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To,
Mr. Amjad Zubair Tiwana
Chairman,
Federal Board of Revenue,
Islamabad.

SUBJECT: ACTIVE TAXPAYERS LIST-2023

Dear Sir,

First of all we would like to compliment the efforts made by your IT team in respect of implementing the technology within the IRIS system. We are happy to see that the list of active taxpayers for the tax year 2023 has been revealed, which shows the number of active taxpayers in Pakistan.

While comparing the above Active Taxpayers List from 2022 we are depressed to see that the Active Taxpayers List 2022 shows that active tax filers were 5.7 million and Active Taxpayers List 2023 shows 3.35 million. There is a drastic decline in the number of tax filers and the low number of tax filers has negatively been perceived by the tax filers and other monitoring agencies.

In view of the above, we feel that there must be some misrepresentation which needs to be rectified. Since as per our information, there were a number of cases which have been filed late and some have been filed in the extended time after the due date and those are not being reflected in the Active Taxpayers List 2023. It is therefore suggested that this list may be revised in the following pattern:

Active Tax Filers = XXX

Non-Active Tax Filers = XXX

Total Filers = XXX

If the said exercise will be conducted, we are confident that the numbers of tax filers would increase which would give the positive impact on the tax filers,



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monitoring agencies and for the government itself to make out the policies for the sustainability of the tax system in Pakistan.

We look forward to your prompt action in this respect and revised report will have to be circulated to the print and electronic media.

Thanking you in advance,

Yours Sincerely,

Anwar Kashif Mumtaz

President

Mohammad Rehan Siddiqui General Secretary