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PAKISTAN COUNCIL OF ARCHITECTS AND TOWN PLANNERS (ORDINANCE IX OF 1983)

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Dear PCATP Members,

Subject: WITHDRAWAL FROM GREEN & AFFORDABLE HOUSING DESIGN COMPETITION FOR PUNJAB AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROGRAM

The Executive Committee, Pakistan Council of Architects and Town Planners (PCATP), reviewed the status of the current PAHP (Punjab Affordable Housing Program) design competition during its 128th meeting, which took place on June 29–30, 2024, at the PCATP HO, Islamabad.

- 2. Following careful consideration, the Executive Committee (EC) has decided to withdraw both the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed with PAHP and the design competition due to the following reasons:
 - (a) PAHP communicated to PCATP via email on June 28, 2024, that the budget allocated for the competition has lapsed in the current fiscal year, which may become available again in August 2024 in the next fiscal year. This led to confusion and uncertainty about both the PCATP fee and the prize money.
 - (b) In light of its previous experiences, wherein PCATP was not compensated for its design competition fee and the prize money could not be given to the winners, PCATP members may recognize that the EC made this decision in their best interests.
 - (c) PCATP has advised PAHP that they are welcome to approach it again as soon as confirmed funds become available after which members will be notified with a revised date and schedule.
 - (d) Please note that the EC made the decision for the grounds mentioned above alone. Any other explanation for the competition's postponement that you may find circulating on social media is untrue.
- 3. Please do not hesitate to ask questions or seek any further clarification, if needed.

Thank you for your understanding.

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