

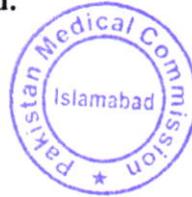
**DECISIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE  
OF PAKISTAN MEDICAL AND DENTAL COUNCIL ISLAMABAD**

A meeting of the Disciplinary Committee was held on 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 at Pearl Continental Hotel, Lahore. The following Honorable Members / Subject Experts attend the meeting:

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| 1. | Prof. Dr. Amer Bilal           | Chairman            |
| 2. | Mr. Muhammad Ali Raza          | Member              |
| 3. | Prof. Dr. Mirza Khan Tareen    | Member              |
| 4. | Prof. Dr. Shehla Baqi          | Member              |
| 5. | Prof. Dr. Wasif Ali Shah       | Expert              |
| 6. | Prof. Dr. Muhammad Imran Anwar | Expert              |
| 7. | Prof. Dr. Arif Rasheed Maik    | Expert              |
| 8. | Dr. Shahid Malik               | Expert              |
| 9. | Dr. Farah Naz Zaidi            | Assistant Registrar |

The committee heard and considered the following cases and gave recommendations/decisions for placing the same before the Council for approval.

**The Medical & Dental Council, Pakistan Medical Commission after due consideration has approved the recommendations/decisions in each of the following cases including the imposition of penalties as recommended.**



Mr. Farrukh Bukhari

**Versus**

National Orthopaedic Hospital, Bahawalpur,

Dr. Tehseen Cheema, 12782-P

**Salient features of the case:**

Complainant had pain in his left knee due to an old injury. MRI dated 10.09.2012, had revealed injury to Anterior Cruciate Ligament, and tear of the posterior horns of Medial Meniscus of the left knee. He had consulted Dr. Tahseen Cheema of National Orthopedic Hospital, Bahawalpur for the said problem and who had advised operation of left knee (Medical Meniscectomy) which had been conducted on 25.12.2015. Faultily, Dr. Tahseen Cheema had also operated upon the Complainant's right knee, at the same time, without his consent. The MRI report dated 05.04.2016, of the right knee of the Complainant had revealed "Tear both horns of medial meniscus" and "joint effusion".

**Preliminary Findings/Observations:**

The Board further noted that as per statements of the Complainant and his witnesses, the plan was only to operate the left knee and fee had been charged only for that. After the operation, when it was observed that right knee of the complainant had also been operated, they had complained to Dr. Tahseen Cheema for that. He initially said that the right knee of the complainant was also diseased; therefore, he had operated upon that knee also. When they had argued how the doctor could diagnose the disease in right knee without MRI and other investigations, and also showed their intention to call the media people, then the doctor had sought apology from them, requested them not to defame him and had paid back the fee charged from them. The Complainant, when consulted Dr. Khalil Ahmed Gill, at Multan, on 31.05.2016, the doctor after seeing the x-ray of the right knee had told him that Dr. Tahseen Cheema had not performed any procedure on that knee, instead he had just opened the knee and then closed that.

After thorough deliberations and taking into consideration the record and the above noted findings/observations, the Board unanimously decided that:

- a. The case of Dr. Tahseen Cheema is referred to PMDC for operating both knees of the complainant without consent as consent had been taken for surgery of left knee only.

**PROCEEDING OF DC MEETING 29<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2019 AT P.C HOTEL LAHORE:**

**Submissions by Parties at the Hearing:**



The respondent has submitted application for adjournment as he is out of country.

The complainant was heard as he had requested to be heard.

**Findings by Expert:**

“The respondent is physically not present and authorized doctor in replacement of him was not able to answer.”

**RECOMMENDATION:**

The committee recommended for interim suspension of registration status of the respondent till he appears before the DC meeting.

The committee also directed the respondent to pay the cost of travel or other miscellaneous expenses that have been incurred by the complainant during his travel from Faisalabad to Lahore.

Furthermore respondent is directed to send his availability to Registrar office PMDC Secretariat for consideration by committee for his next date of hearing.

