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- Punjab Halal Development Agency (PHDA) understands the importance of impartiality in carrying out activities for the Halal Certification therefore manages the potential conflict of interests and ensures complete objectivity for the Halal Certification activities. PHDA has developed and implemented procedures in compliance with the requirements of Halal Standards (Pakistan Standard and Malaysia Standard for Halal Certification).
- PHDA identifies, analyzes and documents any possible conflict of interests that arise from certification processes including the established relations. If some relations create potential impartiality threats, PHDA documents and eliminates such threats. It is necessary, in order to cover all possible source of conflict of interests' that are identified regardless of their origin". PHDA requires all employees and contractors to comply with the impartiality rules as well as with all other procedures and requirements.
- PHDA shall not undertake any activity that could threaten the impartiality and/or represent a potential conflict of interests. In case of certain relations create unacceptable impartiality threat, than the certification activity shall not be conducted.
- PHDA shall not certify another certification body for its activities related to Halal Management System Certification. PHDA shall not allow in any way conducting activities that are conflict of interests such as advertising or providing management system consultant services. PHDA shall take action to correct inappropriate claims by any consultancy organization stating or implying that certification would be simpler, easier, faster or less expensive if PHDA were used. When potential impartiality threat arises PHDA eliminates it.
- PHDA shall not certify organizations where PHDA is a part of or it is a member. PHDA shall not provide internal audits for its certified clients. PHDA shall not provide certification services to a customer when relations between the consulting company and PHDA could lead to impartiality threat. PHDA does not receive any financial support different form the sales of its services.
- PHDA does not pay any commissions to consultants therefore there can be no pressure exercised on PHDA by consultants. PHDA shall not allow any pressure from other certification bodies to influence the certification process in the organization. If other PHDA declines to provide service for customer and the customer requests the same service from PHDA, than PHDA shall investigate the reasons for declining before performing any other certification activities for the respective customer. In all cases PHDA shall not allow any pressure from partners and others if the client is in compliance with applicable documents and procedures.
- PHDA shall not allow pressure from customers and / or consulting organizations. If there is such pressure than PHDA will apply requirements of Halal Standards and internal procedures in order to stop such practice. PHDA will undertake any necessary actions against all threats for the independence and the impartiality.
- Top management of PHDA is committed to full compliance with this statement.

Chairman