

**Subject: Cyber Security Advisory – Phishing Attack – PM Earthquake Relief Fund for Turkey (Advisory No. 05)**

Reportedly, threat actors are targeting the government and military personnel by impersonating as Ministry of Finance; spreading fake letters/memoranda via emails regarding Deduction of 2x Days Salary from the Federal Government Employees to be Debited to the Prime Minister's Flood Relief Donation for Earthquake Affected Turkey and Syria. (sample email and circular attached as **Appendix-I**).

2. Users are advised to: -
  - a. Remain vigilant and not to open any email with similar subject unless verified personally.
  - b. Administrators are advised to block certain C&C website `hxtps://finance.webserviceandsupportsection.com` from backend/firewall to avoid any risks. (screenshot attached as **Appendix-II**).
3. Kindly disseminate the above information to all concerned in your organizations, all attached/affiliated departments and ensure necessary protective measures.

Government of Pakistan  
Finance Division  
(Regulation Wing)  
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Islamabad the 9<sup>th</sup> of February, 2023

**MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: DEDUCTION OF TWO DAYS SALARY OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES FOR PRIME MINISTER'S RELIEF FUND FOR TURKIYE EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS**

The undersigned is directed to state that the unfortunate earthquake occurred in Turkey on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2023 have caused significant human and livestock casualties as well as wide spread damage to private homes and public infrastructures. Damage to infrastructure has worsened the humanitarian situation. To extend maximum support to Turkish Government and people to help them cope with the distractions caused by the earthquake a fund has been established/opened as 'PRIME MINISTER'S RELIEF FUND FOR TURKIYE EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS'. It is further proposed deduction of salary (Gross Pay & Allowances before any deductions) from government employees. The Cabinet considered the proposal and approved the deductions as under:-

- i. Two day salary of Officers/Official working in the Ministries/Divisions/Departments/Authorities/Corporations/Companies/Financial Institutions/Commission etc working under the Federal Government
  - ii. Two day salary of Officers/Official of Civil and Armed Forces.
  - iii. Two day salary of Officers/Official holding post on contract as well as lump sum pay package including 'M' Scale and 'MP' and 'SPPS' Scale and Officers /Officials locally recruited in our Foreign Missions.
2. Further Ministry and Divisions are directed to approach state run organizations under form, such as Banks, Financial Institutions, Telecom Companies and Insurance Companies etc.
3. Since the earned salary of government employees is private property. Therefore, the above mentioned deduction would be voluntary/optional in nature and any one not willing to contribute may inform with in 15 days from the circular to AGPR, Islamabad and respective pre-audit.
4. The amount of contribution shall not be included in the emoluments of the Officers/Officials concerned for calculation of income tax and deduction of recovery of the House Rent Charges.





