

LAHORE UNIVERSITY OF MANAGEMENT SCIENCES DEPARTMENT OF LAW & POLICY

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The Law and Policy Department at the Lahore University of Management Sciences is pleased to announce the creation of the **Rule of Law Project**. The Project was established in response to the draconian repression of dissent and subversion of the judiciary in the aftermath of President Musharraf's imposition of emergency rule and suspension of the constitution on the 3rd of November. The Project seeks to gather comprehensive information and serve as a clearinghouse for research, documentation, and reporting focused on upholding the independence of the judiciary and respect for the rule of law. The Project seeks to gather comprehensive information and serve as a clearinghouse for research, documentation, and reporting aimed at upholding fundamental rights, an independent judiciary and the rule of law.

The Rule of Law Project requests the participation of all groups and individuals who have been targeted under martial law. In particular, the Rule of Law Project seeks:

- Information regarding the identity, location and treatment of detainees, including any lists of detainees.
- Original documents relating to arrests, detentions, and PCO, such as FIRs, detention orders, letters of protest, and any communications to or from government officials regarding martial law.
- Individuals and organizations willing to meet with visiting international delegations regarding the rule of law situation and civil society's response.
- Researchers, lawyers, or graduate or law students interested in assisting with research, writing and interviewing those affected.
- Individuals who are able to host visiting international delegates in your home.

We look forward to working with you to document, and ultimately reverse, the assault against rule of law and the legal profession since November 3. Please contact Devin Theriot-Orr at 042.575.0074 x110 for more information about the project.

Kind regards,

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