additional Registrar (IT)	21	2	1	1	0
10.	Additional Registrar	21	24	24	0	0
11.	Senior Research Officer	21	1	1	0	0
12.	Director (OPC)	20	1	1	0	0
13.	Deputy Registrar	20	42	36	2	4
14.	Deputy Registrar IT	20	5	3	0	2
15.	Deputy Registrar (F&B)	20	1	1	0	0
16.	Secretary OPC	19	1	1	0	0
17.	Research & Reference officer	19	1	1	0	0
18.	Research officer	19	16	12	3	1
19.	Private Secretary -I &II to HCJ	20-21	2	1	0	1
20.	Court Associate to H.C.J	20-21	1	1	0	0
21.	Assistant Registrar	19	80	54	5	21
22.	Assistant Registrar IT	19	18	17	0	1
23.	Private Secretary	19	68	67	0	1
24.	Court Associate	19	70	60	0	10
25.	Staff Officer to Registrar	18	1	1	0	0
26.	Librarian	18	2	2	0	0
27.	Treasury officer	18	1	1	0	0
28.	Audit officer	18	3	3	0	0
29.	Personal Assistant I&II to HCJ	19-20	2	0	0	2
30.	Khateeb	18	1	1	0	0
31.	Personal Assistant	18	188	139	1	48

Sr. No.	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned	Working		Vacant
				Male	Female	
32.	Accounts officer	18	1	1	0	0
33.	Accounts officer	17	1	0	0	1
34.	Assistant Librarian	17	5	2	1	2
35.	Stenographer	17	58	33	0	25
36.	Accountant	17	4	4	0	0
37.	Supervisor (IT)	17	7	2	0	5
38.	Assistant Manager	17	1	1	0	0
39.	Admin office Coordinator	17	201	166	6	29
40.	Assistant Protocol Officer	17	7	6	0	1
41.	Assistant (IT)	16	12	5	0	7
42.	Caretaker	16	12	10	0	2
43.	Library Assistant	16	2	0	2	0
44.	Software Technician Writer	16	2	0	1	1
45.	Server Technician	16	2	1	1	0
46.	Hardware Technician	16	9	3	0	6
47.	Cashier	16	3	2	0	1
48.	Network Technician	16	8	5	0	3
49.	Technical Advisor	16	1	0	0	1
50.	Senior Officer Coordinator	16	221	219	2	0
51.	Garage Supervisor	16	1	1	0	0
52.	Computer Operator	15	9	8	0	1
53.	DEO to HCJ	15	1	1	0	0
54.	Senior Auditor	14	12	11	1	0
55.	Office Coordinator	14	536	330	60	146
56.	Telephone operator	14	14	10	2	2
57.	Data Entry operator	14	163	143	13	7
58.	Key Punch operator	14	4	4	0	0
59.	Imam Masjid	14	4	3	0	1
60.	Sub Engineer	14	2	2	0	0
61.	Multi Media Operator	13	4	1	0	3
62.	Web Associate	13	3	2	0	1
63.	Network Associate	13	9	3	0	6
64.	Software Associate	13	3	0	0	3
65.	Graphic Designer	13	4	1	1	2
66.	Composer (English/Urdu)	13	4	4	0	0
67.	Hardware Associate	13	10	0	0	10
68.	Telephone Associate	12	5	5	0	0
69.	Junior Auditor	11	16	13	0	3
70.	Proof Reader	11	2	2	0	0
71.	Electrician (Network)	11	4	0	0	4
72.	Store Keeper	11	7	6	1	0
73.	Electrician	11	3	3	0	0
74.	Driver I,II,& III to HCJ	10/11	3	0	0	3
75.	Library Attendant to HCJ	10	1	0	0	1
76.	Court Attendant I&II to HCJ	10	2	0	0	2
77.	Calligraphist	9	2	1	0	1

Sr. No.	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned	Working		Vacant
				Male	Female	
78.	Mechanic	9	3	3	0	0
79.	Technical Operator	9	3	1	0	2
80.	Auto Mechanic	9	1	1	0	0
81.	A.C. Mechanic	9	3	2	0	1
82.	Generator Operator	9	4	3	0	1
83.	Generator Mechanic	9	1	1	0	0
84.	Gym Attendant	9	1	1	0	0
85.	Lift Operator-cum-Technician	9	9	0	0	9
86.	Library Attendant	7	162	151	10	1
87.	Driver	7	157	136	0	21
88.	Court Attendant	7	129	129	0	0
89.	Duplicating Machine Operator	7	1	1	0	0
90.	Technician	7	1	1	0	0
91.	Auto Electrician	7	2	2	0	0
92.	Photostate Machine Operator	7	6	4	0	2
93.	Cook	7	72	65	0	7
94.	Cook Tandoorchi	7	3	2	0	1
95.	Assistant to Caretaker	7	1	1	0	0
96.	Office Attendant I&II to HCJ	6	2	0	0	2
97.	Fireman	5	4	4	0	0
98.	Record Lifter	5	2	2	0	0
99.	Book Binder	5	6	5	0	1
100.	Head Mali	5	2	2	0	0
101.	Helper	5	4	4	0	0
102.	Officer Attendant	5	423	339	17	67
103.	Helper Tandoorchi	5	2	1	0	1
104.	Helper Cook	5	3	3	0	0
105.	Moazzin-cum-Khadim	5	4	4	0	0
106.	Khadim Masjid	5	1	1	0	0
107.	Bearer/Waiter	3	51	47	0	4
108.	Sweeper/Sanitory worker	3	118	94	4	20
109.	Frashman/Frash	3	41	36	2	3
110.	Waterman	3	10	9	0	1
111.	Dusting Coolie	3	24	20	1	3
112.	Mali (including Baildar & Ushers)	3	74	68	0	0
113.	Chowkidar/Watchman	3	33	32	0	1
114.	Denter-cum-painter	3	1	1	0	0
115.	Washerman	3	8	6	0	2
116.	Bearer/Service or Counter Staff	3	6	4	1	1
117.	Bearer /Dish Washer	3	3	2	0	1
Total			**3307**	**2639**	**138**	**530**

3.11 Working and Sanctioned Strength Judicial Officers in Punjab Province as on 31-12-2023

3.11.1 Designation-Wise Working and Sanctioned Strength of Judicial Officers in Punjab Province

The data reveals a total of 2,364 judicial positions across various levels, with a significant vacancy rate, particularly among District and Sessions Judges and Civil Judges/Judicial Magistrates.

- While the sanctioned positions for **District and Sessions Judges** (BS-21) are fully filled (100%) **reflecting a 0% vacancy rate.**
- There is a concerning shortfall in the ranks of A**dditional District and Sessions Judges** (B-20), where only 518 out of 606 positions are occupied, **reflecting a vacancy rate of approximately 15%.**
- The **Senior Civil Judges** (B-19) category, with all the sanctioned posts filled, reflecting a **0% vacancy rate.**
- The most pronounced deficit is seen among **Civil Judges/Judicial Magistrates/Family Judges** (BS-17 and BS-18), where 686 positions remain vacant out of a total of 1,613, indicating a **vacancy rate of approximately 42.5%.**

This critical shortage highlights the urgent need for recruitment and retention efforts to address the judicial backlog and enhance the efficiency of the justice system. Overall, the analysis underscores a pressing need for strategic planning in judicial appointments to ensure a balanced and effective judiciary.

Designation	Sanctioned	Working		Ex-cadre		Vacant
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
District and Sessions Judges (BS-21)	36	36	0	111	5	0
Additional District and Sessions Judges (B-20)	606	460	38	18	2	108
Senior Civil Judges (B-19)	109	99	10	01	0	0
Civil Jud. /Judi. Magistrates/ Family Jud. (BS-17/18)	1613	695	232	24	6	686
Total	**2364**	**1290**	**280**	**154**	**13**	**794**

3.11.2 Working and Sanctioned Strength of Judicial Officers in Punjab Province

The table provides Consolidated district-wise sanctioned and working strength of judicial officers in Punjab as of December 31, 2023. The total number of sanctioned positions across all districts is 2,009, with 1,542 male officers and 221 female officers currently working, reflecting limited gender inclusion at **12.5%** for females. Notably, some districts show significant vacancies, particularly Lahore, where 31 positions remain unfilled.

In the context of the Punjab District Judiciary**,** Ex-cadre positions refer to posts that are not part of the regular or permanent cadre of judicial officers. These positions are typically temporary or created for specific roles, often outside the mainstream judicial duties. Ex-cadre officers may be appointed to handle special courts, administrative tasks, special projects, or other non-judicial functions that support the judiciary.

The Ex-cadre positions are also limited, with a small representation of 12 male and 3 female officers across various districts. Overall, while the distribution of judicial officers is generally balanced across districts, there is a clear gender gap and room for improvement in filling vacant positions and increasing diversity.

A. District Wise Consolidate Statement

District Name	Sanctioned	Working		Ex-cadre		Vacant
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Attock	31	22	6			3
Bahawalnagar	61	35	3	1		23
Bahawalpur	72	46	4	8		22
Bhakkar	31	22	0	1		9
Chakwal	31	19	3			9
Chiniot	34	18	1			15
D.G.Khan	39	22	3	5		14
Faisalabad	166	80	17	5		69
Gujranwala	100	50	22	7	1	28
Gujrat	51	31	8	1		12
Hafizabad	27	17	5	1		5
Jhang	67	29	5			33
Jhelum	24	14	6	1		4
Kasur	68	41	22			5
Khanewal	58	30	2			26
Khushab	21	16	1			4
Lahore	370	201	60	55	5	109
Layyah	28	17	1	1		10
Lodhran	33	16	3			14
Mandi Bhaudin	35	18	4	1		13
Mianwali	30	20	0	1		10
Multan	120	54	15	12		51
Muzaffargarh	76	38	1			37
Nankana Sb.	39	18	6			15
Narowal	32	21	6	1		5
Okara	73	35	6			32
Pakpattan	42	17	4			21
R. Y. Khan	80	46	1	1		33
Rajanpur	27	16	0			11
Rawalpindi	108	61	20	12	2	27
Sahiwal	66	27	5	4		34
Sargodha	73	48	8	6		17
Sheikhupura	68	36	15	1		17
Sialkot	73	46	11	1		16
T.T.Singh	39	25	4	1		10
Vehari	71	38	2	1		31
Islamabad	-	-	-	25	5	-
Total	**2364**	**1290**	**280**	**154**	**13**	**794**

B. District and Sessions Judges (BS-21)

District Name	Sanctioned	Working		Ex-cadre		Vacant
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Attock	1	1	0			
Bahawalnagar	1	1	0	1		
Bahawalpur	1	1	0	6		
Bhakkar	1	1	0	1		
Chakwal	1	1	0			
Chiniot	1	1	0			
D.G.Khan	1	1	0	5		
Faisalabad	1	1	0	5		
Gujranwala	1	1	0	7		
Gujrat	1	1	0	1		
Hafizabad	1	1	0	1		
Jhang	1	1	0			
Jhelum	1	1	0	1		
Kasur	1	1	0			
Khanewal	1	1	0			
Khushab	1	1	0	1		
Lahore	1	1	0	37	3	
Layyah	1	1	0	1		
Lodhran	1	1	0			
Mandi Bhaudin	1	1	0	1		
Mianwali	1	1	0	1		
Multan	1	1	0	10		
Muzaffargarh	1	1	0			
Nankana Sb.	1	1	0			
Narowal	1	1	0	1		
Okara	1	1	0			
Pakpattan	1	1	0			
R. Y. Khan	1	1	0	1		
Rajanpur	1	1	0			
Rawalpindi	1	1	0	11	1	
Sahiwal	1	1	0	4		
Sargodha	1	1	0	6		
Sheikhupura	1	1	0	1		
Sialkot	1	1	0	1		
T.T.Singh	1	1	0	1		
Vehari	1	1	0	1		
Islamabad	-	-	-	5	1	
Total	**36**	**36**	**-**	**111**	**5**	

C. Additional District and Sessions Judges (B-20)

District Name	Sanctioned	Working		Ex-cadre		Vacant
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Attock	9	7	1			1
Bahawalnagar	12	11				1
Bahawalpur	16	14				2
Bhakkar	7	6				1
Chakwal	9	6				3
Chiniot	10	6				4
D.G.Khan	7	5	2			0
Faisalabad	50	36				14
Gujranwala	25	22	2		1	1
Gujrat	12	9	2			1
Hafizabad	7	7				0
Jhang	20	8	1			11
Jhelum	6	5				1
Kasur	17	16	1			0
Khanewal	14	10	1			4
Khushab	5	5				0
Lahore	102	79	14	9		9
Layyah	7	5				2
Lodhran	8	6				2
Mandi Bhaudin	9	7	2			2
Mianwali	9	9				0
Multan	25	18	2			5
Muzaffargarh	18	12				6
Nankana Sb.	9	7	2			0
Narowal	6	5	1			0
Okara	20	11	2			7
Pakpattan	10	7				3
R. Y. Khan	18	15				3
Rajanpur	7	5				2
Rawalpindi	29	20	3			6
Sahiwal	19	9	2			8
Sargodha	18	18				0
Sheikhupura	19	17	2			0
Sialkot	19	14	1			4
T.T.Singh	11	10				1
Vehari	17	13				4
Islamabad	-	-	-	9	1	-
Total	**606**	**460**	**38**	**18**	**2**	**108**

D. Senior Civil Judges (B-19)

District Name	Sanctioned	Working		Ex-cadre		Vacant
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Attock	3	3				
Bahawalnagar	3	3				
Bahawalpur	3	3				
Bhakkar	3	3				
Chakwal	3	2	1			
Chiniot	3	3				
D.G.Khan	3	3				
Faisalabad	3	3				
Gujranwala	3	2	1			
Gujrat	3	3				
Hafizabad	3	1	2			
Jhang	3	3				
Jhelum	3	3				
Kasur	3	2	1			
Khanewal	3	3				
Khushab	3	3				
Lahore	4	3	1			
Layyah	3	3				
Lodhran	3	2	1			
Mandi Bhaudin	3	2	1			
Mianwali	3	3				
Multan	3	3				
Muzaffargarh	3	3				
Nankana Sb.	3	2	1			
Narowal	3	2	1			
Okara	3	3				
Pakpattan	3	3				
R. Y. Khan	3	3				
Rajanpur	3	3				
Rawalpindi	3	3				
Sahiwal	3	3				
Sargodha	3	3				
Sheikhupura	3	3				
Sialkot	3	3				
T.T.Singh	3	3				
Vehari	3	3				
Islamabad	-	-		01		
Total	**109**	**99**	**10**	**01**		

E. Civil Judges/Judicial Magistrates/Family Judges (BS-17 and after Confirmation BS-18)

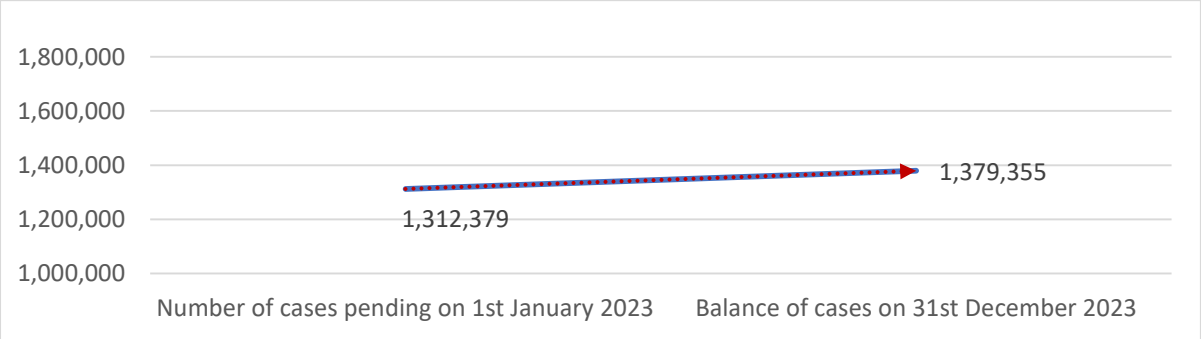
District Name	Sanctioned	Working		Ex-cadre		Vacant
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Attock	18	11	5			2
Bahawalnagar	45	20	3			22
Bahawalpur	52	28	4	2		20
Bhakkar	20	12	0			8
Chakwal	18	10	2			6
Chiniot	20	8	1			11
D.G.Khan	28	13	1			14
Faisalabad	112	40	17			55
Gujranwala	71	25	19			27
Gujrat	35	18	6			11
Hafizabad	16	8	3			5
Jhang	43	17	4			22
Jhelum	14	5	6			3
Kasur	47	22	20			5
Khanewal	40	16	2			22
Khushab	12	7	1			4
Lahore	263	118	45	9	2	100
Layyah	17	8	1			8
Lodhran	21	7	2			12
Mandi Bhaudin	22	8	3			11
Mianwali	17	7	0			10
Multan	91	32	13	2		46
Muzaffargarh	54	22	1			31
Nankana Sb.	26	8	3			15
Narowal	22	13	4			5
Okara	49	20	4			25
Pakpattan	28	6	4			18
R. Y. Khan	58	27	1			30
Rajanpur	16	7	0			9
Rawalpindi	75	37	17	1	1	21
Sahiwal	43	14	3			26
Sargodha	51	26	8			17
Sheikhupura	45	15	13			17
Sialkot	50	28	10			12
T.T.Singh	24	11	4			9
Vehari	50	21	2			27
Islamabad	-	-	-	10	3	-
Total	**1613**	**695**	**232**	**24**	**6**	**686**

3.12 Category-wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of cases in the Punjab province during the Year 2023

In 2023, the district courts of Punjab demonstrated significant efficiency in managing a vast number of cases, but also faced an ongoing challenge in controlling pendency levels.

Court Name	Pendency 01.01.2023	Institution	Disposal	Balance 31.12.2023
Civil Courts	1167553	2206406	2196580	1210338
Sessions Courts	144826	906757	890380	169017
Grand Total	**1312379**	**3113163**	**3086960**	**1379355**

In total, the district courts in Punjab handled **3,113,163** new cases throughout 2023, while disposing of **3,086,960** cases. This means that the courts achieved a **99.2% disposal rate** compared to new institutions, a strong performance by any measure. However, despite this high disposal rate, the total pendency rose from **1,312,379** at the beginning of the year to **1,379,355** by the year's close, marking a **5.1%** increase. While this is a modest rise in comparison to the volume of cases handled, it highlights the courts' struggle to fully contain the ever-growing influx of new cases.



- The Civil Courts started the year with a backlog of **1,167,553** cases. During 2023, an additional **2,206,406** cases were filed, representing an **88.9%** increase in the total caseload. Despite this overwhelming influx, the courts managed to dispose of **2,196,580** cases, which accounts for **99.6%** of the new cases filed during the year. By the end of 2023, the backlog had risen slightly to **1,210,338**, an increase of **3.6%** from the start of the year. This reflects the courts' effectiveness in handling nearly all of the newly instituted cases while also working through older ones, though the slight rise in pendency suggests that the rate of institution outpaced disposal marginally.
- The Sessions Courts began the year with **144,826** pending cases. Over the course of the year, **906,757** new cases were filed, reflecting an **over six fold increase** in their caseload. The Sessions Courts disposed of **890,380** cases in 2023, covering **98.2%** of the new cases instituted. Nevertheless, the pendency increased by **24,191** cases, reaching **169,017** at the year's end, indicating a **16.7%** rise in unresolved cases. The Sessions Courts have shown high efficiency in their case disposal, but the backlog growth demonstrates the significant pressure from the increasing number of filings.

The statistical data underscores that while the courts have been able to dispose of nearly as many cases as they have received, the pendency figures demonstrate the challenge of keeping pace with the steady rise in new case filings. For instance, the Civil Courts disposed of **approximately 99.6%** of new cases, yet the pendency rose slightly due to the substantial volume of new institutions. Similarly, the Sessions Courts disposed of **98.2%** of new cases, but also saw an increase in backlog by **16.7%**.

3.13 Consolidated Statement Showing The list need to be modified in Pattern of list given by other Provinces Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of cases in the District Judiciary of Punjab Province During the Year, 2023

3.13.1 Civil Courts Cases

Sr. No.	Categories	Pendency	Institution	Recvd.	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Regular Suits	502658	511941	350949	526384	330872	5082292
2	Family Cases	115693	228231	40442	236201	37141	111024
3	Appl. For Succession	3341	12777	4088	13962	3535	2709
4	Execution Petition	95464	85641	28684	85998	23720	99071
5	Rent Cases	3847	5323	599	5109	468	4192
6	Guardian Cases	24581	54477	10147	57042	6424	25739
7	Insolvency Cases	194	289	11	377	9	108
8	Inquiry Cases	1113	1044	632	989	607	1193
9	Land Acquisition	1352	185	15	247	2	1303
10	Pauper	2	5	7	10	2	2
11	Objection Petitions	87	272	12	270	19	82
12	Small Claims	77	191	2	212	5	53
13	Election Petitions	0	0	1	0	0	1
14	Other Cases	100269	230216	30165	231248	25754	103648
	Total - Civil Categories	**848678**	**1129592**	**465754**	**1158049**	**428558**	**857417**
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15	Crl. Sec. 30 Cases	20747	29145	6460	26993	8288	21071
16	Other Than Crl. Cases	265257	833656	118714	803425	123415	290787
17	Minor Offence Cases	32255	204977	21204	201426	16393	40617
18	Narcotics Cases	206	2986	221	545	2760	108
19	Wild Life Cases	410	6050	127	6142	107	338
	Total – Criminal Categories	**318875**	**1076814**	**146726**	**1038531**	**150963**	**352921**
Grand Total		**1167553**	**2206406**	**612480**	**2196580**	**579521**	**1210338**

3.12.3 District Courts

Sr. No.	Name of Category	Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Civil Appeals Against Judgment	20401	31436	6853	31307	6730	20653
2	Civil Appeals Against Order	7529	19908	2771	18790	2751	8667
3	Civil Appeals Family Cases	7830	27213	3984	26770	3870	8387
4	Civil Appeals Rent Cases	633	1632	212	1794	234	449
5	Civil Revision	6033	17807	1727	17278	1672	6617
6	Original Suits	14522	14238	9780	17777	9340	11423

3.12.4

Sr. No.	Name of Category	Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
7	Election Petition	113	9	1	39	6	78
8	Labour Cases	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Execution Petition	1015	5494	760	3328	2875	1066
10	Civil Misc	3508	19983	1080	19662	1235	3674
11	Civil Cases of Summary Nature	2045	1615	869	1987	1040	1502
	Total – Civil Categories (including Appeals)	**63629**	**139335**	**28037**	**138732**	**29753**	**62516**
12	Murder Cases	7490	6503	2265	6673	1713	7872
13	Other Sessions Cases	20364	43256	16702	41054	11027	28241
14	Illegal Dispossession Act	1275	1447	189	1388	203	1320
15	Hadood Cases	7	13	0	15	0	5
16	Narcotics Cases	12989	25781	5608	20457	2512	21409
17	Habeas Corpus	153	30915	104	30918	102	152
18	Registration Of Cases	12342	149179	2887	150104	2747	11557
19	Harassment	847	60343	222	60274	271	867
20	Criminal Appeals Against Judgment	512	1873	102	1798	109	580
21	Criminal Appeals Against Order	53	208	7	186	19	63
22	Criminal Revision	1434	10420	268	10212	252	1658
23	Bail Application	17782	404978	7022	396359	6601	26822
24	Criminal Misc	1269	10393	502	10234	596	1334
	Total – Criminal Cat. (including Appeals)	**76517**	**745309**	**35878**	**729672**	**26152**	**101880**
25	Inquiry	411	885	259	789	283	483
26	Superdari	152	2260	60	2230	65	177
27	Other Cases	4117	18968	1823	18957	1990	3961
	Total – Misc. Categories	**4680**	**22113**	**2142**	**21976**	**2338**	**4621**
Grand Total		**144826**	**906757**	**66057**	**890380**	**58243**	**169017**

3.14 District-wise Previous Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases At Civil Courts in Punjab from January to December 2023 (All Categories)

Sr. No.	District Name	Previous Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Attock	17509	23497	8805	24922	6553	18336
2	Bahawalnagar	25651	49555	17221	49449	15196	27782
3	Bahawalpur	38435	63829	22546	67799	21902	35109
4	Bhakkar	14366	21294	11785	20253	11832	15360
5	Chakwal	14413	18886	13807	16947	13808	16351
6	Chiniot	12433	25090	19215	25846	18070	12822
7	D.G.Khan	18060	34200	6858	34472	6732	17914
8	Faisalabad	68796	146571	41168	142196	38263	76076
9	Gujranwala	51694	116158	46277	100903	47233	65993
10	Gujrat	28662	35098	18846	35635	11976	34995
11	Hafizabad	13344	25856	11135	23792	11618	14925
12	Jhang	27970	40447	13550	42215	11637	28115
13	Jhelum	14245	22656	10280	22500	9617	15064
14	Kasur	55399	109036	30245	111230	27815	55635
15	Khanewal	20801	51821	13674	52783	14121	19392
16	Khushab	9830	20341	8002	19594	7965	10614
17	Lahore	214623	405814	66630	395932	66629	224506
18	Layyah	13666	26156	11003	26154	11358	13313
19	Lodhran	11460	30909	9713	29779	8811	13492
20	M. B. Din	14568	26848	8096	28451	7671	13390
21	Mianwali	10275	26903	6034	27081	6567	9564
22	Multan	58290	108543	16842	106884	18140	58651
23	Muzaffargarh	29263	63168	7063	65270	6984	27240
24	Nankana Sahib	14210	31789	6253	32156	6293	13803
25	Narowal	22004	29917	10940	30704	10904	21253
26	Okara	27252	70967	18507	67993	18410	30323
27	Pakpattan	14416	44481	1982	43558	2304	15017
28	R. Y. Khan	35939	70568	13300	72970	13648	33189
29	Rajanpur	8400	23925	3966	25595	2534	8162
30	Rawalpindi	67058	102752	33581	107269	29168	66954
31	Sahiwal	19551	50504	5855	49592	5827	20491
32	Sargodha	41802	62687	21369	59866	20406	45586
33	Sheikhupura	34798	76197	18438	80997	15832	32604
34	Sialkot	49119	65567	19009	70607	12861	50227
35	T.T.Singh	21324	34259	8403	36211	8379	19396
36	Vehari	27927	50117	32082	48975	32457	28694
Grand Total		**1167553**	**2206406**	**612480**	**2196580**	**579521**	**1210338**

3.15 District-wise Previous Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases at the Sessions Courts in Punjab from January to December 2023 (All Categories)

Sr. No.	District Name	Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Attock	1913	9959	471	9459	497	2387
2	Bahawalnagar	3166	24993	1775	24144	1688	4102
3	Bahawalpur	4589	26574	2746	26996	2527	4386
4	Bhakkar	1283	12065	523	11535	442	1894
5	Chakwal	1710	8182	314	7794	295	2117
6	Chiniot	1918	12046	1071	12858	455	1722
7	D.G.Khan	2959	17204	642	16237	652	3916
8	Faisalabad	9399	62007	4328	64296	2544	8894
9	Gujranwala	6342	37386	6103	38681	2653	8497
10	Gujrat	3488	14757	741	14643	772	3571
11	Hafizabad	2055	11326	484	11041	615	2209
12	Jhang	2248	20151	1535	19626	1535	2773
13	Jhelum	1490	7622	355	7360	361	1746
14	Kasur	6157	32866	1840	32201	1212	7450
15	Khanewal	2798	22231	618	21629	658	3360
16	Khushab	1078	6749	638	6681	657	1127
17	Lahore	26080	138830	11266	130177	11248	34751
18	Layyah	1485	12736	702	12728	821	1374
19	Lodhran	1544	13925	1001	13487	1323	1660
20	M. B. Din	1396	12164	371	12149	406	1376
21	Mianwali	1678	10992	432	11013	432	1657
22	Multan	5409	42933	2349	42233	1446	7012
23	Muzaffargarh	4618	31578	2656	32483	2579	3790
24	Nankana Sahib	2392	15180	743	14806	746	2763
25	Narowal	3038	12982	2135	12350	2141	3664
26	Okara	4184	34073	2754	32771	2863	5377
27	Pakpattan	2098	19668	487	18434	482	3337
28	R. Y. Khan	6573	33661	3651	35796	3402	4687
29	Rajanpur	1245	16761	144	16606	223	1321
30	Rawalpindi	6859	31421	3447	31283	2678	7766
31	Sahiwal	2326	21190	1159	20273	1209	3193
32	Sargodha	4281	26982	1607	26187	1758	4925
33	Sheikhupura	6050	33755	2777	32915	2349	7318
34	Sialkot	3700	30500	2188	29074	2128	5186
35	T.T.Singh	3431	16576	983	16276	1133	3581
36	Vehari	3846	24732	1021	24158	1313	4128
Grand Total		**144826**	**906757**	**66057**	**890380**	**58243**	**169017**

3.16 Civil Cases - Civil Courts in the District Judiciary of Punjab from January to December 2023

Sr. No.	District Name	Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Attock	14659	13279	6613	14849	4837	14865
2	Bahawalnagar	19167	35003	11865	35894	9782	20359
3	Bahawalpur	28387	34507	19980	37584	18182	27108
4	Bhakkar	10289	12585	10043	12319	10042	10556
5	Chakwal	11925	12670	13711	11479	13712	13115
6	Chiniot	7817	12230	9886	11677	9886	8370
7	D.G.Khan	12441	15872	5583	16014	5543	12339
8	Faisalabad	49493	72894	25319	74733	22184	50789
9	Gujranwala	36838	50260	25038	51942	23721	36473
10	Gujrat	21440	24508	11086	24311	8765	23958
11	Hafizabad	9464	17216	8818	15834	9164	10500
12	Jhang	19936	19996	10271	21315	9348	19540
13	Jhelum	11262	15824	7912	16104	7353	11541
14	Kasur	42862	77524	24058	77588	21516	45340
15	Khanewal	15366	27156	13533	27800	13732	14523
16	Khushab	6852	11068	6723	10513	6699	7431
17	Lahore	159686	155223	51751	155341	48891	162428
18	Layyah	8712	12664	9504	12988	9305	8587
19	Lodhran	8736	14938	7532	15474	5967	9765
20	M. B. Din	11149	15603	6629	17003	6435	9943
21	Mianwali	6390	11266	6022	12059	6119	5500
22	Multan	44640	49683	15611	53043	13684	43207
23	Muzaffargarh	21116	33007	5524	33601	5342	20704
24	Nankana Sahib	9141	20606	4916	21370	4878	8415
25	Narowal	16074	16367	8945	17203	8935	15248
26	Okara	21337	37338	16621	35874	16621	22801
27	Pakpattan	9719	20090	1479	18951	1210	11127
28	R. Y. Khan	25891	34802	11647	37006	11668	23666
29	Rajanpur	5213	9301	2319	9549	1790	5494
30	Rawalpindi	51060	69920	30911	72952	27277	51662
31	Sahiwal	14862	26861	4830	26924	4809	14820
32	Sargodha	24387	31978	13772	32798	12835	24504
33	Sheikhupura	24798	37330	14240	41656	9998	24714
34	Sialkot	35974	37604	14214	42926	9848	35018
35	T.T.Singh	12517	17466	4991	17734	4965	12275
36	Vehari	19078	24953	23857	23641	23515	20732
Grand Total		**848678**	**1129592**	**465754**	**1158049**	**428558**	**857417**

3.17 Criminal Cases - Civil Courts in the District Judiciary of Punjab from January to December 2023

Sr. No.	District Name	Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Attock	2850	10218	2192	10073	1716	3471
2	Bahawalnagar	6484	14552	5356	13555	5414	7423
3	Bahawalpur	10048	29322	2566	30215	3720	8001
4	Bhakkar	4077	8709	1742	7934	1790	4804
5	Chakwal	2488	6216	96	5468	96	3236
6	Chiniot	4616	12860	9329	14169	8184	4452
7	D.G.Khan	5619	18328	1275	18458	1189	5575
8	Faisalabad	19303	73677	15849	67463	16079	25287
9	Gujranwala	14856	65898	21239	48961	23512	29520
10	Gujrat	7222	10590	7760	11324	3211	11037
11	Hafizabad	3880	8640	2317	7958	2454	4425
12	Jhang	8034	20451	3279	20900	2289	8575
13	Jhelum	2983	6832	2368	6396	2264	3523
14	Kasur	12537	31512	6187	33642	6299	10295
15	Khanewal	5435	24665	141	24983	389	4869
16	Khushab	2978	9273	1279	9081	1266	3183
17	Lahore	54937	250591	14879	240591	17738	62078
18	Layyah	4954	13492	1499	13166	2053	4726
19	Lodhran	2724	15971	2181	14305	2844	3727
20	M. B. Din	3419	11245	1467	11448	1236	3447
21	Mianwali	3885	15637	12	15022	448	4064
22	Multan	13650	58860	1231	53841	4456	15444
23	Muzaffargarh	8147	30161	1539	31669	1642	6536
24	Nankana Sahib	5069	11183	1337	10786	1415	5388
25	Narowal	5930	13550	1995	13501	1969	6005
26	Okara	5915	33629	1886	32119	1789	7522
27	Pakpattan	4697	24391	503	24607	1094	3890
28	R. Y. Khan	10048	35766	1653	35964	1980	9523
29	Rajanpur	3187	14624	1647	16046	744	2668
30	Rawalpindi	15998	32832	2670	34317	1891	15292
31	Sahiwal	4689	23643	1025	22668	1018	5671
32	Sargodha	17415	30709	7597	27068	7571	21082
33	Sheikhupura	10000	38867	4198	39341	5834	7890
34	Sialkot	13145	27963	4795	27681	3013	15209
35	T.T.Singh	8807	16793	3412	18477	3414	7121
36	Vehari	8849	25164	8225	25334	8942	7962
Grand Total		**318875**	**1076814**	**146726**	**1038531**	**150963**	**352921**

3.18 Statement Showing District wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of Civil Cases (including appeals) at the District of Sessions Court in the District Judiciary of Punjab during the Year 2023

Sr. No.	District Name	Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Attock	833	2783	75	2656	90	945
2	Bahawalnagar	1745	5040	1066	4537	1104	2210
3	Bahawalpur	2334	4898	1637	5053	1811	2005
4	Bhakkar	670	1825	210	1790	209	706
5	Chakwal	1003	2360	182	2210	191	1144
6	Chiniot	565	1559	190	1607	225	482
7	D.G.Khan	1080	1969	482	1830	482	1219
8	Faisalabad	4035	9749	1029	10551	1334	2928
9	Gujranwala	2719	5912	1128	5947	1128	2684
10	Gujrat	1416	2602	214	2589	220	1423
11	Hafizabad	702	1342	229	1353	253	667
12	Jhang	1185	3006	938	2935	954	1240
13	Jhelum	988	1929	116	1883	133	1017
14	Kasur	2730	4224	401	4586	326	2443
15	Khanewal	1249	3702	461	3494	496	1422
16	Khushab	449	973	373	1024	376	395
17	Lahore	9063	14151	3995	14227	3995	8987
18	Layyah	810	2297	405	2242	607	663
19	Lodhran	798	2789	310	2699	635	563
20	M. B. Din	604	1753	233	1818	268	504
21	Mianwali	679	2031	207	2121	207	589
22	Multan	2832	8193	292	7603	515	3199
23	Muzaffargarh	1793	4640	1234	5118	1251	1298
24	Nankana Sahib	670	1696	595	1495	585	881
25	Narowal	1288	2009	744	1478	754	1809
26	Okara	1612	3705	706	3851	760	1412
27	Pakpattan	1201	2802	325	2564	337	1427
28	R. Y. Khan	4002	5058	2633	6821	2779	2093
29	Rajanpur	326	1178	135	1104	189	346
30	Rawalpindi	4531	9716	1688	9696	1568	4671
31	Sahiwal	1151	2896	886	2726	922	1285
32	Sargodha	1973	4323	997	4401	1104	1788
33	Sheikhupura	1707	4308	1998	3500	1780	2733
34	Sialkot	1730	6108	720	5579	700	2279
35	T.T.Singh	1238	2537	427	2344	517	1341
36	Vehari	1918	3272	776	3300	948	1718
Grand Total		**63629**	**139335**	**28037**	**138732**	**29753**	**62516**

3.19 Statement Showing District wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Criminal Cases (including appeals) at the Sessions Courts in the District Judiciary of Punjab during the Year 2023

Sr. No.	District Name	Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Attock	1074	7037	395	6701	406	1399
2	Bahawalnagar	1407	19886	707	19537	581	1882
3	Bahawalpur	2235	21244	1094	21516	712	2345
4	Bhakkar	611	10200	312	9708	232	1183
5	Chakwal	704	5730	132	5497	104	965
6	Chiniot	1343	10421	875	11196	224	1219
7	D.G.Khan	1827	15004	144	14188	154	2633
8	Faisalabad	5305	51966	3288	53454	1193	5912
9	Gujranwala	3595	31241	4956	32515	1508	5769
10	Gujrat	2054	11989	524	11901	546	2120
11	Hafizabad	1336	9938	249	9638	356	1529
12	Jhang	1046	16693	569	16269	548	1491
13	Jhelum	495	5605	238	5393	227	718
14	Kasur	3362	28179	1122	27150	623	4890
15	Khanewal	1526	18402	151	18016	155	1908
16	Khushab	626	5691	265	5569	281	732
17	Lahore	14991	115913	6414	106987	6396	23935
18	Layyah	674	10240	272	10265	213	708
19	Lodhran	719	10472	651	10187	648	1007
20	M. B. Din	785	10371	130	10291	134	861
21	Mianwali	997	8831	224	8767	224	1061
22	Multan	1924	31094	1760	31289	655	2834
23	Muzaffargarh	2785	26386	1389	26814	1322	2424
24	Nankana Sahib	1667	13313	148	13168	137	1823
25	Narowal	1736	10831	1390	10721	1385	1851
26	Okara	2238	29568	1996	28249	1792	3761
27	Pakpattan	890	16800	159	15805	142	1902
28	R. Y. Khan	2271	28166	1012	28370	614	2465
29	Rajanpur	583	15083	8	14834	32	808
30	Rawalpindi	2280	21232	1475	21165	801	3021
31	Sahiwal	1155	17046	253	16296	277	1881
32	Sargodha	2302	22551	609	21692	651	3119
33	Sheikhupura	4000	28740	723	28690	541	4232
34	Sialkot	1902	24166	1451	23273	1364	2882
35	T.T.Singh	2184	14001	556	13888	616	2237
36	Vehari	1888	21279	237	20673	358	2373
Grand Total		**76517**	**745309**	**35878**	**729672**	**26152**	**101880**

3.20 District wise statement showing Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Civil Appeals in District of Sessions Courts of Punjab Province during the Year 2023

Sr. No.	District Name	Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Attock	665	1985	52	1922	53	727
2	Bahawalnagar	860	2537	430	2165	424	1238
3	Bahawalpur	1014	2300	564	2151	536	1191
4	Bhakkar	407	1013	162	1024	162	396
5	Chakwal	768	1605	164	1494	166	877
6	Chiniot	363	1057	88	1092	89	327
7	D.G.Khan	541	1081	363	868	363	754
8	Faisalabad	2412	5159	733	6008	754	1542
9	Gujranwala	1690	3510	836	3504	836	1696
10	Gujrat	935	1834	189	1814	162	982
11	Hafizabad	418	799	128	852	131	362
12	Jhang	518	2009	360	1909	342	636
13	Jhelum	790	1367	81	1342	82	814
14	Kasur	1873	2619	334	2902	294	1630
15	Khanewal	645	2177	269	1979	253	859
16	Khushab	327	730	293	772	292	286
17	Lahore	4791	7580	1207	8215	1207	4156
18	Layyah	366	1002	81	958	84	407
19	Lodhran	351	1043	171	1133	169	263
20	M. B. Din	464	1253	185	1330	188	384
21	Mianwali	491	1447	90	1521	88	419
22	Multan	1342	4255	171	3679	202	1887
23	Muzaffargarh	869	2666	588	2726	590	807
24	Nankana Sahib	444	1181	467	1001	454	637
25	Narowal	995	1578	568	1132	565	1444
26	Okara	757	2202	342	2067	342	892
27	Pakpattan	719	1824	254	1492	270	1035
28	R. Y. Khan	1229	2333	230	2581	256	955
29	Rajanpur	196	672	7	669	7	199
30	Rawalpindi	3009	5377	997	5418	913	3052
31	Sahiwal	688	1773	242	1625	242	836
32	Sargodha	1363	2842	770	2988	832	1155
33	Sheikhupura	1038	2585	1166	1926	1013	1850
34	Sialkot	1174	3635	503	3191	469	1652
35	T.T.Singh	634	1345	226	1235	248	722
36	Vehari	1247	1814	509	1976	507	1087
Grand Total		**36393**	**80189**	**13820**	**78661**	**13585**	**38156**

3.21 District wise statement showing Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Criminal Appeals in Sessions Courts of Punjab Province during the Year 2023

Sr. No.	District Name	Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Attock	13	56	1	44	1	25
2	Bahawalnagar	17	86	2	73	4	28
3	Bahawalpur	17	70	0	67	7	13
4	Bhakkar	10	33	1	36	1	7
5	Chakwal	19	31	0	37	0	13
6	Chiniot	6	29	0	32	0	3
7	D.G.Khan	9	67	0	62	0	14
8	Faisalabad	22	85	5	98	5	9
9	Gujranwala	43	104	24	90	24	57
10	Gujrat	15	40	4	42	6	11
11	Hafizabad	5	22	0	21	0	6
12	Jhang	21	63	5	62	6	21
13	Jhelum	11	16	0	19	0	8
14	Kasur	21	22	0	32	3	8
15	Khanewal	9	79	0	76	0	12
16	Khushab	13	19	3	26	4	5
17	Lahore	31	72	2	85	2	18
18	Layyah	9	59	9	56	8	13
19	Lodhran	16	43	3	48	3	11
20	M. B. Din	12	27	0	37	1	1
21	Mianwali	17	106	2	102	2	21
22	Multan	24	105	7	101	8	27
23	Muzaffargarh	10	61	0	51	0	20
24	Nankana Sahib	4	19	0	21	0	2
25	Narowal	3	38	1	37	2	3
26	Okara	29	88	2	73	2	44
27	Pakpattan	11	36	3	32	4	14
28	R. Y. Khan	13	63	8	66	5	13
29	Rajanpur	11	29	0	34	0	6
30	Rawalpindi	33	100	4	109	2	26
31	Sahiwal	3	29	0	16	0	16
32	Sargodha	18	133	2	112	1	40
33	Sheikhupura	12	22	1	23	5	7
34	Sialkot	7	95	2	53	4	47
35	T.T.Singh	36	75	14	59	14	52
36	Vehari	15	59	4	52	4	22
Grand Total		**565**	**2081**	**109**	**1984**	**128**	**643**

3.22 District wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of cases punishable for the sentence of Seven Years or more Imprisonment up to Death Sentence in the District Judiciary of the Province during the Year 2023

District Name	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
			In	Out		
Attock	2431	5978	1352	1352	5494	2915
Bahawalnagar	791	1479	0	0	1396	874
Bahawalpur	487	739	0	108	670	448
Bhakkar	547	1196	81	81	1024	719
Chakwal	599	549	0	0	525	623
Chinior	511	1151	0	0	1182	480
D.G.Khan	1995	792	0	0	746	2041
Faisalabad	2587	4244	868	868	4175	2656
Gujranwala	1797	3584	2067	2067	3077	2304
Gujrat	13663	24648	5443	5755	23033	14966
Hafizabad	991	1457	125	125	1575	873
Jhang	437	1004	0	0	774	667
Jhelum	364	666	0	0	577	453
Kasur	2622	2849	652	652	2841	2630
Khanewal	976	1484	0	0	1555	905
Khushab	251	377	0	0	256	372
Lahore	19539	36505	0	0	33066	22978
Layyah	4815	7428	0	5	7765	4473
Lodhran	260	1118	0	0	1034	344
M.B.Din	3148	10179	48	172	9641	3562
Mianwali	897	676	0	59	737	777
Multan	12491	34539	0	0	32388	14642
Muzaffargarh	758	1681	0	0	1693	746
Nankana	1007	1029	0	0	1518	518
Narowal	745	694	483	586	740	596
Okara	1167	2534	0	0	2142	1559
Pakpattan	2166	6851	452	452	6936	2081
R.Y.Khan	2230	4253	93	93	3871	2612
Rajanpur	615	1041	0	0	1191	465
Rawalpindi	16080	36293	0	0	36880	15493
Sahiwal	670	1763	0	0	1494	939
Sargodha	2865	8915	0	0	5949	5831
Sheikhupura	4316	3962	0	13	3905	4360
Sialkot	1361	1570	0	0	1625	1306
T.T.Singh	1480	2147	404	458	1871	1702
Vehari	1532	2273	0	0	2651	1154
Total	**109191**	**217648**	**12068**	**12846**	**205997**	**120064**

3.23 Statement showing Previous Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Rent Cases From January ,2023 to December 2023 at Civil Courts in the Punjab.

Sr. No.	District Name	Previous Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Attock	60	54	1	78	1	36
2	Bahawalnagar	28	30	24	22	17	43
3	Bahawalpur	106	132	21	103	23	133
4	Bhakkar	6	12	1	10	1	8
5	Chakwal	21	35	4	17	5	38
6	Chiniot	21	40	4	34	4	27
7	D.G.Khan	2	51	0	46	1	6
8	Faisalabad	192	365	8	328	1	236
9	Gujranwala	288	326	19	394	16	223
10	Gujrat	41	62	5	47	3	58
11	Hafizabad	13	27	7	28	7	12
12	Jhang	68	87	20	86	21	68
13	Jhelum	34	102	2	86	1	51
14	Kasur	41	64	49	39	46	69
15	Khanewal	22	56	13	47	12	32
16	Khushab	8	27	19	23	19	12
17	Lahore	1744	2107	228	2128	122	1829
18	Layyah	12	15	1	17	1	10
19	Lodhran	5	12	3	17	2	1
20	M. B. Din	2	19	12	9	12	12
21	Mianwali	9	16	1	15	1	10
22	Multan	410	284	0	338	22	334
23	Muzaffargarh	25	14	17	19	16	21
24	Nankana Sahib	25	26	8	32	8	19
25	Narowal	15	27	10	29	9	14
26	Okara	64	64	6	68	6	60
27	Pakpattan	7	4	3	11	2	1
28	R. Y. Khan	52	136	3	105	10	76
29	Rajanpur	2	13	19	8	17	9
30	Rawalpindi	179	592	21	414	7	371
31	Sahiwal	30	76	8	77	8	29
32	Sargodha	60	82	15	73	15	69
33	Sheikhupura	63	76	1	97	0	43
34	Sialkot	129	195	19	191	4	148
35	T.T.Singh	24	33	7	22	7	35
36	Vehari	39	62	20	51	21	49
Grand Total		**3847**	**5323**	**599**	**5109**	**468**	**4192**

3.24 Statement showing Previous Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Family Cases From January, 2023 to December 2023 at Civil Courts in the Punjab.

Sr. No.	District Name	Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Attock	2098	2551	681	2815	576	1939
2	Bahawalnagar	3433	6277	1261	6817	1024	3130
3	Bahawalpur	4673	8582	1931	9150	1735	4301
4	Bhakkar	1373	2260	302	2284	346	1305
5	Chakwal	1764	2921	1804	2540	1804	2145
6	Chiniot	1111	3257	1081	3108	1081	1260
7	D.G.Khan	2235	3480	764	3815	560	2104
8	Faisalabad	6698	15727	1206	16219	879	6533
9	Gujranwala	4671	10101	4374	10145	4256	4745
10	Gujrat	2930	5132	334	5075	357	2964
11	Hafizabad	1143	2458	560	2653	542	966
12	Jhang	2777	4670	1143	4836	901	2853
13	Jhelum	1613	2796	710	3149	618	1352
14	Kasur	2842	6495	1031	6552	783	3033
15	Khanewal	2982	7613	536	7775	522	2834
16	Khushab	981	2196	70	2203	71	973
17	Lahore	15806	27815	5186	27307	5689	15811
18	Layyah	1316	3022	301	3180	291	1168
19	Lodhran	1521	3628	625	3601	537	1636
20	M. B. Din	1677	3312	749	3597	721	1420
21	Mianwali	1003	1943	12	2130	17	811
22	Multan	8180	12010	1523	12895	1166	7652
23	Muzaffargarh	4141	8408	134	8739	133	3811
24	Nankana Sahib	1035	2407	282	2608	281	835
25	Narowal	2010	2874	300	3238	282	1664
26	Okara	3610	9144	1108	9228	1108	3526
27	Pakpattan	1298	4990	138	4746	126	1554
28	R. Y. Khan	4302	8891	545	9856	558	3324
29	Rajanpur	929	2353	29	2508	13	790
30	Rawalpindi	8005	10822	5235	10980	4585	8497
31	Sahiwal	2441	6653	13	7072	13	2022
32	Sargodha	3759	7265	898	8277	890	2755
33	Sheikhupura	2175	7280	973	8325	278	1825
34	Sialkot	4360	7908	558	8520	385	3921
35	T.T.Singh	1731	4128	119	4015	117	1846
36	Vehari	3070	6862	3926	6243	3896	3719
Grand Total		**115693**	**228231**	**40442**	**236201**	**37141**	**111024**

3.25 District wise Statement showing Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Murder Cases in Sessions Courts of Punjab Province during the Year 2023

Sr. No.	District Name	Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Attock	142	179	11	178	12	142
2	Bahawalnagar	127	178	2	184	5	118
3	Bahawalpur	101	133	33	121	13	133
4	Bhakkar	65	84	3	76	3	73
5	Chakwal	95	120	1	94	1	121
6	Chiniot	97	53	59	93	35	81
7	D.G.Khan	209	197	21	164	21	242
8	Faisalabad	630	385	198	598	51	564
9	Gujranwala	344	137	272	267	116	370
10	Gujrat	315	279	56	262	54	334
11	Hafizabad	118	83	19	80	19	121
12	Jhang	112	136	56	104	54	146
13	Jhelum	59	80	0	83	0	56
14	Kasur	390	257	48	237	28	430
15	Khanewal	270	202	25	242	25	230
16	Khushab	80	107	57	64	59	121
17	Lahore	783	562	367	449	367	896
18	Layyah	39	39	42	44	26	50
19	Lodhran	62	60	23	65	23	57
20	M. B. Din	129	214	17	207	3	150
21	Mianwali	329	199	105	218	105	310
22	Multan	145	95	148	165	34	189
23	Muzaffargarh	172	176	49	196	44	157
24	Nankana Sahib	154	108	33	125	34	136
25	Narowal	135	123	120	109	127	142
26	Okara	259	189	92	214	92	234
27	Pakpattan	120	155	22	140	22	135
28	R. Y. Khan	202	174	21	167	8	222
29	Rajanpur	96	172	1	157	4	108
30	Rawalpindi	318	383	68	382	48	339
31	Sahiwal	115	169	2	109	6	171
32	Sargodha	399	253	74	275	73	378
33	Sheikhupura	386	346	95	374	69	384
34	Sialkot	202	221	92	174	93	248
35	T.T.Singh	144	133	26	131	29	143
36	Vehari	147	122	7	125	10	141
Grand Total		**7490**	**6503**	**2265**	**6673**	**1713**	**7872**

3.26 District wise Statement showing Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Narcotics Cases in Sessions Courts of Punjab Province during the Year 2023

Sr. No.	District Name	Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Attock	398	624	2	524	2	498
2	Bahawalnagar	156	611	1	369	2	397
3	Bahawalpur	326	700	141	476	34	657
4	Bhakkar	57	226	18	130	18	153
5	Chakwal	146	313	0	217	0	242
6	Chiniot	200	185	223	244	74	290
7	D.G.Khan	276	305	13	258	13	323
8	Faisalabad	712	993	604	1473	30	806
9	Gujranwala	971	886	1363	1329	209	1682
10	Gujrat	418	736	54	535	83	590
11	Hafizabad	309	547	4	353	5	502
12	Jhang	200	326	179	296	175	234
13	Jhelum	172	449	5	308	4	314
14	Kasur	713	559	95	571	40	756
15	Khanewal	303	665	27	528	27	440
16	Khushab	112	220	66	151	66	181
17	Lahore	1976	5482	371	2943	371	4515
18	Layyah	132	186	18	206	3	127
19	Lodhran	163	316	56	249	56	230
20	M. B. Din	92	476	65	306	5	322
21	Mianwali	105	363	23	262	23	206
22	Multan	307	362	614	727	72	484
23	Muzaffargarh	406	976	152	1046	112	376
24	Nankana Sahib	233	389	26	268	21	359
25	Narowal	300	533	190	261	185	577
26	Okara	164	518	18	405	18	277
27	Pakpattan	185	775	45	572	45	388
28	R. Y. Khan	232	467	133	498	0	334
29	Rajanpur	70	136	0	119	0	87
30	Rawalpindi	922	1931	305	1739	168	1251
31	Sahiwal	312	580	39	367	38	526
32	Sargodha	417	701	180	539	170	589
33	Sheikhupura	321	653	178	614	50	488
34	Sialkot	576	1564	351	930	344	1217
35	T.T.Singh	257	467	42	302	42	422
36	Vehari	350	561	7	342	7	569
Grand Total		**12989**	**25781**	**5608**	**20457**	**2512**	**21409**

3.27 District wise Statement showing Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Criminal Revisions in Sessions Courts of Punjab Province during the Year 2023

Sr. No.	District Name	Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Attock	16	179	1	165	1	30
2	Bahawalnagar	24	237	2	232	2	29
3	Bahawalpur	30	276	5	264	6	41
4	Bhakkar	16	240	4	234	4	22
5	Chakwal	33	142	2	154	2	21
6	Chiniot	24	168	0	179	0	13
7	D.G.Khan	40	357	2	353	2	44
8	Faisalabad	49	1006	13	951	4	113
9	Gujranwala	78	312	33	317	33	73
10	Gujrat	29	178	17	183	17	24
11	Hafizabad	11	84	0	85	0	10
12	Jhang	15	190	6	173	6	32
13	Jhelum	24	97	1	100	1	21
14	Kasur	43	399	12	390	6	58
15	Khanewal	24	331	5	313	5	42
16	Khushab	22	68	3	83	3	7
17	Lahore	363	1139	20	1134	20	368
18	Layyah	14	168	6	174	6	8
19	Lodhran	19	135	8	134	8	20
20	M. B. Din	22	217	0	224	0	15
21	Mianwali	18	259	4	250	5	26
22	Multan	51	538	9	507	13	78
23	Muzaffargarh	19	256	3	215	3	60
24	Nankana Sahib	6	152	0	136	0	22
25	Narowal	27	105	10	115	9	18
26	Okara	42	374	16	389	16	27
27	Pakpattan	26	190	11	190	10	27
28	R. Y. Khan	29	229	5	242	3	18
29	Rajanpur	11	99	0	98	0	12
30	Rawalpindi	56	542	16	520	11	83
31	Sahiwal	28	289	0	250	0	67
32	Sargodha	77	409	1	399	1	87
33	Sheikhupura	36	219	1	234	4	18
34	Sialkot	31	286	12	283	11	35
35	T.T.Singh	47	197	37	201	37	43
36	Vehari	34	353	3	341	3	46
Grand Total		**1434**	**10420**	**268**	**10212**	**252**	**1658**

3.28 District wise Statement showing Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Bail Application in Sessions Courts of Punjab Province during the Year 2023

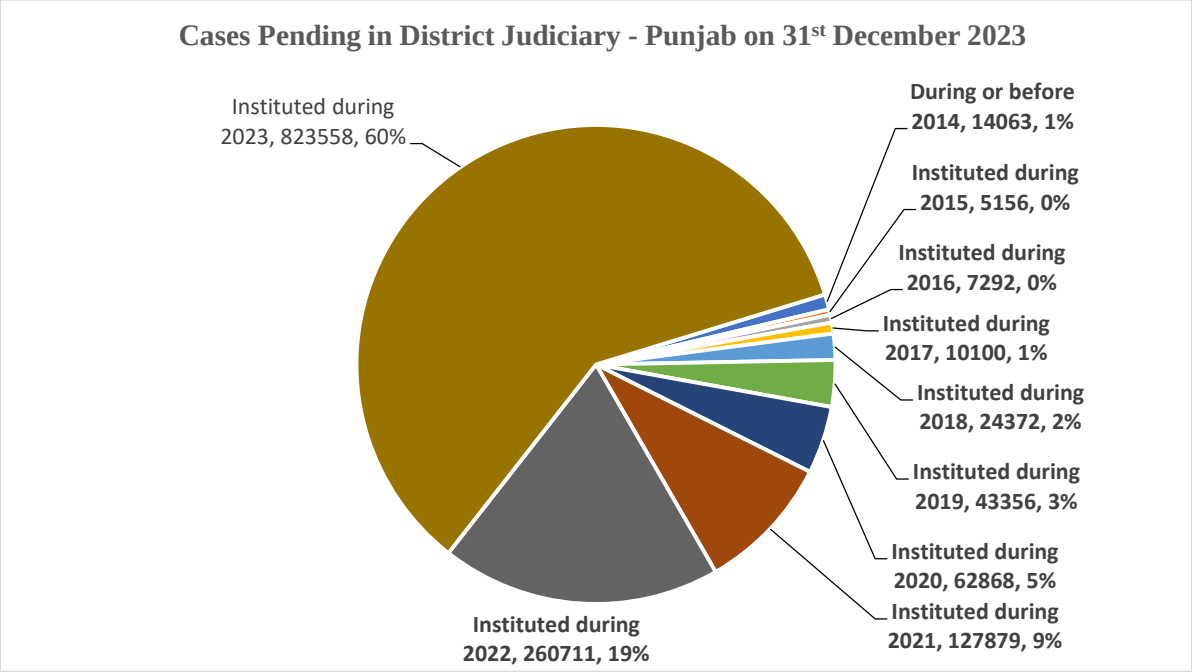
Sr. No.	District Name	Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Attock	82	3368	101	3381	101	69
2	Bahawalnagar	385	10986	131	10858	79	565
3	Bahawalpur	459	11860	85	11782	32	590
4	Bhakkar	168	5899	28	5656	28	411
5	Chakwal	46	2970	31	2917	31	99
6	Chiniot	336	5451	30	5532	31	254
7	D.G.Khan	544	8541	41	8115	41	970
8	Faisalabad	1571	25173	217	25283	221	1457
9	Gujranwala	817	15841	250	15621	250	1037
10	Gujrat	454	7061	120	7150	112	373
11	Hafizabad	236	5901	113	5877	110	263
12	Jhang	222	8379	111	8207	110	395
13	Jhelum	99	3067	105	3076	104	91
14	Kasur	818	20418	96	19386	73	1873
15	Khanewal	365	9566	69	9322	69	609
16	Khushab	134	3138	43	3108	43	164
17	Lahore	2824	57181	1854	53777	1836	6246
18	Layyah	173	5050	42	4984	43	238
19	Lodhran	177	5442	356	5261	354	360
20	M. B. Din	251	6048	22	6170	22	129
21	Mianwali	126	5006	26	4973	27	158
22	Multan	614	15567	180	15206	144	1011
23	Muzaffargarh	809	14507	569	14514	570	801
24	Nankana Sahib	366	8662	50	8662	40	376
25	Narowal	331	6355	161	6442	163	242
26	Okara	799	17900	913	16988	913	1711
27	Pakpattan	228	8682	20	8387	10	533
28	R. Y. Khan	638	14958	134	14795	134	801
29	Rajanpur	113	9601	5	9409	4	306
30	Rawalpindi	391	12044	364	12214	103	482
31	Sahiwal	259	9450	46	9203	47	505
32	Sargodha	463	11676	5	11544	11	589
33	Sheikhupura	1211	18122	212	17712	269	1564
34	Sialkot	407	12959	416	12869	403	510
35	T.T.Singh	363	6537	15	6550	15	350
36	Vehari	503	11612	61	11428	58	690
Grand Total		**17782**	**404978**	**7022**	**396359**	**6601**	**26822**

3.29 District wise Statement showing Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Civil Revisions in Sessions Courts of Punjab Province during the Year 2023

Sr. No.	District Name	Pendency	Institution	Received	Disposal	Transfer	Balance
1	Attock	65	362	4	330	3	98
2	Bahawalnagar	86	405	22	367	16	130
3	Bahawalpur	177	568	52	554	37	206
4	Bhakkar	74	293	14	291	14	76
5	Chakwal	77	312	10	291	9	99
6	Chiniot	43	196	16	185	14	56
7	D.G.Khan	83	280	29	232	29	131
8	Faisalabad	347	1064	36	1168	47	232
9	Gujranwala	315	905	84	931	84	289
10	Gujrat	181	319	12	350	26	136
11	Hafizabad	58	176	37	160	37	74
12	Jhang	78	500	58	451	56	129
13	Jhelum	73	209	2	204	0	80
14	Kasur	314	664	41	690	15	314
15	Khanewal	77	506	24	448	23	136
16	Khushab	60	94	42	105	42	49
17	Lahore	1194	2607	160	2336	160	1465
18	Layyah	62	319	12	294	12	87
19	Lodhran	61	201	21	219	21	43
20	M. B. Din	31	147	19	143	20	34
21	Mianwali	46	276	2	271	4	49
22	Multan	290	1026	23	954	22	363
23	Muzaffargarh	107	492	98	473	103	121
24	Nankana Sahib	84	255	53	246	53	93
25	Narowal	143	256	96	196	97	202
26	Okara	116	449	66	412	66	153
27	Pakpattan	87	291	27	279	24	102
28	R. Y. Khan	189	375	20	507	24	53
29	Rajanpur	32	134	0	135	0	31
30	Rawalpindi	533	1227	183	1297	197	449
31	Sahiwal	78	345	80	286	80	137
32	Sargodha	177	526	20	543	30	150
33	Sheikhupura	205	587	217	491	187	331
34	Sialkot	208	846	50	794	44	266
35	T.T.Singh	113	318	31	314	10	138
36	Vehari	169	277	66	331	66	115
Grand Total		**6033**	**17807**	**1727**	**17278**	**1672**	**6617**

3.30 Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution

The chart below presents the pending caseload of Punjab District Judiciary on 31st December 2023, bifurcated by the year of institution



The table presents the total pending cases as of December 31st, 2023, categorized tier-wise (i.e. cases pending in the Civil, District & Sessions Courts) and provides a breakdown of these cases based on the Year they were instituted.

Court Name	Total pendency 31.12.23	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		upto 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Civil Courts	1210338	13945	5069	7165	9918	23938	42062	60268	120907	239581	687485
Sessions Court	169017	118	87	127	182	434	1294	2600	6972	21130	136073
Grand Total	**1379355**	**14063**	**5156**	**7292**	**10100**	**24372**	**43356**	**62868**	**127879**	**260711**	**823558**

3.30.1 Civil Courts

Civil Cases

Category	Total Pendency 31.12.23	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		upto 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Regular Suits	508244	10397	3480	4738	6630	15466	26241	34713	63832	106694	236053
Family Cases	111024	147	84	147	235	462	906	2490	6599	19262	80692
Appl. For Succession	2728	23	5	9	14	29	56	114	153	241	2084
Execution Petition	99081	1155	539	874	1185	3139	4732	5872	11946	21605	48034
Rent Cases	4192	84	24	53	66	86	177	223	396	710	2373
Guardian Cases	25730	133	60	99	177	304	521	939	2263	4786	16448
Insolvency Cases	108	2	1	3	2	2	2	1	5	22	68

Category	Total Pendency 31.12.23	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		upto 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Inquiry Cases	995	0	0	0	2	64	100	80	120	185	444
Land Acquisition	1418	260	42	50	41	89	86	126	165	277	282
Pauper	89	13	2	9	10	3	4	5	16	8	19
Objection Petitions	35	3	0	3	2	2	1	1	1	8	14
Small Claims	101	0	2	1	3	0	5	5	17	23	45
Election Petitions	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Other Cases	103671	1678	793	1132	1430	2333	3773	4609	9802	19081	59040
Total - Civil	**857417**	**13895**	**5032**	**7118**	**9797**	**21979**	**36604**	**49178**	**95315**	**172902**	**445597**

Criminal Cases

Category	Total pendency 31.12.23	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		upto 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Crl. Sec. 30 Cases	21831	32	22	20	42	313	742	1330	2777	4617	11936
Other Than Crl. Cases	289589	17	15	27	77	1599	4433	9231	21385	54469	198336
Minor Offence Cases	41057	1	0	0	2	47	281	525	1425	7557	31219
Narcotics Cases	106	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	2	14	84
Wild Life Cases	338	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	22	313
Total - Crl.	**352921**	**50**	**37**	**47**	**121**	**1959**	**5458**	**11090**	**25592**	**66679**	**241888**

Grand Total	**13945**	**5069**	**7165**	**9918**	**23938**	**42062**	**60268**	**120907**	**239581**	**687485**	**1210338**

3.30.2 District & Sessions Courts

- **Criminal Cases**

Name of District	Total pendency 31.12.23	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		upto 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Murder Cases	7872	18	11	9	25	40	188	448	951	1906	4276
Other Sessions Cases	28241	17	18	26	35	103	351	790	1877	5343	19681
Illegal Disp. Act	1320	6	3	6	6	9	44	52	142	280	772
Hadood Cases	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3
Narcotics Cases	21409	0	0	1	2	1	27	243	635	2564	17936
Habeas Corpus	152	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	152
Registration Of Cases	11557	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	111	11434
Harassment	867	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	865
Criminal Appeals	580	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	7	53	517

Name of District	Total pendency 31.12.23	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		upto 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Against Judgment											
Criminal Appeals Against Order	63	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	60
Criminal Revision	1658	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	13	100	1542
Bail Application	26822	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	37	26782
Criminal Misc	1334	0	0	0	0	0	4	6	29	148	1147
Total – Criminal	**101880**	**41**	**32**	**42**	**68**	**153**	**616**	**1543**	**3670**	**10548**	**85167**

- **Civil Cases**

Name of Category	Total pendency 31.12.23	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		upto 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Civil Appeals Against Judgment	20,653	7	10	16	21	32	158	211	1,137	4,194	14,867
Civil Appeals Against Order	8,667	-	-	-	-	-	9	22	259	926	7,451
Civil Appeals Family Cases	8,387	1	-	-	-	-	4	-	37	373	7,972
Civil Appeals Rent Cases	449	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	35	411
Civil Revision	6,617	3	-	-	2	2	34	14	166	839	5,557
Original Suits	11,423	52	33	59	56	131	343	536	1,099	2,618	6,496
Election Petition	78	-	-	1	-	1	1	62	9	-	4
Labour Cases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Execution Petition	1,066	3	1	3	16	20	32	33	77	213	668
Civil Misc	3,674	-	-	-	-	12	24	61	169	461	2,947
Summary Nature Cases	1,502	1	-	-	-	3	4	62	164	407	861
Inquiry	483	-	-	-	-	17	17	16	31	54	348
Superdari	177	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	177
Other Cases	3,961	10	11	6	19	63	52	40	151	462	3,147
Total - Civil	**67,137**	**77**	**55**	**85**	**114**	**281**	**678**	**1,057**	**3,302**	**10,582**	**50,906**

Grand Total	**169017**	**118**	**87**	**127**	**182**	**434**	**1294**	**2600**	**6972**	**21130**	**136073**

4 High Court of Sindh



The High Court of Sindh traces its origins back to the establishment of Sindh as a separate Province on April 1st, 1937, following the enactment of Part III of the Government of India Act, 1935. The court, initially known as the Court of the Judicial Commissioner of Sindh, was governed by the Sindh Courts Act, 1926, which mirrored the Letters Patent of the Bombay High Court. To meet the immediate judicial needs of the Province, this Act was brought into operation in 1940, raising the status of the court to the Chief Court of Sindh. The structure of the court evolved over time, beginning with a Judicial Commissioner and three Additional Judicial Commissioners in 1907, which expanded further in 1937. When the High Court of West Pakistan was established, the number of judges allocated to the Karachi Bench was increased, and after the separation of Sindh and Baluchistan High Courts, the Sindh High Court retained 12 judges, while Baluchistan had 3. Today, the total sanctioned strength of judges in the Sindh High Court stands at 40.

The appointment of judges to the High Court of Sindh is governed by Article 175(A) of the Constitution of Pakistan 1973, as amended by the 18th Constitutional Amendment. A Judicial Commission, chaired by the Hon'ble Chief Justice of Pakistan, recommends eligible candidates for appointment as judges, whose names are forwarded to a Parliamentary Committee for approval. The final nominations are then sent to the Prime Minister, who submits them to the President of Pakistan for appointment. To qualify for the position of a High Court Judge, an individual must be a citizen of Pakistan and must have either served as an advocate of the High Court for at least ten years or held a judicial office for ten years, with a minimum of three years as a District Judge. High Court judges serve until the age of sixty-two unless they resign earlier or are removed according to constitutional procedures.

The High Court of Sindh exercises a broad range of judicial powers, including appellate jurisdiction over civil and criminal cases. It also has original jurisdiction to issue Writs such as Habeas Corpus, Mandamus, Prohibition, Certiorari, and Quo Warranto. The principal seat of the High Court is in Karachi, with a Bench at Sukkur and Circuit Courts at Hyderabad and Larkana. Additionally, more benches may be established as determined by the Governor, on the advice of the Cabinet, in consultation with the Chief Justice of the High Court. The court's pecuniary jurisdiction has been gradually increased to ease its caseload, particularly in Karachi, where the original pecuniary jurisdiction of District Courts was limited to 25,000 Rupees. This limit has been raised multiple times, with the latest enhancement to 15 Million Rupees under the Sindh Civil Courts (Amendment) Act, 2010.

4.1 Hon'ble Chief Justice, and, Judges of the High Court of Sindh as on 31-12-2023

Sr. #	Name	Date of elevation to the High Court	Date of Superannuation
1	Mr. Justice Aqeel Ahmed Abbasi	25-09-2009	15-06-2025
2	Mr. Justice Nadeem Akhtar	20-03-2012	15-02-2024
3	Mr. Justice Muhammad Shafi Siddiqui	20-03-2012	11-08-2027
4	Mr. Justice Naimatullah Phulpoto	01-06-2012	04-02-2025
5	Mr. Justice Salahuddin Panhwar	27-06-2012	08-08-2028
6	Mr. Justice Muhammad Junaid Ghaffar	31-08-2013	13-09-2025
7	Mr. Justice Zafar Ahmed Rajput	31-08-2013	15-10-2027
8	Mr. Justice Muhammad Iqbal Kalhoro	30-05-2014	18-07-2030
9	Mr. Justice Zulfiqar Ahmad Khan	30-10-2015	31-07-2025
10	Mr. Justice Mahmood A. Khan	30-10-2015	23-07-2026
11	Mr. Justice Muhammad Karim Khan Agha	30-10-2015	19-09-2026
12	Mr. Justice Muhammad Faisal Kamal Alam	30-10-2015	07-05-2031
13	Mr. Justice Arshad Hussain Khan	29-06-2016	04-02-2029
14	Mr. Justice Muhammad Saleem Jessar	29-06-2016	11-09-2029
15	Mr. Justice Khadim Hussain Tunio	30-11-2016	31-03-2026
16	Mr. Justice Omar Sail	30-11-2016	20-10-2031
17	Mr. Justice Adnan -ul-Karim Memon	30-11-2016	07-01-2033
18	Mr. Justice Yousuf Ali Sayeed	30-11-2016	18-08-2033
19	Justice Mrs. Kausar Sultana Hussain	06-02-2018	15-08-2024
20	Mr. Justice Irshad Ali Shah	06-02-2018	24-10-2024
21	Mr. Justice Shamsuddin Abbasi	06-02-2018	24-10-2028
22	Mr. Justice Amjad Ali Sahito	06-02-2018	02-05-2029
23	Mr. Justice Adan Iqbal Chaudhry	06-02-2018	14-12-2033
24	Mr. Justice Agha Faisal	06-02-2018	07-11-2034
25	Justice Mrs. Rashida Asad	29-08-2019	28-08-2024
26	Mr. Justice Abdul Mobeen Lakho	29-08-2019	13-11-2032
27	Mr. Justice Zulfiqar Ali Sangi	29-08-2019	14-09-2035
28	Mr. Justice Amjad Ali Bohio	14-04-2023	01-05-2027
29	Justice Ms. Sana Akram Minhas	14-04-2023	27-09-2030
30	Mr. Justice Jawad Akbar Sarwana	14-04-2023	25-08-2034
31	Mr. Justice Khadim Hussain Soomro	14-04-2023	11-09-2037
32	Mr. Justice Mohammad Abdur Rahman	14-04-2023	23-05-2038
33	Mr. Justice Arbab Ali Hakro	14-04-2023	02-08-2038

i) Sanctioned Strength of Hon'ble Judges : (as on 31-12-2023) 40
ii) Working Strength of Hon'ble Judges :(as on 31-12-2023) 33

4.2 Hon'ble Judges Elevated to the Supreme Court of Pakistan

Sr. #	Name	Date of Elevation
1	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Irfan Saadat Khan	03/11/2023

4.3 Hon'ble Judges who Retired during the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name	Date of Retirement
1	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ahmed Ali M. Shaikh	02/10/2023

4.4 Status of Complaints and Penalties during the Year 2023

In 2023, a total of **554 complaints** were received across various judicial and administrative categories, highlighting a continued focus on transparency and accountability. Of these, **331 complaints** were disposed of and **256 complaints** remain under process.

i) Number of Complaints received

	Penalties	Officers (High Court)	Officials (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
1	Total Complaints received	6	49	415	84	554
2	Total Complaints disposed of	10	18	227	76	331
3	Under Process	3	31	188	34	256

ii) Nature of Complaints received

	Penalties	Officers (High Court)	Officials (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
1	Corruption	0	0	15	12	27
2	Misconduct	0	49	83	53	185
3	Misuse and Arbitrary use of Powers	3	0	25	5	33
4	Harassment	0	0	0	4	4
5	Living beyond means	0	0	2	0	2
6	Others	10	0	290	15	315
	Total	13	49	415	81	509

- **Corruption and misconduct** dominated the complaints, with a 185 complaints related to misconduct and 27 complaints for Corruption
- 33 Complaints of **Arbitrary use of power** and 315 complaints of other nature received.

iii) Penalties Imposed under E&D Rules:

A. Major Punishment

	Penalties	Officers (High Court)	Officials (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
i	Dismissal from service	1	2	0	3	6
ii	Removal from service	0	0	0	5	5
iii	Compulsory retirement	0	0	0	0	0
iv	Reduction to lower stage	0	0	0	0	0
v	Reduction to lower post	0	0	0	0	0
	Total	1	2	0	8	11

- **Major Penalties** were imposed on **11 Individuals**, including **6 Dismissals** and **5 Removals from service**.

B. Minor Punishment

	Penalties	Officers (High Court)	Officials (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
i	Stoppage of increment	0	0	0	3	3
ii	Withholding promotion	0	0	0	0	0
iii	Censure/Warning	0	8	0	13	21
	Total	0	8	0	16	24

- **Minor penalties** affected **24 individuals**, with **3 stoppages of increments** and **21 censure or warnings** being issued.

C. Administrative actions

	Penalties	Officers (High Court)	Officials (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
i	Transfer	0	1	2	105	108
ii	Suspension	0	0	3	3	6
iii	Supersession	0	0	9	0	9
iv	Other	0	0	0	21	21
	Total	0	1	14	129	144

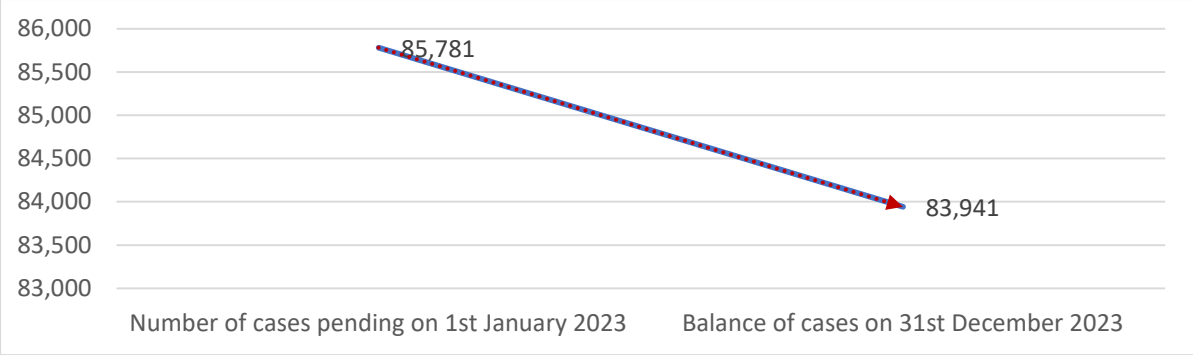
- **Administrative actions** saw **108 Transfers**, **6 Suspensions, 9 Suppressions** and **144 other actions** to ensure the integrity of the judicial system.

This robust system of internal accountability reinforces the judiciary's commitment to maintaining high ethical standards across all levels. Through these disciplinary actions, the judiciary is actively working to uphold public trust and ensure a transparent and effective justice system.

4.5 Statement Showing Bench-Wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the High Court and its Benches during the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of Principal Seat and Benches	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Principal Seat, Karachi	65407	19176	19536	65146
2	Bench at Sukkur	5517	5098	5632	4970
3	Circuit Court, Hyderabad	11538	5771	7145	10164
4	Circuit Court, Larkana	3319	3284	3185	3418
5	Circuit Court, Mirpurkhas	0	586	343	243
	Total	**85781**	**33915**	**35841**	**83941**

- At the Principal Seat in Karachi, which handles the majority of cases, there was a **slight reduction of 0.4%** in the number of pending cases. The court started the year with **65,407** pending cases, received **19,176** new cases, and disposed of **19,536** cases, concluding the year with a balance of **65,146** cases. The disposal rate at Karachi exceeded the number of new institutions by **1.88%**, indicating efficient case management.
- The Bench at Sukkur saw a **9.91% decrease** in pending cases by year-end, having started with **5,517** cases and reduced them to **4,970**. During the year, the court received **5,098** new cases and disposed of **5,632,** resulting in a disposal rate that surpassed new institutions by **10.47%**. This shows that Sukkur managed to handle its caseload effectively, clearing a significant number of pending cases.
- The Circuit Court, Hyderabad performed exceptionally well in 2023, achieving an **11.89% decrease** in pending cases. The court began the year with **11,538** pending cases, received **5,771** new cases, and disposed of **7,145** cases. By the end of the year, the pending cases had reduced to **10,164**. Notably, Hyderabad had the highest disposal-to-institution ratio, disposing of **23.84% more cases** than were instituted, making it the best-performing court in terms of handling its caseload.
- In contrast, the Circuit Court, Larkana experienced a **2.98% increase** in pending cases, one of the few courts where the backlog grew. The court started with **3,319** pending cases, received **3,284** new cases, and disposed of **3,185**, leaving a balance of **3,418** cases. This slight increase suggests that the Larkana court may need additional support or resources to reduce the backlog and improve efficiency in case disposals.
- The Circuit Court, Mirpurkhas, which had no pending cases at the beginning of the year, saw **243 cases pending** by the end of 2023. Over the course of the year, the court received **586** new cases but was only able to dispose of **343**, cases achieving a disposal rate of **58.53%** compared to new institutions. This relatively low disposal rate indicates a need for focused attention to improve the clearance of cases in Mirpurkhas.



In 2023, the judicial seats and benches in Karachi and its surrounding regions demonstrated overall efficiency in case management, with notable successes in case disposals. The year began with a total of **85,781** pending cases across the Principal Seat in Karachi and its four benches. Throughout the year, **33,915** new cases were instituted, while the courts successfully disposed of **35,841** cases, resulting in a final balance of **83,941** cases by year-end. This reflects a **2.15% decrease** in the total number of pending cases compared to the start of the year, underscoring a positive trend in judicial processing.

In summary, the courts collectively disposed of **5.69% more cases** than the new cases instituted in 2023. While this reflects positive overall performance, individual court performance varied. The Circuit Court in Hyderabad and the Bench at Sukkur demonstrated strong efficiency in managing their caseloads, while Larkana and Mirpurkhas faced challenges in either maintaining or reducing their backlogs.

This narrative highlights the courts' commitment to reducing the backlog, while also identifying areas that may require additional focus and resources to maintain this positive momentum in the coming years.

4.6 Category-wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of cases in the High Court of Sindh during the Year 2023.

4.6.1 Criminal Jurisdiction

4.6.1.1 Consolidate Statement - Criminal Jurisdiction (All Categories)

Main Category	Sub Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Criminal Appeals	Criminal Appeals	1520	803	789	1540
	Special Criminal Appeals	165	10	6	169
	Criminal Jail Appeals	1142	376	558	960
	Special Criminal Jail Appeals	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Acquittal Appeal	2277	817	824	2275
	Special Criminal Acquittal Appeal	58	4	22	40
	Criminal Accountability Appeal	175	5	19	161
	Criminal Accountability Acq. Appeal	51	8	9	50
	Criminal Accountability Jail Appeal	6	0	1	5
	Special ATA Appeals	122	140	155	111
	Special ATA Jail Appeals	76	105	104	77
	Special ATA Acq. Appeals	76	8	27	58
Criminal Revision	Criminal Revision	1338	750	830	1261
	Special Criminal Revision	7	6	6	7
	Criminal Suo MotuRevision	3	1	1	3
Criminal Bail Application	Protective Bail Application	55	1303	1270	88
	Pre- Arrest Bail	415	1966	1929	454
	Post Arrest Bail	384	2987	2919	453
	Special Criminal Bail Application	6	122	113	15
Criminal Misc. Application	Criminal Misc. Application	3274	3488	3340	3391
	Special Criminal Misc. Application	13	13	4	22
	Criminal Org. Misc. Application	6	6	4	8
Criminal Reference	Criminal Reference	2	4	4	2
Criminal Transfer Application	Criminal Transfer Application	91	318	318	92
Confirmation Cases	Confirmation Cases	229	74	97	206
Total		**11491**	**13314**	**13349**	**11448**

4.6.1.2 **Principal Seat at Karachi**

Main Category	Sub Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Criminal Appeals	Criminal Appeals	500	311	290	529
	Special Criminal Appeals	70	9	5	74
	Criminal Jail Appeals	182	97	142	137
	Special Criminal Jail Appeals	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Acquittal Appeal	1017	293	239	1082
	Special Criminal Acquittal Appeal	58	4	22	40
	Criminal Accountability Appeal	108	1	11	98
	Criminal Accountability Acq. Appeal	51	8	9	50
	Criminal Accountability Jail Appeal	3	0	0	3
	Special ATA Appeals	110	133	150	97
	Special ATA Jail Appeals	56	84	65	75
	Special ATA Acq. Appeals	76	8	27	58
Criminal Revision	Criminal Revision	456	274	264	475
	Special Criminal Revision	7	6	6	7
	Criminal Suo MotuRevision	3	1	1	3
Criminal Bail Application	Protective Bail Application	10	716	710	16
	Pre- Arrest Bail/ Bail Before Arrest	195	685	587	293
	Post Arrest Bail/ Bail After Arrest	198	1518	1448	269
	Special Criminal Bail Application	6	122	113	15
Criminal Misc. Application	Criminal Misc. Application	1067	1113	1085	1060
	Special Criminal Misc. Application	13	13	4	22
	Criminal Org. Misc. Application	6	6	4	8
Criminal Reference	Criminal Reference	0	0	0	0
Criminal Transfer Application	Criminal Transfer Application	49	107	127	30
Confirmation Cases	Confirmation Cases	27	9	26	10
Total		**4268**	**5518**	**5335**	**4451**

4.6.1.3 **Bench at Sukkur**

Main Category	Sub Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Criminal Appeals	Criminal Appeals	171	76	92	153
	Special Criminal Appeals	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Jail Appeals	261	109	126	244
	Special Criminal Jail Appeals	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Acquittal Appeal	445	168	278	329
	Special Criminal Acquittal Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Accountability Appeal	67	4	8	63
	Criminal Accountability Acq. Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Accountability Jail Appeal	3	0	1	2
	Special ATA Appeals	12	7	5	14
	Special ATA Jail Appeals	20	21	39	2
	Special ATA Acq. Appeals	0	0	0	0
Criminal Revision	Criminal Revision	218	149	195	166
	Special Criminal Revision	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Suo MotuRevision	0	0	0	0
Criminal Bail Application	Protective Bail Application	0	202	202	0
	Pre- Arrest Bail	167	362	490	41
	Post Arrest Bail	126	430	484	72
	Special Criminal Bail Application	0	0	0	0
Criminal Misc. Application	Criminal Misc. Application	524	978	1019	487
	Special Criminal Misc. Application	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Org. Misc. Application	0	0	0	0
Criminal Reference	Criminal Reference	1	0	0	1
Criminal Transfer Application	Criminal Transfer Application	25	74	89	10
Confirmation Cases	Confirmation Cases	37	5	10	32
Total		**2077**	**2585**	**3038**	**1616**

4.6.1.4 Circuit Court at Hyderabad

Main Category	Sub Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Criminal Appeals	Criminal Appeals	541	180	202	519
	Special Criminal Appeals	95	1	1	95
	Criminal Jail Appeals	319	77	140	256
	Special Criminal Jail Appeals				0
	Criminal Acquital Appeal	552	213	125	640
	Special Criminal Acquital Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Accountability Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Accountability Acq. Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Accountability Jail Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Special ATA Appeals	0	0	0	0
	Special ATA Jail Appeals	0	0	0	0
	Special ATA Acq. Appeals	0	0	0	0
Criminal Revision	Criminal Revision	500	192	211	481
	Special Criminal Revision	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Suo Motu Revision	0	0	0	0
Criminal Bail Application	Protective Bail Application	26	212	224	14
	Pre- Arrest Bail/ Bail Before Arrest	37	530	522	45
	Post Arrest Bail/ Bail afater Arrest	40	630	615	55
	Special Criminal Bail Application	0	0	0	0
Criminal Misc. Application	Criminal Misc. Application	1530	804	731	1603
	Special Criminal Misc. Application	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Org. Misc. Application	0	0	0	0
Criminal Reference	Criminal Reference	0	0	0	0
Criminal Transfer Application	Criminal Transfer Application	10	72	53	29
Confirmation Cases	Confirmation Cases	64	46	33	77
Total		**3714**	**2957**	**2857**	**3814**

4.6.1.5 Circuit Court at Larkana

Main Category	Sub Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Criminal Appeals	Criminal Appeals	308	182	177	313
	Special Criminal Appeals	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Jail Appeals	380	90	149	321
	Special Criminal Jail Appeals	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Acquital Appeal	263	113	171	205
	Special Criminal Acquital Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Accountability Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Accountability Acq. Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Accountability Jail Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Special ATA Appeals	0	0	0	0
	Special ATA Jail Appeals	0	0	0	0
	Special ATA Acq. Appeals	0	0	0	0
Criminal Revision	Criminal Revision	164	111	147	128
	Special Criminal Revision	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Suo Motu Revision	0	0	0	0
Criminal Bail Application	Protective Bail Application	19	153	114	58
	Pre- Arrest Bail / Bail Before Arrest	16	320	270	66
	Post Arrest Bail/ After Arrest	20	340	318	42
	Special Criminal Bail Application	0	0	0	0
Criminal Misc. Application	Criminal Misc. Application	153	476	425	204
	Special Criminal Misc. Application	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Org. Misc. Application	0	0	0	0
Criminal Reference	Criminal Reference	1	4	4	1
Criminal Transfer Application	Criminal Transfer Application	7	57	41	23
Confirmation Cases	Confirmation Cases	101	14	28	87
Total		**1432**	**1860**	**1844**	**1448**

4.6.1.6 **Circuit Court at Mirpurkhas**

Main Category	Sub Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Criminal Appeals	Criminal Appeals	0	54	28	26
	Special Criminal Appeals	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Jail Appeals	0	3	1	2
	Special Criminal Jail Appeals	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Acquital Appeal	0	30	11	19
	Special Criminal Acquital Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Accountability Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Accountability Acq. Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Accountability Jail Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Special ATA Appeals	0	0	0	0
	Special ATA Jail Appeals	0	0	0	0
	Special ATA Acq. Appeals	0	0	0	0
Criminal Revision	Criminal Revision	0	24	13	11
	Special Criminal Revision	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Suo Motu Revision	0	0	0	0
Criminal Bail Application	Protective Bail Application	0	20	20	0
	Pre- Arrest Bail	0	69	60	9
	Post Arrest Bail	0	69	54	15
	Special Criminal Bail Application	0	0	0	0
Criminal Misc. Application	Criminal Misc. Application	0	117	80	37
	Special Criminal Misc. Application	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Org. Misc. Application	0	0	0	0
Criminal Reference	Criminal Reference	0	0	0	0
Criminal Transfer Application	Criminal Transfer Application	0	8	8	0
Confirmation Cases	Confirmation Cases	0	0	0	0
Total		**0**	**394**	**275**	**119**

4.6.2 Civil Jurisdiction

4.6.2.1 Consolidate Statement - Civil Jurisdiction (All Categories)

Main Category	Sub Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Suits	Suits	22659	2155	2109	22705
	Suits Banking	737	52	118	671
	Adm. Suit	98	13	3	108
Judicial Misc.	Judicial Misc.	788	38	221	605
	Judicial Companies Misc.	257	43	37	263
	J.M. Ogra	1	0	0	1
Civil Reference	Civil Reference	36	0	0	36
Appeals	Civil Appeals	20	12	10	22
	1st Civil Appeal (SB)	345	199	224	320
	1st Civil Appeal (DB)	498	121	197	422
	2nd Civil Appeal	1633	540	408	1765
	1st Rent Appeal (FRA)	87	69	42	114
	Family Transfer Appeal	1	0	1	0
	High Court Appeal	1498	456	410	1544
	Spl. High Court Appeal	70	3	13	60
	Service Appeals (DB)	58	4	6	56
	Civil Misc. Appeal (SB)	713	269	194	788
	Civil Misc. Appeal (DB)	29	3	3	29
	Adm. Appeal	7	0	0	7
	Succession Appeal	6	1	3	4
	Election Appeal	4	42	31	15
Civil Revision Application	Civil Revision Application	3719	1018	1419	3318
Civil Transfer Application	Civil Transfer Application	120	186	148	158
Tax & Customs Matters	Spl. Custom Appeal	17	0	0	17
	Spl. Sales Tax	20	0	0	20
	Spl. Sales Tax Reference Appeal	1052	134	72	1114
	Spl. Custom Reference Appeal	3613	1178	831	3960
	Spl. Federal Excise Reference Applincation	166	5	6	165
	Income Tax Appeal	104	0	53	51
	Income Tax Reference	122	0	84	38
	Income Tax Case	113	0	38	75
	Wealth Tax Case	0	0	0	0
	Wealth Tax Reference	20	0	1	19
	Wealth Tax Appeal	30	0	27	3
	Income Tax Reference Application	3014	408	260	3162
	Income Tax Case Appeal	3	0	0	3
Execution Application	Execution Application	580	65	90	555
Succession matter	S.M.A	358	100	186	272
Insolvency	Insolvency	8	14	5	17
Petitions	Divorce Petition	1	0	1	0
	Election Petition	24	1	13	12
Total		**42629**	**7129**	**7264**	**42494**

4.6.2.2 **Principal Seat at Karachi**

Main Category	Sub Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Suits	Suits	22659	2155	2109	22705
	Suits Banking	737	52	118	671
	Adm. Suit	98	13	3	108
Judicial Misc.	Judicial Misc.	788	38	221	605
	Judicial Companies Misc.	257	43	37	263
	J.M. Ogra	1	0	0	1
Civil Reference	Civil Reference	36	0	0	36
Appeals	Civil Appeals	0	0	0	0
	1st Civil Appeal (SB)	13	1	1	13
	1st Civil Appeal (DB)	498	121	197	422
	2nd Civil Appeal	1089	395	109	1375
	1st Rent Appeal (FRA)	80	55	28	107
	Family Transfer Appeal	0	0	0	0
	High Court Appeal	1498	456	410	1544
	Spl. High Court Appeal	70	3	13	60
	Service Appeals (DB)	58	4	6	56
	Civil Misc. Appeal (SB)	569	190	52	707
	Civil Misc. Appeal (DB)	29	3	3	29
	Adm. Appeal	7	0	0	7
	Succession Appeal	0			0
	Election Appeal	2	22	11	13
Civil Revision Application	Civil Revision Application	733	159	111	781
Civil Transfer Application	Civil Transfer Application	70	99	61	108
Tax & Customs Matters	Spl. Custom Appeal	17	0	0	17
	Spl. Sales Tax Appeal	20	0	0	20
	Spl. Sales Tax Reference Appeal	1052	134	72	1114
	Spl. Custom Reference Appeal	3613	1178	831	3960
	Spl. Federal Excise Reference Applincation	166	5	6	165
	Income Tax Appeal	104	0	53	51
	Income Tax Reference	122	0	84	38
	Income Tax Case	113	0	38	75
	Wealth Tax Case	0	0	0	0
	Wealth Tax Reference	20	0	1	19
	Wealth Tax Appeal	30	0	27	3
	Income Tax Reference Application	3014	408	260	3162
	Income Tax Case Appeal	3	0	0	3
Execution Application	Execution Application	579	65	90	554
S.M.A	S.M.A	358	100	186	272
Insolvency	Insolvency	7	14	4	17
Petitions	Divorce Petition	1	0	1	0
	Election Petition	11	0	7	4
Total		**38522**	**5713**	**5150**	**39085**

4.6.2.3 **Bench at Sukkur**

Main Category	Sub Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Suits	Suits	0	0	0	0
	Suits Banking	0	0	0	0
	Adm. Suit	0	0	0	0
Judicial Misc.	Judicial Misc.	0	0	0	0
	Judicial Companies Misc.	0	0	0	0
	J.M. Ogra	0	0	0	0
Civil Reference	Civil Reference	0	0	0	0
Appeals	Civil Appeals	0	0	0	0
	1st Civil Appeal (SB)	88	62	30	120
	1st Civil Appeal (DB)	0	0	0	0
	2nd Civil Appeal	10	13	6	17
	1st Rent Appeal (FRA)	0	0	0	0
	Family Transfer Appeal	0	0	0	0
	High Court Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. High Court Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Service Appeals (DB)	0	0	0	0
	Civil Misc. Appeal (SB)	20	15	10	25
	Civil Misc. Appeal (DB)	0	0	0	0
	Adm. Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Succession Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Election Appeal	0	1	1	0
Civil Revision Application	Civil Revision Application	732	277	134	875
Civil Transfer Application	Civil Transfer Application	33	24	23	34
Tax & Custom Matters	Spl. Custom Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Sales Tax	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Sales Tax Reference Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Custom Reference Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Federal Excise Reference Applincation	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Reference	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Case	0	0	0	0
	Wealth Tax Case	0	0	0	0
	Wealth Tax Reference	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Ref. Appln.	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Case Appeal	0	0	0	0
Execution Application	Execution Application	1	0	0	1
Succession Matter	S.M.A	0	0	0	0
Insolvency	Insolvency	1	0	1	0
Petitions	Divorce Petition	0	0	0	0
	Election Petition	13	1	6	8
Total		**898**	**393**	**211**	**1080**

4.6.2.4 Circuit Court at Hyderabad

Main Category	Sub Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Suits	Suits	0	0	0	0
	Suits Banking	0			0
	Adm. Suit	0	0	0	0
Judicial Misc.	Judicial Misc.	0	0	0	0
	Judicial Companies Misc.	0	0	0	0
	J.M. Ogra	0	0	0	0
Civil Reference	Civil Reference	0	0	0	0
Appeals	Civil Appeals	0	0	0	0
	1st Civil Appeal (SB)	218	119	189	148
	1st Civil Appeal (DB)	0	0	0	0
	2nd Civil Appeal	512	113	284	341
	1st Rent Appeal (FRA)	7	14	14	7
	Family Transfer Appeal	0	0	0	0
	High Court Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. High Court Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Service Appeals (DB)	0	0	0	0
	Civil Misc. Appeal (SB)	123	63	132	54
	Civil Misc. Appeal (DB)	0	0	0	0
	Adm. Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Succession Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Election Appeal	2	17	19	0
Civil Revision Application	Civil Revision Application	1769	330	1036	1063
Civil Transfer Application	Civil Transfer Application	4	43	47	0
Tax & Customs Matters	Spl. Custom Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Sales Tax	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Sales Tax Reference Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Custom Reference Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Federal Excise Reference Application	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Reference	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Case	0	0	0	0
	Wealth Tax Case	0	0	0	0
	Wealth Tax Reference	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Ref. Appln.	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Case Appeal	0	0	0	0
Execution Application	Execution Application	0	0	0	0
Succession Matter	S.M.A	0	0	0	0
Insolvency	Insolvency	0	0	0	0
Petitions	Divorce Petition	0	0	0	0
	Election Petition	0	0	0	0
Total		**2635**	**699**	**1721**	**1613**

4.6.2.5 **Circuit Court at Larkana**

Main Category	Sub Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Suits	Suits	0	0	0	0
	Suits Banking	0	0	0	0
	Adm. Suit	0	0	0	0
Judicial Misc.	Judicial Misc.	0	0	0	0
	Judicial Companies Misc.	0	0	0	0
	J.M. Ogra	0	0	0	0
Civil Reference	Civil Reference	0	0	0	0
Appeals	Civil Appeals	20	12	10	22
	1st Civil Appeal (SB)	26	9	4	31
	1st Civil Appeal (DB)	0	0	0	0
	2nd Civil Appeal	22	5	7	20
	1st Rent Appeal (FRA)	0	0	0	0
	Family Transfer Appeal	1	0	1	0
	High Court Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. High Court Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Service Appeals (DB)	0	0	0	0
	Civil Misc. Appeal (SB)	1	0	0	1
	Civil Misc. Appeal (DB)	0	0	0	0
	Adm. Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Succession Appeal	6	1	3	4
	Election Appeal	0	2	0	2
Civil Revision Application	Civil Revision Application	485	167	128	524
Civil Transfer Application	Civil Transfer Application	13	19	16	16
Tax & Customs Matters	Spl. Custom Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Sales Tax	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Sales Tax Reference Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Custom Reference Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Federal Excise Reference Applincation	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Reference	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Case	0	0	0	0
	Wealth Tax Case	0	0	0	0
	Wealth Tax Reference	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Ref. Appln.	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Case Appeal	0	0	0	0
Execution Application	Execution Application	0	0	0	0
Succession Matter	S.M.A	0	0	0	0
Insolvency	Insolvency	0	0	0	0
Petitions	Divorce Petition	0	0	0	0
	Election Petition	0	0	0	0
Total		**574**	**215**	**169**	**620**

4.6.2.6 **Circuit Court at Mirpurkhas**

Main Category	Sub Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Suits	Suits	0	0	0	0
	Suits Banking	0	0	0	0
	Adm. Suit	0	0	0	0
Judicial Misc.	Judicial Misc.	0	0	0	0
	Judicial Companies Misc.	0	0	0	0
	J.M. Ogra	0	0	0	0
Civil Reference	Civil Reference	0	0	0	0
Appeals	Civil Appeals	0	0	0	0
	1st Civil Appeal (SB)	0	8	0	8
	1st Civil Appeal (DB)	0	0	0	0
	2nd Civil Appeal	0	14	2	12
	1st Rent Appeal (FRA)	0	0	0	0
	Family Transfer Appeal	0	0	0	0
	High Court Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. High Court Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Service Appeals (DB)	0	0	0	0
	Civil Misc. Appeal (SB)	0	1	0	1
	Civil Misc. Appeal (DB)	0	0	0	0
	Adm. Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Succession Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Election Appeal	0	0	0	0
Civil Revision Application	Civil Revision Application	0	85	10	75
Civil Transfer Application	Civil Transfer Application	0	1	1	0
Tax & Customs Matters	Spl. Custom Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Sales Tax	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Sales Tax Reference Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Custom Reference Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Federal Excise Reference Applincation	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Reference	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Case	0	0	0	0
	Wealth Tax Case	0	0	0	0
	Wealth Tax Reference	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Appeal	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Ref. Appln.	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Case Appeal	0	0	0	0
Execution Application	Execution Application	0	0	0	0
Succession Matter	S.M.A	0	0	0	0
Insolvency	Insolvency	0	0	0	0
Petitions	Divorce Petition	0	0	0	0
	Election Petition	0	0	0	0
Total		**0**	**109**	**13**	**96**

4.6.3 Writ Jurisdiction

4.6.3.1 Constitutional Petitions

Bench Name	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Principal Seat at Karachi	22617	7945	9051	21610
Bench at Sukkur	2542	2120	2383	2274
Circuit Court at Hyderabad	5189	2115	2567	4737
Circuit Court at Larkana	1313	1209	1172	1350
Circuit Court at Mirpurkhas	0	83	55	28
Total	**31661**	**13472**	**15228**	**29999**

4.6.3.2 Constitutional Petitions – Divisional Bench

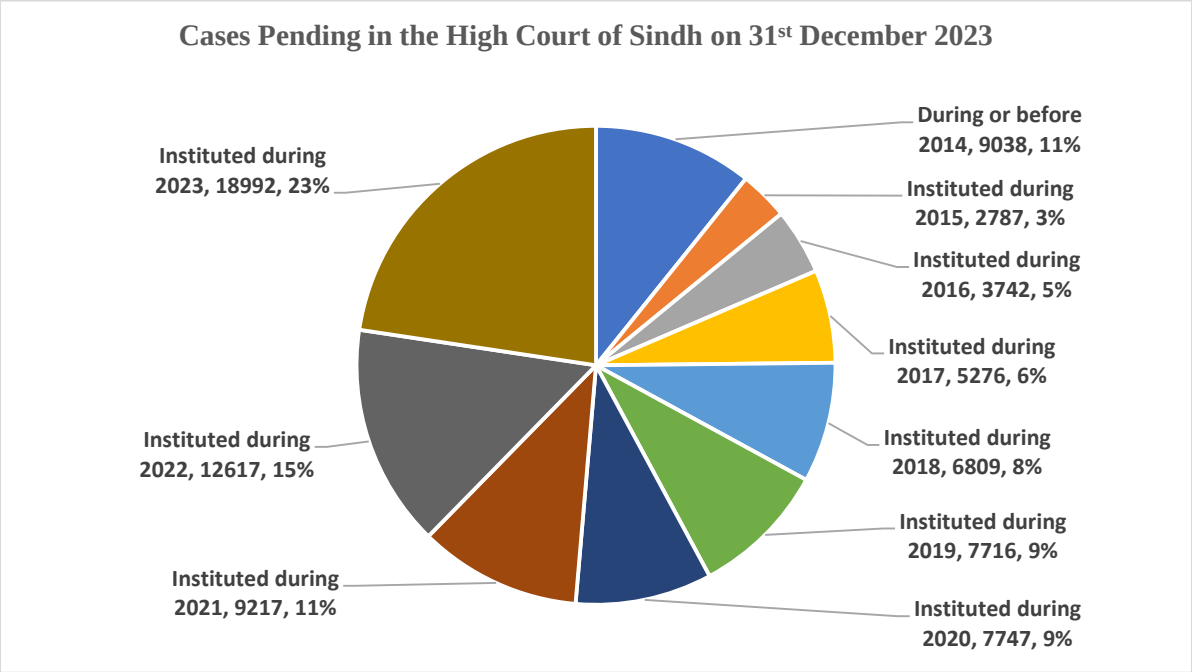
Bench Name	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Principal Seat at Karachi	20674	6511	7753	19530
Bench at Sukkur	2433	1854	2110	2172
Circuit Court at Hyderabad	4938	1165	1690	4413
Circuit Court at Larkana	1225	856	831	1250
Circuit Court at Mirpurkhas	0	0	0	0
Total	**29270**	**10386**	**12384**	**27365**

4.6.3.3 Constitutional Petitions – Single Bench

Bench Name	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Principal Seat at Karachi	1943	1434	1298	2080
Bench at Sukkur	109	266	273	102
Circuit Court at Hyderabad	251	950	877	324
Circuit Court at Larkana	88	353	341	100
Circuit Court at Mirpurkhas	0	83	55	28
Total	**2391**	**3086**	**2844**	**2634**

4.7 Break-up of Pending cases on the basis of Year of institution.

The chart below presents the pending caseload of High Court of Sindh on 31st December 2023, bifurcated by the year of institution



The table presents the total pending cases as of December 31st, 2023, categorized by case type (Criminal, Civil, and Writ Cases) and provides a breakdown of these cases based on the year they were instituted.

Category	Total Pendency 31-12-2023	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		Up to 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Criminal Jurisdiction	11448	398	54	111	214	239	771	902	1459	2181	5119
Civil Jurisdiction	42494	6305	1787	2407	2869	3989	4443	4153	4517	5450	6574
Writ Jurisdiction	29999	2335	946	1224	2193	2581	2502	2692	3241	4986	7299
Total	**83941**	**9038**	**2787**	**3742**	**5276**	**6809**	**7716**	**7747**	**9217**	**12617**	**18992**

- **Criminal Jurisdiction**: **5,119 cases** from that Year 2023 remained unresolved. The total pendency across all years in criminal jurisdiction is **11,448 cases**, with a sharp increase in recent years, highlighting a growing backlog in criminal matters.

- **Civil Jurisdiction**: Civil cases show the largest backlog, with **6,574 cases** still pending from 2023 alone. The total pendency in civil matters stands at **41,494 cases**, with a particularly high number of unresolved cases from 2018 onwards, reflecting a significant accumulation of civil disputes awaiting resolution.

- **Writ Jurisdiction**: The Writ Jurisdiction is experiencing a steep rise in pendency, with **7,299 cases** from 2023 still unresolved. The total number of pending writ cases is **39,299**, with a marked increase from 2020 onwards, showing a growing strain on the system's capacity to handle writ petitions.

- Across all jurisdictions, there are **90,715 pending cases**, with the largest surge occurring in 2023, where **18,992 cases** remain unresolved. The rise in pending cases reflects an urgent need for judicial reforms to address the growing backlog.

4.7.1 Criminal Jurisdiction (*All Categories)

Main Category	Sub Category	Total Pendency 31-12-2023	Number of Cases Pending that were Instituted during the given years									
			Up to 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Criminal Appeals	Criminal Appeals	1540	81	13	32	54	36	151	128	188	282	575
	Special Criminal Appeals	169	6	0	10	51	21	21	19	9	17	15
	Criminal Jail Appeals	960	13	7	11	19	11	118	92	154	200	335
	Special Criminal Jail Appeals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Criminal Acquital Appeal	2023	44	7	20	41	82	181	220	356	502	570
	Special Criminal Acquital Appeal	245	8	0	0	1	7	11	18	47	61	92
	Criminal Accountability Appeal	161	38	2	1	7	13	26	11	23	37	3
	Criminal Accountability Acq. Appeal	50	8	0	0	1	10	4	4	3	12	8
	Criminal Accountability Jail Appeal	5	0	0	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	0
	Special ATA Appeals	111	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	109
	Special ATA Jail Appeals	77	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	75
	Special ATA Acq. Appeals	58	9	0	0	1	0	0	2	33	7	6
Criminal Revision	Criminal Revision	1308	50	6	31	32	40	110	120	173	300	446
	Special Criminal Revision	7	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	6
	Criminal Suo Motu Revision	3	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
Criminal Bail Application	Protective Bail Application	88	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	88
	Pre- Arrest Bail	461	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	451
	Post Arrest Bail	446	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	443
	Special	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	12

Main Category	Sub Category	Total Pendency 31-12-2023	Number of Cases Pending that were Instituted during the given years									
			Up to 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	Criminal Bail Application											
Criminal Misc. Application	Criminal Misc. Application	3395	133	11	4	4	12	121	261	444	689	1716
	Special Criminal Misc. Application	24	4	7	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	10
	Criminal Org. Misc. Application	3	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0
Criminal Reference	Criminal Reference	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Criminal Transfer Application	Criminal Transfer Application	91	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	86
Confirmation Cases	Confirmation Cases	206	2	1	0	0	3	24	24	28	52	72
Total		**11448**	**398**	**54**	**111**	**214**	**239**	**771**	**902**	**1459**	**2181**	**5119**

4.7.2 Civil Jurisdiction (*All Categories)

Main Category	Sub Category	Total Pendency 31-12-2023	Number of Cases Pending that were Instituted during the given Years									
			Up to 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Suits	Suits	22705	2684	984	1086	1362	2682	2733	2872	3048	2545	2709
	Suit Baking	671	387	18	18	20	13	60	34	29	45	47
	Adm. Suit	108	65	6	2	1	4	3	5	4	7	11
Judicial Misc.	Judicial Misc.	605	167	58	29	53	65	42	52	38	47	54
	Judicial Companies Misc.	263	79	8	16	23	6	21	11	28	33	38
	J.M. Ogra	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Civil Reference	Civil Reference	36	29	0	0	0	5	0	2	0	0	0
Appeals	Civil Appeals	21	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	2	4	11
	1st Civil Appeal (SB)	312	12	3	15	18	7	12	18	17	71	139
	1st Civil Appeal (DB)	430	44	16	24	66	26	34	30	39	57	94
	2nd Civil Appeal	1765	187	41	88	79	62	139	161	256	295	457
	1st Rent Appeal (FRA)	114	2	0	1	2	5	9	8	22	18	47
	Family Transfer Appeal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	High Court Appeal	1544	214	47	69	131	139	125	101	166	223	329
	Spl. High Court Appeal	60	15	8	11	2	8	3	4	3	4	2

Main Category	Sub Category	Total Pendency 31-12-2023	Number of Cases Pending that were Instituted during the given Years									
			Up to 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	Service Appeals (DB)	56	9	2	6	7	5	4	2	5	6	10
	Civil Misc. Appeal (SB)	788	154	18	30	27	45	54	40	57	150	213
	Civil Misc. Appeal (DB)	29	10	0	1	10	1	0	0	2	3	2
	Adm. Appeal	7	0	2	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	1
	Succession Appeal	3	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	0
Civil Revision Application	Civil Revision Application	3321	579	63	191	157	174	256	253	342	524	782
Civil Transfer Application	Civil Transfer Application	157	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	22	50	82
Tax & Cumstoms matters	Spl. Custom Appeal	17	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Sales Tax	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Spl. Sales Tax Reference Appeal	1114	82	29	137	92	153	163	90	88	184	96
	Spl. Custom Reference Appeal	3960	358	330	295	401	234	531	280	55	609	867
	Spl. Federal Excise Reference Application	165	25	7	50	7	7	3	0	15	9	42
	Income Tax Appeal	51	51	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Reference	38	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Case	75	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Wealth Tax Case	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Wealth Tax Reference	19	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Wealth Tax Appeal	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Income Tax Reference Application	3162	799	125	291	337	262	149	110	197	494	398
	Income Tax Case Appeal	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Execution Application	Execution Application	555	165	15	39	65	66	60	36	22	36	51
Succession matter	S.M.A	272	10	7	7	7	12	32	35	56	28	78
Insolvency	Insolvency	17	2	0	0	1	0	4	2	0	7	1

Main Category	Sub Category	Total Pendency 31-12-2023	Number of Cases Pending that were Instituted during the given Years									
			Up to 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Divorce Petition	Divorce Petition	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Election Matters	Election Petition	14	0	0	0	0	8	1	0	2	1	2
	Election Appeal	13	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	11
Total		**42494**	**6305**	**1787**	**2407**	**2869**	**3989**	**4443**	**4153**	**4517**	**5450**	**6574**

4.7.3 Writ Jurisdiction (*All Categories)

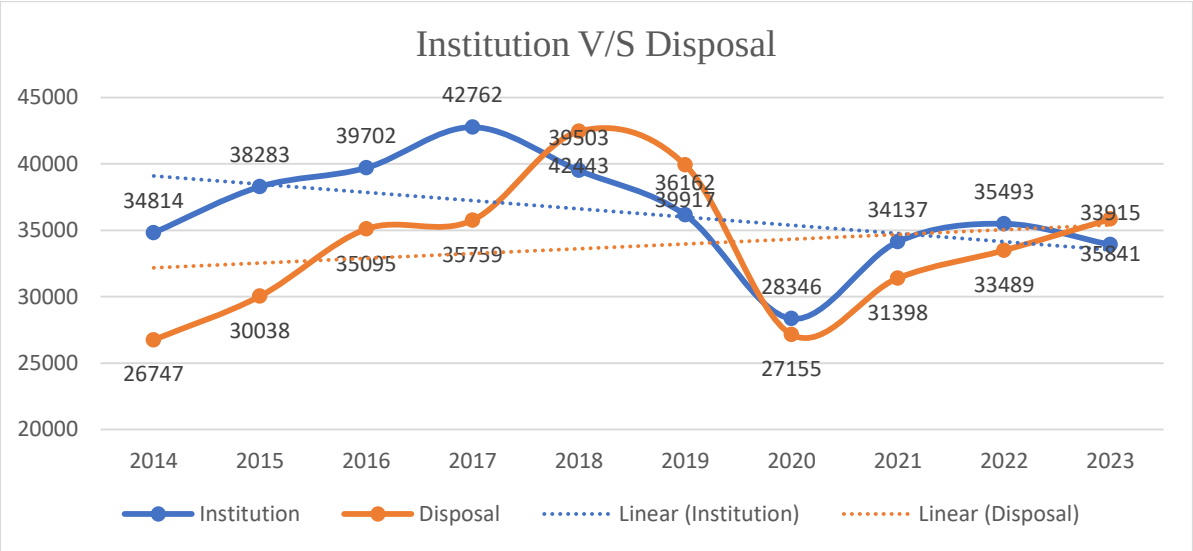
Main Category	Sub Category	Total Pendency 31-12-2023	Number of Cases Pending that were Instituted during the given Years									
			up to 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Constitutional Petitions	Constitutional Petitions (Divisional Bench)	27365	2130	935	1206	2130	2508	2345	2517	3030	4558	6006
	Constitutional Petitions (Single Bench)	2634	205	11	18	63	73	157	175	211	428	1293
Total		**29999**	**2335**	**946**	**1224**	**2193**	**2581**	**2502**	**2692**	**3241**	**4986**	**7299**

4.8 Consolidated Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the High Court of Sindh during the Last 10 Years.

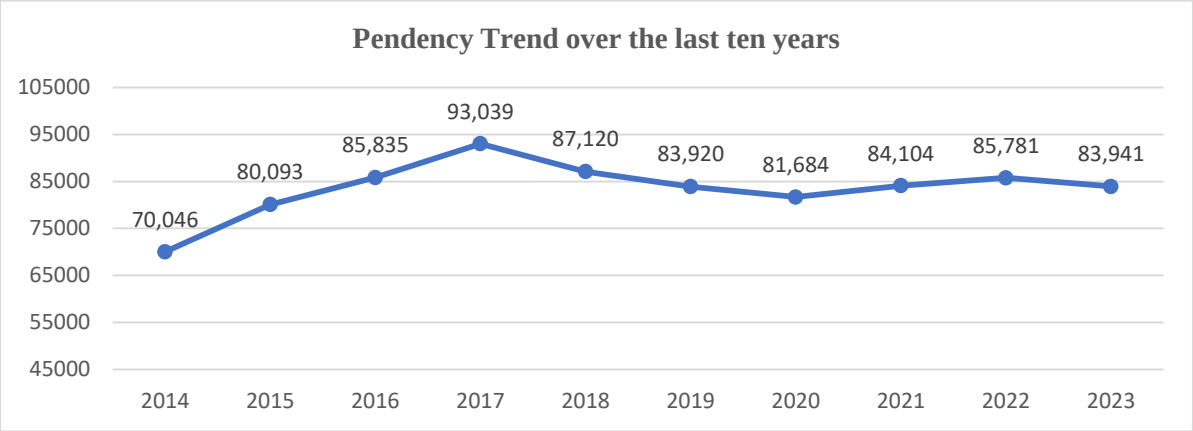
The table presents a comprehensive overview of the institution, disposal, and balance of pending cases in the judicial system over the past ten years, from 2014 to 2023. It highlights the fluctuations in new cases filed (institution), cases resolved (disposal), and the resultant balance of cases still pending at the end of each year. The data provides insight into how the judicial backlog has evolved over the decade, reflecting both periods of increased case accumulation and recent efforts to improve case disposal rates and manage the growing pendency.

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	66475	34814	26747	70046
2015	70046	38283	30038	80093
2016	80093	39702	35095	85835
2017	85835	42762	35759	93039
2018	93039	39503	42443	87120
2019	87120	36162	39917	83920
2020	83920	28346	27155	81684
2021	81684	34137	31398	84104
2022	84104	35493	33489	85781
2023	85781	33915	35841	83941

- The number of newly instituted cases fluctuated throughout the decade, peaking in 2017 with **42,762** cases and reaching its lowest in 2020 during the pandemic, with **28,346** cases. After 2020, case filings recovered but did not return to pre-2020 levels, with **33,915** new cases in 2023.
- The disposal rates have varied but generally tracked close to the number of new cases instituted each year. The highest disposal occurred in **2023**, where **35,841 cases** were resolved, surpassing the number of cases instituted in that year. This marks a notable achievement in case management compared to previous years, particularly 2014-2017, when disposal often lagged behind institution.



Despite fluctuations in institution and disposal rates, the overall balance of pending cases has been inconsistent. Notably, between 2014 and 2017, pending cases steadily increased, reaching **93,039** in 2017. However, since 2018, efforts to reduce the backlog appear to have had some effect, with the balance of pending cases reducing to **83,941** by the end of 2023, marking a slight improvement from the peak in 2017.



Over the last decade, the High Court has seen fluctuating trends in the institution and disposal of cases, with a consistent increase in the number of pending cases from 2014 to 2017, reaching a peak of **93,039** in 2017. However, from 2018 onwards, the balance of pending cases started to gradually decline, with **83,941** cases remaining unresolved by the end of 2023. This improvement is due to disposal rates starting to surpass or nearly match the rate of new case institution in recent years, particularly in 2023, where disposals exceeded new cases filed. Despite this progress, the backlog remains significant, highlighting the need for sustained efforts to manage case flow and improve judicial efficiency.

4.8.1 Principal Seat, Karachi

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	37783	17333	11739	39729
2015	39729	19238	13406	47012
2016	47012	18560	15329	52165
2017	52165	21423	14909	58376
2018	58376	21036	19674	57055
2019	57055	19736	17346	60139
2020	60139	16171	15371	59381
2021	59381	19392	17796	60866
2022	60866	19611	15057	65407
2023	65407	19176	19536	65146

4.8.2 Bench Sukkur

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	10149	6274	5476	10624
2015	10624	7165	7681	10108
2016	10108	8045	6483	11670
2017	11670	8068	8912	11047
2018	11407	5913	7129	10605

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2019	10605	5134	7110	8566
2020	8566	4518	5095	6738
2021	6738	5097	5598	6041
2022	6041	4505	4783	5517
2023	5517	5098	5632	4970

4.8.3 Circuit Court Hyderabad

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	12292	7019	5503	13808
2015	13808	7324	5535	15597
2016	15597	8621	8629	15589
2017	15589	9187	7735	17041
2018	17041	8890	10082	15849
2019	15849	7526	11627	11748
2020	11748	4848	4563	11425
2021	11425	6445	5580	12279
2022	12279	7992	8722	11538
2023	11538	5771	7145	10164

4.8.4 Circuit Court Larkana

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	6251	4188	4029	5885
2015	5885	4556	3416	7376
2016	7376	4476	4654	6411
2017	6411	4084	4203	6215
2018	6215	3664	5558	3611
2019	3611	3766	3834	3467
2020	3467	2809	2126	4140
2021	4140	3203	2424	4918
2022	4918	3385	4927	3319
2023	3319	3284	3185	3418

4.8.5 Circuit Court Mirpurkhas

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	0	0	0	0
2015	0	0	0	0
2016	0	0	0	0
2017	0	0	0	0
2018	0	0	0	0
2019	0	0	0	0
2020	0	0	0	0
2021	0	0	0	0
2022	0	0	0	0
2023	0	586	343	243

4.9 Budget Allocation for Financial Year 2023-24

4.9.1 High Court

For the High Court of Sindh, a budget of 4.40 Billion Rupees has been set aside, distributed across its Principal Seat and various branch and bench registries. The Principal Seat at Karachi receives the largest share, with 3.27 Billion Rupees. The Bench at Sukkur is allocated 298.74 million rupees, while the Circuit Court Hyderabad receives 402.52 Million Rupees. Additionally, the Circuit Court Larkana and Circuit Court Mirpurkhas are allocated 305.28 Million Rupees and 124.09 Million Rupees, respectively.

Sr. #	Name of the Principal Seat and Branch/Bench Registries	Budget in Rupees
1	Principal Seat at Karachi	3,273,390,000
2	Bench at Sukkur	298,736,000
3	Circuit Court Hyderabad	402,522,000
4	Circuit Court Larkana	305,280,000
5	Circuit Court Mirpurkhas	124,091,000
Total		**4,404,019,000**

4.9.2 District Judiciary

The District Judiciary has been granted a total of 10.74 billion rupees. This amount is further divided between the various types of courts within the district system. Sessions Courts receive 3.97 billion rupees, while Civil Courts are allocated 6.14 billion rupees, representing the largest share within the District Judiciary. Family Courts are allocated 221.36 million rupees, and Consumer Protection Courts are assigned 407.61 million rupees.

Sr. #	Name of the Court	Budget in Rupees
1	Sessions Courts	3,971,174,000
2	Civil Courts	6,135,588,000
3	Family Courts	221,358,000
4	Consumer Protection Courts	407,612,000
Total		**10,735,732,000**

The budget allocation for the Financial Year 2023-24 highlights the financial distribution between the High Court and the District Judiciary. The total budget for both institutions reaches **15.14 Billion Rupees**, carefully allocated to ensure the efficient functioning of the judicial system.

Total Budget Allocation (High Court + District Judiciary)	**15,139,751,000**

4.10 Sanctioned and Working Strength of Officer and Officials Work in the High Court of Sindh (31st December 2023)

The following section provides a detailed overview of the human resource allocation for various posts within the organization. The data presented highlights the sanctioned strength, working strength (segregated by gender), and the number of vacancies for each position.

As of the current fiscal year, the total sanctioned strength stands at **3,667** employees, of which **3,416** positions are filled, comprising **1,479 males** and **516 females**. This leaves **251 positions** currently vacant, affecting key administrative, technical, and judicial roles.

Key positions such as Registrar**,** Member Inspection Teams**,** Director IT, and Deputy Registrars are fully staffed, ensuring the continuity of critical functions. However, certain positions like Additional MITs**,** Director Library and Research, and several technical roles remain vacant, which could potentially hinder the effective functioning of specific departments, especially in terms of research and technology management. Addressing these vacancies promptly would help enhance overall operational efficiency, particularly in areas that support judicial processes and modernization efforts.

It is also important to note that administrative and support staff, including Private Secretaries**,** Court Associates**,** and Office Attendants, form a substantial portion of the workforce. These roles are crucial for the smooth day-to-day operations of the judiciary, handling essential tasks such as documentation, communication, and logistical support. A well-balanced workforce in these positions ensures that judicial operations continue uninterrupted and that the needs of both the judiciary and the public are met efficiently.

The following table summarizes the key positions and their staffing status:

Sr. #	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength		Vacant
				Male	Female	
1.	Registrar	22	1	1	0	0
2.	Member Inspection Team-I	21	1	1	0	0
3.	Member Inspection Team-II	21	1	0	1	0
4.	Project Director (AJP)	21	1	0	1	0
5.	Addl. MIT-1	20	1	0	0	1
6.	Addl. MIT-II	20	1	0	0	1
7.	Additional Registrar (Admin)	20	1	1	0	0
8.	Director IT.	20	1	1	0	0
9.	Director Library and Research	20	1	0	0	1
10.	Additional Registrar Research	20	1	0	0	1
11.	Additional Registrar (OS)	20	1	1	0	0
12.	Additional Registrar(Writ)	20	1	1	0	0
13.	Additional Registrar (General/Nazir)	20	1	1	0	0
14.	Additional Registrar Sukkur Bench	20	1	1	0	0
15.	Additional Registrar Circuit Court, Hyderabad.	20	1	1	0	0
16.	Additional Registrar Circuit Court, Larkana	20	1	1	0	0
17.	Additional Registrar Circuit Court, Mirpurkhas.	20	1	1	0	0
18.	Secretary Services	20	1	1	0	0
19.	Director General (Finance & Accounts)	20	1	0	0	1

Sr. #	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength		Vacant
				Male	Female	
20.	Deputy Registrar	19	14	8	0	6
21.	Secretary to Chief Justice	19	1	1	0	0
22.	Administrative Officer (Maintenance)	19	1	1	0	0
23.	Deputy Director IT (Software)	19	1	0	1	0
24.	Deputy Director IT (Hardware)	19	1	1	0	0
25.	Secretary Protocol-I	19	1	0	0	1
26.	Secretary Protocol-II	19	1	1	0	0
27.	Secretary, Inspection Team	19	1	0	0	1
28.	Private Secretary to Chief Justice	19	1	0	0	1
29.	Secretary to Senior Puisne Judge	19	1	0	0	1
30.	Deputy Director (AJP)	19	1	0	0	1
31.	Librarian	19	1	1	0	0
32.	Financial Officer	19	1	0	0	1
33.	Assistant Registrar	18	37	7	0	30
34.	Computer Programmer	18	3	3	0	0
35.	Deputy Nazir (Accounts)	18	1	1	0	0
36.	Private Secretary to Judge	18	61	41	0	20
37.	Court Associate	18	60	8	0	52
38.	Private Secretary (Protocol)	18	19	3	0	16
39.	Human Resources Officer	18	1	1	0	0
40.	Accountant	18	1	0	0	1
41.	P.A. to Judge	17	59	50	0	9
42.	P.A. to Officer	17	16	6	0	10
43.	Senior Translator	17	8	4	0	4
44.	Data Processing Officers	17	7	5	0	2
45.	Accounts Officer	17	1	1	0	0
46.	Accountant	17	2	1	0	1
47.	Security Officer	17	1	0	0	1
48.	Horticluturist	17	1	0	0	1
49.	Assistant Network Engineer	17	1	0	0	1
50.	Assistant Hardware Engineer	17	3	3	0	0
51.	Assistant Project Director	17	1	0	0	1
52.	Assistant Data Processing Officer	17	1	1	0	0
53.	Civil Engineer	17	1	0	0	1
54.	Data Processing Officer (Archiving Section)	17	1	0	0	1
55.	System Administrator (Data centre Section)	17	1	0	0	1
56.	Database Administrator (Data Centre Section)	17	1	0	0	1
57.	Data Processing Officer (Identity Section)	17	1	0	0	1
58.	Assistant Electronic Engneer	17	1	0	0	1
59.	Senior Office Associate	17	128	105	0	23
60.	Junior Court Associate	17	40	17	0	23
61.	Data Coder	17	10	5	1	4
62.	Hardware /Network Technician	17	6	3	0	3
63.	Assistant System / Database Administrator	17	3	3	0	0
64.	Librarian	17	1	1	0	0
65.	Librarian	16	2	1	0	1
66.	Assistant Hardware Engineer	15	1	0	0	1
67.	Hardware/Network Technician	15	1	0	0	1
68.	Reader to Additional Registrar	15	1	0	0	1

Sr. #	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength		Vacant
				Male	Female	
69.	Procurement Assistant	15	1	0	0	1
70.	HR Assistant	15	1	0	0	1
71.	Junior Internal Auditor	15	1	0	0	1
72.	Office Associate	14	146	129	1	16
73.	Junior Translator	14	11	9	0	2
74.	Assistant Accountant	14	4	3	0	1
75.	Assistant Librarian	14	2	2	0	0
76.	Research Assistant	14	1	1	0	0
77.	Telephone Operator	14	12	4	6	2
78.	Caretaker	14	4	2	0	2
79.	Electronic Technician	13	1	0	0	1
80.	Junior Office Associate	13	310	243	9	58
81.	Library Associate	13	4	2	0	2
82.	Store Supervisor	13	1	1	0	0
83.	Junior Computer Operator	12	9	4	1	4
84.	Junior Hardware/Network Technician	12	9	5	0	4
85.	Security Coordinator	10	0	0	0	0
86.	E.C.G Operator/Technician	11	4	3	0	1
87.	Head Bailiff	8	1	1	0	0
88.	Head Cook	8	1	0	0	1
89.	CC TV Operator	8	11	6	2	3
90.	UVIS Operator	8	3	3	0	0
91.	Baliff	7	79	75	0	4
92.	Library Attendant Daftary	7	82	72	3	7
93.	Cook	7	8	7	0	1
94.	Junior Elector/Mechnical Technician	7	2	0	0	2
95.	Driver	7	82	57	0	25
96.	Driver to Additional Registrar	7	2	1	0	1
97.	Photocopier Operator	7	6	4	0	2
98.	Electric Mechanical Operator Gestetner/Machine	7	7	5	0	2
99.	Life Operator	7	9	6	0	3
100.	Store Keeper	7	2	2	0	0
101.	Distpatch Rider	7	11	7	0	4
102.	Building Supervisor	7	1	1	0	0
103.	Bearer	7	19	17	0	2
104.	Electrician	7	5	3	0	2
105.	Telephone Lineman	7	5	1	0	4
106.	I.T. Archives	7	6	1	0	5
107.	Book Binder	7	8	7	0	1
108.	I.T.Helper	6	5	2	0	3
109.	Court Attendant (Hawaldar)	6	67	57	0	10
110.	Lab Assistant	6	1	1	0	0
111.	Office Attendant (Naib Qasid)	5	187	164	2	21
112.	Garden Supervisor	5	2	1	0	1
113.	Microphone Technician	5	2	1	0	1
114.	Helper for Cook	4	1	1	0	0
115.	Farash	4	101	91	0	10
116.	Chowkidar	4	76	60	0	16

Sr. #	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength		Vacant
				Male	Female	
117.	Sanitory Worker	4	72	57	1	14
118.	Gardner	4	38	30	0	8
119.	Generator Operator	4	5	3	0	2
120.	Plumber	4	5	2	0	3
121.	Carpenter	4	5	1	0	4
Total			**3667**	**3416**	**1479**	**516**

The staffing data highlights areas where focused recruitment is needed, especially in research and technology-related roles. By addressing these gaps, the judiciary can ensure that all departments are functioning efficiently, thus enabling a more streamlined delivery of justice and smoother internal operations.

4.11 District-wise Sanctioned and Working Strength of Judicial Officers in the Sindh Province as on 31-12-2023

4.11.1 Designation-Wise Strength

The data outlines the sanctioned, working, Ex-cadre, and vacant positions for judicial officers in Sindh. The total sanctioned strength stands at **661** positions.

- **District and Sessions Judges**: Of the 28 sanctioned positions, 27 male and 1 female judges are serving, with no vacancies. Additionally, 41 male and 17 female Ex-cadre judges provide support, fully covering the required capacity.
- **Additional District and Sessions Judges:** Out of 150 sanctioned posts, 122 male and 10 female judges are working, leaving 18 vacancies. These gaps are significant given the critical role this category plays in handling high caseloads.
- **Senior Civil Judges:** With 142 sanctioned positions, 118 male and 17 female judges are in place, while 7 posts remain vacant. Filling these vacancies will further strengthen civil case management.
- **Civil Judges/Judicial Magistrates/Family Judges (BS-17/18):** The largest group, with 341 sanctioned positions, has 276 male and 49 female judges, with 16 positions vacant. This group handles the bulk of cases, making the vacancies particularly pressing.

The working strength of Judicial Officers is 620, supplemented by 41 male and 17 female Ex-cadre officers. 41 vacancies remain, primarily among Additional District and Sessions Judges and Civil Judges, which are vital for case disposal and backlog reduction. Addressing these vacancies and enhancing gender balance will improve the judiciary's efficiency and responsiveness in Sindh.

Female representation remains limited, particularly in senior positions, pointing to a need for increased recruitment efforts in this regard.

Designation	Sanctioned	Working in Field		Working Ex-cadre		Vacant
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
District and Sessions Judges	28	27	1	41	17	0
Additional District and Sessions Judges	150	122	10	0	0	18
Senior Civil Judges	142	118	17	0	0	7
Civil Jud. /Judi. Magistrates/ Family Jud. (BS-17/18)	341	276	49	0	0	16
Total	**661**	**543**	**77**	**41**	**17**	**41**

4.11.2 District-Wise Strength

4.11.2.1 Consolidated Strength

S. No.	Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working in field		Working in Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
			Male	Female	Male	Female	
1.	Karachi-South	56	48	5	26	15	3
2.	Karachi-West	56	39	15			2
3.	Karachi-East	63	47	14			2
4.	Karachi-Central	39	27	10			2
5.	Malir	29	23	4			2
6.	Hyderabad	33	23	7	5	2	3
7.	Thatta	12	12	0	0	0	0
8.	Badin	15	14	1	0	0	0
9.	Dadu	25	25	0	0	0	0
10.	Jamshoro	15	14	1	0	0	0
11.	Mithi	12	11	0	0	0	1
12.	Mirpurkhas	16	16	0	1	0	0
13.	Umerkot	13	11	0	0	0	2
14.	Sanghar	22	21	1	0	0	0
15.	Naushahro Feroze	24	22	1	0	0	1
16.	Shaheed Benazirabad	23	20	2	1	0	1
17.	Sukkur	21	19	2	5	0	0
18.	Khairpur	32	27	4	1	0	1
19.	Ghotki	21	17	0	0	0	4
20.	Larkana	25	20	1	2	0	4
21.	Kamber Shahdadkot	18	17	0	0	0	1
22.	Shikarpur	21	16	1	0	0	4
23.	Jacobabad	12	10	0	0	0	2
24.	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	13	13	0	0	0	0
25.	Tando Allahyar	12	6	4	0	0	2
26.	Tando Muhammad Khan	11	8	2	0	0	1
27.	Matiari	13	12	1	0	0	0
28.	Sujawal	9	5	1	0	0	3
Total		**661**	**543**	**77**	**41**	**17**	**41**

4.11.2.2 District & Sessions Judges

S. No.	Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working in field		Working in Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
			Male	Female	Male	Female	
1.	Karachi-South	1	1	0	26	15	0
2.	Karachi-West	1	1	0			0
3.	Karachi-East	1	1	0			0
4.	Karachi-Central	1	1	0			0
5.	Malir	1	1	0			0
6.	Hyderabad	1	1	0	5	2	0
7.	Thatta	1	1	0	0	0	0
8.	Badin	1	1	0	0	0	0

S. No.	Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working in field		Working in Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
			Male	Female	Male	Female	
9.	Dadu	1	1	0	0	0	0
10.	Jamshoro	1	1	0	0	0	0
11.	Mithi	1	1	0	0	0	0
12.	Mirpurkhas	1	1	0	1	0	0
13.	Umerkot	1	1	0	0	0	0
14.	Sanghar	1	1	0	0	0	0
15.	Naushahro Feroze	1	1	0	0	0	0
16.	Shaheed Benazirabad	1	1	0	1	0	0
17.	Sukkur	1	1	0	5	0	0
18.	Khairpur	1	0	1	1	0	0
19.	Ghotki	1	1	0	0	0	0
20.	Larkana	1	1	0	2	0	0
21.	Kamber Shahdadkot	1	1	0	0	0	0
22.	Shikarpur	1	1	0	0	0	0
23.	Jacobabad	1	1	0	0	0	0
24.	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	1	1	0	0	0	0
25.	Tando Allahyar	1	1	0	0	0	0
26.	Tando Muhammad Khan	1	1	0	0	0	0
27.	Matiari	1	1	0	0	0	0
28.	Sujawal	1	1	0	0	0	0
Total		**28**	**27**	**1**	**41**	**17**	**0**

4.11.2.3 Additional District and Sessions Judges

S No.	Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working in field		Working in Ex-cadre		Vacant Position
			Male	Female	Male	Female	
1	Karachi-South	12	11	1	0	0	0
2	Karachi-West	12	10	2	0	0	0
3	Karachi-East	14	11	2	0	0	1
4	Karachi-Central	7	4	2	0	0	1
5	Malir	8	6	1	0	0	1
6	Hyderabad	10	8	0	0	0	2
7	Thatta	2	2	0	0	0	0
8	Badin	3	3	0	0	0	0
9	Dadu	6	6	0	0	0	0
10	Jamshoro	3	3	0	0	0	0
11	Mithi	2	2	0	0	0	0
12	Mirpukhas	2	2	0	0	0	0
13	Umerkot	2	1	0	0	0	1
14	Sanghar	6	6	0	0	0	0
15	Naushero Fefoze	5	4	0	0	0	1
16	Shaheed Benazirabad	6	4	1	0	0	1

S No.	Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working in field		Working in Ex-cadre		Vacant Position
			Male	Female	Male	Female	
17	Sukkur	6	6	0	0	0	0
18	Khairpur	6	5	1	0	0	0
19	Ghotki	7	5	0	0	0	2
20	Larkana	8	5	0	0	0	3
21	Kamber Shahdadkot	4	4	0	0	0	0
22	Shikarpur	5	3	0	0	0	2
23	Jacobabad	3	2	0	0	0	1
24	Kashhmor@Kandkot	3	3	0	0	0	0
25	Tando Allahyar	2	1	0	0	0	1
26	Tando Muhammad Khan	2	2	0	0	0	0
27	Matiari	2	2	0	0	0	0
28	Sujawal	2	1	0	0	0	1
Total		**150**	**122**	**10**	**0**	**0**	**18**

4.4.2.4 Senior Civil Judges

S. No.	Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working in field		Working in Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
			Male	Female	Male	Female	
1.	Karachi-South	15	12	1	0	0	2
2.	Karachi-West	17	12	5	0	0	0
3.	Karachi-East	13	8	4	0	0	1
4.	Karachi-Central	12	9	2	0	0	1
5.	Malir	6	6	0	0	0	0
6.	Hyderabad	8	6	2	0	0	0
7.	Thatta	1	1	0	0	0	0
8.	Badin	3	3	0	0	0	0
9.	Dadu	5	5	0	0	0	0
10.	Jamshoro	3	3	0	0	0	0
11.	Mithi	2	2	0	0	0	0
12.	Mirpurkhas	4	4	0	0	0	0
13.	Umerkot	2	2	0	0	0	0
14.	Sanghar	5	5	0	0	0	0
15.	Naushahro Feroze	6	5	1	0	0	0
16.	Shaheed Benazirabad	3	3	0	0	0	0
17.	Sukkur	5	5	0	0	0	0
18.	Khairpur	6	5	0	0	0	1
19.	Ghotki	4	3	0	0	0	1
20.	Larkana	5	4	1	0	0	0
21.	Kamber Shahdadkot	3	3	0	0	0	0
22.	Shikarpur	2	2	0	0	0	0
23.	Jacobabad	2	2	0	0	0	0
24.	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	2	2	0	0	0	0
25.	Tando Allahyar	2	2	0	0	0	0

26.	Tando Muhammad Khan	2	1	0	0	0	1
27.	Matiari	2	2	0	0	0	0
28.	Sujawal	2	1	1	0	0	0
	Total	**142**	**118**	**17**	**0**	**0**	**7**

4.4.2.5 Civil Judges/Judicial Magistrates/Family Judges

S. No.	Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working in field		Working in Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
			Male	Female	Male	Female	
1.	Karachi-South	28	24	3	0	0	1
2.	Karachi-West	26	16	8	0	0	2
3.	Karachi-East	35	27	8	0	0	0
4.	Karachi-Central	19	13	6	0	0	0
5.	Malir	14	10	3	0	0	1
6.	Hyderabad	14	8	5	0	0	1
7.	Thatta	8	8	0	0	0	0
8.	Badin	8	7	1	0	0	0
9.	Dadu	13	13	0	0	0	0
10.	Jamshoro	8	7	1	0	0	0
11.	Mithi	7	6	0	0	0	1
12.	Mirpurkhas	9	9	0	0	0	0
13.	Umerkot	8	7	0	0	0	1
14.	Sanghar	10	9	1	0	0	0
15.	Naushahro Feroze	12	12	0	0	0	0
16.	Shaheed Benazirabad	13	12	1	0	0	0
17.	Sukkur	9	7	2	0	0	0
18.	Khairpur	19	17	2	0	0	0
19.	Ghotki	9	8	0	0	0	1
20.	Larkana	11	10	0	0	0	1
21.	Kamber Shahdadkot	10	9	0	0	0	1
22.	Shikarpur	13	10	1	0	0	2
23.	Jacobabad	6	5	0	0	0	1
24.	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	7	7	0	0	0	0
25.	Tando Allahyar	7	2	4	0	0	1
26.	Tando Muhammad Khan	6	4	2	0	0	0
27.	Matiari	8	7	1	0	0	0
28.	Sujawal	4	2	0	0	0	2
Total		**341**	**276**	**49**	**0**	**0**	**16**

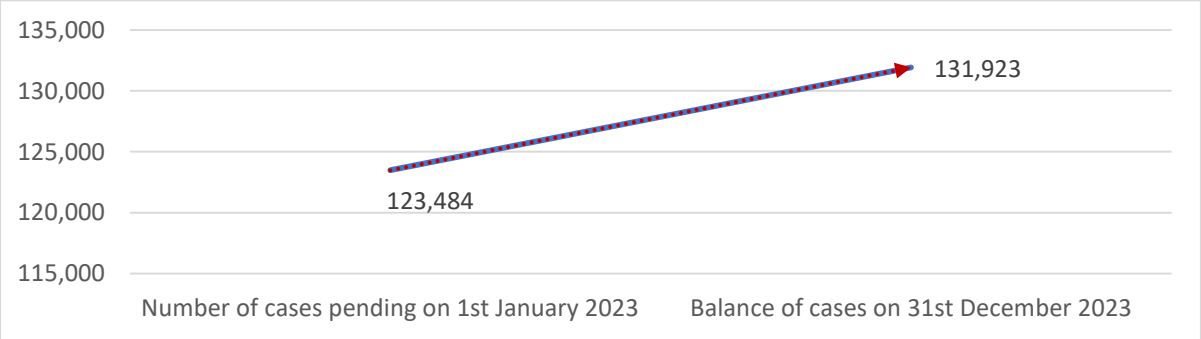
4.13 Category-wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of cases in the Sindh province of during the year 2023

The 2023 data for Sindh's district judiciary reveals a commendable effort in managing the high volume of cases, with a disposal rate closely aligned with the influx of new cases. However, a slight increase in the overall backlog—primarily in criminal cases—highlights the need for enhanced reforms and resource allocation to effectively manage the growing caseload.

Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the year	Disposal during the year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Criminal Cases	59104	291100	284393	65328
Civil Cases	64380	94606	92766	66595
Grand Total	**123484**	**385706**	**377159**	**131923**

- Criminal cases saw a rise in pendency from 59,104 at the start of the year to 65,328 at the end, despite the disposal of 284,393 cases out of 291,100 instituted during the year, reflecting a 10.5% increase in the backlog.

- Civil cases fared slightly better, starting with 64,380 pending cases and ending with 66,595, with 94,606 new cases instituted and 92,766 disposed of, marking only a 3.4% increase in backlog.



In total, the year began with 123,484 pending cases, with 385,706 new cases instituted and 377,159 cases disposed of. By the end of 2023, the total pending caseload had risen to 131,923, marking an overall increase of 6.8%. The data indicates that although the judiciary performed efficiently in disposing of a large number of cases—nearly matching the number of new cases filed—the small gap between institution and disposal led to a gradual increase in the backlog, particularly in criminal cases.

This data underscores that while the judiciary worked efficiently, there is a need for continuous improvements in case management to reduce the growing backlog, especially in criminal cases.

4.13.1 Criminal Cases (All Categories including Appeals)

Name of Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Murder Trial	2803	1898	1584	3290
Hudood Trial	564	2681	2797	602
PPC	24875	44150	41744	32625
Special Cases Narcotics.	10724	9163	10436	10349
Arms Ordinance/Act	8743	9627	9017	10155
Criminal Appeals	263	461	499	223
Others	11132	223120	218316	8084
TOTAL	**59104**	**291100**	**284393**	**65328**

4.13.2 Civil Cases (All Categories including Appeals)

Name of Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Civil Suits	30622	25710	25776	30164
Civil Appeals	4260	4240	4668	3802
Civil Executions	1629	2009	2071	1667
Civil Misc. Applications	115	1322	1354	82
Family Suits	13339	46606	45266	11919
Family Appeals	777	1608	1759	666
Family Executions	1318	3320	3325	1372
Others	12320	9791	8547	16923
TOTAL	**64380**	**94606**	**92766**	**66595**

4.14 Consolidated District-Wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of cases in the District Judiciary of the Sindh Province during the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	South	14122	27868	37	0	27626	14401
2	West	14933	31601	0	147	29951	16436
3	East	19242	38580	0	24	37855	19943
4	Central	12599	28115	2	0	25022	15694
5	Malir	15594	27471	0	19	27378	15668
6	Hyderabad	7503	23633	0	0	22771	8365
7	Thatta	2360	6454	0	1053	6326	1435
8	Badin	2839	10208	8	0	10221	2834
9	Dadu	1560	13615	1	0	13614	1562

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
10	Jamshoro	1291	7654	5	0	7347	1603
11	Tharparkar	449	3757	0	0	3762	444
12	Mirpurkhas	1983	9429	2	0	9468	1946
13	Umerkot	856	5315	1	0	5333	839
14	Sanghar	2416	11860	0	0	11906	2370
15	Naushahro Feroze	3000	16033	21	0	15555	3499
16	Shaheed Benazirabad	3331	13771	0	18	13480	3604
17	Sukkur	3527	14138	21	0	14032	3654
18	Khairpur	4817	22154	22	0	21372	5621
19	Ghotki	2859	14806	0	1	14929	2735
20	Larkana	1684	12549	24	0	12462	1795
21	Kamber Shahdadkot	969	7428	0	7	7322	1068
22	Shikarpur	1692	7970	0	4	7996	1662
23	Jacobabad	843	5170	0	18	5201	794
24	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	508	7196	0	2	7105	597
25	Tando Allahyar	675	6770	0	8	6849	588
26	Tando M. Khan	868	4692	0	1	4818	741
27	Matiari	964	4910	2	0	4774	1102
28	Sujawal	0	2559	1048	0	2684	923
Total		**123484**	**385706**	**1194**	**1302**	**377159**	**131923**

4.15 District-wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of Civil Cases in the District Judiciary of the Sindh Province during the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	South	6957	8823	0	11	8488	7281
2	West	6176	9765	0	44	9076	6821
3	East	11360	12998	294	0	12809	11843
4	Central	7269	9149	0	0	8491	7927
5	Malir	5780	5603	130	0	5130	6383
6	Hyderabad	5652	7182	1	0	6656	6179
7	Thatta	1041	938	0	401	889	689
8	Badin	1402	1812	0	0	1898	1316
9	Dadu	708	2105	0	0	2137	676
10	Jamshoro	686	1463	0	0	1444	705

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
11	Tharparkar	281	719	0	0	752	248
12	Mirpurkhas	1508	2694	1	0	2677	1526
13	Umerkot	553	1157	3	0	1214	499
14	Sanghar	1535	2721	0	6	2971	1279
15	Naushahro Feroze	1821	3409	1	0	3310	1921
16	Shaheed Benazirabad	1903	2479	0	1	2584	1797
17	Sukkur	1833	2879	0	2	2851	1859
18	Khairpur	2481	4509	16	0	4514	2492
19	Ghotki	1474	2962	0	0	3122	1314
20	Larkana	832	3547	0	0	3662	717
21	Kamber Shahdadkot	471	1107	0	0	1164	414
22	Shikarpur	749	1437	0	0	1561	625
23	Jacobabad	231	468	0	1	455	243
24	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	171	998	0	0	994	175
25	Tando Allahyar	459	1382	0	1	1579	261
26	Tando M. Khan	516	871	1	0	925	463
27	Matiari	531	1089	1	0	1033	588
28	Sujawal	0	340	394	0	380	354
Total		**64380**	**94606**	**842**	**467**	**92766**	**66595**

4.16 District-wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of Civil Appeals (in the Courts of District Judge & Additional District Judges) in the District Judiciary of the Sindh Province During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	South	271	206	0	0	254	223
2	West	415	305	0	22	382	316
3	East	348	469	0	5	408	404
4	Central	402	313	0	1	226	488
5	Malir	326	131	0	0	308	149
6	Hyderabad	389	302	0	0	361	330
7	Thatta	128	37	0	55	82	28
8	Badin	90	80	0	0	105	65
9	Dadu	71	88	0	0	105	54
10	Jamshoro	59	75	0	1	74	59

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
11	Tharparkar	15	46	0	0	42	19
12	Mirpurkhas	144	151	0	0	214	81
13	Umerkot	28	72	0	0	64	36
14	Sangher	173	233	0	0	230	176
15	Naushahro Feroze	295	224	1	0	279	241
16	Shaheed Benazirabad	88	143	0	0	88	143
17	Sukkur	136	128	0	0	126	138
18	Khairpur	204	250	0	0	223	231
19	Ghotki	285	272	0	0	389	168
20	Larkana	80	197	0	0	190	87
21	Kamber Shahdadkot	49	115	0	0	84	80
22	Shikarpur	20	48	0	0	46	22
23	Jacobabad	19	25	0	0	17	27
24	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	22	73	0	0	68	27
25	Tando Allahyar	122	118	0	0	161	79
26	Tando M. Khan	41	86	0	0	57	70
27	Matiari	40	45	0	0	52	33
28	Sujawal	0	8	55	0	33	30
Total		**4260**	**4240**	**56**	**84**	**4668**	**3804**

4.17 District-wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of Criminal Cases in the District Judiciary of the Sindh Province During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	South	7165	19045	48	0	19138	7120
2	West	8757	21836	0	103	20875	9615
3	East	7882	25582	0	318	25046	8100
4	Central	5330	18966	2	0	16531	7767
5	Malir	9814	21868	0	149	22248	9285
6	Hyderabad	1851	16451	0	1	16115	2186
7	Thatta	1319	5516	0	652	5437	746
8	Badin	1437	8396	8	0	8323	1518
9	Dadu	852	11510	1	0	11477	886
10	Jamshoro	605	6191	5	0	5903	898
11	Tharparkar	168	3038	0	0	3010	196

12	Mirpurkhas	475	6735	1	0	6791	420
13	Umerkot	303	4158	0	2	4119	340
14	Sangher	881	9139	6	0	8935	1091
15	Naushahro Feroze	1179	12624	20	0	12245	1578
16	Shaheed Benazirabad	1428	11292	0	17	10896	1807
17	Sukkur	1694	11259	23	0	11181	1795
18	Khairpur	2336	17645	6	0	16858	3129
19	Ghotki	1385	11844	0	1	11807	1421
20	Larkana	852	9002	24	0	8800	1078
21	Kamber Shahdadkot	498	6321	0	7	6158	654
22	Shikarpur	943	6533	0	4	6435	1037
23	Jacobabad	612	4702	0	17	4746	551
24	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	337	6198	0	2	6111	422
25	Tando Allahyar	216	5388	0	7	5270	327
26	Tando M. Khan	352	3821	0	2	3893	278
27	Matiari	433	3821	1	0	3741	514
28	Sujawal	0	2219	654	0	2304	569
Total		**59104**	**291100**	**799**	**1282**	**284393**	**65328**

4.18 District-wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of Criminal Appeals (in the Courts of Sessions Judges and Additional Sessions Judges) in the District Judiciary of the Sindh Province During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	South	29	35	0	0	47	17
2	West	73	34	0	1	40	66
3	East	33	28	0	0	38	23
4	Central	15	26	0	0	22	19
5	Malir	14	15	0	0	25	4
6	Hyderabad	7	21	0	0	25	3
7	Thatta	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Badin	3	19	0	0	12	10
9	Dadu	4	31	0	0	29	6
10	Jamshoro	2	6	0	0	5	3
11	Tharparkar	4	9	0	0	13	0
12	Mirpurkhas	2	7	0	0	5	4
13	Umerkot	8	13	0	0	18	3

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
14	Sangher	2	36	0	1	28	9
15	Naushahro Feroze	13	13	0	0	23	3
16	Shaheed Benazirabad	10	11	0	0	8	13
17	Sukkur	5	15	0	0	14	6
18	Khairpur	10	27	0	0	30	7
19	Ghotki	10	20	0	0	21	9
20	Larkana	1	13	0	0	14	0
21	Kamber Shahdadkot	1	3	0	0	3	1
22	Shikarpur	8	22	0	0	28	2
23	Jacobabad	1	5	0	0	6	0
24	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	5	21	0	0	25	1
25	Tando Allahyar	2	17	0	0	11	8
26	Tando M. Khan	1	0	0	0	1	0
27	Matiari	0	11	0	0	7	4
28	Sujawal	0	3	0	0	1	2
Total		**263**	**461**	**0**	**2**	**499**	**223**

4.19 District-wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Murder Cases in the District Judiciary of the Sindh Province During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	South	76	26	18	0	17	103
2	West	324	123	23	0	109	361
3	East	133	80	4	0	61	156
4	Central	77	61	2	0	10	130
5	Malir	183	92	3	0	51	227
6	Hyderabad	144	51	0	23	78	94
7	Thatta	71	26	0	28	25	44
8	Badin	51	32	2	0	10	75
9	Dadu	96	94	2	0	81	111
10	Jamshoro	50	38	0	0	19	69
11	Tharparkar	13	12	0	0	18	7
12	Mirpurkhas	33	26	17	0	61	15
13	Umerkot	31	21	0	0	17	35

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
14	Sanghar	89	46	33	0	64	104
15	Naushahro Feroze	125	93	4	0	69	153
16	Shaheed Benazirabad	85	57	19	0	41	120
17	Sukkur	53	67	9	0	43	86
18	Khairpur	355	66	49	0	85	385
19	Ghotki	131	91	0	1	90	131
20	Larkana	137	181	3	0	129	192
21	Kamber Shahdadkot	48	98	4	0	55	95
22	Shikarpur	229	246	0	1	170	304
23	Jacobabad	111	78	0	0	94	95
24	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	68	138	0	1	143	62
25	Tando Allahyar	30	11	0	1	4	36
26	Tando M. Khan	19	13	0	0	11	21
27	Matiari	41	18	5	0	20	44
28	Sujawal	0	13	31	0	9	35
Total		**2803**	**1898**	**228**	**55**	**1584**	**3290**

4.20 District-wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Narcotics Cases in the District Judiciary of the Sindh Province During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	South	2169	860	242	0	1575	1696
2	West	3496	1396	0	152	1609	3131
3	East	927	961	0	10	1101	777
4	Central	915	1264	0	30	685	1464
5	Malir	2087	701	39	0	1820	1007
6	Hyderabad	154	334	30	0	386	132
7	Thatta	51	106	0	19	112	26
8	Badin	75	118	0	2	94	97
9	Dadu	36	287	0	0	285	38
10	Jamshoro	34	156	0	6	131	53
11	Tharparkar	2	70	0	0	69	3
12	Mirpurkhas	34	120	10	0	147	17
13	Umerkot	15	92	1	0	94	14
14	Sanghar	34	225	0	4	159	96

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
15	Naushahro Feroze	34	181	0	13	171	31
16	Shaheed Benazirabad	87	167	0	9	177	68
17	Sukkur	151	272	0	4	263	156
18	Khairpur	33	528	0	185	277	99
19	Ghotki	46	166	0	0	190	22
20	Larkana	43	207	0	0	197	53
21	Kamber Shahdadkot	40	263	0	2	235	66
22	Shikarpur	131	167	0	0	205	93
23	Jacobabad	50	179	0	6	140	83
24	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	2	53	3	0	54	4
25	Tando Allahyar	22	102	0	0	109	15
26	Tando M. Khan	27	47	0	0	62	12
27	Matiari	29	84	0	1	52	60
28	Sujawal	0	57	16	0	37	36
Total		**10724**	**9163**	**341**	**443**	**10436**	**9349**

4.21 District wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Criminal Revision (in the Courts of Sessions Judge and Additional Sessions Judge) in the District Judiciary of the Sindh Province During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	South	27	141	1	0	147	22
2	West	27	115	1	0	114	29
3	East	38	130	0	0	132	36
4	Central	11	75	0	0	63	23
5	Malir	24	99	0	0	115	8
6	Hyderabad	4	53	0	0	46	11
7	Thatta	1	17	0	0	18	0
8	Badin	5	19	0	0	21	3
9	Dadu	14	56	0	0	69	1
10	Jamshoro	1	26	0	1	26	0
11	Tharparkar	1	17	0	0	18	0
12	Mirpurkhas	1	10	0	0	9	2
13	Umerkot	1	27	1	0	27	2
14	Sanghar	6	41	0	1	41	5

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
15	Naushahro Feroze	10	57	0	0	62	5
16	Shaheed Benazirabad	2	38	4	0	35	9
17	Sukkur	5	48	1	0	48	6
18	Khairpur	7	58	2	0	65	2
19	Ghotki	9	53	0	0	58	4
20	Larkana	1	21	1	0	19	4
21	Kamber Shahdadkot	2	14	0	0	12	4
22	Shikarpur	4	15	0	0	18	1
23	Jacoababad	1	24	0	0	24	1
24	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	4	22	0	1	24	1
25	Tando Allahyar	3	14	0	0	13	4
26	Tando M. Khan	0	10	0	0	8	2
27	Matiari	2	23	0	0	21	4
28	Sujawal	0	1	0	0	1	0
Total		**211**	**1224**	**11**	**3**	**1254**	**189**

4.22 District wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Bail Applications in the District Judiciary of the Sindh Province During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	South	122	6037	0	7	6014	138
2	West	340	7863	0	33	7843	327
3	East	320	8975	0	5	9139	151
4	Central	120	6033	0	11	5911	231
5	Malir	533	8979	1	0	9311	202
6	Hyderabad	68	4812	0	1	4781	98
7	Thatta	48	2154	0	20	2176	6
8	Badin	59	3534	0	0	3582	11
9	Dadu	27	4129	0	0	4138	18
10	Jamshoro	11	2138	3	0	2141	11
11	Tharparkar	13	1024	0	1	1026	10
12	Mirpurkhas	8	2335	0	0	2311	32
13	Umerkot	12	1614	0	2	1615	9
14	Sanghar	36	3120	1	0	3130	27
15	Naushahro Feroze	81	3794	0	1	3824	50

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
16	Shaheed Benazirabad	54	3706	0	4	3606	150
17	Sukkur	71	3363	0	0	3332	102
18	Khairpur	5	5318	0	2	5317	4
19	Ghotki	41	3245	0	0	3244	42
20	Larkana	19	2872	1	0	2887	5
21	Kamber Shahdadkot	33	2028	1	0	2041	21
22	Shikarpur	24	2147	0	0	2164	7
23	Jacoababad	13	1612	0	2	1620	3
24	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	23	1756	1	0	1757	23
25	Tando Allahyar	12	2243	0	0	2249	6
26	Tando M. Khan	14	1528	0	2	1526	14
27	Matiari	24	1410	2	0	1419	17
28	Sujawal	0	1061	24	0	1050	35
Total		**2131**	**98830**	**34**	**91**	**99154**	**1750**

4.23 District wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases punishable for the sentence of Seven Years or More Imprisonment up to Death Sentence in the District Judiciary of the Sindh Province During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	South	1823	1514	0	64	1594	1679
2	West	2907	2843	0	6	2830	2914
3	East	831	657	29	0	498	1019
4	Central	2492	2887	0	21	2308	3050
5	Malir	4374	2804	0	358	2601	4219
6	Hyderabad	610	1070	0	109	1067	504
7	Thatta	862	659	0	533	530	458
8	Badin	428	290	0	35	320	363
9	Dadu	391	1159	0	2	1130	418
10	Jamshoro	203	488	0	80	349	262
11	Tharparkar	44	110	1	0	123	32
12	Mirpurkhas	262	749	0	59	830	122
13	Umerkot	165	295	0	11	335	114
14	Sanghar	453	1027	0	143	899	438
15	Naushahro Feroze	443	948	22	0	887	526
16	Shaheed Benazirabad	744	1084	0	62	929	837
17	Sukkur	397	689	20	0	699	407
18	Khairpur	1444	1286	12	0	991	1751

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
19	Ghotki	390	675	0	3	686	376
20	Larkana	453	1326	23	0	1204	598
21	Kamber Shahdadkot	207	571	0	4	469	305
22	Shikarpur	579	900	0	3	712	764
23	Jacobabad	416	570	0	40	603	343
24	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	203	795	0	6	702	290
25	Tando Allahyar	60	142	0	1	92	109
26	Tando M. Khan	209	306	0	39	412	64
27	Matiari	233	415	0	107	345	196
28	Sujawal	0	240	498	0	479	259
Total		**21623**	**26499**	**605**	**1686**	**24624**	**22417**

4.24 District wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Civil Revisions in the District Judiciary (Courts of District and Additional District Judge) of the Sindh Province During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	South	62	148	0	0	175	35
2	West	49	124	0	0	95	78
3	East	108	240	0	0	225	123
4	Central	92	139	0	0	115	116
5	Malir	84	70	0	0	106	48
6	Hyderabad	88	150	0	0	169	69
7	Thatta	18	11	0	3	20	6
8	Badin	29	55	0	0	62	22
9	Dadu	7	32	0	0	29	10
10	Jamshoro	15	31	0	0	36	10
11	Tharparkar	4	4	0	0	7	1
12	Mirpurkhas	32	53	0	0	48	37
13	Umerkot	7	19	0	0	23	3
14	Sanghar	32	62	0	0	75	19
15	Naushahro Feroze	23	74	0	0	73	24
16	Shaheed Benazirabad	28	56	0	0	54	30
17	Sukkur	22	81	0	0	64	39
18	Khairpur	44	68	0	0	65	47
19	Ghotki	36	54	0	0	65	25
20	Larkana	10	57	0	0	47	20

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
21	Kamber Shahdadkot	2	29	0	0	25	6
22	Shikarpur	7	42	0	0	40	9
23	Jacobabad	4	14	0	0	9	9
24	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	6	31	0	0	30	7
25	Tando Allahyar	19	24	0	0	36	7
26	Tando M. Khan	6	38	0	0	34	10
27	Matiari	5	22	0	0	21	6
28	Sujawal	0	4	3	0	6	1
Total		**839**	**1732**	**3**	**3**	**1754**	**817**

4.25 District-wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Rent Cases in the District Judiciary of the Sindh Province During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	South	1125	878	27	0	858	1172
2	West	255	212	0	6	218	243
3	East	655	489	0	0	507	637
4	Central	526	426	0	0	429	523
5	Malir	82	99	0	0	83	98
6	Hyderabad	232	196	1	0	182	247
7	Thatta	9	12	0	6	4	11
8	Badin	6	4	0	2	6	2
9	Dadu	0	6	0	0	5	1
10	Jamshoro	2	9	0	0	8	3
11	Tharparkar	0	1	0	0	1	0
12	Mirpurkhas	11	45	0	0	14	42
13	Umerkot	8	6	0	0	7	7
14	Sanghar	21	7	0	0	10	18
15	Naushahro Feroze	9	26	5	0	34	6
16	Shaheed Benazirabad	59	11	0	2	55	13
17	Sukkur	28	78	0	0	29	77
18	Khairpur	7	5	0	1	4	7
19	Ghotki	2	26	0	0	28	0
20	Larkana	10	17	0	0	23	4
21	Kamber Shahdadkot	1	10	0	0	10	1

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
22	Shikarpur	42	10	0	0	42	10
23	Jacoababad	4	4	0	2	2	4
24	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	Tando Allahyar	3	8	1	0	10	2
26	Tando M. Khan	16	7	1	0	19	5
27	Matiari	6	2	0	0	2	6
28	Sujawal	0	15	6	0	12	9
Total		**3119**	**2609**	**41**	**19**	**2602**	**3148**

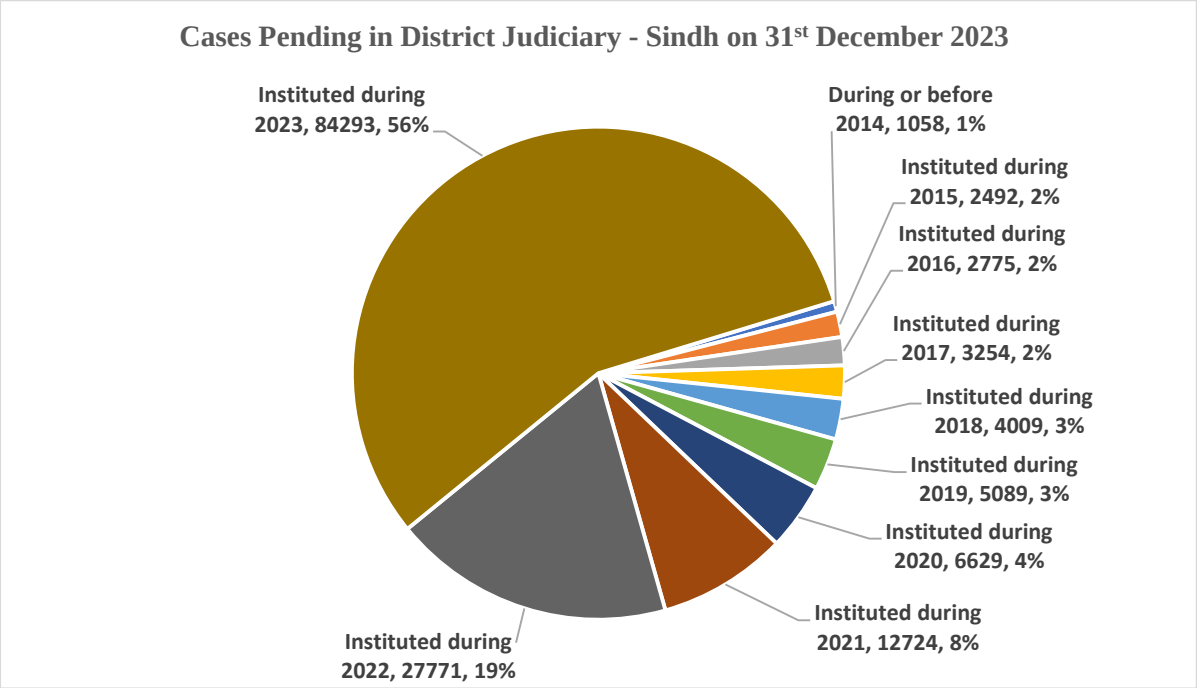
4.26 District-wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Family Cases in the District Judiciary of the Sindh Province During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	South	974	3850	175	0	3745	1254
2	West	1738	4750	1	0	4505	1984
3	East	3006	7087	216	0	7054	3255
4	Central	1523	4931	0	116	4737	1601
5	Malir	1334	3124	0	74	2959	1425
6	Hyderabad	1101	3414	0	15	3170	1330
7	Thatta	121	567	0	29	535	124
8	Badin	179	962	9	0	935	215
9	Dadu	143	1251	0	9	1253	132
10	Jamshoro	182	812	4	0	758	240
11	Tharparkar	13	192	0	0	184	21
12	Mirpurkhas	148	1182	0	25	1046	259
13	Umerkot	81	474	4	0	488	71
14	Sanghar	171	1395	50	0	1350	266
15	Naushahro Feroze	328	1524	15	0	1383	484
16	Shaheed Benazirabad	417	1334	22	0	1349	424
17	Sukkur	441	1542	0	9	1498	476
18	Khairpur	529	2141	0	26	2025	619
19	Ghotki	239	1080	1	0	1092	228
20	Larkana	282	1679	28	0	1806	183
21	Kamber Shahdadkot	41	533	18	0	551	41
22	Shikarpur	95	574	2	0	592	79
23	Jacobabad	24	249	0	1	246	26

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
24	Kashmore @ Kandhkot	12	303	0	6	289	20
25	Tando Allahyar	54	655	0	1	661	47
26	Tando M. Khan	84	396	0	1	427	52
27	Matiari	79	429	7	0	442	73
28	Sujawal	0	176	37	0	186	27
Total		**13339**	**46606**	**589**	**312**	**45266**	**14956**

4.27 Age-wise pendency of cases in the District Judiciary of Sindh Province

The chart below presents the pending caseload of Sindh District Judiciary on 31st December 2023, bifurcated by the year of institution



The table presents the total pending cases as of December 31st, 2023, categorized tier-wise (i.e. cases pending in the Civil & Criminal Jurisdiction) and provides a breakdown of these cases based on the year they were instituted

Court Name	Total pendency 31.12.23	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the year of Institution									
		upto 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Criminal Jurisdiction	65328	489	195	294	455	780	956	1770	4715	12650	43024
Civil Jurisdiction	66595	569	282	465	782	1211	2114	2839	5988	13099	39246
Grand Total	**131923**	**1058**	**2492**	**2775**	**3254**	**4009**	**5089**	**6629**	**12724**	**27771**	**84293**

4.27.1 Criminal Jurisdiction (All Categories)

All Categories of Criminal Jurisdiction	Total Pendency as on 31-12-2023	Number of cases pending that were instituted during the Year									
		Up to 31-12-2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Murder Trial	3290	191	42	61	72	93	156	250	490	767	1168
Hudood Trial	602	8	2	4	0	0	6	3	18	50	511
PPC	32625	157	51	116	138	190	400	795	2135	5238	23405
Special Cases Narcotics.	10349	45	51	77	183	370	80	251	1013	3570	4709
Arms Ordinance/ Act	10155	49	26	20	35	69	182	352	734	2347	6341
Criminal Appeals	223	0	0	0	0	1	7	13	17	55	130
Criminal Bail Application	1750	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1750
Others	6334	39	23	16	27	57	125	106	308	623	5010
Total	**65328**	**489**	**195**	**294**	**455**	**780**	**956**	**1770**	**4715**	**12650**	**43024**

4.27.2 Civil Jurisdiction (All Categories)

All Categories of Civil Jurisdiction	Total Pendency 31-12-2023	Number of cases pending that were instituted during the Year									
		Up to 31-12-2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Civil Suits	30164	458	235	407	646	979	1711	2184	3831	6709	13004
Civil Appeals	3802	21	5	7	16	27	88	100	311	805	2422
Civil Executions	1667	21	15	19	23	31	56	41	101	308	1052
Civil Misc. Applications	82	1	0	2	2	1	2	0	1	42	31
Family Suits	11919	2	3	0	2	11	19	74	425	1604	9779
Family Appeals	666	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	95	568
Family Executions	1372	1	0	1	3	9	10	9	31	148	1160
Others	16923	65	24	29	90	153	228	431	1285	3388	11230
Total	**66595**	**569**	**282**	**465**	**782**	**1211**	**2114**	**2839**	**5988**	**13099**	**39246**

5 Peshawar High Court



Following the dissolution of the “One Unit” system, Pakistan established four Provinces, each with its own High Court. The Peshawar High Court was formed for Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, with its principal seat at Peshawar. The legal framework governing civil courts in the region dates back to the Punjab Courts Act of 1884, with further consolidation through the N.W.F.P. Regulation No. 1 of 1931. The Establishment of West Pakistan Act, 1955, temporarily merged Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (then N.W.F.P.) with other regions under the West Pakistan High Court, with principal seats in Lahore and benches in Karachi and Peshawar.

The Peshawar High Court today has a sanctioned strength of 20 judges, including the Chief Justice. These judges are appointed by the President of Pakistan in accordance with Article 175-A of the Constitution. The Court's principal seat is in Peshawar, with additional benches in Abbottabad, Dera Ismail Khan, Mingora, and Bannu.

Under the Constitution, the Peshawar High Court exercises appellate jurisdiction over judgments, decisions, decrees, and sentences passed by Civil and Criminal Courts. It also has Original Jurisdiction to issue Writs, including Habeas Corpus, Mandamus, Prohibition, Certiorari, and Quo Warranto, thus ensuring the enforcement of fundamental rights and legal compliance in its territorial jurisdiction.

5.1 Hon'ble Chief Justice, and, Judges of the Peshawar High Court on 31.12.2023

S.No.	Name	Date of Elevation	Date of Superannuation
1	Mr. Justice Mohammad Ibrahim Khan	11.08.2016	14.04.2024
2	Mr. Justice Ishtiaq Ibrahim	11.08.2016	01.12.2031
3	Mr. Justice Abdul Shakoor	27.03.2017	03.01.2024
4	Mr. Justice Ijaz Anwar	27.03.2017	14.01.2030
5	Mr. Justice Syed Muhammad Attique Shah	27.03.2017	11.10.2030
6	Mr. Justice Shakeel Ahmad	16.06.2017	31.01.2029
7	Mr. Justice Arshad Ali	16.06.2017	09.04.2033
8	Mr. Justice Sahibzada Asadullah	19.08.2019	15.04.2034
9	Mr. Justice Muhammad Naeem Anwar	19.08.2019	14.06.2034
10	Mr. Justice Wiqar Ahmad	19.08.2019	19.03.2036
11	Mr. Justice Kamran Hayat Miankhel	11.02.2022	06.04.2032
12	Mr. Justice Muhammad Ijaz Khan	11.02.2022	15.04.2034
13	Mr. Justice Muhammad Faheem Wali	11.02.2022	31.07.2035
14	Mr. Justice Fazal Subhan	18.07.2022	30.06.2025
15	Mr. Justice Shahid Khan	18.07.2022	24.09.2024
16	Mr. Justice Dr. Khurshid Iqbal	18.07.2022	03.01.2030

- **Sanctioned Strength of Hon'ble Judges (including Chief Justice): 20**
- **Working Strength of Hon'ble Judges (including Chief Justice): 16**

5.2 Hon'ble Judges of the Peshawar High Court Elevated to the Supreme Court of Pakistan during the Year 2023

S.No.	Name	Date of Elevation
1	Justice Ms. Musarrat Hilali	07.07.2023

5.3 Hon'ble Judges of the Peshawar High Court Retired during the year 2023

S.No.	Name	Date of Retirement
1	Mr. Justice Qaiser Rashid Khan	30.03.2023
2	Mr. Justice Rooh-ul-Amin Khan	31.03.2023
3	Mr. Justice Lal Jan Khattak	02.01.2023

5.4 Status of Complaints and Penalties during the Year 2023

In 2023, a total of **429 Complaints** were received across various judicial and administrative categories, highlighting a continued focus on transparency and accountability. Of these, **415 complaints** were disposed of and **14 Complaints** remain under process.

i) Number of Complaints Received

Complaints		Officers (High Court)	Official (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
1	Total Complaints Received	2	9	377	41	**429**
2	Total Complaints Disposed of	2	8	364	41	**415**
3	Under Process	0	1	13	0	**14**

ii) Nature of Complaints Received

Complaints		Officers (High Court)	Official (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
1	Corruption	0	1	57	8	**66**
2	Misconduct	0	4	75	16	**95**
3	Misuse of Authority use of Powers	2	4	95	10	**111**
4	Harassment	0	0	0	0	**0**
5	Living Beyond Means	0	0	0	0	**0**
6	Others	0	0	150	7	**157**
Total		**2**	**9**	**377**	**41**	**429**

- **Corruption and misconduct** dominated the complaints, with a 95 complaints related to misconduct and 66 Complaints for Corruption
- 111 Complaints of **Arbitrary use of power** and 167 Complaints of other nature received.

iii) Penalties imposed under E&D Rules:

A. Major Punishment

Penalties		Officers (High Court)	Official (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
i	Dismissal from Service	0	0	3	0	**3**
ii	Removal from Service	0	4	0	0	**4**
iii	Compulsory Retirement	0	0	0	0	**0**
iv	Reduction to Lower Stage	0	0	0	0	**0**
v	Reduction in Lower Post	0	0	0	0	**0**
Grand Total		**0**	**4**	**3**	**0**	**7**

- **Major penalties** were imposed on **7 individuals**, including **3 dismissals** and **4 Removals from Service**.

B. Minor Punishment

Minor Punishments		Officers (High Court)	Official (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
i	Stoppage of Increment	0	2	1	0	**3**
ii	Withholding Promotion	0	0	0	0	**0**
iii	Censure/Warning/Recovery	0	0	1	2	**3**
Grand Total		**0**	**2**	**2**	**2**	**6**

- **Minor penalties** affected **6 individuals**, with **3 stoppages of increments** and **3 censure or warnings** being issued.

C. Administrative Actions

Administrative Actions		Officers (High Court)	Official (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
i	Transfer	0	0	0	0	**0**
ii	Suspension	0	0	0	0	**0**
iii	Supersession	0	0	0	0	**0**
iv	Others	0	0	0	0	**0**
Grand Total		**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**

- **No Administrative Actions** have been reported.

This robust system of internal accountability reinforces the judiciary's commitment to maintaining high ethical standards across all levels. Through these disciplinary actions, the judiciary is actively working to uphold public trust and ensure a transparent and effective justice system.

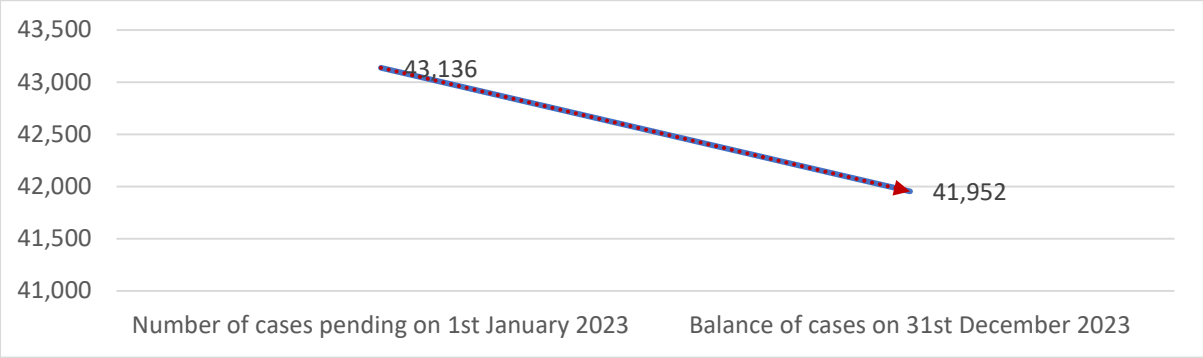
5.5 Consolidated Statement showing Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in High Court & its Benches (from 01.01.2023 upto 31.12.2023.

S.No.	Name of Principal seat and Benches	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Principal Seat Peshawar.	21063	16784	18708	19139
2	Abbottabad Bench	8389	4115	3362	9142
3	D.I.Khan Bench	2506	1902	2382	2026
4	Mingora Bench/Chitral	7152	4731	4692	7191
5	Bannu Bench	3546	2730	2300	3976
6	Circute Court Chitral	480	29	31	478
Total		**43136**	**30291**	**31475**	**41952**

In 2023, the overall performance of the Principal Seat and various benches under the jurisdiction showed mixed results.

- The **Principal Seat in Peshawar** demonstrated effective case management by significantly reducing its backlog. Starting the year with **21,063** pending cases, **16,784** new cases were instituted, and **18,708** were disposed of, leaving a balance of **19,139** cases by the end of the year. This reflects a notable disposal with a reduction of **1,924** pending cases.
- The **Abbottabad Bench**, however, experienced an increase in pending cases. Starting with **8,389** cases, **4,115** new cases were instituted, and **3,362** were disposed of, resulting in a year-end balance of **9,142**. The disposal rate stood at **28.31**%, with an overall increase of **753** pending cases, indicating room for improvement in handling its caseload.
- The **D.I. Khan Bench** achieved the highest disposal rate with **55.35%,** with **2,382** cases disposed of out of the total **4,408** cases handled during the year. This resulted in a reduction of **480** pending cases, reducing the year-end balance to **2,026** cases, reflecting a positive trend in case resolution.
- At the **Mingora Bench/Chitral**, the performance was stable with a disposal rate. Out of the **11,883** cases processed, **4,692** were disposed of, and the year ended with a slight increase in pending cases, from **7,152** to **7,191**, indicating a manageable workload.
- The **Bannu Bench** showed a modest performance. Out of **6,276** cases handled, **2,300** were disposed of, but the pending cases increased by **430**, closing the year with **3,976** cases. This highlights the need for enhanced case management strategies.

- The **Circuit Court in Chitral** processed a limited number of cases. With only 29 new cases and 31 disposals, leaving a year-end balance of 478 cases, just 2 cases lower than the beginning of the year.



Overall, the total number of cases pending at the start of 2023 across all benches was **43,136**, and by the year's end, this figure had decreased to **41,952**. A total of **30,291** new cases were instituted, and **31,475** cases were disposed of across all the benches. While some benches managed to reduce their backlog effectively, others saw an increase in pending cases, highlighting areas that may benefit from further attention in the coming year.

5.5.1 Statement Showing Category-Wise Institution, Disposal, Transfer and Balance of cases at Principal Seat.

S.No.	Case Category		Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	DB Cases	RFA	1	0	1	0
2		RSA	0	0	0	0
3		FAO	60	1	4	57
4		SAO	0	0	0	0
5		Civil Revision.	0	0	0	0
6		C.Ms.	5	24	24	5
7		Cross Objection in RFA	0	0	0	0
8		Review in CRs.	0	0	0	0
9		Review in RFA.	0	0	0	0
10		Review in SAO	0	0	0	0
11		ICA	5	3	4	4
12		FAB	78	22	20	80
13		Cross Objection in FAB	0	0	0	0
14		Review in FAB	2	1	1	2
15		Tax Reference	192	44	115	121
16		Sale Tax Reference	281	145	239	187
17		Custom Reference.	363	216	380	199
18		W.P.	6431	4853	5961	5323
19		Review in WP.	124	95	117	102
20		COC	662	594	578	678
21		SJSA	0	0	0	0
22	SB Cases	RFA	1922	427	536	1813
23		RSA	0	0	0	0
24		FAO	499	287	321	465
25		SAO	0	0	0	0
26		Civil Revision.	4029	1112	1454	3687
27		CMs.	4	24	22	6
28		Cross objection in RFA	1	7	8	0
29		Cross in CR	9	0	1	8
30		Review in FAO	16	4	7	13
31		Review in CRs.	99	20	31	88
32		Review in CC	0	0		0
33		Execution Petition	8	2	1	9
34		Objection Petition.	7	0	7	0
35		CRC Original	0	0	0	0
36		CRC Exection	0	0	0	0
37		W.P.	793	1375	913	1255
38		Original Suit Banking.	26	2	0	28
		Rew in WP	16	16	14	18
39		C.Ms Banking.	0	0	0	0
40		Company Cases.	32	7	3	36
41		Labour Appeal	64	21	34	51
42		Labour Revision	19	6	7	18

S.No.	Case Category		Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
43		CMs L.A.	0	0	0	0
44		Election Petition	0	0	0	0
45		CMs EP	11	2	4	9
46		COC	155	81	46	190
Total			**15914**	**9391**	**10853**	**14452**

5.5.2 Statement Showing Category-Wise Institution, Disposal, Transfer and Balance of (Criminal Cases) at Principal Seat

S.No.	Case Category	Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the year	Disposal during the year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Death Appeal	42	37	54	25
2	M. Reference	42	37	54	25
3	Life imprisonment	396	260	433	223
4	Cr.Appeal (Short Sentence) DB	285	109	158	236
5	Cr.Appeal ATC	82	0	31	51
6	Cr. Revision ATC	0	0	0	0
7	Acquittal Appeals DB	958	366	525	799
8	Eh: Cr.Appeals.	105	1	13	93
9	Eh: Cr. Revision	0	0	0	0
10	Criminal Revision DB	88	84	138	34
11	Cr. Mise DB	0	3	3	0
12	Cr. Mise Quashment. DB	0	0	0	0
13	Cr. Appeal (Short Sentnce) SB	735	416	480	671
14	Acquittal Appeals SB	494	199	293	400
15	ATC Appeals SB.	10	0	10	0
16	Cr. Revision SB	218	246	239	225
17	Cr. Mise SB	1562	5537	5243	1856
18	Cr. Mise Quashment. SB	132	98	181	49
Total		**5149**	**7393**	**7855**	**4687**

Grand Total – Principal Seat	**21063**	**16784**	**18708**	**19139**

5.5.3 Statement Showing Category-Wise Institution, Disposal, Transfer and Balance of (Civil Cases) at Abbottabad Bench.

S.No.	Case Category		Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	DB Cases	RFA	0	0	0	0
2		RSA	0	0	0	0
3		FAO	0	0	0	0
4		SAO	0	0	0	0
5		Civil Revision.	7	1	8	0
6		C.Ms.	1	15	6	10
7		Cross Objection in RFA	0	0	0	0
8		Review in CRs.	1	0	1	0
9		Review in RFA.	0	0	0	0
10		Review in SAO	0	0	0	0
11		ICA	1	0	1	0
12		FAB	34	20	9	45
13		Cross Objection in FAB	0	0	0	0
14		Review in FAB	0	0	0	0
15		Tax Reference	40	9	13	36
16		Review in T.R.	0	0	0	0
17		Custom Reference.	0	0	0	0
18		W.P.	1879	1252	1100	2031
19		Review in WP.	21	36	37	20
20		COC	162	169	131	200
21		SJSA	0	0	0	0
22	SB Cases	RFA	985	257	175	1067
23		RSA	4	0	0	4
24		FAO	51	60	62	49
25		SAO	3	0	0	3
26		Civil Revision.	2904	433	311	3026
27		CMs.	17	14	4	27
28		Cross objection in RFA	15	24	8	31
29		Cross in CR	5	2	0	7
30		Review in FAO	0	0	0	0
31		Review in CRs.	12	6	8	10
32		Review in CC	0	0	0	0
33		Execution Petition	0	0	0	0
34		Objection Petition.	0	0	0	0
35		CRC Original	0	0	0	0
36		CRC Exection	0	0	0	0
37		W.P.	777	409	236	950
38		Original Suit Banking.	0	0	0	0
		Rew in WP	5	9	3	11
39		C.Ms Banking.	0	2	0	2
40		Company Cases.	0	5	4	1

S.No.	Case Category		Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
41		Labour Appeal	22	18	7	33
42		Labour Revision	14	0	0	14
43		CMs L.A.	0	0	0	0
44		Election Petition	6	4	7	3
45		CMs EP	0	0	0	0
46		COC	63	45	21	87
Total			7029	2790	2152	7667

5.5.4 Statement Showing Category-Wise institution, disposal, transfer and Balance of (Crl. Cases) at Abbottabad Bench.

S.No.	Case Category	Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the year	Disposal during the year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Death Appeal	16	11	16	11
2	M. Reference	12	10	11	11
3	Life Imprisonment	67	39	35	71
4	Cr. Appeal (Short Sentence) DB	62	62	43	81
5	Cr. Appeal ATC	0	0	0	0
6	Cr. Revision ATC	0	0	0	0
7	Acquittal Appeals DB	501	171	45	627
8	Eh: Cr.Appeals.	0	0	0	0
9	Eh: Cr. Revision	0	0	0	0
10	Criminal Revision DB	35	32	25	42
11	Cr. Mis DB	8	55	48	15
12	Cr. Mis Quashment. DB	0	0		0
13	Cr. Appeal (Short Sentnce) SB	85	33	16	102
14	Acquittal Appeals SB	235	50	49	236
15	ATC Appeals SB.	0	0	0	0
16	Cr. Revision SB	57	19	28	48
17	Cr. Mis SB	247	816	856	207
18	Cr. Mis Quashment. SB	35	27	38	24
Total		**1360**	**1325**	**1210**	**1475**

Grand Total	**8389**	**4115**	**3362**	**9142**

5.5.5 Statement Showing Category-Wise Institution, Disposal, Transfer and Balance of (Civil Cases) at D I Khan Bench.

S.No.	Case Category		Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	DB Cases	RFA	0	0	0	0
2		RSA	0	0	0	0
3		FAO	0	0	0	0
4		SAO	0	0	0	0
5		Civil Revision.	0	0	0	0
6		C.Ms.	134	147	189	92
7		Cross Objection in RFA	0	0	0	0
8		Review in CRs.	0	0	0	0
9		Review in RFA.	0	0	0	0
10		Review in SAO	0	0	0	0
11		ICA	0	0	0	0
12		FAB	10	9	10	9
13		Cross Objection in FAB	0	0	0	0
14		Review in FAB	0	0	0	0
15		Tax Reference	2	0	0	2
16		Review in T.R.	0	0	0	0
17		Custom Reference.	0	0	0	0
18		W.P.	1152	612	959	805
19		Review in WP.	21	2	11	12
20		COC	0	0	0	0
21		SJSA	0	0	0	0
22	SB Cases	RFA	133	74	97	110
23		RSA	0	0	0	0
24		FAO	8	9	9	8
25		SAO	0	0	0	0
26		Civil Revision.	611	140	229	522
27		CMs.	41	20	16	45
28		Cross objection in RFA	5	0	5	0
29		Cross in CR	0	0	0	0
30		Review in FAO	0	0	0	0
31		Review in CRs.	6	9	2	13
32		Review in CC	0	0	0	0
33		Execution Petition	0	0	0	0
34		Objection Petition.	0	0	0	0
35		CRC Original	0	0	0	0
36		CRC Exection	0	0	0	0
37		W.P.	161	166	155	172
38		Original Suit Banking.	0	0	0	0
		Review in WP.	3	4	1	6
39		C.Ms Banking.	0	0	0	0
40		Company Cases.	0	5	6	-1

S.No.	Case Category		Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
41		Labour Appeal	11	0	0	11
42		Labour Revision	0	0	0	0
43		CMs L.A.	0	0	0	0
44		Election Petition	0	3	1	2
45		CMs EP	0	0	0	0
46		COC	0	0	0	0
Total			**2298**	**1200**	**1690**	**1808**

5.5.6 Statement Showing Category-Wise Institution, Disposal, transfer and Balance of (Crl. Cases) at D I Khan Bench.

S.No.	Case Category	Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Death Appeal	0	0	0	0
2	M. Reference	0	0	0	0
3	Life imprisonment	6	23	16	13
4	Cr.Appeal (Short Sentence) DB	5	6	8	3
5	Cr.Appeal ATC	10	7	12	5
6	Cr. Revision ATC	0	0	0	0
7	Acquittal Appeals DB	77	51	66	62
8	Eh: Cr.Appeals.	0	0	0	0
9	Eh: Cr. Revision	0	0	0	0
10	Criminal Revision DB	7	10	10	7
11	Cr. Mis DB	6	7	6	7
12	Cr. Mis Quashment. DB	0	0	0	0
13	Cr. Appeal (Short Sentnce) SB	3	9	8	4
14	Acquittal Appeals SB	26	53	50	29
15	ATC Appeals SB.	0	0	0	0
16	Cr. Revision SB	16	36	42	10
17	Cr. Mis SB	38	484	454	68
18	Cr. Mis Quashment. SB	14	16	20	10
Total		**208**	**702**	**692**	**218**

Grand Total.	**2506**	**1902**	**2382**	**2026**

5.5.7 Statement Showing Category-Wise Institution, Disposal, Transfer and Balance of (Civil Cases) at Mingora Bench.

S. No.	Case Category		Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	DB Cases	RFA	0	0	0	0
2		RSA	0	0	0	0
3		FAO	0	0	0	0
4		SAO	0	0	0	0
5		Civil Revision.	0	0	0	0
6		C.Ms.	159	93	119	133
7		Cross Objection in RFA	0	0	0	0
8		Review in CRs.	0	0	0	0
9		Review in RFA.	0	0	0	0
10		Review in SAO	0	0	0	0
11		ICA	1	0	1	0
12		FAB	0	0	0	0
13		Cross Objection in FAB	0	0	0	0
14		Review in FAB	0	0	0	0
15		Tax Reference	0	0	0	0
16		Review in T.R.	0	0	0	0
17		Custom Reference.	0	0	0	0
18		W.P.	1251	1180	1251	1180
19		Review in WP.	11	21	17	15
20		COC	0	0	0	0
21		SJSA	0	0	0	0
22	SB Cases	RFA	460	165	141	484
23		RSA	12	0	3	9
24		FAO	25	26	11	40
25		SAO	1	1	2	0
26		Civil Revision.	3146	734	729	3151
27		CMs.	75	26	25	76
28		Cross objection in RFA	0	4	1	3
29		Cross in CR	0	0	0	0
30		Review in FAO	7	3	5	5
31		Review in CRs.	8	9	3	14
32		Review in CC	0	0	0	0
33		Execution Petition	0	0	0	0
34		Objection Petition.	0	0	0	0
35		CRC Original	0	0	0	0
36		CRC Exection	0	0	0	0
37		W.P.	1042	505	471	1076
38		Original Suit Banking.	0	0	0	0
		Review in WP.	0	0	0	0
39		C.Ms Banking.	0	0	0	0
40		Company Cases.	4	10	5	9
41		Labour Appeal	12	0	0	12
42		Labour Revision	0	0	0	0

43		CMs L.A.	0	0	0	0
44		Election Petition	0	3	1	2
45		CMs EP	0	0	0	0
46		COC	0	0	0	0
Total			6214	2780	2785	6209

5.5.8 Statement Showing Category-Wise Institution, Disposal, Transfer and Balance of (Crl. Cases) at Mingora Bench.

S.No.	Case Category	Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Death Appeal	11	6	5	12
2	M. Reference	13	6	7	12
3	Life imprisonment	90	86	53	123
4	Cr.Appeal (Short Sentence) DB	2	0	1	1
5	Cr.Appeal ATC	6	11	17	0
6	Cr. Revision ATC	0	0	0	0
7	Acquittal Appeals DB	316	104	132	288
8	Eh: Cr.Appeals.	0	0	0	0
9	Eh: Cr. Revision	0	0	0	0
10	Criminal Revision DB	69	50	35	84
11	Cr. Mis DB	6	59	59	6
12	Cr. Mis Quashment. DB	0	0	0	0
13	Cr. Appeal (Short Sentnce) SB	106	90	90	106
14	Acquittal Appeals SB	194	117	116	195
15	ATC Appeals SB.	0	0	0	0
16	Cr. Revision SB	20	59	47	32
17	Cr. Mis SB	44	1224	1191	77
18	Cr. Mis Quashment. SB	61	139	154	46
Total		**938**	**1951**	**1907**	**982**

Grand Total	**7152**	**1951**	**1907**	**7191**

5.5.9 Statement Showing Category-Wise Institution, Disposal, Transfer and Balance of (Civil Cases) at Bannu Bench.

S.No.	Case Category		Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	DB Cases	RFA	0	0	0	0
2		RSA	0	0	0	0
3		FAO	0	0	0	0
4		SAO	0	0	0	0
5		Civil Revision.	0	1	1	0
6		C.Ms.	88	110	135	63
7		Cross Objection in RFA	0	0	0	0
8		Review in CRs.	0	0	0	0
9		Review in RFA.	0	0	0	0
10		Review in SAO	0	0	0	0
11		ICA	0	0	0	0
12		FAB	1	1	1	1
13		Cross Ojection in FAB	0	0	0	0
14		Review in FAB	0	0	0	0
15		Tax Reference	0	3	0	3
16		Review in T.R.	0	0	0	0
17		Custom Reference.	0	0	0	0
18		W.P.	1845	613	557	1901
19		Review in WP.	21	6	14	13
20		COC	0	0	0	0
21		SJSA	0	0	0	0
22	SB Cases	RFA	166	42	52	156
23		RSA	0	0	0	0
24		FAO	1	7	1	7
25		SAO	0	0	0	0
26		Civil Revision.	581	270	162	689
27		CMs.	2	50	49	3
28		Cross objection in RFA	0	0	0	0
29		Cross in CR	0	4	0	4
30		Review in FAO	0	0	0	0
31		Review in CRs.	0	4	1	3
32		Review in CC	0	0	0	0
33		Execution Petition	0	0	0	0
34		Objection Petition.	0	0	0	0
35		CRC Original	0	0	0	0
36		CRC Exection	0	0	0	0
37		W.P.	108	184	170	122
38		Original Suit Banking.	0	0	0	0
39		C.Ms Banking.	0	0	0	0
40		Company Cases.	0	0	0	0
41		Labour Appeal	1	2	1	2
42		Labour Revision	0	0	0	0
43		CMs L.A.	0	0	0	0

S.No.	Case Category		Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
44		Election Petition	0	0	0	0
45		CMs EP	3	0	1	2
46		COC	1	0	0	1
Total			**2818**	**5**	**2**	**2970**

5.5.10 Statement Showing Category-Wise Institution, Disposal, Transfer and Balance of (Crl. Cases) at Bannu Bench.

S.No.	Case Category	Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Death Appeal	4	8	3	9
2	M. Reference	4	8	3	9
3	Life imprisonment	31	74	26	79
4	Cr.Appeal (Short Sentence) DB	2	9	8	3
5	Cr.Appeal ATC	28	0	1	27
6	Cr. Revision ATC	0	0	0	0
7	Acquittal Appeals DB	458	166	112	512
8	Eh: Cr.Appeals.	0	0	0	0
9	Eh: Cr. Revision	0	0	0	0
10	Criminal Revision DB	31	52	21	62
11	Cr. Mis DB	0	2	2	0
12	Cr. Mis Quashment. DB	0	0	0	0
13	Cr. Appeal (Short Sentnce) SB	10	66	35	41
14	Acquittal Appeals SB	48	118	76	90
15	ATC Appeals SB.	0	0	0	0
16	Cr. Revision SB	10	37	29	18
17	Cr. Mis SB	83	834	777	140
18	Cr. Mis Quashment. SB	19	54	57	16
Total		**728**	**1428**	**1150**	**1006**

Grand Total	**3546**	**1433**	**1152**	**3976**

5.5.11 Statement Showing Category-Wise Institution, Disposal, Transfer and Balance of (Civil Cases) at Chitral Bench.

S.No.	Case Category		Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	DB Cases	RFA	0	0	0	0
2		RSA	0	0	0	0
3		FAO	0	0	0	0
4		SAO	0	0	0	0
5		Civil Revision.	0	0	0	0
6		C.Ms.	0	0	0	0
7		Cross Objection in RFA	0	0	0	0
8		Review in CRs.	0	0	0	0
9		Review in RFA.	0	0	0	0
10		Review in SAO	0	0	0	0
11		ICA	0	0	0	0
12		FAB	0	0	0	0
13		Cross Objection in FAB	0	0	0	0
14		Review in FAB	0	0	0	0
15		Tax Reference	0	0	0	0
16		Review in T.R.	0	0	0	0
17		Custom Reference.	0	0	0	0
18		W.P.	0	0	0	0
19		Review in WP.	0	0	0	0
20		COC	0	0	0	0
21		SJSA	0	0	0	0
22	SB Cases	RFA	61	0	24	37
23		RSA	2	0	2	0
24		FAO	0	0	0	0
25		SAO	0	0	0	0
26		Civil Revision.	337	13	0	350
27		CMs.	0	6	0	6
28		Cross objection in RFA	0	0	0	0
29		Cross in CR	0	0	0	0
30		Review in FAO	0	0	0	0
31		Review in CRs.	0	0	0	0
32		Review in CC	0	0	0	0
33		Execution Petition	0	0	0	0
34		Objection Petition.	0	0	0	0
35		CRC Original	0	0	0	0
36		CRC Exection	0	0	0	0
37		W.P.	36	0	3	33
38		Original Suit Banking.	0	0	0	0
39		C.Ms Banking.	0	1	0	1
40		Company Cases.	0	0	0	0
41		Labour Appeal	0	0	0	0
42		Labour Revision	0	0	0	0
43		CMs L.A.	0	0	0	0

S.No.	Case Category		Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
44		Election Petition	0	0	0	0
45		CMs EP	0	0	0	0
46		COC	1	2	0	3
Total			**437**	**22**	**29**	**430**

5.5.12 Statement Showing category-Wise institution, disposal, transfer and Balance of (Crl. Cases) at Chitral Bench.

S.No.	Case Category	Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the year	Disposal during the year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Death Appeal	0	0	0	0
2	M. Reference	0	0	0	0
3	Life imprisonment	0	0	0	0
4	Cr.Appeal (Short Sentence) DB	0	0	0	0
5	Cr.Appeal ATC	0	0	0	0
6	Cr. Revision ATC	0	0	0	0
7	Acquittal Appeals DB	0	0	0	0
8	Eh: Cr.Appeals.	0	0	0	0
9	Eh: Cr. Revision	0	0	0	0
10	Criminal Revision DB	0	0	0	0
11	Cr. Mis DB	0	0	0	0
12	Cr. Mis Quashment. DB	0	0	0	0
13	Cr. Appeal (Short Sentnce) SB	0	0	0	0
14	Acquittal Appeals SB	34	7		41
15	ATC Appeals SB.	0	0	0	0
16	Cr. Revision SB	4	0		4
17	Cr. Mise SB	0	0		0
18	Cr. Mise Quashment. SB	5	0	2	3
Total		**43**	**7**	**2**	**48**

Grand Total	**480**	**29**	**31**	**478**

5.6 Statement showing Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Appeals/References arising out of Death sentences during 2023

S.No.	Name of Principal seat and Benches	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Principal Seat Peshawar.	42	37	54	25
2	Abbottabad Bench	16	11	16	11
3	D.I. Khan Bench	0	0	0	0
4	Mingora Bench/Chitral	11	6	5	12
5	Bannu Bench	4	8	3	9
6	Circuit Court Chitral	0	0	0	0
Total		**73**	**62**	**78**	**57**

5.7 Statement showing Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Appeals/Reference arising out of Life Imprisonment during 2023

S.No.	Name of Principal seat and Benches	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Principal Seat Peshawar.	396	260	433	223
2	Abbottabad Bench	67	39	35	71
3	D.I. Khan Bench	6	23	16	13
4	Mingora Bench/Chitral	90	86	53	123
5	Bannu Bench	31	74	26	79
6	Circuit Court Chitral	0	0	0	0
Total		**590**	**482**	**563**	**509**

5.8 Statement showing Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Appeals arising out Sentences of Seven Years and above but below Life Imprisonment during 2023

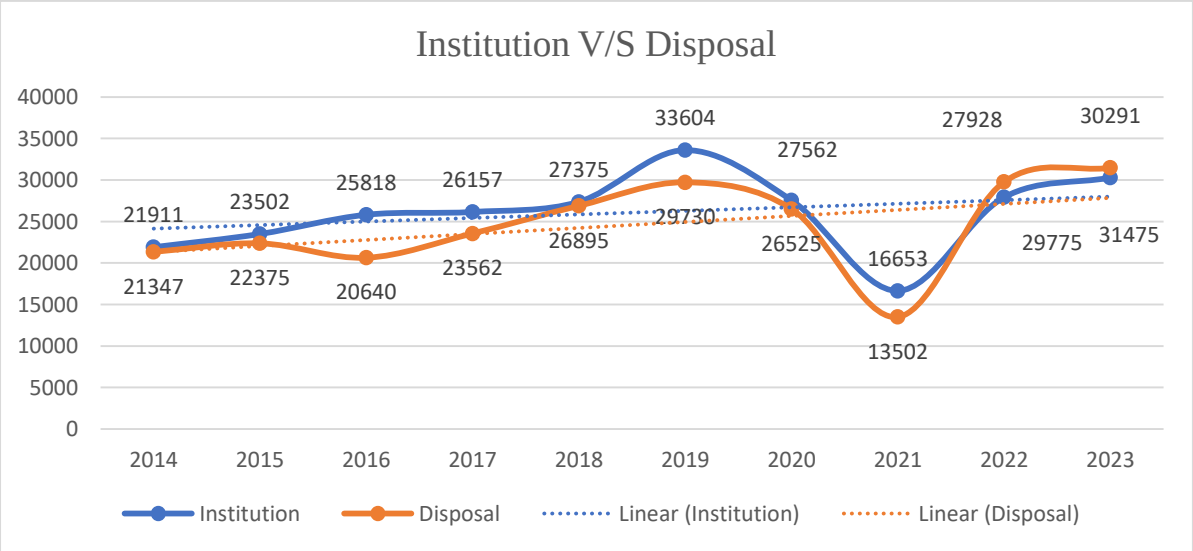
S.No.	Name of Principal seat and Benches	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Principal Seat Peshawar.	1020	525	638	907
2	Abbottabad Bench	147	95	59	183
3	D.I. Khan Bench	8	15	16	7
4	Mingora Bench/Chitral	108	90	91	107
5	Bannu Bench	12	75	43	44
6	Circuit Court Chitral	0	0	0	0
Total		**1295**	**800**	**847**	**1248**

5.9 Consolidated Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the Peshawar High Court during the last 10 years.

This table provides a Ten-Year overview (2014-2023) of case pendency in the Peshawar High Court, highlighting the annual trends in case institutions, disposals, and pending balances. It captures the flow of cases each year, starting with the pending cases carried forward, followed by newly instituted cases, and finally the disposals.

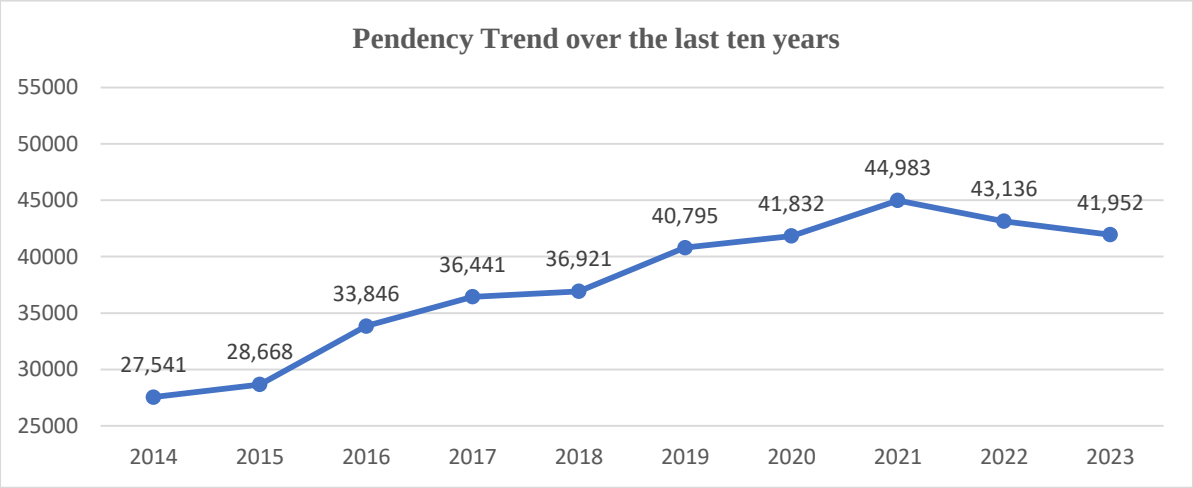
Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	26977	21911	21347	27541
2015	27541	23502	22375	28668
2016	28668	25818	20640	33846
2017	33846	26157	23562	36441
2018	36441	27375	26895	36921
2019	36921	33604	29730	40795
2020	40795	27562	26525	41832
2021	41832	16653	13502	44983
2022	44983	27928	29775	43136
2023	43136	30291	31475	41952

- Over the past ten years, the number of newly instituted cases has generally increased, with some fluctuations. Peaks in institution rates, particularly in years like 2019 and 2023, suggest periods of heightened case filings, which contributed to the growing caseload.
- Although the judiciary has consistently worked to dispose of cases each year, disposal rates have not consistently matched the rate of new institutions. This imbalance has led to a gradual increase in the backlog over the decade, with a slight improvement in 2023 as disposals outpaced institutions for the first time in several years.



Over the last ten years, the data paints a comprehensive picture of the judiciary's case management dynamics, highlighting both achievements and challenges. Starting in 2014 with a pending caseload of **26,977** cases, the system has faced a continuous increase in newly instituted cases, reaching peak volumes in years like 2019 and 2023. Despite fluctuations, the

average annual institution of **26,080** cases reflects a steady flow of cases into the system, driven by a range of factors from legal reforms to societal trends.



Parallel to this influx, the judiciary has worked consistently to increase disposal rates, averaging around **24,583** cases disposed of each year. However, disposals have not consistently matched the rising rate of new institutions, leading to an expanding backlog. The balance of pending cases reached **41,952** by the end of 2023, marking a significant increase over the decade.

This growing backlog indicates that the efforts to resolve cases have struggled to keep pace with demand. However, a hopeful development emerged in 2023, when disposals exceeded institutions for the first time in years, resulting in a slight reduction in the pending balance. This positive shift suggests that recent improvements in case management may be beginning to take effect.

In sum, the last ten years underscore the judiciary's commitment to handling an increasing caseload, yet also highlight the structural need to align disposal capacity more closely with incoming cases. Moving forward, a sustained focus on enhancing disposal rates and implementing efficiency measures will be crucial to reversing the backlog trend and achieving a more balanced judicial system.

5.9.1 Principal, Peshawar during the last 10 years

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	11697	10426	9322	12801
2015	12801	11341	10592	13550
2016	13550	13344	10435	16459
2017	16459	13300	11814	17945
2018	17945	15225	14250	18920
2019	18920	18312	17535	19697
2020	19697	14016	14317	19396
2021	19396	8943	6942	21397
2022	21397	14748	15082	21063
2023	21063	16784	18708	19139

5.9.2 Abbottabad Bench, during the last 10 years.

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	5062	4054	4017	5099
2015	5099	4288	3583	5804
2016	5804	4294	3784	6314
2017	6314	4153	3500	6967
2018	6967	3818	4120	6665
2019	6665	4710	3778	7597
2020	7597	4069	4232	7434
2021	7434	2618	2158	7894
2022	7894	4406	3911	8389
2023	8389	4115	3362	9142

5.9.3 D.I.Khan Bench, during the last 10 years.

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	1375	2811	2295	1891
2015	1891	3322	2962	2251
2016	2251	2971	2185	3037
2017	3037	2273	2340	2970
2018	2970	2436	2447	2959
2019	2959	2702	2369	3292
2020	3292	2101	1580	3813
2021	3813	1197	1455	3555
2022	3555	1876	2925	2506
2023	2506	1902	2382	2026

5.9.4 Swat Bench, during the last 10 years.

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	5211	2740	3667	4284
2015	4284	2545	2283	4546
2016	4546	2751	2455	4842
2017	4842	3764	3497	5109
2018	5109	3612	3334	5387
2019	5387	4409	3225	6571
2020	6571	4022	3466	7127
2021	7127	2575	1940	7762
2022	7762	4463	5073	7152
2023	7152	4731	4692	7191

5.9.5 Bannu Bench, Peshawar during the last 10 years.

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	2960	1880	1683	3157
2015	3157	1985	3000	2142
2016	2142	2432	1772	2802
2017	2802	2627	2378	3051
2018	3051	2494	2836	2709
2019	2709	2947	2482	3174
2020	3174	3044	2694	3524
2021	3524	1497	1186	3835
2022	3835	2412	2701	3546
2023	3546	2730	2300	3976

5.9.6 Circuit Court Chitral during the last 10 years.

Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	0	0	0	0
2015	0	0	0	0
2016	0	0	0	0
2017	0	0	0	0
2018	398	31	148	281
2019	281	249	66	464
2020	464	310	236	538
2021	538	13	11	540
2022	540	23	83	480
2023	480	29	31	478

5.10 Budget Allocation for Financial Year 2023-24

For the **Peshawar High Court** and its benches, the 2023 budget allocation was specifically assigned to maintain and support the operations at the Principal Seat in Peshawar and its benches in Abbottabad, Dera Ismail Khan, and Mingora. This allocation aimed at covering expenses for judicial staff, operational costs, administrative functions and any essential management or upgrades required for the High Court and its benches to function effectively.

Sr. #	Name of Principal Seat / Bench	Budget in Rupees
1	Principal Seat, Peshawar	1,788,000,000
2	Abbottabad Bench	177,000,000
3	D.I. Khan Bench	162,000,000
4	Swat Bench	145,000,000
5	Bannu Bench	129,000,000
Total		**2,401,000,000**

The district judiciary across Khyber Pakhtunkhwa received a dedicated portion of the budget to support the network of district courts in all the districts of the Province. The allocation

covered salaries for judicial officers and court staff, operational expenses for court activities, and maintenance costs for court buildings. This budget aimed to enable the district judiciary to handle routine casework efficiently, providing the resources required for the continuous operation of local courts across the province.

Sr. #	District Judiciary - Court Name/Tier	Budget in Rupees
1	Sessions Courts	3,997,000,000
2	Civil Courts	4,614,000,000
Total		**8,611,000,000**

In summary, the 2023 budget allocation for the judiciary in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa was distributed strategically across different judicial tiers to meet their respective operational and administrative requirements. The Peshawar High Court and its regional benches were allocated a total of 2.401 Billion Rupees, ensuring adequate resources for appellate-level cases and judicial administration at the provincial level. The district judiciary received an allocation of 8.61 Billion Rupees, aimed at supporting the infrastructure and daily functions of courts handling civil and criminal cases across Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Altogether, the **gross allocation for the judiciary in the province amounted to 11.01 Billion Rupees**, reflecting a focused investment in judicial infrastructure and service delivery for 2023.

5.11 Sanctioned and Working Strength of Officers and Officials in the Peshawar High Court as on 31.12.2023

The table below presents a comprehensive breakdown of the human resource allocation for the Peshawar High Court. With a total of 869 sanctioned positions, 774 are currently filled, leaving 89 vacancies. This allocation spans a range of designations, reflecting the court's layered administrative and operational framework.

Positions at the senior administrative level, including the Chief Justice, Judges, Registrar, and various directors, are largely filled, ensuring stability in the court's leadership. There are, however, three vacancies in the Judge category, which, if addressed, could reduce the workload on existing judges and potentially improve case disposal rates.

The roles related to information technology, such as Programmers, Network Administrators, and Database Administrators, are mostly filled, signifying the court's commitment to technological advancement. However, a few vacancies remain, particularly in programmer positions, which could impact the efficiency of digital case management and data handling.

There are significant vacancies within support staff roles, especially among Junior Clerks (10 vacant), Naib Qasid (17 vacant), and Stenographers (10 vacant). These gaps in support staff could affect daily administrative functions, potentially delaying routine processes and documentation. Additionally, vacancies in positions like CCTV Camera Operators and Security personnel point to potential vulnerabilities in the court's security and monitoring framework.

The 89 vacancies, while constituting a smaller proportion of the total workforce, are strategically impactful. Vacancies in critical support and technical roles may put additional strain on existing staff, potentially leading to burnout and affecting morale. Positions like Assistant, Senior Scale Stenographer, and Junior Clerk, which have higher vacancy rates, are essential for efficient court operations and case processing. Filling these roles would likely enhance workflow continuity and improve overall court functionality.

S.No	Designation	BPS	Consolidate Strength		
			Sanctioned	Working	Vacant
1	Registrar	BPS-22	1	1	0
2	Additional Registrar	BPS-21	6	6	0
3	Member Inspection Team	BPS-21	1	1	0
4	Director NJPIC	BPS-21	1	1	0
5	Addl: Member Inspection Team	BPS-21	1	1	0
6	PSO to Chief Justice	BPS-21	1	1	0
7	Deputy Registrar	BPS-19	3	3	0
8	Draftsman	BPS-21	1	1	0
9	Director Planning	BPS-21	1	1	0
10	Director Human Rights	BPS-19	1	1	0
11	Deputy Director P&D	BPS-18	1	1	0
12	Director B&A	BPS-19	1	1	0
13	Director IT	BPS-19	1	1	0
14	Accounts Officer	BPS-18	1	1	0
15	Assistant Draftsman	BPS-18	1	1	0
16	Private Secretary	BPS-18	30	30	0

S.No	Designation	BPS	Consolidate Strength		
			Sanctioned	Working	Vacant
17	Programmer	BPS-17	9	6	0
18	Network Administrator	BPS-17	1	1	0
19	Database Administrator	BPS-17	1	1	0
20	Private Secretary to Chief Justice	BPS-19	2	2	0
21	Reader	BPS-18	31	31	0
22	Senior Reference & Research Officer	BPS-19	1	1	0
23	Reference and Research officer	BPS-19	1	1	0
24	Assistant Registrar	BPS-18	9	9	0
25	Librarian	BPS-18	5	5	0
26	Protocol Officer	BPS-18	1	1	0
27	Additional Librarian	BPS-17	1	1	0
28	Accounts Officer (Deputation from AG)	BPS-18	1	1	0
29	Accounts Officer	BPS-17	1	1	0
30	Assistant Protocol Officer	BPS-17	1	1	0
31	Accountant	BPS-16	1	1	0
32	Assistant	BPS-16	55	47	8
33	Senior Scale Stenographer	BPS-16	31	23	8
34	Supervisor (H.R Cell)	BPS-16	1	1	0
35	B&A Assistant	BPS-16	5	5	0
36	Judicial Assistant	BPS-14	4	4	0
37	Assistant Librarian	BPS-14	1	1	0
38	Stenographer	BPS-14	12	2	10
39	Protocol Assistant	BPS-11	1	1	0
40	Care Taker	BPS-14	6	6	0
41	CCTV Supervisor	BPS-14	1	1	0
42	CCTV Camera Operator	BPS-12	12	8	4
43	CCTV Technician	BPS-12	2	2	0
44	Computer Operator	BPS-16	40	36	4
45	Pesh Imam	BPS-12	3	3	0
46	Senior Clerk	BPS-14	49	49	0
47	Security Incharge	BPS-08	1	0	1
48	Junior Clerk	BPS-11	94	84	10
49	Telephone Operator	BPS-07	7	6	1
50	Cook-Cum-Bearer	BPS-04	19	17	2
51	Garage Supdt:	BPS-11	1	1	0
52	Driver	BPS-06	58	50	8
53	Book Binder	BPS-04	2	2	0
54	Court Bailiff	BPS-06	14	14	0
55	Process Server	BPS-05	2	2	0
56	Daftari	BPS-04	23	20	3
57	Lift Operator	BPS-04	4	4	0
58	Record Lifter	BPS-04	10	10	0
59	Chowkidar	BPS-03	23	20	3
60	Khadim	BPS-03	1	1	0
61	Mali	BPS-03	45	40	5
62	Naib Qasid	BPS-03	159	142	17

S.No	Designation	BPS	Consolidate Strength		
			Sanctioned	Working	Vacant
63	Security Guard	BPS-03	9	9	0
64	Sanitation Attendant	BPS-03	36	31	2
Total			**869**	**774**	**89**

S.No	Designation	BPS	Principal Seat		
			Sanctioned	Working	Vacant
1	Registrar	BPS-22	1	1	0
2	Additional Registrar	BPS-21	2	2	0
3	Member Inspection Team	BPS-21	1	1	0
4	Director NJPIC	BPS-21	1	1	0
5	Addl: Member Inspection Team	BPS-21	1	1	0
6	PSO to Chief Justice	BPS-21	1	1	0
7	Deputy Registrar	BPS-19	3	3	0
8	Draftsman	BPS-21	1	1	0
9	Director Planning	BPS-21	1	1	0
10	Director Human Rights	BPS-19	1	1	0
11	Deputy Director P&D	BPS-18	1	1	0
12	Director B&A	BPS-19	1	1	0
13	Director IT	BPS-19	1	1	0
14	Accounts Officer	BPS-18	1	1	0
15	Assistant Draftsman	BPS-18	1	1	0
16	Private Secretary	BPS-18	19	19	0
17	Programmer	BPS-17	5	5	0
18	Network Administrator	BPS-17	1	1	0
19	Database Administrator	BPS-17	1	1	0
20	Private Secretary to Chief Justice	BPS-19	2	2	0
21	Reader	BPS-18	19	19	0
22	Senior Reference & Research Officer	BPS-19	1	1	0
23	Reference and Research officer	BPS-19	1	1	0
24	Assistant Registrar	BPS-18	5	5	0
25	Librarian	BPS-18	1	1	0
26	Protocol Officer	BPS-18	1	1	0
27	Additional Librarian	BPS-17	1	1	0
28	Accounts Officer (Deputation from AG)	BPS-18	1	1	0
29	Accounts Officer	BPS-17	1	1	0
30	Assistant Protocol Officer	BPS-17	1	1	0
31	Accountant	BPS-16	1	1	0
32	Assistant	BPS-16	36	29	7
33	Senior Scale Stenographer	BPS-16	23	16	7
34	Supervisor (H.R Cell)	BPS-16	1	1	0
35	B&A Assistant	BPS-16	1	1	0
36	Judicial Assistant	BPS-14	4	4	0
37	Assistant Librarian	BPS-14	1	1	0
38	Stenographer	BPS-14	12	2	10
39	Protocol Assistant	BPS-11	1	1	0

S.No	Designation	BPS	Principal Seat		
			Sanctioned	Working	Vacant
40	Care Taker	BPS-14	1	1	0
41	CCTV Supervisor	BPS-14	1	1	0
42	CCTV Camera Operator	BPS-12	12	8	4
43	CCTV Technician	BPS-12	2	2	0
44	Computer Operator	BPS-16	32	29	3
45	Pesh Imam	BPS-12	1	1	0
46	Senior Clerk	BPS-14	30	30	0
47	Security Incharge	BPS-08	1	0	1
48	Junior Clerk	BPS-11	60	55	5
49	Telephone Operator	BPS-07	7	6	1
50	Cook-Cum-Bearer	BPS-04	8	8	0
51	Garage Supdt:	BPS-11	1	1	0
52	Driver	BPS-06	46	40	6
53	Book Binder	BPS-04	2	2	0
54	Court Bailiff	BPS-06	8	8	0
55	Daftari	BPS-04	11	11	0
56	Lift Operator	BPS-04	4	4	0
57	Record Lifter	BPS-04	4	4	0
58	Chowkidar	BPS-03	10	8	2
59	Khadim	BPS-03	1	1	0
60	Mali	BPS-03	29	28	1
61	Naib Qasid	BPS-03	106	95	11
62	Security Guard	BPS-03	9	9	0
63	Sanitation Attendant	BPS-03	24	23	1
Total			**588**	**526**	**62**

S.No	Designation	BPS	D.I. Khan		
			Sanctioned	Working	Vacant
1	Additional Registrar	BPS-21	1	1	0
2	Private Secretary	BPS-18	3	3	0
3	Programmer	BPS-17	1	0	0
4	Reader	BPS-18	3	3	0
5	Assistant Registrar	BPS-18	1	1	0
6	Librarian	BPS-18	1	1	0
7	Assistant	BPS-16	7	6	1
8	Senior Scale Stenographer	BPS-16	3	3	0
9	B&A Assistant	BPS-16	2	2	0
10	Care Taker	BPS-14	1	1	0
11	Computer Operator	BPS-16	2	2	0
12	Pesh Imam	BPS-12	1	1	0
13	Senior Clerk	BPS-14	6	6	0
14	Junior Clerk	BPS-11	8	7	1
15	Cook-Cum-Bearer	BPS-04	2	1	1
16	Driver	BPS-06	2	2	0
17	Court Bailiff	BPS-06	2	2	0
18	Process Server	BPS-05	1	1	0

S.No	Designation	BPS	D.I. Khan		
			Sanctioned	Working	Vacant
19	Daftari	BPS-04	5	4	1
20	Record Lifter	BPS-04	2	2	0
21	Chowkidar	BPS-03	4	4	0
22	Mali	BPS-03	6	5	1
23	Naib Qasid	BPS-03	13	13	0
24	Sanitation Attendant	BPS-03	4	3	1
Total			**81**	**74**	**6**

S.No	Designation	BPS	Abbottabad		
			Sanctioned	Working	Vacant
1	Additional Registrar	BPS-21	1	1	0
2	Private Secretary	BPS-18	4	4	0
3	Programmer	BPS-17	1		
4	Reader	BPS-18	3	3	0
5	Assistant Registrar	BPS-18	1	1	0
6	Librarian	BPS-18	1	1	0
7	Assistant	BPS-16	5	5	0
8	Senior Scale Stenographer	BPS-16	1	1	0
9	B&A Assistant	BPS-16	1	1	0
10	Care Taker	BPS-14	2	2	0
11	Computer Operator	BPS-16	2	1	1
12	Senior Clerk	BPS-14	4	4	0
13	Junior Clerk	BPS-11	6	5	1
14	Cook-Cum-Bearer	BPS-04	4	3	1
15	Driver	BPS-06	2	2	0
16	Court Bailiff	BPS-06	1	1	0
17	Daftari	BPS-04	2	2	0
18	Record Lifter	BPS-04	2	2	0
19	Chowkidar	BPS-03	3	3	0
20	Mali	BPS-03	6	5	1
21	Naib Qasid	BPS-03	11	10	1
22	Sanitation Attendant	BPS-03	2	2	0
Total			**65**	**59**	**5**

S.No	Designation	BPS	Swat		
			Sanctioned	Working	Vacant
1	Additional Registrar	BPS-21	1	1	0
2	Private Secretary	BPS-18	2	2	0
3	Programmer	BPS-17	1		
4	Reader	BPS-18	3	3	0
5	Assistant Registrar	BPS-18	1	1	0
6	Librarian	BPS-18	1	1	0
7	Assistant	BPS-16	3	3	0
8	Senior Scale Stenographer	BPS-16	2	2	0
9	B&A Assistant	BPS-16	1	1	0
10	Care Taker	BPS-14	1	1	0

S.No	Designation	BPS	Swat		
			Sanctioned	Working	Vacant
11	Computer Operator	BPS-16	2	2	0
12	Pesh Imam	BPS-12	1	1	0
13	Senior Clerk	BPS-14	5	5	0
14	Junior Clerk	BPS-11	13	11	2
15	Cook-Cum-Bearer	BPS-04	3	3	0
16	Driver	BPS-06	5	3	2
17	Court Bailiff	BPS-06	1	1	0
18	Process Server	BPS-05	1	1	0
19	Daftari	BPS-04	2	1	1
20	Record Lifter	BPS-04	1	1	0
21	Chowkidar	BPS-03	3	2	1
22	Mali	BPS-03	2		2
23	Naib Qasid	BPS-03	12	8	4
24	Sanitation Attendant	BPS-03	3		
Total			**70**	**54**	**12**

S.No	Designation	BPS	Banu		
			Sanctioned	Working	Vacant
1	Additional Registrar	BPS-21	1	1	0
2	Private Secretary	BPS-18	2	2	0
3	Programmer	BPS-17	1	1	
4	Reader	BPS-18	3	3	0
5	Assistant Registrar	BPS-18	1	1	0
6	Librarian	BPS-18	1	1	0
7	Assistant	BPS-16	4	4	0
8	Senior Scale Stenographer	BPS-16	2	1	1
9	B&A Assistant	BPS-16	0	0	0
10	Care Taker	BPS-14	1	1	0
11	Computer Operator	BPS-16	2	2	0
12	Senior Clerk	BPS-14	4	4	0
13	Junior Clerk	BPS-11	7	6	1
14	Cook-Cum-Bearer	BPS-04	2	2	0
15	Driver	BPS-06	3	3	0
16	Court Bailiff	BPS-06	2	2	0
17	Daftari	BPS-04	3	2	1
18	Record Lifter	BPS-04	1	1	0
19	Chowkidar	BPS-03	3	3	0
20	Mali	BPS-03	2	2	0
21	Naib Qasid	BPS-03	17	16	1
22	Sanitation Attendant	BPS-03	3	3	0
Total			**65**	**61**	**4**

5.12 Sanctioned and Working Strength of Judicial Officers in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Province as on 31-12-2023

5.12.1 Designation-Wise Sectioned and Working Strength of Judicial Officers of KP Province 31-2-2023

The following table outlines the allocation of judicial officers across Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, highlighting both sanctioned and working positions by designation. The data is further detailed by gender and cadre (in-field and Ex-cadre), providing insights into the representation and deployment of judicial officers in the Province.

Designation	Sanctioned	Working In Field		Working Ex-cadre		Vacant
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
District and Sessions Judges	35	31	3	56	19	1
Additional District and Sessions Judges	159	116	17	2	0	26
Senior Civil Judges	82	62	20	2	1	0
Civil Jud. /Judi. Magistrates/ Family Jud. (BS-17/18)	383	183	88	1	1	112
Total	**659**	**392**	**128**	**61**	**21**	**139**

- **District and Sessions Judges**: There are 35 sanctioned posts for District and Sessions Judges, with 31 male and 3 female judges actively working in-field. Additionally, 56 male and 19 female officers are assigned to Ex-cadre positions, with only 1 position currently vacant. This low vacancy rate suggests stability in the highest judicial positions and a balanced distribution of male and female officers in both cadre categories.
- **Additional District and Sessions Judges**: Of the 159 sanctioned posts, 116 male and 17 female judges are actively serving in the field, with 2 male officers assigned to Ex-cadre roles. The table reveals 26 vacant positions, indicating a need for further appointments to fill these gaps, which would enhance the court's capacity to handle an increasing workload.
- **Senior Civil Judges**: Out of 82 sanctioned posts, 62 male and 20 female Senior Civil Judges are working in the field, while 2 male officers hold Ex-cadre positions. All sanctioned positions are filled, indicating an effective allocation at this level, contributing to operational efficiency across the province's civil courts.
- **Civil Judges / Judicial Magistrates / Family Judges**: This category, with 383 sanctioned posts, includes the highest number of judicial officers. Currently, 183 male and 88 female judges are actively working in the field, while 1 male and 1 female judge hold Ex-cadre positions. With 112 vacancies, this segment has the most significant need for recruitment to maintain prompt case processing and minimize delays.

In total, 659 Judicial Officer positions are sanctioned in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, with 392 male and 128 female officers currently working in the field. There are 61 male and 21 female officers in Ex-cadre roles, while 139 positions remain vacant. The vacancies are most

pronounced in the Civil Judge / Judicial Magistrate / Family Judge category, underscoring a pressing need for focused recruitment efforts in lower-tier judicial positions.

5.12.2 District Wise Working and Sanctioned Strength of Judicial Officers Working I KP Province

5.12.2.1 Consolidated Strength

S.No	Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working In field		Working Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
			Male	Female	Male	Female	
01	Peshawar	73	31	21	36	21	21
02	Nowshera	30	15	8	1		7
03	Charsadda	24	17	6	1		1
04	Mardan	48	29	6	3		13
05	Swabi	28	13	10	1		5
06	Malakand	12	10	2			0
07	Swat	46	21	11	3		14
08	Shangla	15	7				8
09	Lower Dir	17	15	1	1		1
10	Upper Dir	16	13				3
11	Buner	14	8	4	1		2
12	Chitral Lower	17	10	1	1		6
13	D.I. Khan	36	19	4	4		13
14	Tank	9	6	1			2
15	Bannu	28	18	6	3		4
16	Lakki	18	12	5			1
17	Kohat	24	13	9	1		2
18	Hangu	7	7				0
19	Karak	20	15	3	1		2
20	Haripur	30	16	8			6
21	Abbottabad	35	16	12	3		7
22	Mansehra	33	20	7	1		6
23	Batagram	9	5	1			3
24	Kohistan Upper	4	3				1
25	Torghar	5	4	1			0
26	Kohistan Lower	2	1				1
27	Kolai Pallas Kohistan	2	2				0
28	Bajaur District	7	7				0
29	Khyber District	9	8				1
30	Mohmand District	7	6				1
31	Orakzai District	7	6				1
32	Kurram District	7	6				1
33	North Waziristan	8	6				2
34	South Waziristan	8	3	1			4
35	Chitral Upper	4	4				0
Total		**659**	**392**	**128**	**61**	**21**	**139**

Note: Three male District & Sessions Judges, One Female Additional District & Sessions Judge and One Civil Judge/JM are working at Islamabad against the Ex-cadre Posts

5.12.2.2 District and Sessions Judges

S.No	Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working In field		Working Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
			Male	Female	Male	Female	
01	Peshawar	1	1		31	19	0
02	Nowshera	1	1		1		0
03	Charsadda	1	1		1		0
04	Mardan	1	1		3		0
05	Swabi	1	1		1		0
06	Malakand	1	1				0
07	Swat	1	1		3		0
08	Shangla	1	1				0
09	Lower Dir	1	1		1		0
10	Upper Dir	1	1				0
11	Buner	1		1	1		0
12	Chitral Lower	1	1		1		0
13	D.I. Khan	1	1		4		0
14	Tank	1	1				0
15	Bannu	1	1		3		0
16	Lakki	1	1				0
17	Kohat	1	1		1		0
18	Hangu	1	1				0
19	Karak	1		1	1		0
20	Haripur	1		1			0
21	Abbottabad	1	1		3		0
22	Mansehra	1	1		1		0
23	Batagram	1	1				0
24	Kohistan Upper	1	1				0
25	Torghar	1	1				0
26	Kohistan Lower	1					1
27	Kolai Pallas Kohistan	1	1				0
28	Bajaur District	1	1				0
29	Khyber District	1	1				0
30	Mohmand District	1	1				0
31	Orakzai District	1	1				0
32	Kurram District	1	1				0
33	North Waziristan	1	1				0
34	South Waziristan	1	1				0
35	Chitral Upper	1	1				0
Total		**35**	**31**	**3**	**56**	**19**	**1**

Note: Three Male District & Sessions Judges are working at Islamabad against the Ex-cadre Posts.

5.12.2.3 Additional District and Sessions Judges

S.No	Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working In field		Working Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
			Male	Female	Male	Female	
01	Peshawar	22	16	2	2		4
02	Nowshera	10	6				4
03	Charsadda	8	6	2			0
04	Mardan	14	11	1			2

05	Swabi	7	5	2			0
06	Malakand	2	2				0
07	Swat	8	6	1			1
08	Shangla	1	1				0
09	Lower Dir	3	3				0
10	Upper Dir	4	3				1
11	Buner	3	2				1
12	Chitral Lower	1	1				0
13	D.I. Khan	9	5	1			3
14	Tank	1	1				0
15	Bannu	7	6				1
16	Lakki	4	2	2			0
17	Kohat	7	4	2			1
18	Hangu	2	2				0
19	Karak	5	3	1			1
20	Haripur	8	7				1
21	Abbottabad	9	6	2			1
22	Mansehra	7	5	1			1
23	Batagram	2	1				1
24	Kohistan Upper	0					0
25	Torghar						0
26	Kohistan Lower						0
27	Kolai Pallas Kohistan						0
28	Bajaur District	2	2				0
29	Khyber District	2	2				0
30	Mohmand District	2	2				0
31	Orakzai District	2	1				1
32	Kurram District	2	2				0
33	North Waziristan	2	1				1
34	South Waziristan	2	1				1
35	Chitral Upper	1	1				0
Total		**159**	**116**	**17**	**2**	**0**	**26**

Note: One Female Additional District & Sessions Judge is working at Islamabad against the Ex-cadre Post

5.12.2.4 Senior Civil Judges

S.No	Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working In field		Working Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
			Male	Female	Male	Female	
01	Peshawar	4	3	1	2	1	0
02	Nowshera	4	2	2			0
03	Charsadda	3	2	1			0
04	Mardan	4	3	1			0
05	Swabi	4	2	2			0
06	Malakand	3	3				0
07	Swat	3	1	2			0
08	Shangla	2	2				0
09	Lower Dir	2	2				0
10	Upper Dir	2	2				0
11	Buner	3	2	1			0

S.No	Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working In field		Working Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
			Male	Female	Male	Female	
12	Chitral Lower	3	3				0
13	D.I. Khan	3	2	1			0
14	Tank	2	1	1			0
15	Bannu	3	3				0
16	Lakki	3	2	1			0
17	Kohat	3	2	1			0
18	Hangu	2	2				0
19	Karak	4	3	1			0
20	Haripur	3	2	1			0
21	Abbottabad	4	3	1			0
22	Mansehra	3	3				0
23	Batagram	2	1	1			0
24	Kohistan Upper	1	1				0
25	Torghar	2	1	1			0
26	Kohistan Lower	1	1				0
27	Kolai Pallas Kohistan	1	1				0
28	Bajaur District	1	1				0
29	Khyber District	1	1				0
30	Mohmand District	1	1				0
31	Orakzai District	1	1				0
32	Kurram District	1	1				0
33	North Waziristan	1	1				0
34	South Waziristan	1		1			0
35	Chitral Upper	1	1				0
Total		**82**	**62**	**20**	**2**	**1**	**0**

5.12.2.5 Civil Judges

S.No	Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working In field		Working Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
			Male	Female	Male	Female	
01	Peshawar	46	11	18	1	1	17
02	Nowshera	15	6	6			3
03	Charsadda	12	8	3			1
04	Mardan	29	14	4			11
05	Swabi	16	5	6			5
06	Malakand	6	4	2			0
07	Swat	34	13	8			13
08	Shangla	11	3				8
09	Lower Dir	11	9	1			1
10	Upper Dir	9	7				2
11	Buner	7	4	2			1
12	Chitral Lower	12	5	1			6
13	D.I. Khan	23	11	2			10
14	Tank	5	3				2
15	Bannu	17	8	6			3
16	Lakki	10	7	2			1
17	Kohat	13	6	6			1

S.No	Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working In field		Working Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
			Male	Female	Male	Female	
18	Hangu	2	2				0
19	Karak	10	9				1
20	Haripur	18	7	6			5
21	Abbottabad	21	6	9			6
22	Mansehra	22	11	6			5
23	Batagram	4	2				2
24	Kohistan Upper	2	1				1
25	Torghar	2	2				0
26	Kohistan Lower						0
27	Kolai Pallas Kohistan						0
28	Bajaur District	3	3				0
29	Khyber District	5	4				1
30	Mohmand District	3	2				1
31	Orakzai District	3	3				0
32	Kurram District	3	2				1
33	North Waziristan	4	3				1
34	South Waziristan	4	1				3
35	Chitral Upper	1	1				0
Total		**383**	**183**	**88**	**1**	**1**	**112**

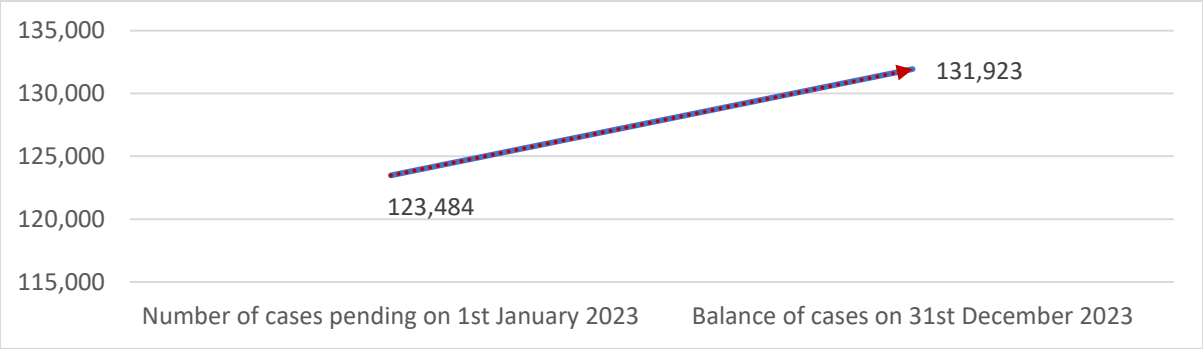
Note: One Civil Judge/JM is working at Islamabad against the Ex-cadre Post

5.13 Category-Wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the District Judiciary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Province during the Year 2023

The following table provides a detailed overview of case management statistics in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa for the year 2023, covering both criminal and civil cases, including appeals. It reflects the caseload progression from the start to the end of the year, highlighting new case institutions, transfers, disposals, and the remaining balance.

Name of Category	Pendency on 01st Jan 2023	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance on 31st Dec. 2023
			In	Out		
Criminal Cases	98968	371923	29342	25302	369200	105731
Civil Cases	164671	168811	33985	32210	163324	171933
Grand Total	**263639**	**540734**	**63327**	**57512**	**532524**	**277664**

- **Criminal Cases**: As of January 1st, 2023, there was a pending caseload of **98,968** criminal cases. Throughout the year, an additional **371,923** cases were instituted, reflecting the significant demand on the criminal justice system. A total of **29,342** cases were transferred in, while **25,302** cases were transferred out, resulting in a net increase in cases processed within the system. With **369,200** cases disposed of during the year, the remaining balance at the end of December 2023 was **105,731**. This shows effective case disposal efforts, yet the high inflow of new cases continues to challenge resources.
- **Civil Cases**: Civil cases, including appeals, began the year with a pending load of **164,671** cases. During the year, **168,811** new cases were instituted, with **33,985** transferred in and **32,210** transferred out. The disposal of **163,324** cases brought the pending balance to **171,933** by year-end. The relatively lower disposal rate in civil cases compared to criminal cases suggests that additional resources or procedural improvements may be needed to keep pace with the ongoing case influx.



Combining both categories, the total pending balance increased from **263,639** at the start of the year to **277,664** at year-end, marking a **5.3% overall increase** in pending cases. A total of **540,734** cases were instituted during the year, while **532,524** were disposed.

Overall, the high disposal rates reflect the District judiciary's commitment to managing cases efficiently. However, the slight increase in pending cases indicates the need for continued efforts to keep pace with the high volume of new cases each year. 139 judicial positions are currently vacant out of 659 sanctioned posts in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Filling these positions is crucial to reducing the backlog. Recruitment and deployment of additional judges can

significantly enhance the judiciary's capacity to process cases more swiftly, helping to manage the increasing inflow of new cases and alleviate the existing backlog. Prioritizing the filling of these vacancies will be an essential step toward ensuring timely justice and maintaining an efficient case management system.

5.13.1 Criminal Cases (All Categories including Appeals)

S.No	Name of Category	Pendency on 01-01-2023	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Homicide	5190	4000	1660	803	3385	6662
2	Attempt to Murder	3170	3040	453	571	2699	3393
3	Cases triable u/s 30 Cr.PC	3995	5224	998	1121	4980	4116
4	Hurt Cases	2762	3078	350	349	3048	2793
5	Abduction/Kidnapping	384	696	80	63	541	556
6	Arms & Amunation	8431	46294	1682	1305	46469	8633
7	Hudood Laws	479	1459	265	190	1507	506
8	Financial Crimes-Foreign Exchange Cases	281	202	5	29	145	314
9	Foreigner Act	190	524	56	20	440	310
10	Complaint Cases	2299	3168	446	328	3309	2276
11	Norcotics Substances	29261	35811	4796	4087	35165	30616
12	Habeas Corpus (491 Cr.PC)	34	2396	107	118	2377	42
13	Offences against Children	428	435	74	14	326	597
14	Offences Against Property	527	342	98	204	336	427
15	Sexual Offences	646	666	206	74	519	925
16	Minor Offences	931	20842	296	80	21375	614
17	Proceedings u/s 514 Cr. P.C	3133	4184	638	352	4015	3588
18	Proceedings Under Section 133 and 145 Cr. P.C	398	390	81	55	507	307
19	Security Proceedings u/s 107/51	77	32289	214	12	32500	68
20	Bail Applications	2160	101783	6969	6219	101800	2893
21	Other Criminal Misc Applications	1989	44642	2333	1647	44892	2425
22	Case under Forest Laws, Motor Vehicle Laws, Food Law	147	341	4	30	377	85
23	Other Local and Special Laws	1157	18941	410	241	19075	1192
24	Cases under other Laws	1260	2006	253	338	1858	1323
25	Criminal Appeals	137	349	25	15	368	128
26	Criminal Revisions	528	2515	233	150	2575	551
27	Other PPC related cases(Not Listed in above Categories)	27683	34903	6289	6731	33520	28624
28	Financial Crimes u/s 489-F PPC	1291	1403	321	156	1092	1767
Total		**98968**	**371923**	**29342**	**25302**	**369200**	**105731**

5.13.2 Civil Cases (All Categories including Appeals)

S.No	Name of Category	Pendency on 01-01-2023	Institution	Transferred During the Year		Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Civil Suits (Original Jurisdiction)	17095	8840	1636	6393	9173	12005
2	Civil Suit	67574	52983	14780	9406	52466	73465
3	Suits under Order 37 CPC	1265	868	237	217	871	1282
4	Custody of Minors	375	453	130	76	434	448
5	Defamation	167	74	18	8	82	169
6	Family Court Cases	13912	14155	5243	5326	14759	13225
7	Succession Cases	1084	4442	101	48	4859	720
8	Guardianship Cases	1575	4981	558	536	5158	1420
9	Land Acquisition Cases	2018	582	479	464	509	2106
10	Rent Cases	1083	900	73	93	801	1162
11	Proceeding under KP Mental Health Act 2017	24	58	13	1	70	24
12	Tribunal Cases	809	985	45	53	627	1159
13	Small Claims	230	219	25	17	274	183
14	Execution in which periodic payments are made	3506	1322	1120	828	1620	3500
15	Execution Petitions	11850	9534	2199	2021	8252	13310
16	Cases under other laws	188	65	8	7	209	45
17	Others	540	859	135	195	729	610
18	Other Civil Misc. Applications	24574	43257	3590	3840	41123	26458
19	Application under section 12(2) CPC	2349	1314	456	339	1355	2425
20	Review Petition	167	531	40	38	509	191
21	Objection Petitions	476	657	81	60	634	520
22	Civil Appeals	8130	8743	1411	1111	7475	9698
23	Civil Revisions	1802	3671	457	294	3302	2334
24	Guardianship and Succession Appeals	28	97	20	3	84	58
25	Family Appeals	1752	3537	701	407	2917	2666
26	Rent Appeals	112	313	95	14	353	153
27	Civil Appeals against Orders	1965	5339	320	391	4668	2565
28	Insolvency Cases	13	18	12	16	11	16
29	Execution Petitions Against Government	8	14	2	8	0	16
Total		**164671**	**168811**	**33985**	**32210**	**163324**	**171933**

5.14 District-Wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the District Judiciary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa During the Year 2023

S.No	Name of Districts	Pendency on 01-01-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred During the Year		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Peshawar	42328	94069	10611	5933	96949	44126
2	Nowshera	15761	29593	4957	4588	28668	17055
3	Charsadda	11415	27679	2397	2790	25884	12817
4	Mardan	23167	52537	4429	4186	51064	24883
5	Swabi	13150	22340	649	745	21845	13549
6	Malakand	4016	8288	826	1084	8466	3580
7	Swat	15332	27846	2253	2167	27281	15983
8	Shangla	1863	4246	354	283	4140	2040
9	Lower Dir	5589	9992	425	527	9773	5706
10	Upper Dir	3786	6598	808	854	6770	3568
11	Buner	4053	8538	686	773	8098	4406
12	Chitral Lower	3150	4650	536	572	4366	3398
13	D.I. Khan	16305	24986	4273	4151	23742	17671
14	Tank	2674	7305	235	257	7343	2614
15	Bannu	8438	30576	3305	3302	30125	8892
16	Lakki	7703	15197	1845	1927	14907	7911
17	Kohat	12153	20777	3768	3240	19828	13630
18	Hangu	2150	8190	448	484	8225	2079
19	Karak	7413	12834	1372	1409	13080	7130
20	Haripur	13635	29895	5466	5191	28626	15179
21	Abbottabad	18290	27943	4258	3328	28289	18874
22	Mansehra	16895	31115	2613	3055	30611	16957
23	Batagram	972	4838	853	688	4692	1283
24	Kohistan Upper	423	2038	64	74	2045	406
25	Torghar	194	2408	16	24	2446	148
26	Kohistan Lower	124	778	428	28	1187	115
27	Kollai Pallas Kohistan	149	716	9	19	641	214
28	Bajaur District	1669	3553	125	171	3521	1655
29	Khyber District	4097	5664	246	472	4856	4679
30	Mohmand District	1132	3949	313	319	3796	1279
31	Orakzai District	430	1651	130	158	1586	467
32	Kurram District	2222	3370	110	79	3097	2526
33	North Waziristan	1116	3265	78	129	3154	1176
34	South Waziristan	1170	2119	168	211	2222	1024
35	Chitral Upper	675	1191	54	75	1201	644
Total		**263639**	**540734**	**59108**	**53293**	**532524**	**277664**

5.15 District-Wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of Criminal Cases in the District Judiciary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa During the Year 2023

S.No	Name of Districts	Pendency on 01-01-2023	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Peshawar	18797	71920	8121	4607	74577	19654
2	Nowshera	6665	19320	3129	2998	19036	7080
3	Charsadda	6753	22871	1413	1690	21117	8230
4	Mardan	8111	38900	976	1033	38368	8586
5	Swabi	5085	14541	347	477	14642	4854
6	Malakand	1124	5130	128	209	5200	973
7	Swat	4624	16978	943	928	16580	5037
8	Shangla	595	2392	144	116	2368	647
9	Lower Dir	1993	5434	181	251	5237	2120
10	Upper Dir	1913	4106	287	433	4256	1617
11	Buner	988	5124	119	202	4763	1266
12	Chitral Lower	847	1729	196	227	1580	965
13	D.I.Khan	5104	16230	2146	2149	15420	5911
14	Tank	1279	5409	196	205	5337	1342
15	Bannu	3202	23634	1742	1690	23594	3294
16	Lakki	4115	11274	760	874	10720	4555
17	Kohat	4967	14952	2355	1914	14506	5854
18	Hangu	1260	7040	293	325	7171	1097
19	Karak	3353	8653	526	688	8783	3061
20	Haripur	3582	16914	762	631	16250	4377
21	Abbottabad	5612	17503	1156	605	18794	4872
22	Mansehra	4355	19647	979	561	19218	5202
23	Batagram	199	3301	219	130	3289	300
24	Kohistan Upper	142	1593	16	22	1603	126
25	Torghar	96	2045	11	16	2069	67
26	Kohistan Lower	51	652	389	5	1036	51
27	Kollai Pallas Kohistan	94	656	8	17	592	149
28	Bajaur District	514	2121	106	156	2020	565
29	Khyber District	1278	3758	200	480	3217	1539
30	Mohmand District	317	2583	184	198	2512	374
31	Orakzai District	187	1032	73	102	984	206
32	Kurram District	900	2134	43	69	1972	1036
33	North Waziristan	377	929	41	100	964	283
34	South Waziristan	399	960	154	191	952	370
35	Chitral Upper	90	458	13	17	473	71
Total		**98968**	**371923**	**28356**	**24316**	**369200**	**105731**

5.16 District-Wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of Civil Cases in the District Judiciary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa During the Year 2023

S.No	Name of Districts	Pendency on 01-01-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Peshawar	23531	22149	2490	1326	22372	24472
2	Nowshera	9096	10273	1828	1590	9632	9975
3	Charsadda	4662	4808	1403	1519	4767	4587
4	Mardan	15056	13637	3453	3153	12696	16297
5	Swabi	8065	7799	306	272	7203	8695
6	Malakand	2892	3158	698	875	3266	2607
7	Swat	10708	10868	1342	1271	10701	10946
8	Shangla	1268	1854	210	167	1772	1393
9	Lower Dir	3596	4558	244	276	4536	3586
10	Upper Dir	1873	2492	521	421	2514	1951
11	Buner	3065	3414	567	571	3335	3140
12	Chitral Lower	2303	2921	340	345	2786	2433
13	D.I.Khan	11201	8756	2127	2002	8322	11760
14	Tank	1395	1896	44	57	2006	1272
15	Bannu	5236	6942	1601	1650	6531	5598
16	Lakki	3588	3923	1090	1058	4187	3356
17	Kohat	7186	5825	1454	1367	5322	7776
18	Hangu	890	1150	155	159	1054	982
19	Karak	4060	4181	855	730	4297	4069
20	Haripur	10054	12981	4703	4560	12376	10802
21	Abbottabad	12678	10440	3677	3298	9495	14002
22	Mansehra	12540	11468	1784	2644	11393	11755
23	Batagram	773	1537	634	558	1403	983
24	Kohistan Upper	281	445	48	52	442	280
25	Torghar	98	363	5	8	377	81
26	Kohistan Lower	73	126	39	23	151	64
27	Kollai Pallas Kohistan	55	60	1	2	49	65
28	Bajaur District	1155	1432	19	15	1501	1090
29	Khyber District	2819	1906	126	72	1639	3140
30	Mohmand District	815	1366	129	121	1284	905
31	Orakzai District	243	619	57	56	602	261
32	Kurram District	1322	1236	67	10	1125	1490
33	North Waziristan	739	2336	40	32	2190	893
34	South Waziristan	771	1159	14	20	1270	654
35	Chitral Upper	585	733	47	64	728	573
Total		**164672**	**168811**	**32118**	**30344**	**163324**	**171933**

5.17 District-Wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of Civil Appeals (in the Courts of District Judge and Additional District Judges) in the District Judiciary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa during the Year 2023

S.No	Name of Districts	Pendency on 01-01-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Peshawar	1262	1835	132	242	1931	1056
2	Nowshera	790	706	200	339	572	785
3	Charsadda	402	419	91	139	378	395
4	Mardan	594	826	144	193	731	640
5	Swabi	479	500	33	132	412	468
6	Malakand	158	372	20	65	290	195
7	Swat	1559	976	61	265	943	1388
8	Shangla	124	134	1	12	104	143
9	Lower Dir	308	408	0	50	300	366
10	Upper Dir	152	235	6	34	141	218
11	Buner	468	392	16	63	326	487
12	Chitral Lower	459	364	9	53	241	538
13	D.I.Khan	480	694	184	277	587	494
14	Tank	124	196	6	21	229	76
15	Bannu	198	745	30	66	517	390
16	Lakki	408	402	28	65	326	447
17	Kohat	350	456	29	84	351	400
18	Hangu	71	83	10	20	102	42
19	Karak	474	445	65	173	314	497
20	Haripur	843	826	158	366	635	826
21	Abbottabad	1058	899	48	201	828	976
22	Mansehra	617	863	151	185	710	736
23	Batagram	188	99	107	106	97	191
24	Kohistan Upper	11	57	0	2	64	2
25	Torghar	9	28	0	1	25	11
26	Kohistan Lower	5	4	25	0	34	0
27	Kollai Pallas Kohistan	2	4	0	0	1	5
28	Bajaur District	65	182	7	4	140	110
29	Khyber District	63	278	4	20	221	104
30	Mohmand District	33	149	1	6	124	53
31	Orakzai District	9	105	3	12	83	22
32	Kurram District	110	116	0	17	128	81
33	North Waziristan	16	116	4	2	102	32
34	South Waziristan	12	78	5	6	68	21
35	Chitral Upper	84	84	2	16	87	67
Total		**11985**	**14076**	**1580**	**3237**	**12142**	**12262**

5.18 District-Wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Criminal Revision (in the Courts of Sessions Judge and Additional Sessions Judge) in the District Judiciary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa During the Year 2023

S.No	Name of Districts	Pendency on 01-01-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Peshawar	56	290	55	25	334	42
2	Nowshera	7	70	14	10	64	17
3	Charsadda	13	133	7	6	140	7
4	Mardan	24	173	5	10	162	30
5	Swabi	6	73	5	3	77	4
6	Malakand	24	117	10	13	118	20
7	Swat	85	222	18	5	245	75
8	Shangla	12	41	4	2	50	5
9	Lower Dir	36	127	0	5	124	34
10	Upper Dir	56	82	2	2	95	43
11	Buner	4	60	2	0	56	10
12	Chitral	32	22	4	1	28	29
13	D.I.Khan	36	174	22	18	169	45
14	Tank	7	38	7	7	39	6
15	Bannu	7	123	6	3	127	6
16	Lakki	16	34	4	6	37	11
17	Kohat	16	70	17	8	85	10
18	Hangu	4	16	1	1	18	2
19	Karak	10	46	6	3	54	5
20	Haripur	34	148	9	11	137	43
21	Abbottabad	11	134	25	8	125	37
22	Mansehra	16	139	12	7	125	35
23	Batagram	2	22	10	2	25	7
24	Kohistan Upper	0	6	0	0	6	0
25	Torghar	1	7	0	5	2	1
26	Kohistan Lower	0					0
27	Kollai Pallas Kohistan	0	0	1	1	0	0
28	Bajaur District	6	17	0	0	17	6
29	Khyber District	1	50	1	3	42	7
30	Mohmand District	0	39	3	1	34	7
31	Orakzai District	0	11	0	1	10	0
32	Kurram District	1	8	2	0	8	3
33	North Waziristan	0	2	0	0	2	0
34	South Waziristan	0	9	1	1	9	0
35	Chitral Upper	2	5	0	0	6	1
Total		**525**	**2508**	**253**	**168**	**2570**	**548**

5.19 District-Wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Civil Revision (in the Courts of District and Additional District Judge) in the District Judiciary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa During the Year 2023

S.No	Name of Districts	Pendency on 01-01-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Peshawar	192	423	59	13	422	239
2	Nowshera	103	115	78	37	124	135
3	Charsadda	74	118	4	3	113	80
4	Mardan	149	350	74	50	323	200
5	Swabi	80	176	15	5	133	133
6	Malakand	32	163	8	11	125	67
7	Swat	224	242	13	4	245	230
8	Shangla	23	42	2	2	53	12
9	Lower Dir	55	165	0	6	133	81
10	Upper Dir	34	61	5	4	44	52
11	Buner	51	120	7	13	117	48
12	Chitral	28	50	4	3	33	46
13	D.I.Khan	120	194	47	45	195	121
14	Tank	24	59	1	5	66	13
15	Bannu	20	205	20	17	197	31
16	Lakki	78	118	19	11	99	105
17	Kohat	61	115	15	9	106	76
18	Hangu	1	33	0	1	28	5
19	Karak	58	136	23	20	90	107
20	Haripur	97	160	5	6	127	129
21	Abbottabad	123	212	25	9	203	148
22	Mansehra	91	194	11	6	133	157
23	Batagram	28	22	23	21	29	23
24	Kohistan Upper	1	6	0	0	7	0
25	Torghar	1	3	4	0	6	2
26	Kohistan Lower	0	3	3	0	5	1
27	Kollai Pallas Kohistan	1	1	0	0	1	1
28	Bajaur District	8	30	1	0	22	17
29	Khyber District	7	50	2	2	24	33
30	Mohmand District	2	28	1	0	22	9
31	Orakzai District	0	13	1	3	7	4
32	Kurram District	23	18	0	0	31	10
33	North Waziristan	3	7	0	1	4	5
34	South Waziristan	0	17	3	3	12	5
35	Chitral Upper	9	17	0	1	17	8
Total		**1801**	**3666**	**473**	**311**	**3296**	**2333**

5.20 District-Wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of Criminal Appeals (in the Courts of Sessions Judges and Additional Sessions Judges) in the District Judiciary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa During the Year 2023

S.No	Name of Districts	Pendency on 01-01-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred During the Year		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Peshawar	10	39	8	3	46	8
2	Nowshera	1	4	1	1	3	2
3	Charsadda	1	27		2	25	1
4	Mardan	3	11	5		11	8
5	Swabi	2	20	2	1	19	4
6	Malakand	8	38			42	4
7	Swat	16	34	4	1	39	14
8	Shangla	7	9	1	1	11	5
9	Lower Dir	9	10	2	1	17	3
10	Upper Dir	15	18	1	1	19	14
11	Buner	3	7			5	5
12	Chitral Lower	20	4	3		16	11
13	D.I.Khan	2	31	3	2	22	12
14	Tank	1			1		
15	Bannu	4	10	2	5	8	3
16	Lakki	5	6		3	5	3
17	Kohat	3	11	2		14	2
18	Hangu	3	3			5	1
19	Karak	3	3		2	3	1
20	Haripur	8	6		5	7	2
21	Abbottabad	2	11	6		13	6
22	Mansehra	3	10	1	2	4	8
23	Batagram		7	2		7	2
24	Kohistan Upper						
25	Torghar		1			1	
26	Kohistan Lower		1				1
27	Kollai Pallas Kohistan	1	4		2	2	1
28	Bajaur District		3	1		4	
29	Khyber District		1			1	
30	Mohmand District		3			2	1
31	Orakzai District	7	1		7	1	
32	Kurram District		10	7		11	6
33	North Waziristan						
34	South Waziristan						
35	Chitral Upper						
Total		**137**	**343**	**51**	**40**	**363**	**128**

5.21 District-Wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Rent Cases in the District Judiciary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa During the Year 2023

S.No	Name of Districts	Pendency on 01-01-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred During the Year		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Peshawar	323	276	2	0	254	347
2	Nowshera	34	15	2	1	22	28
3	Charsadda	57	84	9	56	47	47
4	Mardan	149	186	0	0	118	217
5	Swabi	18	7	0	0	12	13
6	Malakand	33	21	9	11	30	22
7	Swat	72	57	4	2	44	87
8	Shangla	0	2	0	0	0	2
9	Lower Dir	15	7	2	0	14	10
10	Upper Dir	32	20	27	15	32	32
11	Buner	0					0
12	Chitral Lower	6	12	0	0	8	10
13	D.I.Khan	73	39	14	9	44	73
14	Tank	10	0	0	0	1	9
15	Bannu	4	6	1	0	5	6
16	Lakki	3	1	0	2	2	0
17	Kohat	44	11	4	6	26	27
18	Hangu	10	10	0	0	13	7
19	Karak	6	0	0	1	3	2
20	Haripur	30	30	1	1	25	35
21	Abbottabad	78	63	3	6	30	108
22	Mansehra	64	38	14	2	55	59
23	Batagram	0					0
24	Kohistan Upper	0					0
25	Torghar	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	Kohistan Lower	0					0
27	Kollai Pallas Kohistan	0					0
28	Bajaur District	7	12	0	0	8	11
29	Khyber District	6	0	0	0	0	6
30	Mohmand District	0					0
31	Orakzai District	0					0
32	Kurram District	3	0	0	0	2	1
33	North Waziristan	0	1	0	0	0	1
34	South Waziristan	6	2	0	0	6	2
35	Chitral Upper	0					0
Total		**1083**	**900**	**92**	**112**	**801**	**1162**

5.22 District-Wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Bail Applications in the District Judiciary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa During the Year 2023

S.No	Name of Districts	Pendency on 01-01-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred During the Year		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Peshawar	482	19083	2638	1798	19803	602
2	Nowshera	142	6048	432	433	5969	220
3	Charsadda	122	6001	224	311	5719	317
4	Mardan	145	9044	238	491	8736	200
5	Swabi	48	4765	182	238	4691	66
6	Malakand	37	1847	80	96	1850	18
7	Swat	79	5418	373	335	5456	79
8	Shangla	1	578	25	34	559	11
9	Lower Dir	67	2014	14	73	1963	59
10	Upper Dir	22	1817	20	99	1738	22
11	Buner	10	1247	76	104	1208	21
12	Chitral	23	726	11	39	703	18
13	D.I.Khan	216	5359	247	258	5297	267
14	Tank	63	1432	95	90	1475	25
15	Bannu	23	5608	148	150	5578	51
16	Lakki	71	3340	413	451	3268	105
17	Kohat	105	4801	331	300	4834	103
18	Hangu	13	1576	53	78	1554	10
19	Karak	40	2657	77	108	2638	28
20	Haripur	45	3172	227	221	3145	78
21	Abbottabad	157	3840	243	142	3886	212
22	Mansehra	76	4508	558	217	4760	165
23	Batagram	2	683	104	40	740	9
24	Kohistan Upper	9	268	6	5	273	5
25	Torghar	1	216	7	3	214	7
26	Kohistan Lower	6	131	218	2	352	1
27	Kollai Pallas Kohistan	25	165	2	8	137	47
28	Bajaur District	26	651	53	76	640	14
29	Khyber District	47	1818	112	216	1700	61
30	Mohmand District	11	786	52	50	776	23
31	Orakzai District	3	387	10	24	374	2
32	Kurram District	22	1014	27	43	987	33
33	North Waziristan	12	300	20	20	304	8
34	South Waziristan	2	361	16	27	346	6
35	Chitral Upper	7	122	1	3	127	0
Total		**2160**	**101783**	**7333**	**6583**	**101800**	**2893**

5.23 District-Wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Murder Cases in the District Judiciary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa During the Year 2023

S.No	Name of Districts	Pendency on 01-01-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred During the Year		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Peshawar	1263	581			430	1414
2	Nowshera	503	209	130	120	281	441
3	Charsadda	582	233	63	419	194	265
4	Mardan	589	1626	211	237	1627	562
5	Swabi	375	286	10	12	294	365
6	Malakand	74	122	7	4	121	78
7	Swat	275	243	2	6	150	364
8	Shangla	60	65	7	7	38	87
9	Lower Dir	96	76	7	7	51	121
10	Upper Dir	243	75	7	10	117	198
11	Buner	118	85	3	7	52	147
12	Chitral Lower	39	6		7	7	31
13	D.I. Khan	263	126	91	92	116	272
14	Tank	97	76	32	23	96	86
15	Bannu	351	211	83	70	227	348
16	Lakki	442	414	26	31	253	598
17	Kohat	304	249	127	137	112	431
18	Hangu	116	90	18	12	92	120
19	Karak	326	184	7	34	191	292
20	Haripur	106	69	23	23	35	140
21	Abbottabad	155	168	26	13	92	244
22	Mansehra	134	113	17	17	65	182
23	Batagram	30	34	18	15	26	41
24	Kohistan Upper	16	37	2	4	44	7
25	Torghar	63	13			23	53
26	Kohistan Lower	7	22			22	7
27	Kolai Pallas Kohistan	11	46	2		32	27
28	Bajaur District	76	68	5	2	68	79
29	Khyber District	136	88	17	42	67	132
30	Mohmand District	32	22	2	1	20	35
31	Orakzai District	18	29			28	19
32	Kurram District	186	53			52	187
33	North Waziristan	45	38		1	39	43
34	South Waziristan	51	41	50	22	44	76
35	Chitral Upper	3	2			3	2
Total		**7185**	**5800**	**993**	**1375**	**5109**	**7494**

5.24 District-Wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Family Cases in the District Judiciary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa During the Year 2023

S.No	Name of Districts	Pendency on 01-01-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred During the Year		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Peshawar	2117	3168	690	38	3492	2445
2	Nowshera	738	1183	305	197	1170	859
3	Charsadda	545	846	538	513	1035	381
4	Mardan	1192	1724	260	58	1663	1455
5	Swabi	771	1131	89	22	1300	669
6	Malakand	285	452	209	197	519	230
7	Swat	1013	1965	275	129	1993	1131
8	Shangla	87	372	50	35	353	121
9	Lower Dir	254	840	103	62	938	197
10	Upper Dir	109	373	77	49	353	157
11	Buner	246	517	114	78	566	233
12	Chitral Lower	173	275	140	126	353	109
13	D.I.Khan	903	1346	415	91	1329	1244
14	Tank	56	204	70	1	259	70
15	Bannu	279	722	108	70	601	438
16	Lakki	281	651	44	6	647	323
17	Kohat	658	898	658	497	921	796
18	Hangu	123	333	46	20	334	148
19	Karak	254	535	115	25	614	265
20	Haripur	1159	1645	2510	2305	1594	1415
21	Abbottabad	1335	1499	1267	1025	1547	1529
22	Mansehra	1036	1710	678	369	1865	1190
23	Batagram	33	236	82	71	228	52
24	Kohistan Upper	1	80	3	0	82	2
25	Torghar	4	57	0	1	55	5
26	Kohistan Lower	1	24	4	0	28	1
27	Kollai Pallas Kohistan	1	8	0	0	7	2
28	Bajaur District	64	164	25	0	222	31
29	Khyber District	27	137	28	3	133	56
30	Mohmand District	11	71	23	3	90	12
31	Orakzai District	5	73	8	0	84	2
32	Kurram District	70	195	32	0	178	119
33	North Waziristan	22	129	32	0	154	29
34	South Waziristan	12	268	76	0	333	23
35	Chitral Upper	47	111	2	11	114	35
Total		**13912**	**23942**	**9076**	**6002**	**25154**	**15774**

5.25 District-Wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases Punishable for the Sentence of Seven Years or more Imprisonment up to Death Sentence in the District Judiciary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa During the Year 2023

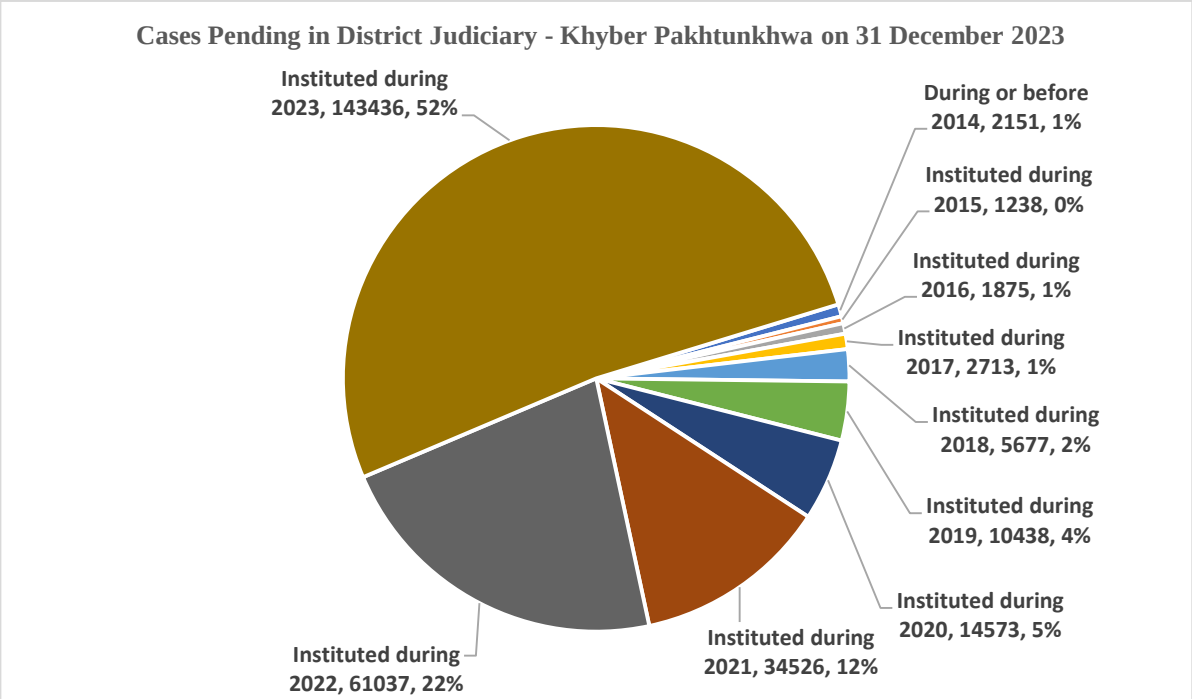
S.No	Name of Districts	Pendency on 01-01-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred During the Year		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Peshawar	7558	4191			3031	8718
2	Nowshera	4798	4388	867	1304	3944	4805
3	Charsadda	1148	1397	508	414	1187	1452
4	Mardan	4120	7947	545	301	9654	2657
5	Swabi	2454	3059	43	65	3270	2221
6	Malakand	646	2146	56	87	1975	786
7	Swat	869	1423	29	79	1072	1170
8	Shangla	170	557	27	27	343	384
9	Lower Dir	1234	1637	92	90	1610	1263
10	Upper Dir	1072	1428	75	69	1644	862
11	Buner	367	233	12	220	161	231
12	Chitral Lower	406	580	134	102	495	523
13	D.I. Khan	542	523	328	242	409	742
14	Tank	676	942	53	47	799	825
15	Bannu	1117	993	396	377	1052	1077
16	Lakki	2393	2469	268	279	2216	2635
17	Kohat	1815	2247	522	552	1183	2849
18	Hangu	935	2224	143	155	2455	692
19	Karak	1705	725	84	274	660	1580
20	Haripur	1944	1214	42	42	1025	2133
21	Abbottabad	1946	990	177	44	1065	2004
22	Mansehra	1623	1834	142	142	1645	1812
23	Batagram	33	179	6	7	104	107
24	Kohistan Upper	46	90	2	5	108	25
25	Torghar	76	177	5	7	103	148
26	Kohistan Lower	9	17		1	13	12
27	Kolai Pallas Kohistan	29	27		2	19	35
28	Bajaur District	206	232	19	24	237	196
29	Khyber District	427	595	70	79	368	645
30	Mohmand District	103	264	15	14	254	114
31	Orakzai District	94	232			236	90
32	Kurram District	270	160			99	331
33	North Waziristan	16	107	74	4	111	82
34	South Waziristan	298	166	47	50	114	347
35	Chitral Upper	33	62		5	65	25
Total		**41178**	**45455**	**4781**	**5110**	**42726**	**43578**

5.26 District-Wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Narcotics cases in the District Judiciary of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa During the Year 2023

S.No	Name of Districts	Pendency on 01-01-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred During the Year		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Peshawar	6175	8704	1196	601	10156	5318
2	Nowshera	3379	2220	963	970	2555	3037
3	Charsadda	2293	2313	563	659	1536	2974
4	Mardan	3524	2680	157	75	2709	3577
5	Swabi	1369	912	12	11	1301	981
6	Malakand	206	669	6	21	676	184
7	Swat	1191	3578	32	44	3429	1328
8	Shangla	71	566	41	3	563	112
9	Lower Dir	425	374	2	22	315	464
10	Upper Dir	371	208	10	10	301	278
11	Buner	315	1844	2	12	1748	401
12	Chitral Lower	354	267	26	29	174	444
13	D.I.Khan	888	995	416	478	852	969
14	Tank	141	892	32	32	864	169
15	Bannu	524	1023	147	127	1073	494
16	Lakki	769	763	10	12	373	1157
17	Kohat	1512	1819	628	539	968	2452
18	Hangu	646	1416	111	114	1665	394
19	Karak	1156	1053	271	301	1001	1178
20	Haripur	1063	732	12	9	542	1256
21	Abbottabad	1245	799	74	11	788	1319
22	Mansehra	807	732	225	130	447	1187
23	Batagram	8	56	7	2	56	13
24	Kohistan Upper	10	37	0	0	40	7
25	Torghar	18	58	6	25	44	13
26	Kohistan Lower	2	48	96	0	144	2
27	Kollai Pallas Kohistan	1	0	1	1	0	1
28	Bajaur District	54	86	5	3	70	72
29	Khyber District	372	351	28	122	267	362
30	Mohmand District	53	81	1	5	83	47
31	Orakzai District	46	101	15	23	86	53
32	Kurram District	159	206	5	5	117	248
33	North Waziristan	63	57	0	0	63	57
34	South Waziristan	26	57	25	20	45	43
35	Chitral Upper	25	114	2	2	114	25
Total		**29261**	**35811**	**5127**	**4418**	**35165**	**30616**

5.27 Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the year of Institution

The chart below presents the pending caseload of District Judiciary of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Province on 31st December 2023, bifurcated by the year of institution



The table presents the total pending cases as of December 31, 2023, categorized tier-wise (i.e. cases pending in the Civil & Sessions Courts) and provides a breakdown of these cases based on the year they were instituted

Name of Category	Net on Pendency 31.12.23	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		upto 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Criminal Jurisdiction	**105731**	7	4	12	26	510	1777	4163	14297	26174	58761
Civil Jurisdiction	**171933**	2144	1234	1863	2687	5167	8661	10410	20229	34863	84675
Total	**277664**	**2151**	**1238**	**1875**	**2713**	**5677**	**10438**	**14573**	**34526**	**61037**	**143436**

- In the **Criminal Jurisdiction**, there are **105,731** pending cases. A detailed analysis reveals that a substantial number of these cases have been instituted in recent years. While the backlog from years prior to **2015** is relatively minor accounting for only **0.01%** of the total cases othere has been a dramatic increase in pending cases from **2018** onward. An overwhelming **55.6%** of the total criminal cases were filed during the Year 2023 are still pending in the system.
- Similarly, the **Civil Jurisdiction** shows a backlog of **171,933** pending cases, with a similar trend observed. The percentage of pending cases from the Year **2023** alone represents **49.28%** of the total civil cases, demonstrating the increasing demand for judicial resources and the need for streamlined processes to manage these cases

effectively. Earlier years contribute less significantly to the backlog, with cases from **2014** and earlier accounting for just **1.25%** of the total.

5.27.1 Civil Jurisdiction (All Categories).

Name of Category	Pendency on 31-12-2023	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		upto 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Civil Suits (Original Jurisdiction)	**12005**	170	124	150	225	450	854	1024	1784	2376	4848
Civil Suit	**73465**	1272	865	1271	1712	3223	5279	6421	10780	14505	28137
Suits under Order 37 CPC	**1282**	1	5	5	5	19	65	64	198	331	589
Custody of Minors	**448**	0	0	0	0	3	6	14	41	89	295
Defamation	**169**	1	3	0	2	6	10	19	46	38	44
Family Court Cases	**13225**	2	2	10	19	71	264	514	1363	2875	8105
Succession Cases	**720**	0	0	0	0	1	4	7	26	44	638
Guardianship Cases	**1420**	0	0	1	0	4	18	32	85	216	1064
Land Acquisition Cases	**2106**	20	8	34	111	363	306	252	238	302	472
Rent Cases	**1162**	2	2	3	46	18	71	71	116	369	464
Proceeding under KP Mental Health Act 2017	**24**	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	18
Tribunal Cases	**1159**	3	0	2	7	19	73	37	134	192	692
Small Claims	**183**	0	1	0	1	4	7	10	24	39	97
Execution in which periodic payments are made	**3500**	287	76	121	173	233	338	293	432	638	909
Execution Petitions	**13310**	261	100	161	253	415	705	724	1471	2928	6292
Cases under other laws	**45**	0	0	0	1	1	3	1	17	16	6
Others	**610**	2	1	5	3	14	41	18	56	109	361
Other Civil Misc Applications	**26458**	40	20	54	61	156	303	481	1810	5515	18018
Application under section 12(2) CPC	**2425**	57	24	39	61	104	152	172	361	558	897
Review Petition	**191**	0	0	0	2	1	6	1	11	15	155
Objection Petitions	**520**	1	1	1	0	15	11	24	55	99	313
Civil Appeals	**9698**	25	2	6	4	44	131	208	921	2419	5938
Civil Revisions	**2334**	0	0	0	0	1	7	10	98	434	1784
Guardianship and Succession Appeals	**58**	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	54
Family Appeals	**2666**	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	90	369	2200
Rent Appeals	**153**	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	18	130
Civil Appeals against Orders	**2565**	0	0	0	0	1	5	6	63	357	2133
Insolvency Cases	**16**	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	11
Execution Petitions Against	**16**	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	4	11

Name of Category	Pendency on 31-12-2023	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		upto 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Government											
TOTAL - Civil Cases	**171933**	**2144**	**1234**	**1863**	**2687**	**5167**	**8661**	**10410**	**20229**	**34863**	**84675**

5.27.2 Criminal Jurisdiction (All Categories).

Name of Category	Pendency on 31-12-2023	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		upto 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Homicide	**6662**	1		1	3	50	206	363	1127	1791	3120
Attempt to Murder	**3393**	0			1	23	68	117	497	990	1697
Cases Triable u/s 30 Cr.PC	**4116**	2	1	2	1	23	86	184	530	947	2340
Hurt Cases	**2793**	0			1	24	55	138	396	642	1537
Abduction/ Kidnapping	**556**	0				5	9	13	33	133	363
Arms & Amunation	**8633**	1			2	40	146	296	976	2162	5010
Hudood Laws	**506**	0				2	10	21	111	117	245
Financial Crimes-Foreign Exchange Cases	**314**	0					6	16	33	113	146
Foreigner Act	**310**	0					1	2	4	121	182
Complaint Cases	**2276**	0		1	2	15	51	103	286	479	1339
Norcotics Substances	**30616**	0			1	38	253	1258	4965	8431	15670
Habeas Corpus Section (491 Cr.PC)	**42**	0					1		2	7	32
Offences against Children	**597**	0				3	10	26	93	156	309
Offences Against Property	**427**	1	1			2	6	16	73	130	198
Sexual Offences	**925**	0					19	61	91	251	503
Minor Offences	**614**	0			1	14	42	53	148	142	214
Proceedings u/s 514 Cr. P.C	**3588**	0				13	30	42	245	727	2531
Proceedings Under Section 133 and 145 Cr. P.C	**307**	0				4	8	9	45	69	172
Security Proceedings u/s 107/51	**68**	0								4	64
Bail Applications	**2893**	1		2			1	6	3	18	2862
Other Criminal Misc Applications	**2425**	0				1	8	17	38	220	2141

Name of Category	Pendency on 31-12-2023	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		upto 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Case under Forest Laws, Motor Vehicle Laws, Food Law	**85**	0					1	10	21	30	23
Other Local and Special Laws	**1192**	0				2	24	52	76	258	780
Cases under other laws	**1323**	0				7	32	46	148	303	787
Criminal Appeals	**128**	0						1	8	18	101
Criminal Revisions	**551**	0						6	21	76	448
Other PPC related cases(Not Listed in above Categories)	**28624**	1	2	6	12	220	661	1223	4105	7491	14903
Financial Crimes-489-F PPC	**1767**	0			2	24	43	84	222	348	1044
TOTAL - Criminal Cases	**105731**	**7**	**4**	**12**	**26**	**510**	**1777**	**4163**	**14297**	**26174**	**58761**

6 High Court of Balochistan



Prior to the establishment of the High Court of West Pakistan on October 14th, 1955, Balochistan was served by a Judicial Commissioner. After the High Court's dissolution on July 1st, 1970, a joint High Court for Sindh and Balochistan was created, which operated until November 30, 1976, when separate High Courts were formed for each Province. The High Court of Balochistan was officially established on December 1, 1976.

The High Court of Balochistan has a total sanctioned strength of **11 judges**, including the Chief Justice, all of whom are appointed by the President of Pakistan under Article 175-A of the Constitution. The principal seat is located in Quetta, with a bench in Sibi.

In terms of jurisdiction, the High Court has both appellate and original jurisdiction. It hears appeals against decisions from civil and criminal courts and has the authority to issue writs, including Habeas Corpus, Mandamus, Prohibition, Certiorari, and Quo Warranto.

6.1 Hon'ble Chief Justice, and, Judges of the High Court of Balochistan as on 31-12-2023

Sr. #	Name	Date of Elevation	Date of Superannuation
1	Mr. Chief Justice Naeem Akhtar Afghan	11-05-11	29-06-25
2	Mr. Justice Muhammad Hashim Khan Kakar	11-05-11	18-09-25
3	Mr. Justice Muhammad Ejaz Swati	02-09-13	06-06-25
4	Mr. Justice Muhammad Kamran Khan Mulakhail	02-09-13	19-01-30
5	Mr. Justice Zaheer-ud-Din Kakar	13-08-16	03-03-25
6	Mr. Justice Abdullah Baloch	13-08-16	15-03-25
7	Mr. Justice Nazir Ahmed Langove	04-11-16	06-04-24
8	Mr. Justice Rozi Khan Barrech	31-05-19	07-04-26
9	Mr. Justice Abdul Hameed Baloch	31-05-19	01-01-23
10	Mr. Justice Iqbal Ahmed Kasi	07-07-22	16-08-27
11	Mr. Justice Shaukat Ali Rakhshani	07-07-22	04-08-31
12	Mr. Justice Gul Hassan Tareen	07-07-22	24-06-36
13	Mr. Justice Muhammad Aamir Nawaz Rana	07-07-22	21-11-36
14	Mr. Justice Sardar Ahmed Haleemi	07-07-22	12-02-37

Sanctioned Strength of Hon'ble Judges (as on 31-12-2020): **15**

Working Strength of Hon'ble Judges: (as on 31-12-2020): **14**

6.2 Hon'ble Judges Elevated to the Supreme Court of Pakistan During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name	Date of Elevation
1	Nil	Nil

6.3 Hon'ble Judges, Who Retired During the Year 2023

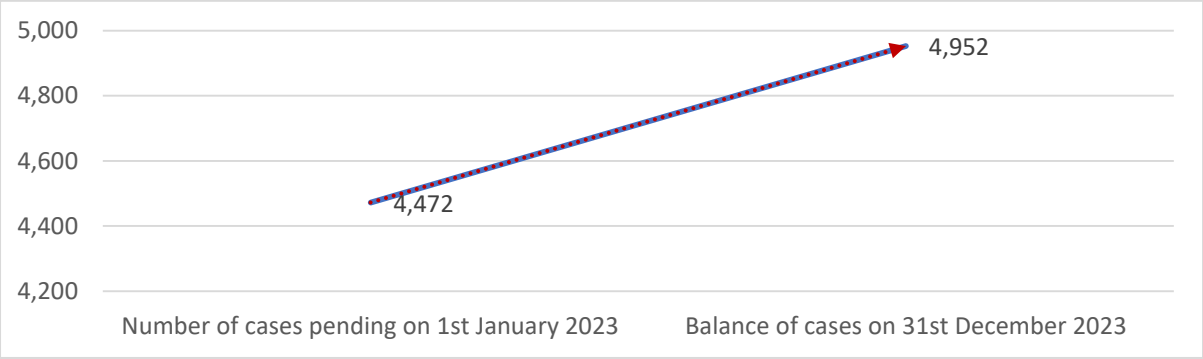
Sr. #	Name	Date of Retirement
1	Nil	Nil

6.4 Consolidated Statement of Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the High Court of Balochistan

S.No	Name of Principal Seat and Benches	Pendency	Institution	Disposal	Balance
1	Principal Seat at Quetta	3727	5743	5232	4238
2	Circuit Bench at Sibi	446	789	786	449
3	Circuit Bench at Turbat	299	388	422	265
	Total	**4472**	**6920**	**6440**	**4952**

The table above presents data on case pendency, new case institution, disposals, and the resultant balance for different benches of the High Court of Balochistan during the Year 2023.

- At the **Principal Seat at Quetta**, the initial pendency was **3,727** cases. By the end of the period, the balance increased to **4,238** cases, representing a **13.7% increase in pendency**. This rise, despite a high disposal rate, suggests that the volume of new cases was significant enough to slightly outpace disposals, underscoring a need for further resource allocation or process improvements.
- The **Circuit Bench at Sibi** maintained a relatively stable caseload. It began with **446** cases and ended with **449**, showing a **minor increase in pendency of only 0.7%**. This minimal change indicates effective case management, with the disposal rate nearly matching the rate of new cases, allowing the bench to maintain control over its backlog.
- Conversely, the **Circuit Bench at Turbat** achieved a reduction in its caseload. Starting with **299** pending cases, the bench concluded with **265** cases, reflecting an **11.4% decrease in pendency**. This improvement suggests that the bench was able to handle more cases than it received, leading to a reduced backlog and potentially indicating a well-functioning Case Management System or a lighter caseload.



Across all benches, the total number of cases pending at the start was **4,472**, with **6,920** new cases instituted. Out of these, **6,440** cases were disposed of, leading to an approximate 10% increase in pendency and an ending balance of **4,952** cases.

6.5 Category-Wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in High Court of Balochistan including Sibi and Turbat Benches During the Year 2023

Sr. No.	Name of Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Constitution Petition (DB)	1,619	2,612	2,371	1,860
2	Criminal Revision (SB/DB)	97	169	132	134
3	Habeas Corpus Petition (DB)	1	1	2	0
4	Civil Revision (SB/DB)	1,289	837	824	1,302
5	Civil Petition U/C Act	7	1	0	8
6	Criminal Misc. Quashment	29	80	83	26
7	Criminal Bail Application	48	908	841	115
8	Suit for Recovery of Loans	4	0	4	0
9	Original Suit	5	0	5	0
10	Execution Application	2	0	1	1
11	Contempt Application	88	186	166	108
12	Review Petition/Appeal	34	79	79	34
13	Election Petition/Appeals	0	21	20	1
14	Civil/Criminal Transfer Application	10	131	121	20
15	Suo Motu Reference	0	0	0	0
16	Insolvency Petition/Appeal	2	0	0	2
17	Criminal Civil Original Complaint	1	2	0	3
18	Murder Reference	20	25	11	34
19	Admirality Suit	0	2	1	1
20	Criminal Appeal/Jail Appeal	637	1,066	992	711
21	High Court Appeal	37	27	34	30
22	Regular First Appeal	103	64	58	109
23	Regular Second Appeal	3	4	2	5
24	First Appeal Orders	58	91	89	60
25	Succession Appeal	8	5	11	2
26	Civil Mis. Appeal	180	338	343	175
27	Custom Appeal/Reference	26	156	154	28
28	Criminal Reference	10	0	10	0
29	Family Appeal	0	0	0	0
30	Guardian Appeal	1	0	0	1
31	Admirality Appeal/Suit	3	1	2	2
32	Special Criminal Banking Appeal	2	0	0	2
33	Criminal Ehtisab Appeal	97	0	6	91
34	Income Tax Appeal/Ref	14	5	10	9
35	Inter Court Appeal	0	0	0	0
36	Sales Tax Appeal/Ref	6	41	40	7
37	Civil Misc. Application	7	9	6	10
38	Criminal Appeal (ATA) (SB/DB)	12	18	11	19
39	Environmental Appeal	1	3	4	0
40	Crl. Misc. Application	1	27	4	24
41	Clemency Appeal	0	0	0	0
42	FERA.	1	1	2	0
43	Service Judiciary	9	10	1	18
44	Trade Org	0	0	0	0
Total		**4,472**	**6,920**	**6,440**	**4,952**

6.5.1 Principal Seat (All Categories)

Sr. No.	Name of Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Constitution Petition (DB)	1,358	2,214	1,986	1,586
2	Criminal Revision (SB/DB)	86	124	103	107
3	Habeas Corpus Petition (DB)	1	0	1	0
4	Civil Revision (SB/DB)	1,069	671	633	1,107
5	Civil Petition U/C Act	7	1	0	8
6	Criminal Misc. Quashment	22	54	60	16
7	Criminal Bail Application	30	738	667	101
8	Suit for Recovery of Loans	4	0	4	0
9	Original Suit	5	0	5	0
10	Execution Application	2	0	1	1
11	Contempt Application	79	161	150	90
12	Review Petition/Appeal	31	68	70	29
13	Election Petition/Appeals	0	20	20	0
14	Civil/Criminal Transfer Application	8	91	92	7
15	Suo Motu Reference	0	0	0	0
16	Insolvency Petition/Appeal	2	0	0	2
17	Criminal Civil Original Complaint	1	2	0	3
18	Murder Reference	15	17	5	27
19	Admirality Suit	0	2	1	1
20	Criminal Appeal/Jail Appeal	470	819	695	594
21	High Court Appeal	12	4	3	13
22	Regular First Appeal	97	63	58	102
23	Regular Second Appeal	3	4	2	5
24	First Appeal Orders	57	89	89	57
25	Succession Appeal	5	5	8	2
26	Civil Misc. Appeal	175	337	339	173
27	Custom Appeal/Reference	26	156	154	28
28	Criminal Reference	10	0	10	0
29	Family Appeal	0	0	0	0
30	Guardian Appeal	1	0	0	1
31	Admirality Appeal/Suit	3	1	2	2
32	Special Criminal Banking Appeal	2	0	0	2
33	Criminal Ehtisab Appeal	97	0	6	91
34	Income Tax Appeal/Ref	14	5	10	9
35	Inter Court Appeal	0	0	0	0
36	Sales Tax Appeal/Ref	6	41	40	7
37	Civil Misc. Application	6	0	0	6
38	Criminal Appeal (ATA) (SB/DB)	12	18	11	19
39	Environmental Appeal	1	3	4	0
40	Crl. Misc. Application	0	24	0	24
41	Clemency Appeal	0	0	0	0
42	FERA.	1	1	2	0
43	Service Judiciary	9	10	1	18
44	Trade Org	0	0	0	0
Total		**3,727**	**5,743**	**5,232**	**4,238**

6.5.2 Sibi Bench (All Categories)

Sr. No.	Name of Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Constitution Petition (DB)	149	242	237	154
2	Criminal Revision (SB/DB)	5	39	21	23
3	Habeas Corpus Petition (DB)	0	0	0	0
4	Civil Revision (SB/DB)	152	97	114	135
5	Civil Petition U/C Act	0	0	0	0
6	Criminal Misc. Quashment	5	22	18	9
7	Criminal Bail Application	1	125	119	7
8	Suit for Recovery of Loans	0	0	0	0
9	Original Suit	0	0	0	0
10	Execution Application	0	0	0	0
11	Contempt Application	8	19	13	14
12	Review Petition/Appeal	0	8	8	0
13	Election Petition/Appeals	0	0	0	0
14	Civil/Criminal Transfer Application	0	40	27	13
15	Suo Motu Reference	0	0	0	0
16	Insolvency Petition/Appeal	0	0	0	0
17	Criminal Civil Original Complaint	0	0	0	0
18	Murder Reference	3	4	4	3
19	Admirality Suit	0	0	0	0
20	Criminal Appeal/Jail Appeal	91	156	183	64
21	High Court Appeal	25	23	31	17
22	Regular First Appeal	2	0	0	2
23	Regular Second Appeal	0	0	0	0
24	First Appeal Orders	0	2	0	2
25	Succession Appeal	1	0	1	0
26	Civil Misc. Appeal	2	0	0	2
27	Custom Appeal/Reference	0	0	0	0
28	Criminal Reference	0	0	0	0
29	Family Appeal	0	0	0	0
30	Guardian Appeal	0	0	0	0
31	Admirality Appeal/Suit	0	0	0	0
32	Special Criminal Banking Appeal	0	0	0	0
33	Criminal Ehtisab Appeal	0	0	0	0
34	Income Tax Appeal/Ref	0	0	0	0
35	Inter Court Appeal	0	0	0	0
36	Sales Tax Appeal/Ref	0	0	0	0
37	Civil Misc. Application	1	9	6	4
38	Criminal Appeal (ATA) (SB/DB)	0	0	0	0
39	Environmental Appeal	0	0	0	0
40	Crl. Misc. Application	1	3	4	0
41	Clemency Appeal	0	0	0	0
42	FERA.	0	0	0	0
43	Service Judiciary	0	0	0	0
44	Trade Org	0	0	0	0
Total		**446**	**789**	**786**	**449**

6.5.3 Turbat Bench (All Categories)

Sr. No.	Name of Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Constitution Petition (DB)	112	156	148	120
2	Criminal Revision (SB/DB)	6	6	8	4
3	Habeas Corpus Petition (DB)	0	1	1	0
4	Civil Revision (SB/DB)	68	69	77	60
5	Civil Petition U/C Act	0	0	0	0
6	Criminal Misc. Quashment	2	4	5	1
7	Criminal Bail Application	17	45	55	7
8	Suit for Recovery of Loans	0	0	0	0
9	Original Suit	0	0	0	0
10	Execution Application	0	0	0	0
11	Contempt Application	1	6	3	4
12	Review Petition/Appeal	3	3	1	5
13	Election Petition/Appeals	0	1	0	1
14	Civil/Criminal Transfer Application	2	0	2	0
15	Suo Motu Reference	0	0	0	0
16	Insolvency Petition/Appeal	0	0	0	0
17	Criminal Civil Original Complaint	0	0	0	0
18	Murder Reference	2	4	2	4
19	Admirality Suit	0	0	0	0
20	Criminal Appeal/Jail Appeal	76	91	114	53
21	High Court Appeal	0	0	0	0
22	Regular First Appeal	4	1	0	5
23	Regular Second Appeal	0	0	0	0
24	First Appeal Orders	1	0	0	1
25	Succession Appeal	2	0	2	0
26	Civil Misc. Appeal	3	1	4	0
27	Custom Appeal/Reference	0	0	0	0
28	Criminal Reference	0	0	0	0
29	Family Appeal	0	0	0	0
30	Guardian Appeal	0	0	0	0
31	Admirality Appeal/Suit	0	0	0	0
32	Special Criminal Banking Appeal	0	0	0	0
33	Criminal Ehtisab Appeal	0	0	0	0
34	Income Tax Appeal/Ref	0	0	0	0
35	Inter Court Appeal	0	0	0	0
36	Sales Tax Appeal/Ref	0	0	0	0
37	Civil Misc. Application	0	0	0	0
38	Criminal Appeal (ATA) (SB/DB)	0	0	0	0
39	Environmental Appeal	0	0	0	0
40	Crl. Misc. Application	0	0	0	0
41	Clemency Appeal	0	0	0	0
42	FERA.	0	0	0	0
43	Service Judiciary	0	0	0	0
44	Trade Org	0	0	0	0
	Total	**299**	**388**	**422**	**265**

6.6 Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Appeals/References arising out of Death Sentence in the High Court of Balochistan, Quetta During the Year 2023

Sr.#	Bench Name	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	Principal Seat	12	17	0	0	4	25
2	Sibi	8	4	0	0	8	4
3	Turbat	1	6	0	0	4	3
Total		**21**	**27**	**0**	**0**	**16**	**32**

6.7 Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Appeals arising out of Sentence of Life Imprisonment in the High Court of Balochistan, Quetta During the Year 2023

Sr.#	Bench Name	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	Principal Seat	74	121	0	0	93	102
2	Sibi	30	29	0	0	46	13
3	Turbat	9	2	0	0	7	4
Total		**113**	**152**	**0**	**0**	**146**	**119**

6.8 Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Appeals arising out of Sentence of Seven Years and above but below Life Imprisonment in the High Court of Balochistan, Quetta During the Year 2023

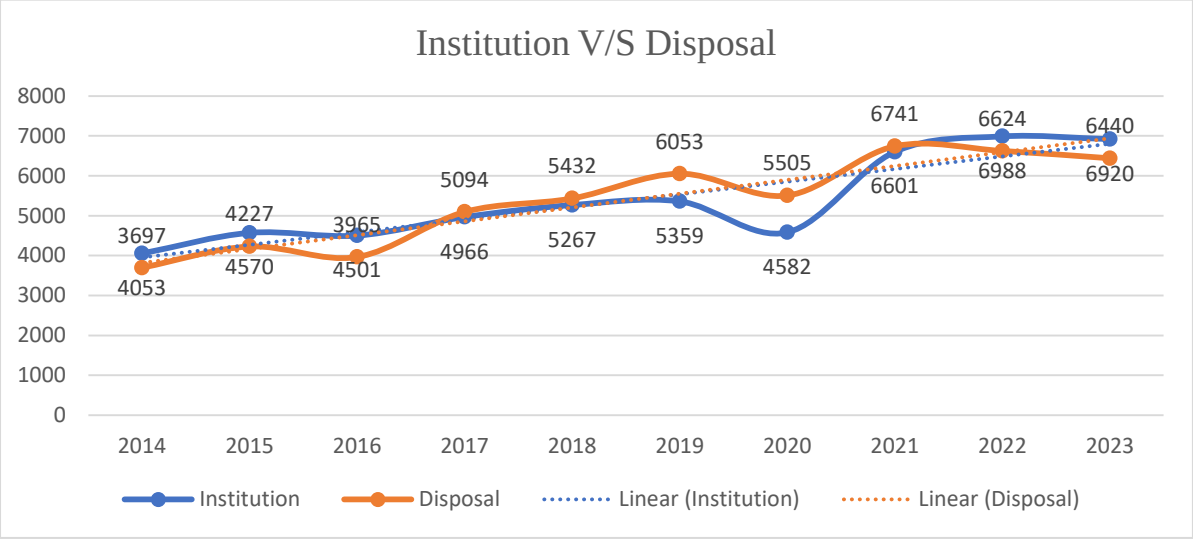
Sr.#	Bench Name	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1	Principal Seat	101	80	0	0	135	46
2	Sibi	9	3	0	0	10	2
3	Turbat	2	157	0	0	112	47
Total		**112**	**240**	**0**	**0**	**257**	**95**

6.9 Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the High Court of Balochistan, Principal Seat and its Benches Sibi, Turat During the last 10 years

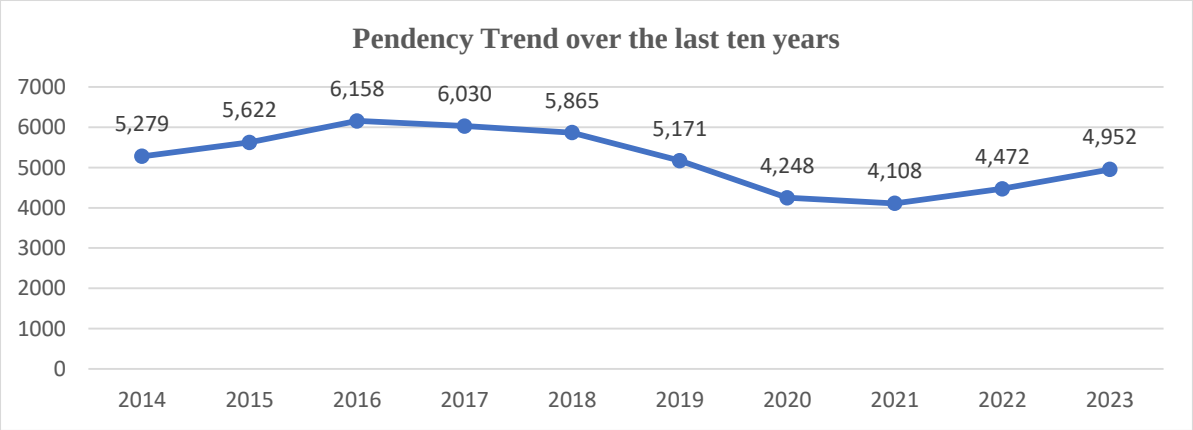
From 2014 to 2023, the judicial system experienced more or less consistent trends in the number of pending, instituted, and disposed cases. A gradual increase has been noticed in the number of cases instituted and proportionally, the High Court has evenly increased the disposal. There were **4923** cases reported at the start of the Year 2014 and **4952** cases at the end of the Year 2023.

Years	Case pending at start of Year	Institution during the Year	Disposal during Year	Balance at end of Year
2014	4923	4053	3697	5279
2015	5279	4570	4227	5622
2016	5622	4501	3965	6158
2017	6158	4966	5094	6030
2018	6030	5267	5432	5865
2019	5865	5359	6053	5171
2020	5171	4582	5505	4248
2021	4248	6601	6741	4108
2022	4108	6988	6624	4472
2023	4472	6920	6440	4952

- The number of new cases filed (instituted) steadily increased over the years, with a noticeable uptick from 2018 onward, peaking at **6988 cases** in **2022**, indicating a growing influx of cases into the system.
- While the number of cases disposed of also increased, it fluctuated year-to-year, with **disposals** consistently falling short of institutions, leading to a persistent rise in the backlog of pending cases.



While the number of cases pending at the end of the year showed an overall increase for most of the period, there was a slight **decrease** from **5279** cases in 2014 to **4952** in 2023. This drop indicates a modest improvement in clearing the backlog in recent years, likely due to higher disposal rates, even though new cases continued to be filed at a high pace. Despite this reduction, the backlog remained substantial, suggesting that the system may have made incremental progress but still faces challenges with case load management.



6.9.1 Principal Seat at Quetta During the last 10 Years

Years	Case pending at start of Year	Institution During the Year	Disposal during Year	Balance at end of Year
2014	4527	3455	3140	4842
2015	4842	3589 (216 Transferred)	3454	4977
2016	4977	3485	3200	5262
2017	5262	3933	4191	5004
2018	5004	4065	4378	4691
2019	4691	4177	4743	4125
2020	4100	3604	4465	3239
2021	3239	5252	5224	3267
2022	3267	5681	5221	3727
2023	3727	5743	5232	4238

6.9.2 Circuit Bench at Sibi

Years	Case Pending at start of Year	Institution During the Year	Disposal during Year	Balance at end of Year
2014	396	598	557	437
2015	437	747	757	427
2016	427	665	558	534
2017	534	728	622	640
2018	640	720	643	717

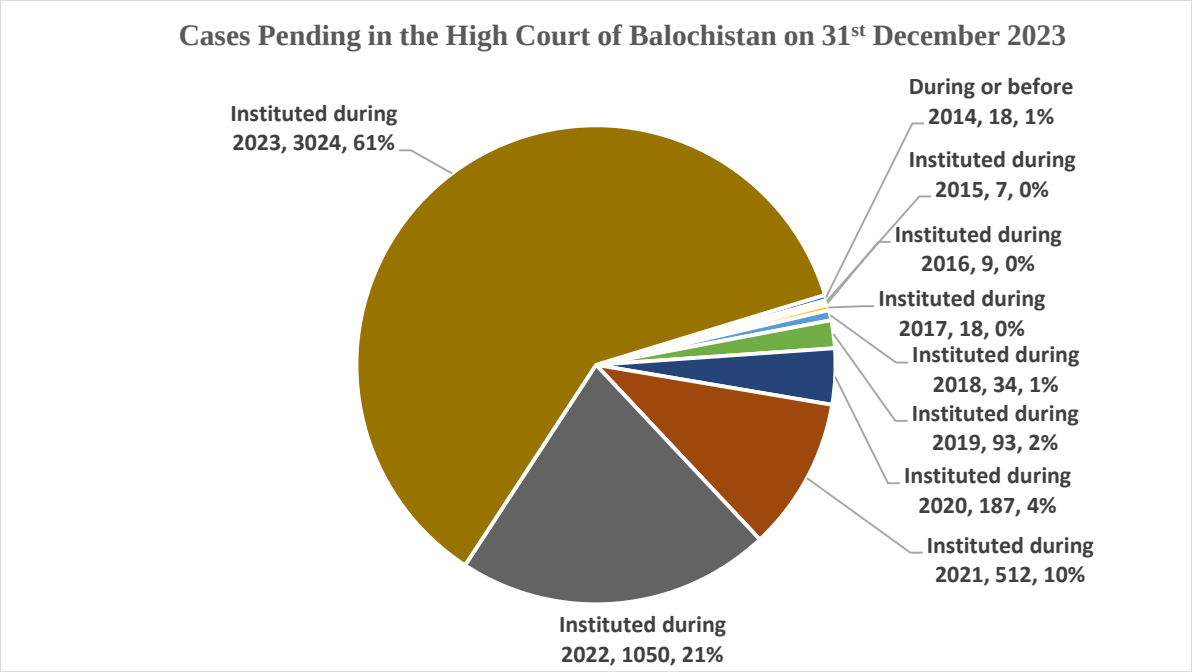
Years	Case Pending at start of Year	Institution During the Year	Disposal during Year	Balance at end of Year
2019	717	694	837	574
2020	574	663	710	527
2021	527	902	949	480
2022	480	799	833	446
2023	446	789	786	449

6.9.3 Circuit Bench at Turbat

Years	Case pending at start of year	Institution during the year	Disposal during year	Balance at end of year
2015	0	Transferred Cases216 and 17 Were Instituted	15	218
2016	218	351	207	362
2017	362	305	281	386
2018	386	273	202	457
2019	457	513	473	497
2020	497	315	330	482
2021	482	447	568	361
2022	361	508	570	299
2023	299	388	422	265

6.11 Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution

The chart below presents the pending caseload of High Court of Balochistan on 31st December 2023, bifurcated by the Year of institution



The table presents the total pending cases as of December 31st, 2023, categorized tier-wise (i.e. cases pending in the Civil & Sessions Courts) and provides a breakdown of these cases based on the year they were instituted

Court Name	Total Pendency on 31.12.23	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		upto 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Criminal Jurisdiction	**1174**	5	3	1	2	5	16	30	91	178	843
Civil Jurisdiction	**1849**	8	0	3	7	16	43	90	269	476	937
Writ Jurisdiction	**1929**	5	4	5	9	13	34	67	152	396	1244
Grand Total	**4952**	**18**	**7**	**9**	**18**	**34**	**93**	**187**	**512**	**1050**	**3024**

- **All Categories of Criminal Jurisdiction**

Sr.#	All Categories of Criminal Jurisdiction	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution										Total Pendency on 31-12-2023
		Up to 31-12-2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
1	Principal Seat	5	2	1	2	5	16	30	88	156	683	988
2	Sibi	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	6	110	120
3	Turbat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	50	66
Total		**5**	**3**	**1**	**2**	**5**	**16**	**30**	**91**	**178**	**843**	**1174**

- **All Categories of Civil Jurisdiction**

Sr.#	All Categories of Civil Jurisdiction	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution										Total Pendency on 31-12-2023
		Up to 31-12-2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
1	Principal Seat	8	0	3	4	14	38	82	250	434	831	1664
2	Sibi	0	0	0	3	2	5	8	19	37	101	175
3	Turbat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	5	10
Total		**8**	**0**	**3**	**7**	**16**	**43**	**90**	**269**	**476**	**937**	**1849**

- **All Categories of Writ Jurisdiction**

Sr.#	All Categories of Writ Jurisdiction	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution										Total Pendency on 31-12-2023
		Up to 31-12-2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
1	Principal Seat	5	3	4	8	11	28	60	129	323	1015	1586
2	Sibi	0	1	0	1	2	4	2	13	31	100	154
3	Turbat	0	0	1	0	0	2	5	10	42	129	189
Total		**5**	**4**	**5**	**9**	**13**	**34**	**67**	**152**	**396**	**1244**	**1929**

6.12 Budget Allocation for the Year 2022-23

The total judicial budget amounts to **5.24 billion PKR**, divided between the High Court and District Judiciary. The **High Court** receives approximately **1.75 billion PKR** (33.3% of the total), while the **District Judiciary** is allocated the larger share of **3.5 billion PKR** (66.7%), reflecting the expansive responsibilities and caseloads managed at the district level

Sr. #	Particulars	Budget in Rupees
High Court		
1	Principal Seat, Quetta	1,571,592,150
2	Sibi Bench	92,906,700
3	Turbat Bench	82,502,000
Total		**1,747,000,850**

Within the High Court, the Principal Seat in Quetta dominates the budget with a significant allocation of 1.57 billion PKR, constituting almost 90% of the High Court's total budget. The Sibi Bench and Turbat Bench receive comparatively modest shares of 93 million PKR (5.3%) and 82.5 million PKR (4.7%), respectively, highlighting the disparity in resource distribution among the High Court's divisions.

District Judiciary		
1	Session Courts	1,459,724,618
2	Civil Courts	2,037,340,509
Total		**3,497,065,127**

In the District Judiciary, the budget is divided between Session Courts and Civil Courts, with Civil Courts receiving a larger allocation of 2.04 billion PKR (58.3%), compared to 1.46 billion PKR (41.7%) for Session Courts.

Overall, the budget demonstrates a prioritization of resources for the District Judiciary, which manages a substantial portion of the judicial system's workload, and a concentration of funds within the Principal Seat of the High Court, underscoring its pivotal role.

6.13 Sanctioned and Working Strength

6.13.1 Principal Seat, High Court of Balochistan, Quetta.

S. No	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength	Vacant Positions
1.	Hon'ble Chief Justice	-	1	1	0
2.	Hon'ble Judges	-	14	12	2
3.	Registrar	22	1	1	0
4.	Member Inspection Team	21	1	1	0
5.	Additional Registrar	21	1	1	0
6.	Additional Registrar	20	3	3	0
7.	AMIT	20	1	1	0
8.	Secretary to Chief Justice	19	1	0	1
9.	Senior Civil Judge, Inspection	19	1	0	1
10.	Member Majlis-e-Shoora, Inspection	19	1	0	1
11.	OSD	19	1	0	1
12.	Deputy Registrar	19	16	12	4
13.	System Analyst	19	1	1	0
14.	Librarian	19	1	1	0
15.	Judicial Magistrate, Inspection	18	1	0	1
16.	Research and Reference Officer	18	1	0	1
17.	Senior Protocol Officer	18	1	0	1
18.	Private Secretary	18	14	12	2
19.	Database Administrator	18	1	1	0
20.	Assistant Registrar	18	14	7	7
21.	OSD	18	4	2	2
22.	Computer Programmer	18	2	2	0
23.	Data Centre Administrator	18	2	2	0
24.	Deputy Librarian	18	1	0	1
25.	Web Developer	18	1	0	1
26.	Network Administrator	18	1	0	1
27.	Security Officer	18	1	1	0
28.	Protocol Officer	17	2	1	1
29.	Data Processing Officer	17	8	8	0
30.	Assistant Computer Programmer	17	2	1	1
31.	Assistant Network Administrator	17	1	0	1
32.	Secretary to Member, Inspection Team	17	1	0	1
33.	Personal Assistant	17	16	6	10
34.	Research Officer	17	1	1	0
35.	Architect	17	1	0	1
36.	Court Assistant	17	18	18	0
37.	Assistant Librarian	17	1	1	0
38.	Assistant Accounts Officer	17	1	0	1
39.	Assistant Protocol Officer	16	2	1	1
40.	Computer Operator	16	7	3	4
41.	Stenographer	16	10	6	4
42.	Assistant	16	32	24	8
43.	Library Assistant	16	3	3	0
44.	Head Cook	15	1	1	0
45.	Classifier	15	1	0	1
46.	Transport Supervisor	15	1	0	1
47.	Accountant	15	1	0	1
48.	Senior Clerk	14	45	43	2
49.	CCTV Technician	14	2	0	2
50.	Assistant Accountant	14	1	0	1

S. No	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength	Vacant Positions
51.	Assistant Architect	14	1	0	1
52.	Assistant Computer Operator	13	13	0	13
53.	Media Coordinator	13	1	0	1
54.	Steno Typist	13	3	2	1
55.	Data Entry Operator	13	4	0	4
56.	Assistant Transport Supervisor	12	1	1	0
57.	Junior Clerk	11	33	17	16
58.	Telephone Operator	10	2	2	0
59.	Caretaker	10	2	2	0
60.	Electrician	10	3	2	1
61.	Auto Mechanic	10	2	2	0
62.	Court Jamadar	10	1	1	0
63.	Cataloguer	9	1	0	1
64.	Driver	5	38	34	4
65.	Driver for Retired Judges	0	9	8	1
66.	Contingent Paid Staff for Retired Judges	0	5	0	5
67.	Book Binder	7	3	3	0
68.	Machine Man	7	3	1	2
69.	Tube well Operator	6	1	1	0
70.	Carpenter	6	2	1	1
71.	Cook	6	10	10	0
72.	Head Bailiff	10	1	1	0
73.	Photostat Machine Operator	6	2	2	0
74.	Plumber	6	3	2	1
75.	Bailiff	5	18	15	3
76.	Process Server	5	4	3	1
77.	Head Mali	10	1	1	0
78.	Head Frash	10	1	1	0
79.	Head Sweeper	10	1	1	0
80.	Daftari	5	21	16	5
81.	Helper	4	19	16	3
82.	Tube Well Helper	4	1	1	0
83.	Chowkidar	4	13	13	0
84.	Frash	4	3	1	2
85.	Mali	4	35	35	0
86.	Naib Qasid	4	73	73	0
87.	Sweeper	4	24	22	2
Total		**-**	**604**	**468**	**136**

6.13.2 High Court of Balochistan, Sibi Bench

S. No	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength	Vacant Positions
1.	Puisne Judge	24	1	0	1
2.	Additional Registrar	20	1	1	0
3.	Assistant Registrar	18	1	1	0
4.	Court Assistant	17	2	2	0
5.	Assistant	16	2	1	1
6.	Library Assistant	16	1	0	1
7.	Stenographer	16	2	0	2

S. No	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength	Vacant Positions
8.	CCTV Camera Technician	14	1	0	1
9.	Senior Clerk	14	2	0	2
10.	Data Entry Operator	13	1	0	1
11.	Assistant Computer Operator	13	1	0	1
12.	Junior Clerk	11	2	1	1
13.	Machine Man	7	1	1	0
14.	Driver	6	1	1	0
15.	Cook	6	1	1	0
16.	Head Bailiff	6	1	1	0
17.	Bailiff	5	3	3	0
18.	Daftari	5	1	1	0
19.	Naib Qasid	4	6	6	0
20.	Sweeper	4	4	4	0
21.	Mali	4	4	4	0
22.	Chowkidar	4	3	3	0
Total		**-**	**42**	**31**	**11**

6.13.3 High Court of Balochistan, Mekran at Turbat

S. No	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength	Vacant Positions
1.	Puisne Judge	-	1	0	1
2.	Private Secretary	18	2	2	0
3.	Assistant Registrar	18	1	1	0
4.	Personal Assistant	17	2	0	2
5.	Court Assistant	17	3	3	0
6.	Assistant Protocol Officer	16	1	1	0
7.	Assistant	16	1	1	0
8.	Senior Clerk	14	2	2	0
9.	CCTV Camera Technician	14	1	0	1
10.	Assistant Computer Operator	13	1	0	1
11.	Junior Clerk	11	2	0	2
12.	Machine Man	7	1	0	1
13.	Driver	5	2	2	0
14.	Process Server	5	4	4	0
15.	Bailiff	5	3	3	0
16.	Daftari	5	2	2	0
17.	Naib Qasid	4	4	4	0
18.	Sweeper	4	1	0	1
19.	Chowkidar	4	1	1	0
20.	Mali	4	1	0	1
Total		**-**	**36**	**26**	**10**

6.14 Sanctioned and Working Strength of Judicial Officers in Balochistan Province as on 31-12-2023

6.14.1 Consolidate Strength

Name of Posts	Sanctioned Strength	Working (In-field)		Working (Ex-cadre)		Vacant Positions
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
District & Sessions Judges	51	30	0	8	0	13
Additional District & Sessions Judges	48	31	3	2	0	12
Senior Civil Judges	20	15	0	1	0	4
Judicial Magistrates/Family Judges	148	73	20	2	1	52
Member Majlis-e-Shoora	21	17	1	0	0	3
Qazi	24	17	1	0	1	5
Total	**312**	**183**	**25**	**13**	**2**	**89**

- The sanctioned strength for judicial positions across various categories totals 312, out of which 223 positions are currently filled, leaving 89 positions vacant, amounting to a vacancy rate of 28.5%. The working strength includes 208 in-field judges (183 male and 25 female) and 15 Ex-cadre judges (13 male and 2 female). Despite the overall staffing, there is a significant shortfall, particularly in certain key roles, and a notable gender disparity in representation.
- Among the District & Sessions Judges, 51 positions are sanctioned, with 30 male Judges working in-field and 8 Ex-cadre appointments, leaving 13 positions vacant (25.5% vacancy rate). Similarly, for Additional District & Sessions Judges, 48 positions are sanctioned, with 34 judges working (31 male and 3 female) and 12 vacancies, reflecting a 25% shortfall.
- The Senior Civil Judges cadre shows relatively fewer vacancies, with 20 sanctioned positions and 16 Judges working (15 male, 1 male Ex-cadre), leaving 4 positions vacant (20% vacancy rate). However, this category has no female representation.
- The Judicial Magistrates/Family Judges cadre, which has the highest sanctioned strength of 148, also faces the greatest shortfall, with 73 male and 20 female Judges in-field, supplemented by 3 Ex-cadre appointments, leaving 52 positions vacant (35% vacancy rate). While this category has better female representation compared to others, gender imbalance remains pronounced.
- For Members Majlis-e-Shoora, 21 positions are sanctioned, with 18 Judges working (17 male and 1 female) and 3 positions Vacant (14% vacancy rate), showing better staffing levels than other categories but still limited female representation.
- Similarly, the Qazi cadre, with 24 sanctioned positions, has 19 Judges working (17 male and 1 female in-field, and 1 Ex-cadre female), leaving 5 positions vacant, resulting in a 20.8% shortfall.

Overall, the gender imbalance across all judicial positions is stark, with women making up only 12.1% of the total working strength. While male judges occupy 196 Positions (87.9%), only 27 positions (12.1%) are held by female Judges, with negligible representation in senior roles like District & Sessions Judges and Senior Civil Judges.

6.14.2 District-wise detail of Sanctioned and Working Strength of Judicial Officers

6.14.2.1 District and Sessions Judges

Name of District	Sanctioned Strength	Working (In-field)		Working (Ex-cadre)		Vacant Positions
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Awaran	1	1				0
Barkhan	1	1				0
Chagai at Dalbanddin	1	1				0
D Murad Jamali/Nasirabad	1	1				0
Dera Allah Yar	2	1				1
Dera Bugti	1	1				0
Gwadar	2	1				1
Harnai	1	1				0
Hub	2	1				1
Kachhi at Dhadar	1	1				0
Kalat	1	1				0
Kharan	1	1				0
Khuzdar	2	1				1
Killa Abdullah at Chaman	1	1				0
Killa Saifullah	1	1				0
Kohlu	1	1				0
Lasbella at Uthal	1	1				0
Loralai	3	1				2
Mastung	1	1				0
Mekran at Turbat	2	1				1
Musakhail	1	1				0
Noshki	2	1				1
Panjgoor	1	1				0
Pishin	2	1				1
Quetta	11	1		8		2
Sariab Quetta	1	1				0
Sibi	3	1				2
Usta Muhammad	1	1				0
Washuk at Basima	1	1				0
Zhob	1	1				0
Total	**51**	**30**	**0**	**8**	**0**	**13**

6.14.2.2 Additional District and Sessions Judges

Name of District	Sanctioned Strength	Working (In-field)		Working (Ex-cadre)		Vacant Positions
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Awaran	1					1
Barkhan	1	1				0
Chagai at Dalbanddin	1					1
D Murad Jamali/Nasirabad	2	2				0
Dera Allah Yar	1	1				0
Dera Bugti	1					1
Gwadar	1	1				0
Harnai	1					1
Hub	2	2				0
Kachhi at Dhadar	2	1				1
Kalat	1	1				0
Kharan	2					2
Khuzdar	2	1				1
Killa Abdullah at Chaman	1	1				0
Killa Saifullah	2	1				1
Kohlu	1					1
Loralai	2	2				0
Mastung	1	1				0
Mekran at Turbat	1	1				0
Musakhail	1	1				0
Panjgoor	1	1				0
Pishin	1		1			0
Quetta	13	11		2		0
Sariab Quetta	2	1	1			0
Sibi	1		1			0
Usta Muhammad	1					1
Washuk at Basima	1					1
Zhob	1	1				0
Total	**48**	**31**	**3**	**2**	**0**	**12**

6.14.2.3 Senior Civil Judges

Name of District	Sanctioned Strength	Working (In-field)		Working (Ex-cadre)		Vacant Positions
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Dera Allah Yar	1	1				0
Gwadar	2	1				1
Hub	2	1				1
Killa Abdullah at Chaman	1	1				0
Loralai	1	1				0
Noshki	1	1				0

Name of District	Sanctioned Strength	Working (In-field)		Working (Ex-cadre)		Vacant Positions
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Pishin	1					1
Quetta	6	4		1		1
Sariab Quetta	2	2				0
Sibi	1	1				0
Usta Muhammad	1	1				0
Zhob	1	1				0
Total	**20**	**15**	**0**	**1**	**0**	**4**

6.14.2.4 Civil Judges / Judicial Magistrates / Family Judges

Name of District	Sanctioned Strength	Working (In-field_		Working (Ex-cadre)		Vacant Positions
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Awaran	2	2				0
Barkhan	2	2				0
Chagai at Dalbanddin	4	1				3
D Murad Jamali/Nasirabad	7	3				4
Dera Allah Yar	4	2				2
Dera Bugti	3	2				1
Gwadar	6	3				3
Harnai	2	1				1
Hub	7	4	2			1
Kachhi at Dhadar	4	2	1			1
Kalat	4	1	1			2
Kharan	3	1				2
Khuzdar	6	2				4
Killa Abdullah at Chaman	3	1				2
Killa Saifullah	4	2				2
Kohlu	3	1				2
Lasbella at Uthal	3	1				2
Loralai	6	3	1			2
Mastung	2	1	1			0
Mekran at Turbat	6	2				4
Musakhail	4	1				3
Noshki	3	1				2
Panjgoor	2	1				1
Pishin	8	4	1			3
Quetta	31	20	8	2	1	0
Sariab Quetta	6	3	3			0
Sibi	3	1	2			0
Usta Muhammad	2	2				0

Name of District	Sanctioned Strength	Working (In-field_		Working (Ex-cadre)		Vacant Positions
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Washuk at Basima	3	1				2
Zhob	5	2				3
Total	**148**	**73**	**20**	**2**	**1**	**52**

6.14.2.5 Member Majlis-e-Shoora

Name of District	Sanctioned Strength	Working (In-field)		Working (Ex-cadre)		Vacant Positions
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Awaran	1	1				0
D Murad Jamali/Nasirabad	2	2				0
Kachhi at Dhadar	2	2				0
Kalat	2	1	1			0
Kharan	3	2				1
Khuzdar	2	2				0
Lasbella at Uthal	1					1
Mastung	2	2				0
Mekran at Turbat	2	2				0
Panjgoor	2	2				0
Quetta	1					1
Washuk at Basima	1	1				0
Total	**21**	**17**	**1**	**0**	**0**	**3**

6.14.2.6 Qazi

Name of District	Sanctioned Strength	Working (In-field)		Working (Ex-cadre)		Vacant Positions
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Awaran	1	1				0
D Murad Jamali/Nasirabad	3	2				1
Kachhi at Dhadar	2	1				1
Kalat	2	2				0
Kharan	3	1				2
Khuzdar	2	2				0
Lasbella at Uthal	2	2				0
Mastung	3	2	1			0
Mekran at Turbat	3	2				1
Panjgoor	1	1				0
Quetta					1	0
Washuk at Basima	2	1				1
Total	**24**	**17**	**1**	**0**	**1**	**6**

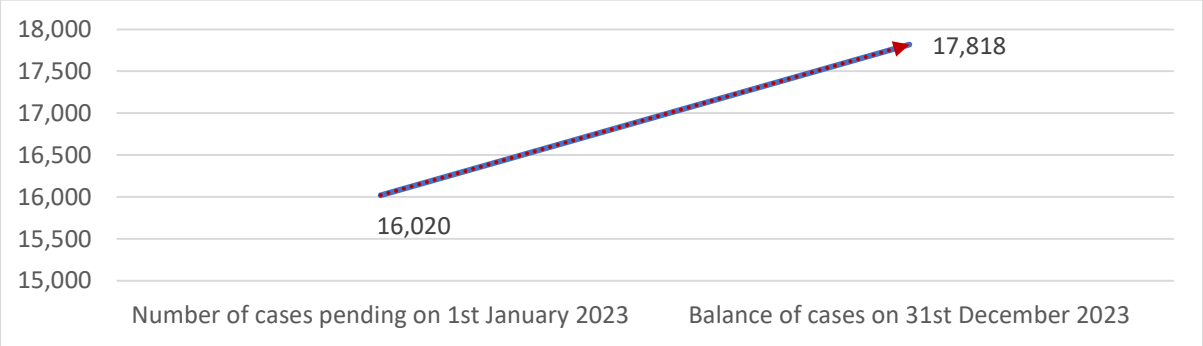
6.15 Statement Showing of Institution, Disposal and Balance of Criminal & Civil Cases Including Old Cases of District Judiciary from 01.01.2023 to 31.12.2023

The judicial system in Balochistan has faced a challenging yet productive Year in 2023, with both criminal and civil cases seeing significant activity. As the district judiciary continues to navigate a growing caseload, the following analysis reviews the institution, disposal, and pendency of criminal and civil cases within the Province, based on data from January 1st, 2023, and December 31st, 2023.

Category	Pendency on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Criminal Cases	7073	39846	38987	7932
Civil Cases	8947	19695	18756	9886
Total	**16020**	**59541**	**57743**	**17818**

- **Criminal Cases:** At the start of 2023, the district judiciary of Balochistan had **7,073** criminal cases pending across its courts. Throughout the year, the judiciary saw a substantial influx of **39,846** new criminal cases being filed. This surge reflects the ongoing legal challenges within the region, particularly in the criminal justice sector, which includes a wide range of offenses from minor violations to serious criminal charges. The courts in Balochistan were able to make significant progress in clearing the backlog of criminal cases, disposing of **38,987** cases during the Year. Despite this high disposal rate, the number of pending criminal cases at the end of the Year increased slightly to **7,932**.

- **Civil Cases:** The year began with **8,947** civil cases pending before the courts. Like criminal cases, the civil courts also experienced a substantial influx, with **19,695** new cases being filed during the year. **18,756** civil cases were decided by the end of the year. However, despite this significant number of cases being resolved, the number of pending civil cases at year-end increased slightly to **9,886**.



When examining the combined data for criminal and civil cases in the district judiciary of Balochistan, the total pendency at the start of 2023 was **16,020** cases. Throughout the year, a total of **59,541** new cases were filed, reflecting the ongoing demand on the judicial system. By the end of 2023, the judiciary had disposed of **57,743** cases, leaving a total of **17,818** cases pending.

6.16 District Wise Statement showing Pendency, Institution & Disposal of Civil Revision in the District Judiciary of Balochistan Province During the Year 2023

S.No.	Name of Sessions Division	Pendency on 1-1-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Quetta	87	320		11	267	129
2	Pishin	7	28	0	0	23	12
3	Zhob	3	6	0	0	7	2
4	Loralai	5	18	0	0	18	5
5	Khuzdar	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Turbat	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Msatung	0	25	0	0	24	1
8	Nushki	0	12	0	0	9	3
9	Hub	7	23	0	0	22	8
10	Usta Muhammad	1	6	0	1	5	1
11	Kharan	5	16	0	3	14	4
12	Musa khail	1	8	0	0	9	0
13	Sibi	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	Dera Allah Yar	0	8	1	0	5	4
15	Dera Murad Jamali	4	12	0	0	13	3
16	Dera Bugti	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	Panjgoor	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	Kohlu	0	9	0	0	7	2
19	Gawadar	6	11	0	0	13	4
20	Barkhan	0	4	0	0	3	1
21	Killa Saifullah	1	21	0	0	21	1
22	Kalat	0	0	0	0	0	0
23	Killa Abdullah	5	15	0	0	18	2
24	Dalbandin	3	1	0	0	4	0
25	Sariab	7	41	0	1	39	8
26	Harnai	0	5	0	0	5	0
27	Awaran	0	6	0	0	5	1
28	Dhadar	1	7	0	0	7	1
29	Basima	0	0	0	0	2	-2
30	Uthal	0	16	0	0	7	9
Total		**143**	**618**	**1**	**16**	**547**	**199**

6.17 District Wise Statement showing Pendency, Institution & Disposal of Criminal Revision in the District Judiciary of Balochistan Province During the Year 2023

S.No.	Name of Sessions Division	Pendency on 1-1-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Quetta	7	92		0	90	9
2	Pishin	5	45	0	0	43	7
3	Zhob	0	6	0	0	4	2
4	Loralai	7	27	0	0	31	3
5	Khuzdar	2	13	0	0	15	0
6	Turbat	0	6	0	0	4	2
7	Msatung	0	1	0	0	0	1
8	Nushki	2	8	0	0	9	1
9	Hub	4	68	0	0	68	4
10	Usta Muhammad	0	1	0	0	1	0
11	Kharan	2	13	0	0	12	3
12	Musa khail	1	24	0	0	25	0
13	Sibi	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	Dera Allah Yar	0	14	0	0	12	2
15	Dera Murad Jamali	0	10	0	0	10	0
16	Dera Bugti	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	Panjgoor	3	0	0	0	3	0
18	Kohlu	1	5	0	0	6	0
19	Gawadar	0	2	0	0	2	0
20	Barkhan	0	3	0	0	3	0
21	Killa Saifullah	0	1	0	0	1	0
22	Kalat	2	5	0	0	6	1
23	Killa Abdullah	3	7	0	0	10	0
24	Dalbandin	3	2	0	0	5	0
25	Sariab	2	13	0	1	13	1
26	Harnai	0	3	0	0	2	1
27	Awaran	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	Dhadar	0	11	0	0	11	0
29	Basima	2	2	0	0	4	0
30	Uthal	0	7	0	0	7	0
Total		**46**	**389**	**0**	**1**	**397**	**37**

6.18 District Wise Statement showing Pendency, Institution Disposal and Babra of Murder Cases in the District Judiciary of Balochistan Province During the Year 2023

S.No.	Name of Sessions Division	Pendency on 1-1-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Quetta	94	115	0	10	81	118
2	Pishin	15	34	0	3	23	23
3	Zhob	21	27	0	1	24	23
4	Loralai	30	60	0	9	54	27
5	Khuzdar	22	33	0	1	37	17
6	Turbat	17	18	0	0	23	12
7	Msatung	54	14	0	0	36	32
8	Nushki	10	13	0	1	10	12
9	Hub	23	23	0	0	29	17
10	Usta Muhammad	15	36	0	7	39	5
11	Kharan	2	8	0	2	2	6
12	Musa khail	6	17	0	0	20	3
13	Sibi	4	33	0	0	25	12
14	Dera Allah Yar	21	43	0	0	45	19
15	Dera Murad Jamali	46	161	0	0	142	65
16	Dera Bugti	12	21	0	1	25	7
17	Panjgoor	6	17	0	0	14	9
18	Kohlu	1	12	0	0	13	0
19	Gawadar	3	6	0	0	5	4
20	Barkhan	21	18	0	1	18	20
21	Killa Saifullah	17	12	0	0	19	10
22	Kalat	15	39	0	1	44	9
23	Killa Abdullah	14	31	0	1	24	20
24	Dalbandin	8	14	0	0	16	6
25	Sariab	45	87	0	7	72	53
26	Harnai	1	10	0	0	11	0
27	Awaran	2	3	0	0	4	1
28	Dhadar	7	64	0	0	61	10
29	Basima	3	3	0	0	5	1
30	Uthal	0	5	0	0	3	2
Total		**535**	**977**	**0**	**45**	**924**	**543**

6.19 District Wise Statement showing Pendency, Institution Disposal and Babra of Family cases in the District Judiciary of Balochistan Province During 2023

S.No.	Name of Sessions Division	Pendency on 1-1-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Quetta	705	1753	0	20	1742	696
2	Pishin	27	61	0	5	60	23
3	Zhob	6	14	0	0	14	6
4	Loralai	5	24	0	0	23	6
5	Khuzdar	63	129	0	0	110	82
6	Turbat	30	74	0	0	34	70
7	Mastung	4	0	0	0	4	0
8	Nushki	11	14	0	0	20	5
9	Hub	67	255	0	0	270	52
10	Usta Muhammad	11	65	0	0	74	2
11	Kharan	19	52	0	2	43	26
12	Musa khail	3	8	0	0	8	3
13	Sibi	16	85	0	0	72	29
14	Dera Allah Yar	5	69	0	0	63	11
15	Dera Murad Jamali	9	42	0	0	47	4
16	Dera Bugti	10	34	0	0	40	4
17	Panjgoor	19	72	0	0	76	15
18	Kohlu	5	26	0	0	22	9
19	Gawadar	40	58	0	0	63	35
20	Barkhan	2	16	0	0	12	6
21	Killa Saifullah	7	20	0	0	21	6
22	Kalat	10	29	0	0	31	8
23	Killa Abdullah	1	0	0	0	1	0
24	Dalbandin	15	21	0	0	15	21
25	Sariab	78	378	0	0	321	135
26	Harnai	1	4	0	0	4	1
27	Awaran	3	19	0	0	18	4
28	Dhadar	1	24	0	0	21	4
29	Basima	0	19	0	0	17	2
30	Uthal	0	58	0	0	38	20
	Total	**1173**	**3423**	**0**	**27**	**3284**	**1285**

6.20 District Wise Statement showing Pendency, Institution Disposal and Balance of Bail Application in the District Judiciary of Balochistan Province During the Year 2023

S.No.	Name of Sessions Division	Pendency on 1-1-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Quetta	45	2225	0	23	2182	65
2	Pishin	13	676	0	4	661	24
3	Zhob	20	308	0	0	313	15
4	Loralai	18	589	0	0	595	12
5	Khuzdar	9	825	0	4	820	10
6	Turbat	10	242	0	0	247	5
7	Mastung	6	353	0	0	349	10
8	Nushki	10	68	0	0	77	1
9	Hub	14	911	0	6	893	26
10	Usta Muhammad	1	281	0	0	279	3
11	Kharan	1	204	0	0	189	16
12	Musa khail	0	225	0	0	225	0
13	Sibi	0	593			581	12
14	Dera Allah Yar	12	774	0	1	767	18
15	Dera Murad Jamali	18	873	0	0	853	38
16	Dera Bugti	0	81	0	0	81	0
17	Panjgoor	2	500	0	0	502	0
18	Kohlu	3	344	0	0	345	2
19	Gawadar	0	463	0	0	463	0
20	Barkhan	8	288	0	0	279	17
21	Killa Saifullah	4	326	0	0	328	2
22	Kalat	17	300	0	0	317	0
23	Killa Abdullah	9	483	0	0	480	12
24	Dalbandin	12	329	0	0	334	7
25	Sariab	30	850	0	24	834	22
26	Harnai	1	145		1	145	0
27	Awaran	0	64	0	0	64	0
28	Dhadar	1	355	0	0	335	21
29	Basima	4	43	0	0	47	0
30	Uthla	0	254	0	0	251	3
Total		**268**	**13972**	**0**	**63**	**13836**	**341**

6.21 District Wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases Carrying Sentence of Seven Years or More Imprisonment up to Death Sentence in the District Judiciary of Balochistan During the Year 2023

S.No.	Name of Sessions Division	Pendency on 1-1-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Quetta	218	739		94	448	415
2	Pishin	43	113		17	108	31
3	Zhob	184	392	0	131	266	179
4	Loralai	38	99		12	94	31
5	Khuzdar	47	89	0	9	88	39
6	Turbat	43	127	0	4	105	61
7	Msatung	52	151	0	12	99	92
8	Nushki	41	38	0	3	31	45
9	Hub	113	192	0	8	179	118
10	Usta Muhammad	9	46	0	5	50	0
11	Kharan	15	38	0	10	21	22
12	Musa khail	10	33	0	4	31	8
13	Sibi	7	561		29	397	142
14	Dera Allah Yar	43	136	0	9	119	51
15	Dera Murad Jamali	180	82		12	147	103
16	Dera Bugti	73	82	0	1	115	39
17	Panjgoor	15	606	0	23	511	87
18	Kohlu	12	27	0	1	36	2
19	Gawadar	24	69	0	4	57	32
20	Barkhan	85	44	0	0	74	55
21	Killa Saifullah	27	48			60	15
22	Kalat	19	52	0	0	54	17
23	Killa Abdullah	51	83	0	2	103	29
24	Dalbandin	34	523	0	6	532	19
25	Sariab	105	207	0	16	208	88
26	Harnai	2	11	0	0	13	0
27	Awaran	22	0	0	0	22	0
28	Dhadar	0	130	0	0	107	23
29	Basima	7	55	0	0	35	27
30	Uthal	0	64	0	3	27	34
Total		**1519**	**4837**	**0**	**415**	**4137**	**1804**

6.22 District Wise Statement showing Pendency, Institution Disposal and Babra of Rent cases in the District Judiciary of Balochistan Province During the Year 2023

S.No.	Name of Sessions Division	Pendency on 1-1-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Quetta	87	409		0	79	417
2	Pishin	1	2	0	0	2	1
3	Zhob	1	3	0	0	2	2
4	Loralai	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Khuzdar	3	0	0	0	1	2
6	Turbat	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Mastung	1	0	0	0	1	0
8	Nushki	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Hub	4	0	0	0	3	1
10	Usta Muhammad	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Kharan	1	0	0	0	1	0
12	Musa khail	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Sibi	5	2	0	0	25	-18
14	Dera Allah Yar	0	1	0	0	1	0
15	Dera Murad Jamali	0	0	0	0	0	0
16	Dera Bugti	0	0	0	0	0	0
17	Panjgoor	0	0	0	0	0	0
18	Kohlu	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	Gawadar	1	3	0	0	3	1
20	Barkhan	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	Killa Saifullah	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	Kalat	0	0	0	0	0	0
23	Killa Abdullah	0	0	0	0	0	0
24	Dalbandin	0	0	0	0	0	0
25	Sariab	1	1	0	0	2	0
26	Harnai	0	0	0	0	0	0
27	Awaran	0	0	0	0	0	0
28	Dhadar	1	0	0	0	1	0
29	Basima	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Uthal	0	3	0	0	1	2
	Total	**106**	**424**	**0**	**0**	**122**	**408**

6.23 District Wise Statement showing Pendency, Institution Disposal and Babra of Narcotics cases in the District Judiciary of Balochistan Province During the Year 2023

S.No.	Name of Sessions Division	Pendency on 1-1-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Quetta	195	613		49	337	422
2	Pishin	4	31	0	0	23	12
3	Zhob	6	20	0	0	8	18
4	Loralai	27	46	0	6	31	36
5	Khuzdar	87	150	0	40	125	72
6	Turbat	62	161	0	25	155	43
7	Msatung	5	2	0	0	7	0
8	Nushki	18	26	0	0	21	23
9	Hub	96	176	0	0	189	83
10	Usta Muhammad	4	11		1	13	1
11	Kharan	6	18	0	0	9	15
12	Musa khail	3	14	0	0	14	3
13	Sibi	0	48	0	21	22	5
14	Dera Allah Yar	8	23	0	0	17	14
15	Dera Murad Jamali	17	28	0	0	28	17
16	Dera Bugti	0	5	0	0	2	3
17	Panjgoor	14	91	0	0	68	37
18	Kohlu	4	9	0	2	11	0
19	Gawadar	50	263	0	16	228	69
20	Barkhan	5	12	0	0	9	8
21	Killa Saifullah	9	18	0	0	20	7
22	Kalat	25	33	0	0	53	5
23	Killa Abdullah	5	56	0	0	54	7
24	Dalbandin	11	13	0	0	18	6
25	Sariab	44	119	0	0	78	85
26	Harnai	0	11	0	0	9	2
27	Awaran	0	19	0	3	8	8
28	Dhadar	4	31	0	0	23	12
29	Basima	0	0	0	0	0	0
30	Uthal	0	88	0	0	70	18
Total		**709**	**2135**	**0**	**163**	**1650**	**1031**

6.24 District Wise Statement showing Pendency, Institution Disposal and Babra of Civil Appeals in the District Judiciary of Balochistan Province During the Year 2023

S.No.	Name of Sessions Division	Pendency on 1-1-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Quetta	302	1150	0	81	980	391
2	Pishin	37	100		5	116	16
3	Zhob	15	33	0	0	38	10
4	Loralai	27	84	0	0	99	12
5	Khuzdar	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	Turbat	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Msatung	46	48	0	0	79	15
8	Nushki	12	17	0	0	20	9
9	Hub	25	85	0	0	92	18
10	Usta Muhammad	4	31	0	2	33	0
11	Kharan	31	44	0	19	47	9
12	Musa khail	3	20	0	0	22	1
13	Sibi	1	42	0	3	20	20
14	Dera Allah Yar	32	71	0	3	90	10
15	Dera Murad Jamali	22	69	0	0	66	25
16	Dera Bugti	6	24	0	0	25	5
17	Panjgoor	1	0	0	0	1	0
18	Kohlu	0	14	0	0	14	0
19	Gawadar	20	65	0	2	66	17
20	Barkhan	0	6	0	0	2	4
21	Killa Saifullah	1	41	0	0	27	15
22	Kalat	0	0	0	0	0	0
23	Killa Abdullah	17	26	0	0	40	3
24	Dalbandin	10	13	0	0	17	6
25	Sariab	16	121	0	2	113	22
26	Harnai	4	22	0	0	24	2
27	Awaran	0	21	0	0	17	4
28	Dhadar	0	9	0	0	6	3
29	Basima	20	23	0	0	30	13
30	Uthal	0	21	0	10	11	0
Total		**652**	**2200**	**0**	**127**	**2095**	**630**

6.25 District Wise Statement showing Pendency, Institution Disposal and Babra of Criminal Appeals in the District Judiciary of Balochistan Province during 2023

S.No.	Name of Sessions Division	Pendency on 1-1-2023	Institution During the Year	Transferred		Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	Quetta	6	51	0	1	51	5
2	Pishin	4	21	0	0	25	0
3	Zhob	0	1	0	0	0	1
4	Loralai	2	23	0	0	23	2
5	Khuzdar	5	10	0	0	13	2
6	Turbat	0	3	0	0	3	0
7	Msatung	0	3	0	0	3	0
8	Nushki	0	1	0	0	0	1
9	Hub	3	27	0	0	30	0
10	Usta Muhammad	0	3	0	0	3	0
11	Kharan	2	5	0	0	6	1
12	Musa khail	0	2	0	0	2	0
13	Sibi	0	2	0	0	1	1
14	Dera Allah Yar	2	19	0	0	16	5
15	Dera Murad Jamali	3	6	0		8	1
16	Dera Bugti	4	13	0	0	14	3
17	Panjgoor	0	7	0	0	7	0
18	Kohlu	0	1	0	0	1	0
19	Gawadar	0	13	0	0	13	0
20	Barkhan	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	Killa Saifullah	0	6	0	0	5	1
22	Kalat	0	6	0	0	6	0
23	Killa Abdullah	1	5	0	0	3	3
24	Dalbandin	2	8	0	0	10	0
25	Sariab	0	36	0	0	36	0
26	Harnai	1	3	0	0	4	0
27	Awaran	0	11	0	0	11	0
28	Dhadar	0	7	0	0	7	0
29	Basima	0	2	0	0	2	0
30	Uthal	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total		**35**	**295**	**0**	**1**	**303**	**26**

7 Islamabad High Court



Under the Capital of the Republic (Determination of Area) Ordinance, 1963 as required by clause (2) of Article 211 of the Constitution 1962, the area of Islamabad Capital Territory was determined.

By virtue of President's Order No.1 of 1970, the Province of West Pakistan was dissolved and in its place the four Provinces Balochistan, North-West Frontier Province/Khyber Pakhtunkawa, Punjab and Sindh were constituted besides two centrally administered areas, namely, the Islamabad Capital Territory and FATA. In clause (2) of Article 14 of this Order the Islamabad Capital Territory was placed within the jurisdiction of the High Court of Punjab. Even President's Order No.8 of 1970 (High Courts Establishment Order 1970) established a High Court for the Province of Punjab and the Islamabad Capital Territory to be called the Lahore High Court Lahore with its principal seat at Lahore.

The Article 1(2)(b) of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 declared status of Islamabad Capital Territory as of a distinct territory not forming part of any province. Article 175 of the Constitution provided that there shall be a Supreme Court of Pakistan, a High Court for each Province and such other courts as may be established by law.

Although Islamabad Capital Territory had not been part of any Province of Pakistan yet no independent High Court was established to cater for the litigation pertaining to its area, rather

the previous arrangement as made vide Article 3(b) of President's Order No.8 of 1970 (High Courts Establishment Order 1970) continued. The Article 192(4) of the Constitution had provided about extension of jurisdiction of any High Court to any area in Pakistan not forming part of the Province and in this way the Islamabad Capital Territory remained under jurisdiction of Lahore High Court, Lahore.

By virtue of P.O. No.18 of 1980 followed by S.R.No.1316 (1)/80 dated 31.12.1980, the Islamabad Capital Territory attained Provincial status for the purpose of its governance on administrative side but it remained without its own High Court. As a result of the Islamabad High Court (Establishment) Order 2007, a High Court for Islamabad Capital Territory was established but its cessation took place as a result of the verdict of august Supreme Court of Pakistan reported as **PLD 2009 SC 879**. Thereafter, the Islamabad High Court was established through Islamabad High Court Act 2010 (Act No.XVII of 2010) for Islamabad Capital Territory having original, appellate, provisional and other jurisdictions, as under the Constitution or other laws and also brought all Civil, Criminal, Revenue, Special Courts and Tribunals functioning in the Islamabad Capital Territory under the superintendence and control of the Lahore High Court, Lahore, under the supervision and control of the Islamabad High Court.

7.1 Composition of the Court and Appointment of Judges

Total sanctioned strength of Hon'ble Judges of the Islamabad High Court including the Hon'ble Chief Justice is 7 Judges. They are appointed by the President of Pakistan in accordance with Article 175-A of the Constitution.

7.2 Original Pecuniary Jurisdiction of the Court

Under Section 4 of the Islamabad High Court Act, 2010 the Pecuniary Jurisdiction of Islamabad High Court in respect of Islamabad Capital Territory was originally Rs. 10 Million and any suit or proceeding having pecuniary value of 10 Million Rupees or more could be filed in the Islamabad High Court. However, this limit has been further enhanced since January, 2012 to Rs. 100 Million vide the Islamabad High Court (Amendment) Act, 2011 (Act No. II of 2012).

7.3 Hon'ble Judges of the Islamabad High Court as on 31-12-2023

Sr. #	Name of Hon'ble Judge	Date of elevation	Date of Superannuation
1.	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Aamer Farooq Chief Justice	• As Judge of the High Court on **01.01.2015** • As Chief Justice, Islamabad High Court on **11.11.2022**	25.04.2031
2.	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Mohsin Akhtar Kayani Senior Puisne Judge	23.12.2015	10.02.2032
3.	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Miangul Hassan Aurangzeb	23.12.2015	13.09.2032
4.	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Tariq Mehmood Jahangiri	30.12.2020	09.07.2027
5.	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Babar Sattar	30.12.2020	07.02.2037
6.	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sardar Ejaz Ishaq Khan	17.12.2021	18.07.2030
7.	Hon'ble Mr. Justice Arbab Muhammad Tahir	17.12.2021	08.09.2033
8.	Hon'ble Ms. Justice Saman Rafat Imtiaz	17.12.2021	07.06.2038

Sanctioned strength of Hon'ble Judges (as on 31-12-2023): **10**

Working strength of Hon'ble Judges: (as on 31-12-2023): **08**

7.4 Hon'ble Judges of the Islamabad High Court elevated to the Supreme Court of Pakistan during the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name	Date of elevation
1	**Nil**	**Nil**

7.5 Hon'ble Judges of the Islamabad High Court who Retired During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name	Date of retirement
1	NIL	NIL

7.6 Consolidated Statement Showing Status of Complaints and penalties imposed upon Officers/Officials of the Islamabad High Court and the District Judiciary during the Year 2023

Complaints		Officers (High Court)	Officials (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
i) Number of Complaints received						
1.	Total Complaints Received	08	18	5	**26**	**57**
2.	Total Complaints Disposed of	04	10 *(4 complaints filed in 2022 were decided)*	4	**24**	**42**
3.	Under Process	04	12	1	2	**19**

- In 2023, the judiciary handled a total of **57 complaints** across various categories of officers and staff, reflecting its commitment to accountability and transparency. Of these, 42 complaints were disposed of, while 19 remain under process. The complaints were distributed among High Court officers (8), High Court officials (18), judicial officers (5), and district judiciary staff (26).

ii)	Nature of Complaints received	Officers (High Court)	Officials (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
1	Corruption	00	04	**-**	**2**	**6**
2	Misconduct	06	13	**-**	**-**	**19**
3	Misuse and Arbitrary use of Power	00	00	**-**	**-**	**0**
4	Harassment	00	00	**-**	**-**	**0**
5	Living beyond means	00	00	-	**-**	**0**
6	Others	02	01	**5**	**24**	**32**
Total		**08**	**18**	**5**	**26**	**57**

- The nature of complaints varied, with **19 cases** of misconduct forming the largest category, predominantly involving High Court officials. There were 6 Complaints of corruption, mainly against High Court officials and district judiciary staff. A significant number of Complaints (32) were categorized as "others," with most originating from the district judiciary staff.

iii) Penalties imposed under E&D Rules:						
A.	**Major Punishments**	**Officers (High Court)**	**Officials (High Court)**	**Judicial Officers**	**Staff (District Judiciary)**	**Total**
i.	Dismissal from Service	00	00	**-**	**3**	**3**
ii.	Removal from Service	00	02	**-**	**2**	**4**
iii.	Compulsory Retirement	00	01	**-**	**-**	**1**
iv.	Reduction to lower stage	00	00	**-**	**-**	**0**
v.	Reduction to lower post	00	00	**-**	**1**	**1**
Total		**00**	**03**	**-**	**6**	**9**

B.	Minor Punishments	Officers (High Court)	Officials (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
i.	Stoppage of Increment	00	01	-	**5**	**6**
ii.	Withholding of Promotion	00	00	-	**2**	**2**
iii.	Censure/Warning	01	03/03	-	**11**	**18**
Total		**01**	**07**	-	**18**	**26**

C.	Administrative actions	Officers (High Court)	Officials (High Court)	Judicial Officers	Staff (District Judiciary)	Total
i.	Transfer	00	01	**47**	-	**48**
ii.	Suspension	00	02	**1**	-	**3**
iii.	Supersession	00	00	-	-	**0**
iv.	Others	00	00	**14**	-	**14**
Total		**00**	**03**	**62**	-	**65**

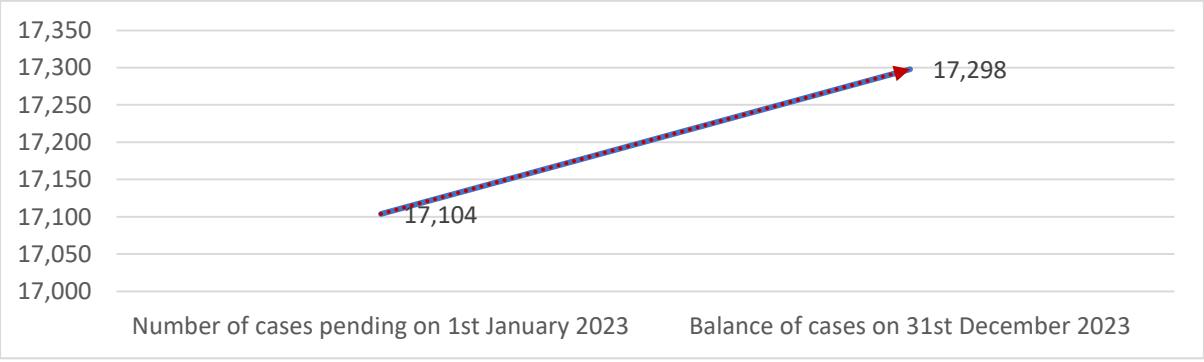
- Disciplinary actions under Efficiency and Discipline (E&D) Rules were actively pursued. A total of 9 major Penalties were imposed, including 3 dismissals from service, 2 removals from service, 1 compulsory retirement, and 1 reduction to a lower post, primarily affecting district judiciary staff. Additionally, 26 minor penalties were issued, including 18 censures/warnings, 6 stoppages of increments, and 2 cases of withheld promotions.
- Administrative actions were also taken to address complaints, with 65 cases of interventions, including 48 transfers (primarily judicial officers), 3 suspensions, and 14 other actions focused on judicial officers.
- This data underscores the judiciary's proactive approach to addressing internal complaints while maintaining institutional discipline. However, the significant number of unresolved complaints under "others" and persistent issues like misconduct highlight the need for further categorization, improved complaint resolution mechanisms, and preventive measures to ensure institutional integrity.

7.7 Statement showing Bench-wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the Islamabad High Court and its Benches During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of Principal Seat	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
1	Principal Seat, Islamabad	17104	10817	10623	17298
Total		**17104**	**10817**	**10623**	**17298**

- The Islamabad High Court's Principal Seat exhibited significant judicial activity in 2023, reflecting both its commitment to delivering justice and the challenges posed by an increasing caseload. At the beginning of the year, the court had a pending caseload of 17,104 cases. During the year, 10,817 new cases were instituted, while 10,623 cases were successfully disposed of. By the end of the year, the pending caseload stood at 17,298 cases, marking a net increase of 194 cases.
- This data highlights a commendable disposal rate, where approximately 98.2% of the newly instituted cases were resolved within the year. However, the slight increase in the pending caseload underscores the need for continuous efforts to manage and reduce the backlog.
- The increase in pending cases, though marginal, suggests the necessity for targeted strategies, such as prioritizing older cases or exploring Alternative Dispute Resolution mechanisms to enhance efficiency further. Additionally, leveraging technology for case management could streamline processes and support the court in addressing its workload effectively.

The Islamabad High Court's performance reflects its resilience and dedication to upholding justice, while also emphasizing the importance of strategic measures to manage the growing demands on the judicial system.



7.8 Category-Wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the High Court During the year

7.8.1 Criminal Jurisdiction

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Capital Sentence Reference	Anti-Terrorism Act	-	3	0	0	3
Complaint	-	-	1	0	0	1
Criminal Appeal	-	-	1	0	0	1
Criminal Appeal	Against Acquittal	-	2	0	1	1
Criminal Appeal	Against Acquittal	Above 7 Years	1	0	1	0
Criminal Appeal	Against Acquittal	After Arrest	1	1	2	0
Criminal Appeal	Against Acquittal	Anti-Corruption Act	2	0	2	0
Criminal Appeal	Against Acquittal	Anti-Terrorism Act	1	4	0	5
Criminal Appeal	Against Acquittal	Death Sentence	0	1	0	1
Criminal Appeal	Against Acquittal	Other	196	120	81	235
Criminal Appeal	Against Acquittal	U/S 302 PPC	32	10	11	31
Criminal Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Above 7 Years	30	35	17	48
Criminal Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Death Sentence	25	28	4	49
Criminal Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Life Imprisonment	31	62	16	77
Criminal Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Other	3	2	3	2
Criminal Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Upto 7 years	41	69	35	75
Criminal Appeal	Anti-Corruption Act	Other	2	0	1	1
Criminal Appeal	Anti-Terrorism Act	Life Imprisonment	2	0	1	1
Criminal Appeal	Anti-Terrorism Act	Other	2	0	2	0
Criminal Appeal	Anti Laundering Act	Money	1	3	1	3
Criminal Appeal	Consumer Protection Act	Other	23	36	21	38
Criminal Appeal	Custom Act	Other	0	1	1	0
Criminal Appeal	Environmental Protection Act	-	0	1	1	0
Criminal Appeal	N.A.B.	Above 7 Years	4	0	1	3

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Criminal Appeal	N.A.B.	Other	49	5	12	42
Criminal Appeal	N.A.B.	Upto 7 Years	7	0	1	6
Criminal Appeal	Narcotics	Above 7 Years	1	0	1	0
Criminal Appeal	Narcotics	After Arrest	1	0	1	0
Criminal Appeal	Narcotics	Life Imprisonment	2	0	1	1
Criminal Appeal	Narcotics	Miscellaneous	6	3	4	5
Criminal Appeal	Narcotics	Other	5	0	2	3
Criminal Appeal	Narcotics	Upto 7 Years	4	0	0	4
Criminal Appeal	Superdari	-	12	16	16	12
Criminal Miscellaneous	-	-	0	1	0	1
Criminal Miscellaneous	Bail	-	0	1	1	0
Criminal Miscellaneous	Bail	After Arrest	52	1326	1286	92
Criminal Miscellaneous	Bail	Before Arrest	9	225	222	12
Criminal Miscellaneous	Bail	Cancellation	56	158	134	80
Criminal Miscellaneous	Bail	Civil	1	0	0	1
Criminal Miscellaneous	Bail	Transitory	1	285	283	3
Criminal Miscellaneous	Hebeas Corpus	-	0	6	5	1
Criminal Miscellaneous	Miscellaneous	-	17	26	29	14
Criminal Miscellaneous	Quashment	-	2	3	2	3
Criminal Miscellaneous	Transfer Application	-	0	12	12	0
Criminal Original Case	Trial	-	1	0	0	1
Criminal Original	Criminal	-	6	9	4	11
Criminal Revision	Against Acquittal	-	4	5	2	7
Criminal Revision	Against Conviction	-	6	34	14	26
Criminal Revision	Against Interim Order	-	30	140	110	60
Criminal Revision	Anti-Terrorism Act	-	1	0	0	1
Criminal Revision	Enhancement of Sentence	-	13	2	2	13

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Criminal Revision	Illegal Dispossession	-	10	20	18	12
Jail Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Above 7 Years	41	18	19	40
Jail Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Death Sentence	24	10	6	28
Jail Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Life Imprisonment	19	23	7	35
Jail Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Upto 7 Years	12	29	8	33
Jail Revision	-	-	1	4	0	5
Jail Revision	-	Above 7 Years	0	1	0	1
Miscellaneous Petitions	-	-	1	2	1	2
Murder Reference	-	-	25	29	8	46
Petition for Special Leave to Appeal	Other	-	11	11	8	14
Petition for Special Leave to Appeal	PPC	-	5	2	3	4
Total			**839**	**2,779**	**2,424**	**1,194**

7.8.2 Civil Jurisdiction

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Arbitration Petition	Objection Petition	-	1	0	0	1
Arbitration Petition	Petition U/s 33,34	-	1	0	0	1
CM Independent	-	-	21	0	2	19
CM Independent	Civil	-	6	7	2	11
CM Independent	Writ	-	1	13	9	5
Civil Miscellaneous Appeals	-	-	171	129	47	253
Civil Miscellaneous Appeals	-	Other	1	0	0	1
Civil Original Suit	Recovery	-	32	4	6	30
Civil Revision	-	-		1	0	1
Civil Revision	Against Interim Order	-	257	222	159	320
Civil Revision	Against Judgment & Decree	-	251	23	92	182
Civil Suit	Cancellation	-	0	1	1	0
Civil Revision	Pre emption	-	1	0	0	1
Civil Suit	Award	-	2	0	0	2
Civil Suit	Compensation	-	1	0	0	1
Civil Suit	Declaration & Permanent Injuncution	-	1	0	1	0
Civil Suit	Declaration	-	2	0	2	0
Civil Suit	For Specific Performance	-	1	0	1	0
Civil Suit	Posession	-	1	0	0	1
Civil Suit	Recovery & Damages	-	1	0	1	0
Civil Suit	Recovery	-	2	0	1	1
Companies Original	Merger	-	1	1	0	2
Companies Original	Others	-	36	7	8	35
Companies Original	Recovery	-	5	0	1	4
Companies Original	Winding Up Petition	-	28	1	4	25
Criminal Original	Banking	-	0	1	0	1

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Criminal Original	Civil	-	33	16	8	41
Criminal Original	Tax & Commercial	-	7	1	3	5
Cross Objection	-	-	21	3	1	23
Custom Reference	-	-	150	202	41	311
Execution First Appeal	Banking	-	15	0	1	14
Execution Petition	-	-	3	0	1	2
Execution Petition	Banking	-	13	1	0	14
Execution Petition	Civil Original	-	7	3	0	10
Federal Excise & Reference Application	-	-	83	14	4	93
First Appeal Against Order	-	-	2	1	0	3
First Appeal Against Order	Against Order	-	353	139	133	359
First Appeal Against Order	Arbitration	-	18	27	16	29
First Appeal Against Order	Banking	-	6	1	2	5
First Appeal Against Order	F.P.S.C.	-	5	0	1	4
First Appeal Against Order	Other	-	25	0	4	21
First Appeal Against Order	P.E.M.R.A.	-	4	0	1	3
First Appeal Against Order	P.T.A.	-	5	0	1	4
First Appeal Against Order	S.E.C.P.	-	2	0	0	2
Income Tax Appeal	-	-	1	0	0	1
Income Tax Reference	-	-	872	193	196	869
Intra Court Appeal	Civil Original	-	6	2	3	5
Intra Court Appeal	Civil	-	12	4	7	9
Intra Court Appeal	Tax & Commercial	-	1	0	1	0
OGRA Application	-	-	25	5	3	27
Objection Petition	Banking	-	3	0	0	3
Objection Petition	Civil Original	-	1	0	0	1
Petition for Leave to Appear and Defend	Banking	-	4	0	0	4

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Petition for Leave to Appear and Defend	Civil Original	-	7	3	1	9
Regular First Appeal	-	-	3	0	2	1
Regular First Appeal	Against Judgment & Decree	-	2,190	696	445	2,441
Regular First Appeal	Against Judgment	-	373	5	64	314
Regular First Appeal	Against Judgment	Other	1	0	0	1
Regular First Appeal	Banking	-	48	0	11	37
Regular First Appeal	Specific Performance	-	20	0	2	18
Regular Second Appeal	Against Judgment & Decree	-	13	1	4	10
Review Application	Civil Original	-	0	1	1	0
Review Application	Civil	-	6	3	3	6
Review Application	Civil	Other	0	1	1	0
Review Application	Commercial	-	1	0	0	1
SECP Appeal	-	-	8	11	2	17
Sales Tax Reference	-	-	293	39	56	276
Tax Appeal	-	-	9	0	8	1
Tax Reference	-	-	17	0	4	13
Transfer Application	Civil	-	0	3	3	0
TOTAL			**5,490**	**1785**	**1371**	**5,904**

7.8.3 Writ Jurisdiction

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Writ Petition	Allotment	Allotment of Land	14	1	7	8
Writ Petition	Allotment	Allotment of Plot	157	14	54	117
Writ Petition	Allotment	Allotment of Quarter	14	81	63	32
Writ Petition	Allotment	Other	69	14	31	52
Writ Petition	Allotment	Registeration of Criminal Case	1	0	1	0
Writ Petition	Allotment	Tax	1	0	1	0
Writ Petition	Consumer Protection	-	2	0	0	2

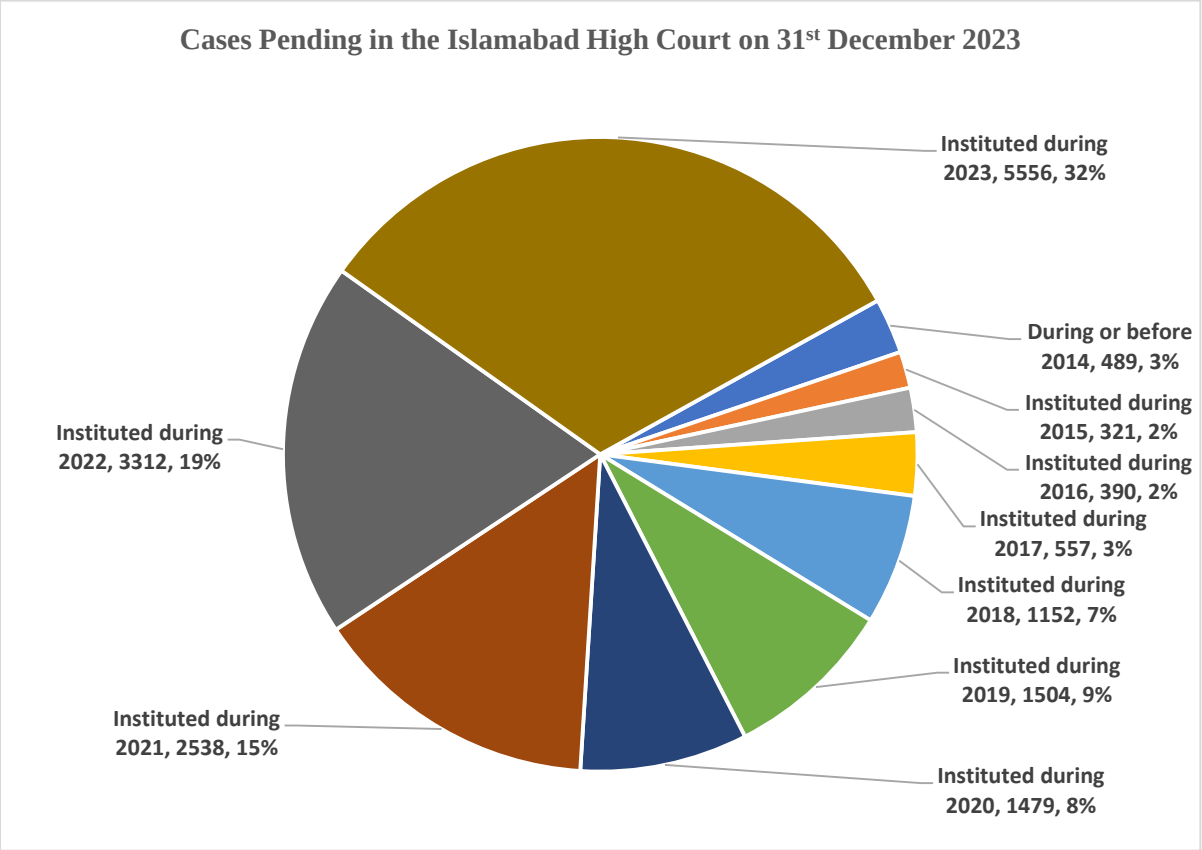
Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Writ Petition	Drugs Case	-	1	0	0	1
Writ Petition	Education	Admission	11	14	14	11
Writ Petition	Education	Enrollment Slip	1	0	1	0
Writ Petition	Education	Issuance of Professional License	1	0	0	1
Writ Petition	Education	Other	111	25	50	86
Writ Petition	Election	Housing Societies	17	10	22	5
Writ Petition	Election	Local Bodies	16	9	19	6
Writ Petition	Election	Other	54	24	47	31
Writ Petition	Election	Senate	1	0	1	0
Writ Petition	Election	Trade Union	3	22	14	11
Writ Petition	Election	Transfer of Land / Property	0	1	1	0
Writ Petition	Election	Union Council	0	2	1	1
Writ Petition	Environmental Law	-	13	1	6	8
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Closure of Defence	1	2	2	1
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Custody	13	8	15	6
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Divorce	3	5	5	3
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Dowery	15	12	10	17
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Guardian & Ward	5	7	4	8
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Hazannat	0	1	0	1
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Maintenance	73	73	83	63
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Other	78	54	69	63
Writ Petition	Hebeas Corpus	-	26	63	64	25
Writ Petition	MPO	-	0	1	1	0
Writ Petition	Miscelleneous	-	1	0	1	0
Writ Petition	Miscelleneous	Allotment of Land	8	1	2	7
Writ Petition	Miscelleneous	Civil	258	150	178	230
Writ Petition	Miscelleneous	Illegal Dispossession	8	6	6	8
Writ Petition	Miscelleneous	Land Aquisition	98	62	54	106
Writ Petition	Miscelleneous	Other	3,652	1618	1936	3,334

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Writ Petition	Miscelleneous	Possession of Property	3	1	1	3
Writ Petition	Miscelleneous	Recovery of Amount	6	0	3	3
Writ Petition	Miscelleneous	Transfer of Land / Property	1	0	1	0
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	-	2	0	0	2
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	Bail	2	10	10	2
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	Cancellation of Bail	1	0	0	1
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	Exit Control List	1	1	0	2
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	Illegal Harrasment	1	2	2	1
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	Other	129	54	59	124
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	Plea of Bargain	1	0	1	0
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	Quashment	4	0	3	1
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	Recovery	1	0	0	1
Writ Petition	N.I.R.C.	-	217	108	113	212
Writ Petition	Police/FIA Matter	Detention	2	24	24	2
Writ Petition	Police/FIA Matter	Harrasment	22	35	32	25
Writ Petition	Police/FIA Matter	Other	97	199	182	114
Writ Petition	Police/FIA Matter	Quashment of FIR	104	191	135	160
Writ Petition	Police/FIA Matter	Quashment of Proceeding	4	8	10	2
Writ Petition	Police/FIA Matter	Registeration of Criminal Case	70	158	110	118
Writ Petition	Police/FIA Matter	Superdari of Vehicle	13	25	20	18
Writ Petition	Rent Matter		48	78	85	41
Writ Petition	Service	Absorption	14	2	9	7
Writ Petition	Service	Against Inquiry Proceedings	12	10	9	13
Writ Petition	Service	Appointment	188	71	116	143
Writ Petition	Service	Back Benefits	19	19	16	22
Writ Petition	Service	Deputation	15	4	7	12
Writ Petition	Service	LPR	0	2	0	2
Writ Petition	Service	Other	442	89	192	339
Writ Petition	Service	Pay & Allowances	72	10	19	63

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution During the Year	Disposal During the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Writ Petition	Service	Pension	134	49	53	130
Writ Petition	Service	Promotion	319	105	153	271
Writ Petition	Service	Qua Warranto	116	35	76	75
Writ Petition	Service	Regularization	120	25	54	91
Writ Petition	Service	Reinstatement	108	20	45	83
Writ Petition	Service	Repatriation	18	24	16	26
Writ Petition	Service	Salary	28	16	18	26
Writ Petition	Service	Seniority	30	10	16	24
Writ Petition	Service	Termination	110	49	65	94
Writ Petition	Service	Transfer & Postings	35	20	25	30
Writ Petition	Service	Upgradation	49	8	21	36
Writ Petition	Tax & Banking	-	1	0	0	1
Writ Petition	Tax & Banking	Banking	1	1	0	2
Writ Petition	Tax & Banking	Duty	6	2	2	6
Writ Petition	Tax & Banking	Other	37	3	17	23
Writ Petition	Tax & Banking	Tax	452	812	307	957
Writ Petition	Trade & Commercial	Bid	3	0	3	0
Writ Petition	Trade & Commercial	Commercial	2	0	0	2
Writ Petition	Trade & Commercial	Other	5	0	1	4
Writ Petition	Trade & Commercial	Tender	3	0	2	1
Criminal Original	Writ	-	576	247	274	549
Diary Number	-	-	19	176	0	195
Diary Number	Objection Case	-	3	3	0	6
Intra Court Appeal	Writ	-	1,702	436	621	1,517
Objection Case	Writ	-	150	541	585	106
Office Objection	-	-	483	273	517	239
Review Application	Writ	-	48	16	35	29
TOTAL			**10,775**	**6,253**	**6,828**	**10,200**

7.9 Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution.

The chart below presents the pending caseload of Islamabad High Court on 31st December 2023, bifurcated by the Year of institution



The table presents the total pending cases as of December 31st, 2023, categorized by case type (Criminal, Civil, and Writ Cases) and provides a breakdown of these cases based on the Year they were instituted.

Category	Total Pendency 31-12-2023	Break up of Pending Cases on the basis of the Year of Institution									
		Up to 2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Criminal Jurisdiction	1194	11	7	4	7	27	54	34	63	242	745
Civil Jurisdiction	5904	308	231	163	198	380	539	456	932	1201	1496
Writ Jurisdiction	10200	170	83	223	352	745	911	989	1543	1869	3315
Total	**17298**	**489**	**321**	**390**	**557**	**1152**	**1504**	**1479**	**2538**	**3312**	**5556**

As of the end of 2023, the Islamabad High Court had **17,298 pending cases**, distributed as follows:

- **Criminal Jurisdiction:** 1,194 cases (6.9% of the total).
- **Civil Jurisdiction:** 5,904 cases (34.1% of the total).
- **Writ Jurisdiction:** 10,200 cases (59% of the total).

Older Cases (up to 2014):

- A total of **489 cases** (2.8%) are pending from 2014 or earlier, showing that a small but notable backlog of older cases still exists.
- These older cases are concentrated primarily in civil jurisdiction **(308 cases)** and writ jurisdiction **(170 cases)**.

Recent Cases (2021–2023):

- **11,406 cases (65.9%)** were instituted between 2021 and 2023, highlighting a significant increase in recent filings.
- The highest number of pending cases are from **2023**, accounting for **5,556 cases** (32.1% of the total).

7.9.1 Criminal Jurisdiction

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Capital Sentence Reference	Anti-Terrorism Act	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	3
Complaint	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Criminal Appeal	-	-	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	2
Criminal Appeal	Against Acquittal	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Criminal Appeal	Against Acquittal	Anti-Terrorism Act	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	5
Criminal Appeal	Against Acquittal	Death Sentence	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Criminal Appeal	Against Acquittal	Other	1	3	2	1	11	25	11	23	54	105	236
Criminal Appeal	Against Acquittal	U/S 302 PPC	2	4	2	1	4	3	2	0	4	10	32
Criminal Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Above 7 Years	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	8	35	48
Criminal Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Death Sentence	0	0	0	1	0	5	1	0	14	28	49
Criminal Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Life Imprisonment	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	1	11	61	77
Criminal Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Criminal Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Upto 7 Years	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	3	12	58	75
Criminal Appeal	Anti Corruption	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
	Act												
Criminal Appeal	Anti Terrorism Act	Life Imprisonment	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Criminal Appeal	Anti Laundering Act	Money	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
Criminal Appeal	Consumer Protection Act	Other	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	11	26	38
Criminal Appeal	N.A.B.	Above 7 Years	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	3
Criminal Appeal	N.A.B.	Other	1	0	0	1	0	5	5	3	22	5	42
Criminal Appeal	Narcotics	Life Imprisonment	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Criminal Appeal	Narcotics	Miscellaneous	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	5
Criminal Appeal	Narcotics	Other	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	3
Criminal Appeal	Narcotics	Upto 7 Years	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	4
Criminal Appeal	Superdari	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	8	11
Criminal Miscellaneous	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Criminal Miscellaneous	Bail	After Arrest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	90	91
Criminal Miscellaneous	Bail	Before Arrest	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	12
Criminal Miscellaneous	Bail	Cancellation	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	11	65	79
Criminal Miscellaneous	Bail	Civil	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Criminal Miscellaneous	Bail	Transitory	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
Criminal Miscellaneous	Hebeas Corpus	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Criminal Miscellaneous	Miscellaneous	-	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	10	14
Criminal Miscellaneous	Quashment	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	3
Criminal Original	Criminal	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	1	5	11
Criminal Original Case	Trial	-	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Criminal Revision	Against Acquittal	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	4	7
Criminal Revision	Against Conviction	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	22	26
Criminal Revision	Against Interim Order	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	7	51	60
Criminal Revision	Anti Terrorism Act	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Criminal Revision	Enhancement of Sentence	-	0	0	0	0	2	4	0	2	3	2	13
Criminal Revision	Illegal Disposession	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	9	12
Jail Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Above 7 Years	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	21	18	40
Jail Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Death Sentence	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	4	12	10	28
Jail Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Life Imprisonment	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	9	23	35
Jail Appeal	Against Conviction (PPC)	Upto 7 Years	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	28	33
Jail Revision	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	5
Jail Revision	-	Above 7 Years	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Miscellaneous Petitions	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Murder Reference	-	-	0	0	0	1	0	3	1	0	13	28	46
Petition for Special Leave to Appeal	Other	-	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	1	4	6	14
Petition for Special Leave to Appeal	PPC	-	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	4
Criminal Appeal	N.A.B.	Upto 7 Years	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
TOTAL			**11**	**7**	**4**	**7**	**27**	**54**	**34**	**63**	**242**	**745**	**1194**

7.9.2 Civil Jurisdiction

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Arbitration Petition	Objection Petition	-	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Arbitration Petition	Petition U/s 33,34 Arbitration Act	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Civil Miscellaneous Appeals		-	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	18	134	100	253
Civil Miscellaneous Appeals	Other	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Civil Original Suit	Recovery	-	11	1	1	1	1	4	3	2	2	4	30
Civil Revision		-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Civil Revision	Against Interim Order	-	3	3	7	9	68	64	11	12	9	134	320
Civil Revision	Against Judgment & Decree	-	4	9	4	12	21	52	36	11	20	13	182

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Civil Revision	Pre-emption	-	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Civil Suit	Cancellation	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Civil Suit	Award	-	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
Civil Suit	Posession	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Civil Suit	Recovery	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
CM Independent	-	-	1	0	0	1	1	2	5	3	7	4	24
CM Independent	Civil	-	0	0	0	0	1	5	0	0	0	5	11
Companies Original	Merger	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	2
Companies Original	Others	-	2	2	0	0	4	4	5	7	6	5	35
Companies Original	Recovery	-	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	4
Companies Original	Winding Up Petition	-	8	0	0	2	5	1	4	3	2	0	25
Criminal Original	Banking	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Criminal Original	Civil	-	0	0	1	5	5	1	6	5	7	11	41
Criminal Original	Tax & Commercial	-	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	5
Cross Objection	-	-	0	1	3	1	1	3	1	8	2	3	23
Custom Reference	-	-	7	4	5	16	33	7	17	3	25	194	311
Execution First Appeal	Banking	-	3	0	3	0	6	0	2	0	0	0	14
Execution Petition	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	3
Execution Petition	Banking	-	4	1	2	0	0	3	1	0	2	0	13

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Execution Petition	Civil Original	-	1	0	0	0	1	2	0	1	2	3	10
Federal Excise & Reference Application	-	-	10	15	8	8	16	2	2	2	16	14	93
First Appeal Against Order	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	3
First Appeal Against Order	Against Order	-	5	0	2	13	38	72	53	59	36	81	359
First Appeal Against Order	Arbitration	-	1	1	0	2	2	2	0	3	4	14	29
First Appeal Against Order	Banking	-	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	0	5
First Appeal Against Order	F.P.S.C.	-	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	4
First Appeal Against Order	Other	-	0	0	0	1	8	3	0	8	1	0	21
First Appeal Against Order	P.E.M.R.A.	-	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	3
First Appeal Against Order	P.T.A.	-	0	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	4
First Appeal Against Order	S.E.C.P.	-	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Income Tax Appeal	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Income Tax Reference	-	-	131	100	52	35	34	30	41	101	154	191	869
Intra Court Appeal	Civil	-	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	3	9
Intra Court Appeal	Civil Original	-	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	5
Objection Petition	Banking	-	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	3
Objection Petition	Civil Original	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
OGRA Application	-	-	0	0	0	1	6	3	2	6	4	5	27

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Petition for Leave to Appear and Defend	Banking	-	2	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	4
Petition for Leave to Appear and Defend	Civil Original	-	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	1	3	9
Regular First Appeal	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Regular First Appeal	Against Judgment	-	3	6	3	2	5	20	23	166	82	4	314
Regular First Appeal	Against Judgment	Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Regular First Appeal	Against Judgment & Decree	-	58	49	48	42	103	226	228	468	571	648	2441
Regular First Appeal	Banking	-	1	1	2	22	6	1	1	3	0	0	37
Regular First Appeal	Specific Performance	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	15	0	18
Regular Second Appeal	Against Judgment & Decree	-	0	1	0	3	0	4	1	0	0	1	10
Review Application	Civil	-	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	6
Review Application	Commercial	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Sales Tax Reference	-	-	36	29	18	18	7	15	6	23	87	37	276
SECP Appeal	-	-	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	11	17
Tax Appeal	-	-	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Tax Reference		-	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	13
TOTAL			**308**	**231**	**163**	**198**	**380**	**539**	**456**	**932**	**1201**	**1496**	**5904**

7.9.3 Writ Jurisdiction

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Writ Petition	Allotment	Allotment of Land	2	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	2	1	8
Writ Petition	Allotment	Allotment of Plot	11	1	11	14	19	17	14	15	5	10	117
Writ Petition	Allotment	Allotment of Quarter	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	1	1	27	32
Writ Petition	Allotment	Other	0	0	9	7	10	3	7	6	3	7	52
Writ Petition	Consumer Protection	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Writ Petition	Drugs Case	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Writ Petition	Education	Admission	0	0	0	0	1	3	3	0	0	4	11
Writ Petition	Education	Issuance of Professional License	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Writ Petition	Education	Other	0	2	2	3	12	17	10	17	7	16	86
Writ Petition	Election	Housing Societies	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	1	5
Writ Petition	Election	Local Bodies	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	2	6
Writ Petition	Election	Other	0	0	1	3	8	7	1	2	3	6	31
Writ Petition	Election	Trade Union	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	10	11
Writ Petition	Election	Union Council	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Writ Petition	Environmental Law	-	0	1	1	2	0	1	0	0	2	1	8
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Closure of Defence	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Custody	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	2	6
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Divorce	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	3

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Dowery	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	6	7	17
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Guardian & Ward	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	8
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Hazannat	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Maintenance	0	0	1	0	3	3	1	3	22	30	63
Writ Petition	Family Matter	Other	0	0	1	0	0	5	1	14	18	24	63
Writ Petition	Hebeas Corpus	-	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	6	11	4	25
Writ Petition	Misc.	Allotment of Land	2	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	7
Writ Petition	Misc.	Civil	4	0	1	8	3	1	14	64	65	70	230
Writ Petition	Misc.	Illegal Dispossession	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	4	8
Writ Petition	Misc.	Land Aquisition	15	0	4	3	1	0	3	18	11	51	106
Writ Petition	Misc.	Other	22	32	78	84	253	330	402	483	761	889	3334
Writ Petition	Misc.	Possession of Property	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	3
Writ Petition	Misc.	Recovery of Amount	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	Bail	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	Cancellation of Bail	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	Exit Control List	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	Illegal Harrasment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	Other	1	0	0	2	12	12	25	19	25	28	124

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	Quashment	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Writ Petition	N.A.B.	Recovery	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Writ Petition	N.I.R.C.	-	1	2	0	2	3	10	41	3	88	62	212
Writ Petition	Police/FIA Matter	Detention	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Writ Petition	Police/FIA Matter	Harrasment	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	7	4	10	25
Writ Petition	Police/FIA Matter	Other	0	0	0	2	6	14	5	12	20	55	114
Writ Petition	Police/FIA Matter	Quashment of FIR	0	0	0	2	6	3	2	30	25	92	160
Writ Petition	Police/FIA Matter	Quashment of Proceeding	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Writ Petition	Police/FIA Matter	Registeration of Criminal Case	0	0	0	0	0	1	3	13	27	74	118
Writ Petition	Police/FIA Matter	Superdari of Vehicle	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	5	10	18
Writ Petition	Rent Matter	-	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	3	17	17	41
Writ Petition	Service	Absorption	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	1	1	1	7
Writ Petition	Service	Against Inquiry Proceedings	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	1	9	13
Writ Petition	Service	Appointment	2	1	4	10	23	23	14	14	12	40	143
Writ Petition	Service	Back Benefits	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	1	4	13	22
Writ Petition	Service	Deputation	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	8	0	3	12
Writ Petition	Service	LPR	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Writ Petition	Service	Other	1	0	10	9	62	48	45	78	48	38	339

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Writ Petition	Service	Pay & Allowances	4	1	6	6	3	3	4	8	20	8	63
Writ Petition	Service	Pension	1	0	5	10	11	15	8	11	34	35	130
Writ Petition	Service	Promotion	2	3	3	8	25	38	41	40	44	67	271
Writ Petition	Service	Qua Warranto	0	0	3	8	8	6	9	12	13	16	75
Writ Petition	Service	Regularization	0	0	3	5	13	22	16	8	10	14	91
Writ Petition	Service	Reinstatement	1	1	3	12	5	14	19	4	14	10	83
Writ Petition	Service	Repatriation	0	0	0	1	3	1	1	1	5	14	26
Writ Petition	Service	Salary	1	0	0	1	3	9	1	1	0	10	26
Writ Petition	Service	Seniority	0	0	1	0	3	2	3	2	6	7	24
Writ Petition	Service	Termination	1	1	4	5	3	8	10	19	19	24	94
Writ Petition	Service	Transfer & Postings	0	0	4	5	1	3	2	3	2	10	30
Writ Petition	Service	Upgradation	0	1	5	3	3	6	3	6	2	7	36
Writ Petition	Tax & Banking	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
Writ Petition	Tax & Banking	Banking	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
Writ Petition	Tax & Banking	Duty	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	2	6
Writ Petition	Tax & Banking	Other	1	1	3	0	9	2	1	2	2	2	23
Writ Petition	Tax & Banking	Tax	21	10	19	24	32	33	14	75	93	636	957
Writ Petition	Trade & Commercial	Commercial	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Writ Petition	Trade & Commercial	Other	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4

Main Category	Matter	Sub Matter	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	Total
Writ Petition	Trade & Commercial	Tender	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Criminal Original	Writ	-	14	4	8	19	52	76	80	93	81	122	549
Diary Number	-	-	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	176	195
Diary Number	Objection Case	-	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	6
Intra Court Appeal	Writ	-	50	10	24	51	123	143	145	401	260	310	1517
Objection Case	Writ	-	0	0	0	0	3	6	9	12	31	45	106
Office Objection	-	-	9	7	4	5	7	7	18	15	15	152	239
Review Application	-	-	0	0	1	2	5	3	2	3	6	7	29
TOTAL			**170**	**83**	**223**	**352**	**745**	**911**	**989**	**1543**	**1869**	**3315**	**10200**

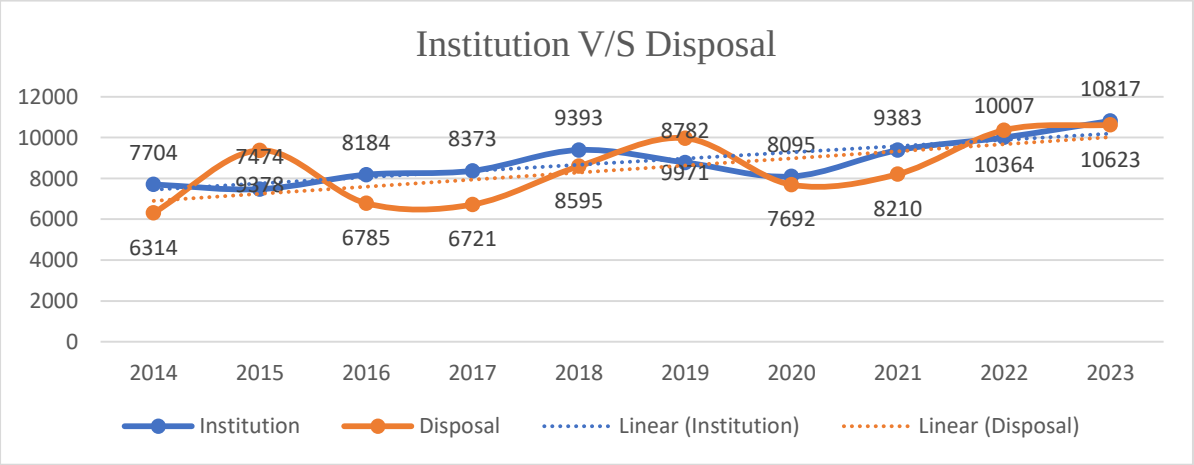
7.10 Consolidated Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the Islamabad High Court, Islamabad during the Last 10 Years

Over the past decade (2014–2023), the Islamabad High Court has seen notable trends in the institution and disposal of cases, impacting the pendency of cases. A total of **87,212 cases** were instituted, while **85,052 cases** were disposed of, resulting in a net increase of **2,160 pending cases** during this period. The number of pending cases rose from **13,110 in 2014** to **17,298 in 2023**, reflecting a steady growth in the caseload.

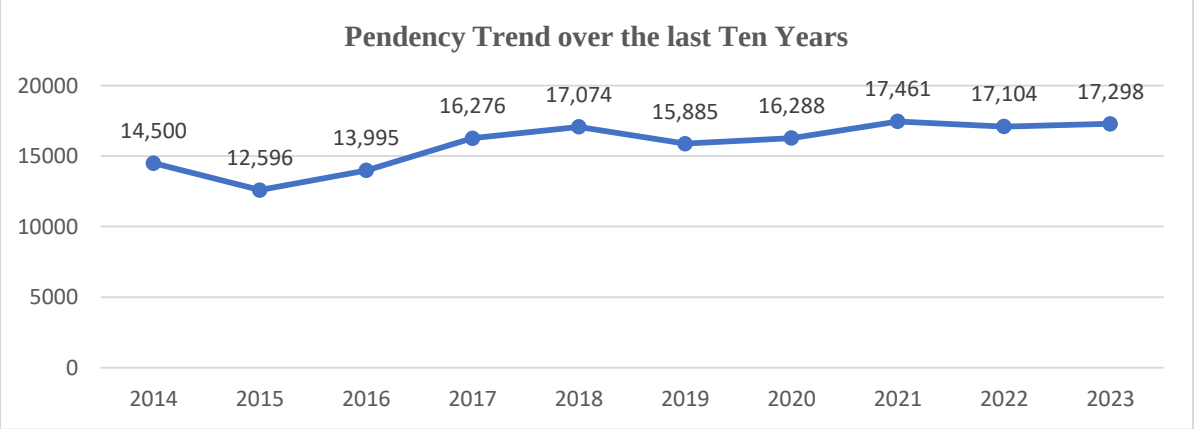
Year	Pending	Institution	Disposal	Balance
2014	13110	7704	6314	14500
2015	14500	7474	9378	12596
2016	12596	8184	6785	13995
2017	13995	8373	6721	16276*
2018	16276	9393	8595	17074
2019	17074	8782	9971	15885
2020	15885	8095	7692	16288
2021	16288	9383	8210	17461
2022	17461	10007	10364	17104
2023	17104	10817	10623	17298

The yearly trends reveal that case institutions surpassed disposals in six out of ten years (2014, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2021, and 2023). In these years, the higher number of new filings contributed to an increased backlog. Particularly in **2017**, a significant gap between institutions **(8,373)** and disposals **(6,721)** led to a steep rise in pending cases, reaching **16,276** by the end of the year.

In contrast, there were four years (2015, 2019, 2020, and 2022) where the disposal rate exceeded or closely matched institutions, demonstrating improved judicial efficiency. For instance, in **2019**, disposals **(9,971)** outpaced institutions **(8,782)**, reducing the pending caseload from **17,074 to 15,885**. Similarly, **2022** was a standout year, with the highest disposal rate of the decade at **10,364 cases**, slightly reducing the backlog to **17,104**. In **2023**, the institution rate rose to **10,817**, closely matched by **10,623 disposals**, resulting in a minor increase in pending cases to **17,298**.



The pending caseload grew significantly in the earlier years, rising from **13,110 in 2014** to **16,276 in 2017**, reflecting a consistent imbalance between institutions and disposals. Between **2018 and 2020**, pendency stabilized, fluctuating between **15,885 to 16,288**, thanks to periods of higher disposal rates. However, from **2021 onward**, pending cases began to climb again, reaching **17,298 by 2023**.



The Islamabad High Court has made notable progress in improving its disposal rate in specific years; however, the growing trend in case institutions has outpaced these efforts, leading to an overall increase in pending cases. To address this issue, further enhancements in judicial efficiency, resource allocation, and case management strategies are required to reduce the backlog and maintain a balance between institution and disposal rates.

* The difference in balance of cases is due to automation and physical verification. The data may vary/differ due to transfer, re-opening/restoration, remand and in case where leave to appeal is granted by the Court or delayed data entry of Institution & Disposal, etc.

7.11 The Sanctioned and Working Strength of Officer and Officials in the Islamabad High Court

Sr.#	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength		Vacant Post
				Male	Female	
1	Registrar	22	1	1	--	0
2	Officer on Special Duty (OSD)	22	1	0	--	1
3	Member Inspection Team (MIT)	21	1	1	--	0
4	Officer on Special Duty (OSD)	21	4	2	--	2
5	Additional Registrar	21	7	4	--	3
6	Addl. Member Inspection Team (AMIT)	21	1	1	--	0
7	Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Justice	21	1	1	--	0
8	Officer on Special Duty (OSD)	20	2	1	--	1
9	Deputy Registrar	20	17	17	--	0
10	Research & Reference Officer	20	1	1	--	0
11	Project Director	19	1	0	--	1
12	Officer on Special Duty (OSD)	19	2	0	--	2
13	Private Secretary	19	13	8	--	5
14	Assistant Registrar	19	17	10	**1**	6
15	Staff Officer	19	1	0	--	1
16	Court Associate	19	12	5	--	7
17	Treasury officer	19	1	1	--	0
18	Librarian	19	1	0	--	1
19	Assistant Accounts Officer	18	3	2	--	1
20	Assistant Librarian	18	1	0	**1**	0
21	Personal Assistant	18	20	8	--	12
22	Stenographer	18	17	16	**1**	0
23	Judicial Assistant	18	10	4	**1**	5
24	Research Associate	18	1	0	--	1
25	Programmer/Developer	18	1	1	--	0
26	Hardware/Network Engineer	17	1	1	--	0
27	Database Administrator	17	1	1	--	0
28	Assistant Protocol Officer	17	1	0	--	1
29	Admn. Office Coordinator	17	25	19	--	6
30	Computer Operator	16	2	1	**1**	0
31	Scanning Technician	15	2	2	--	0
32	Data Center Technician	15	2	1	--	1
33	Data Entry Operator	14	5	4	1	0
34	Senior Office Coordinator	14	26	13	**3**	10
35	Imam Masjid	11	1	1	--	0
36	Office Coordinator	11	42	33	**2**	7
37	Bailiff	11	5	5	--	0
38	Staff Car Driver to HCJ	10	1	1	--	0
39	Calligraphist	9	1	1	--	0
40	Moazin-cum-Khadim	7	1	1	--	0
41	Mechanic (Transport)	7	1	1	--	0
42	Driver	7	39	36	--	3
43	Dispatch Rider	7	10	9	--	1
44	Cook	7	17	15	--	2
45	Photographer-Cum-File Fatcher	7	1	1	--	0

Sr.#	Name of Post	BPS	Sanctioned Strength	Working Strength		Vacant Post
				Male	Female	
46	Library Attendant	6	16	16	--	0
47	Lift Operator	6	5	5	--	0
48	Record Lifter	5	5	4	1	0
49	Court Attendant	5	13	13	--	0
50	Book Binder	5	2	1	--	1
51	Head Mali	5	1	1	--	0
52	Bearer	4	16	11	--	5
53	Mali	4	18	16	--	2
54	Office Attendant	4	61	55	**2**	4
55	Frash	4	5	5	--	0
56	Water Man	4	2	2	--	0
57	Dusting Coolie	4	2	1	--	1
58	Chowkidar	4	10	10	--	0
59	Sanitary Worker	4	28	26	--	02
Total			**505**	**396**	**14**	**95**

7.12 Budget allocation for the Islamabad High Court and the District Judiciary of Islamabad for the year 2023-24

Sr. #	Particulars	Budget in Rupees
1.1	**Islamabad High Court**	
	Principal Seat, Islamabad (Charged)	1,543,322,000
	Total	**1,543,322,000**
1.2	**District Judiciary ICT**	
	Session Courts (East & West)	580,401,991
	Civil Courts (East & West)	680,777,009
	Total	**1,261,179,000**
1.3	**Total Budget Allocation (High Court + District Judiciary)**	**2,804,501,000**

The budgetary allocation for the Islamabad High Court (IHC) and the District Judiciary of Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT) reflects a strategic approach to ensuring the effective functioning of the judicial system in the region.

- For the Islamabad High Court, a total budget of **1,543,322,000 PKR** has been allocated for the Principal Seat in Islamabad. This allocation is classified as a "Charged" expenditure, meaning it is directly charged to the consolidated fund. It primarily covers the salaries and allowances of judges and staff, as well as operational costs such as utilities and maintenance. Additionally, the budget supports investments in judicial infrastructure and technology to improve the efficiency of court operations.
- The District Judiciary, which includes both the Sessions Courts and Civil Courts for East and West Islamabad, has been allocated a total of **1,261,179,000 PKR**. Of this, **580,401,991 PKR** is allocated to the Sessions Courts (East & West), which covers the administration of criminal justice, the handling of sessions cases, and the maintenance of related court facilities. The remaining **680,777,009 PKR** is dedicated to the Civil Courts (East & West), which are responsible for adjudicating civil disputes. This

funding supports operational costs, the payment of salaries for judicial officers and staff, and the upkeep of court facilities.

- In total, the combined budget allocation for the Islamabad High Court and the District Judiciary for the Year is **2,804,501,000 PKR**. The Islamabad High Court receives **55%** of the total allocation, while the District Judiciary receives **45%**. This distribution ensures a balanced focus on both higher and lower courts, recognizing the critical role both play in the judicial system.

The allocation demonstrates a clear emphasis on operational efficiency, with significant funds dedicated to salaries, daily operations, and infrastructure development. However, while the Islamabad High Court receives a larger portion of the budget, the resources for the District Judiciary are equally crucial to address challenges at the grassroots level, where most cases are initiated.

7.13 District-Wise Sanctioned and Working Strength of Judicial Officers

7.13.1 Consolidated Strength

Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working In field		Working Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Islamabad High Court, Islamabad	103	-	-	6	-	21
District Courts- West, Islamabad		29	8	-	-	
District Courts- East, Islamabad		23	7	-	-	
Special Courts Islamabad		-	-	7	1	
Federal Judicial Academy		-	-	1	-	
TOTAL	**103**	**52**	**15**	**14**	**1**	**21**

7.13.2 District & Sessions Judges

Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working In field		Working Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Islamabad High Court, Islamabad	15	-	-	4	-	2
District Courts- West, Islamabad		1	-	-	-	
District Courts- East, Islamabad		1	-	-	-	
Special Courts Islamabad		-	-	6	1	
TOTAL	**15**	**2**	**0**	**10**	**1**	**2**

7.13.3 Additional District & Sessions Judges

Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working In field		Working Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
Islamabad High Court, Islamabad		-	-	2	-	10
District Courts- West, Islamabad	15	7	2	-	-	
District Courts- East, Islamabad	15	7	1	-	-	
Special Courts Islamabad		-	-	1	-	
TOTAL	**30**	**14**	**3**	**3**	**-**	**10**

7.13.4 Senior Civil Judges

Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working In field		Working Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
District Courts- West, Islamabad	3	2	-	-	-	01
District Courts- East, Islamabad	3	3	-	-	-	
TOTAL	**6**	**5**	**-**	**-**	**-**	**01**

7.13.5 Civil Judges/ Judicial Magistrates / Family Judges etc.

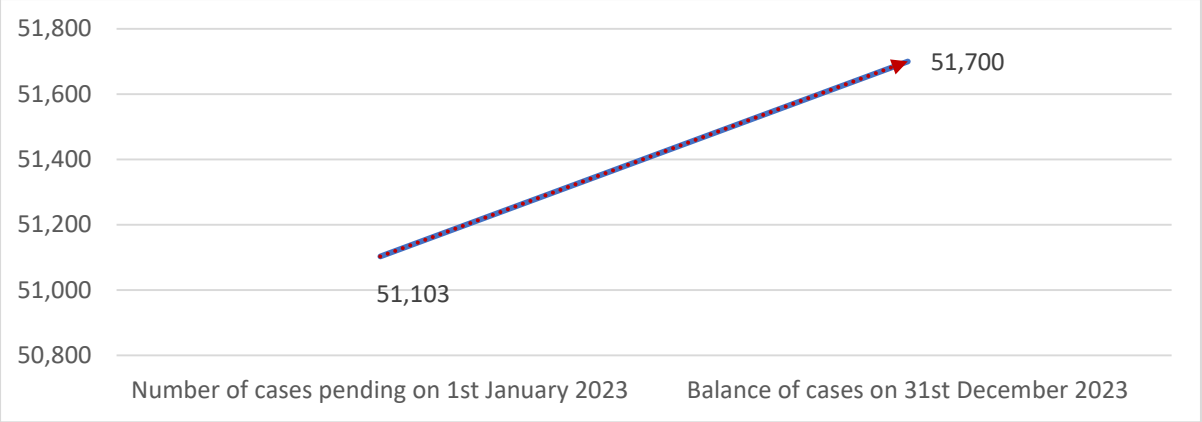
Name of Districts	Sanctioned Strength	Working In field		Working Ex-cadre		Vacant Positions
		Male	Female	Male	Female	
District Courts- West, Islamabad	26	19	6	-	-	8
District Courts- East, Islamabad	26	12	6	1	-	
TOTAL	**52**	**31**	**12**	**1**	**-**	**8**

7.14 Category wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal & Balance of cases during the year 2023

The 2023 data for Islamabad's District Judiciary reveals a commendable effort in managing the high volume of cases, with a disposal rate closely aligned with the influx of new cases. However, a slight increase in the overall backlog primarily in criminal cases highlights the need for enhanced reforms and resource allocation to effectively manage the growing caseload.

Category	Pending on 01.01.2023	Institution during the Year	Disposal during the Year	Balance on 31.12.2023
Criminal Cases	19010	71721	69344	21387
Civil Cases	32093	50620	52400	30313
Grand Total	**51103**	**122341**	**121744**	**51700**

- In the **Criminal Cases** category, there were **19,010 cases pending** at the start of the Year. During 2023, **71,721 new Criminal Cases** were instituted, and **69,344 cases** were disposed of, leaving a balance of **21,387 cases** by the end of the year. This suggests that while the court handled a large number of criminal cases, the volume of new cases added still resulted in a slight increase in pending cases by the end of the year.
- In the **Civil Cases** category, the system started with **32,093 pending cases**. Over the course of 2023, **50,620 new Civil Cases** were filed, and **52,400 cases** were disposed of. This led to a remaining balance of **30,313 Civil Cases**. While the court disposed of more civil cases than were newly instituted, the pending caseload still slightly reduced by the year-end.



Overall, the **grand total** of all Cases (Criminal and Civil) started the Year with **51,103 pending cases**. During 2023, a total of **122,341 cases** were instituted, and **121,744 cases** were disposed of, leaving a **balance of 51,700 cases** at the end of the year. This indicates that despite disposing of a large number of cases, the total pendency slightly increased, suggesting the ongoing challenge of managing the influx of new cases.

7.14.1 Criminal Cases (All Categories including Appeals)

Sr.	Name of Category	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution during Year	Disposal during Year	Balance on 31-12-23
1	Murder	281	207	247	241
2	Cases under Illegal Dispossession	106	163	148	121
3	Cases under Hudood Ordinance	30	59	30	59
4	Cases Under CNS Act	1114	2515	1690	1939
5	Defamation Cases Under PPC	4	14	5	13
6	Other Criminal Trials **(Sessions)**	440	1288	768	960
	Other Criminal Trials **(Magisterial)**	0	0	0	0
7	Criminal Appeal	26	197	211	12
8	Criminal Revision	74	1071	1031	114
9	Bail Petitions/ Habeas Corpus Petitions (**Sessions**)	367	11191	10997	561
	Bail Applications (**Magisterial**)	12	9641	9628	25
10	Criminal Miscellaneous (**Sessions)**	113	1851	1847	117
	Criminal Miscellaneous **(Magisterial)**	43	10663	10678	28
11	22-A/B Cr.P.C Applications	150	2576	2550	176
12	Regular Criminal Trials	16250	30283	29514	17019
14	Private Complaints U/S 200 Cr.P.C	0	2	0	2
Total		**19010**	**71721**	**69344**	**21387**

7.14.2 Civil Cases (All Categories including Appeals)

Sr.	Name of Category	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution during Year	Disposal during Year	Balance on 31-12-23
1	Regular Civil suits U/O 37, Mental Health Ordinance and Defamation Suits (**Session**)	1247	1406	1410	1243
	Regular Civil Suits (**Civil**)	16710	18549	20539	14720
2	Cases under Consumer Act	101	145	185	61
3	Gas Related Cases	198	490	511	177
4	Civil Appeal	287	1361	1332	316
5	Civil Revision	2	222	151	73
6	Family/Guardian Appeals	109	722	641	190
7	Rent Appeals	19	263	218	64
8	Election Petition	0	3	1	2
9	Cases under Waqf Act	0	0	0	0
10	Family Suits/ Cases	2446	5892	5178	3160
11	Guardian Petitions (U/S 25 of Guardian & Ward Act)	776	1207	1234	749
12	Guardian Certificates (Application for Appointment of Guardian)	112	941	833	220
13	Succession Certificate	160	531	582	109
14	Rent Petitions	369	1240	1216	393
15	Land Acquisition Cases	5	0	2	3
16	Civil Miscellaneous (**Sessions**) Includes U/o 39 & U/o 7 R 11 CPC	253	1710	1759	204
	Civil Miscellaneous (**Civil**) Includes U/o 39 & U/o 7 R 11 CPC	3842	7056	7484	3414

Sr.	Name of Category	Pending on 01-01-2023	Institution during Year	Disposal during Year	Balance on 31-12-23
17	Execution Petitions (**Sessions**)	12	363	353	22
	Execution Petitions (**Civil**)	3381	3831	3945	3267
18	Other Civil Suits/ Cases (**Sessions**)	5	211	169	47
	Other Civil Suits/ Cases (**Civil**)	405	25	330	100
19	Misc Applications **Sessions** (Petitions U/S 12(2), U/o 1 R10 C.P.C, cancellation of Ex-Parte decree, for Additional Evidence etc.)	0	0	0	0
	Misc Applications **Civil** (Petitions U/S 12(2), U/o 1 R10 C.P.C, cancellation of Ex-Parte decree, for Additional Evidence etc.)	1593	4378	4239	1732
20	Arbitration	55	60	70	45
21	Small Claims & Minor Offences	0	0	0	0
22	Civil Inquiries	6	14	18	2
Total		**32093**	**50620**	**52400**	**30313**

7.15 Consolidated District-wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of Cases in the District Judiciary of Islamabad During the Year 2023

Sr	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transfer		Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	District & Sessions Division, EAST-Islamabad	23047	43436	0	0	44295	22188
2	District & Sessions Division, WEST-Islamabad	28056	78905	0	0	77449	29512
TOTAL		**51103**	**122341**	**0**	**0**	**121744**	**51700**

7.16 District-wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of Civil Cases in the District Judiciary of Islamabad During the Year 2023

Sr	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transfer		Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	District & Sessions Division, EAST-Islamabad	8501	5445	0	0	6909	7037
2	District & Sessions Division, WEST-Islamabad	9866	14746	0	0	15539	9073
TOTAL		**18367**	**20191**			**22448**	**16110**

7.17 District-wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of CIVIL APPEALS (in the Courts of District Judge and Additional District Judge) in the District Judiciary of Islamabad During the Year 2023

Sr	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transfer		Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	District & Sessions Division, EAST-Islamabad	198	756	0	0	806	148
2	District & Sessions Division, WEST-Islamabad	89	605	0	0	526	168
TOTAL		**287**	**1361**			**1332**	**316**

7.18 District-wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of CRIMINAL CASES in the District Judiciary of Islamabad During the year 2023

Sr	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transfer		Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	District & Sessions Division, East-Islamabad	8089	12857	0	0	12229	8717
2	District & Sessions Division, WEST-Islamabad	10136	21672	0	0	20173	11635
TOTAL		**18225**	**34529**	**0**	**0**	**32402**	**20352**

7.19 District-wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of CRIMINAL APPEALS (in the Courts of Sessions Judges and Additional Sessions Judges) in the District Judiciary of Islamabad During the Year 2023

Sr	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transfer		Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	District & Sessions Division, EAST-Islamabad	2	47	0	0	45	4
2	District & Sessions Division, WEST-Islamabad	24	150	0	0	166	8
TOTAL		**26**	**197**			**211**	**12**

7.20 District wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of MURDER CASES in the District Judiciary of Islamabad During the Year 2023

Sr	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transfer		Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
				IN	OUT		
1	District & Sessions Division, East-Islamabad	195	109	0	0	147	157
2	District & Sessions Division, WEST-Islamabad	86	98	0	0	100	84
TOTAL		**281**	**207**			**247**	**241**

7.21 District wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of NARCOTICS CASES in the District Judiciary of Islamabad During the Year 2023

Sr	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transfer		Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1	District & Sessions Division, East-Islamabad	392	1405	0	0	1174	623
2	District & Sessions Division, WEST-Islamabad	722	1110	0	0	516	1316
TOTAL		**1114**	**2515**			**1690**	**1939**

7.22 District wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of CRIMINAL REVISIONS (in the Courts of Sessions Judge and Additional Sessions Judge) in the District Judiciary of Islamabad During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1.	District & Sessions Division, East-Islamabad	21	432	0	0	407	46
2.	District & Sessions Division, WEST-Islamabad	53	639	0	0	624	68
TOTAL		**74**	**1071**			**1031**	**114**

7.23 District wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of BAIL APPLICATIONS in the District Judiciary of Islamabad During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Instt.	Transferred		Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
1.	District & Sessions Division, EAST-Islamabad	177	8,804	0	0	8753	228
2.	District & Sessions Division, WEST-Islamabad	202	12028	0	0	11872	358
TOTAL		**379**	**20832**			**20625**	**586**

7.24 District wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of CASES CARRYING SENTENCE OF SEVEN YEARS OR MORE IMPRISONMENT UPTO DEATH SENTENCE in the District Judiciary of Islamabad During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1.	District & Sessions Division, EAST-Islamabad	125	720	0	0	402	443
2.	District & Sessions Division, WEST-Islamabad	9046	19489	0	0	18112	10423
TOTAL		**9171**	**20209**			**18514**	**10866**

7.25 District wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of CIVIL REVISIONS in the District Judiciary (Courts of District and Additional District Judges) of Islamabad During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
1.	District & Sessions Division, EAST-Islamabad	1	120	0	0	100	21
2.	District & Sessions Division, WEST-Islamabad	1	102	0	0	51	52
TOTAL		**2**	**222**			**151**	**73**

7.26 District wise Pendency, Institution, Disposal and Balance of RENT CASES in the District Judiciary of Islamabad During the Year 2023

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance
				In	Out		
3.	District & Sessions Division, EAST-Islamabad	53	236	0	0	195	94
4.	District & Sessions Division, WEST-Islamabad	316	1004	0	0	1021	299
TOTAL		**369**	**1240**			**1216**	**393**

7.27 District wise Institution, Disposal and Balance of FAMILY CASES in the District Judiciary of Islamabad During the Year 2023.

Sr. #	Name of District	Pending	Institution	Transferred		Disposal	Balance on 31-12-2023
				In	Out		
5.	District & Sessions Division, EAST-Islamabad	1237	1905	0	0	1842	1300
6.	District & Sessions Division, WEST-Islamabad	1209	3987	0	0	3336	1860
TOTAL		**2446**	**5892**			**5178**	**3160**

7.28 Age-wise Pendency of Cases in the District Judiciary of Islamabad, During the Year-2023

7.28.1 Criminal Jurisdiction (All Categories)

Sr	Name of Category	Break up of Pending Cases on the Basis of the Year of Institution										
		UPTO 2014	**2015**	**2016**	**2017**	**2018**	**2019**	**2020**	**2021**	**2022**	**2023**	**Balance on 31-12-2023**
1	Murder	0	0	1	1	5	6	18	49	68	93	**241**
2	Cases under Illegal Dispossession	0	1	0	0	1	2	4	10	31	72	**121**
3	Cases under Hudood Ordinance	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	59	**59**
4	Cases Under CNS Act	0	0	0	0	0	2	30	191	408	1308	**1939**
5	Defamation Cases Under PPC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	**13**
6	Other Criminal Trials **(Session)**	0	0	0	0	0	4	3	24	226	703	**960**
	Other Criminal Trials **(Magisterial)**	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
7	Criminal Appeal	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	**12**
8	Criminal Revision	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	114	**114**
9	Bail Petitions/ Habeas Corpus Petitions (**Sessions**)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	561	**561**
	Bail Applications (**Magisterial**)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	**25**
10	Criminal Miscellaneous **Sessions**	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	117	**117**
	Criminal Miscellaneous **(Magisterial)**	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	28	**28**
11	22-A/B Applications	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	176	**176**
12	Regular Criminal Trials	0	0	0	0	169	285	610	2797	5181	7977	**17019**
14	Private Complaints U/S 200 Cr.P.C	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	**2**
Total		**0**	**1**	**1**	**1**	**175**	**299**	**665**	**3071**	**5914**	**11260**	**21387**

7.28.2 Civil Jurisdiction (All Categories)

Sr	Name of Category	Break up of Pending Cases on the Basis of the Year of Institution										
		UPTO 2014	**2015**	**2016**	**2017**	**2018**	**2019**	**2020**	**2021**	**2022**	**2023**	**Balance on 31-12-2023**
1	Regular Civil suits U/O 37, Mental Health Ordinance and Defamation	0	0	0	0	36	47	79	146	205	730	1243

Sr	Name of Category	Break up of Pending Cases on the Basis of the Year of Institution										
		UPTO 2014	**2015**	**2016**	**2017**	**2018**	**2019**	**2020**	**2021**	**2022**	**2023**	**Balance on 31-12-2023**
	Suits (**Session**)											
	Regular Civil Suits (**Civil**)	0	1	50	162	468	681	1341	2146	4425	5446	14720
2	Cases under Consumer Act	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	48	61
3	Gas Related Cases	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	23	49	103	177
4	Civil Appeal	0	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	27	284	316
5	Civil Revision	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	73	73
6	Family/Guardian Appeals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	167	180
7	Rent Appeals	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	64	64
8	Election Petition	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
9	Cases under Waqf Act	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Family Suits/ Cases	0	0	0	0	5	15	94	395	776	1875	3160
11	Guardian Petitions (U/S 25 of Guardian & Ward Act)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	167	582	749
12	Guardian Certificates (Application for Appointment of Guardian)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	203	220
13	Succession Certificate	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	109	109
14	Rent Petitions	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	132	261	393
15	Land Acquisition Cases	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
16	Civil Miscellaneous (**Sessions**)	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	13	186	204
	Civil Miscellaneous (**Civil**)	2	0	3	8	39	42	157	231	425	2507	3414
17	Execution Petitions (**Sessions**)	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	21	22
	Execution Petitions (**Civil**)	15	5	99	242	342	430	233	339	605	957	3267
18	Other Civil Suits/ Cases (**Sessions**)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	47	47
	Other Civil Suits/ Cases (**Civil**)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
19	Misc Applications **Sessions**	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Misc Applications **Civil**	0	0	0	0	0	0	60	12	219	1541	1832

Sr	Name of Category	Break up of Pending Cases on the Basis of the Year of Institution										
		UPTO 2014	**2015**	**2016**	**2017**	**2018**	**2019**	**2020**	**2021**	**2022**	**2023**	**Balance on 31-12-2023**
20	Arbitration	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	13	31	45
21	Small Claims & Minor Offences	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
22	Civil Inquiries	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Total		**17**	**6**	**152**	**413**	**893**	**1217**	**1967**	**3297**	**7099**	**15242**	**30303**
GRAND TOTAL		**17**	**7**	**153**	**414**	**1068**	**1516**	**2632**	**6368**	**13013**	**26502**	**51690**

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