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USPA NEWS - Overcrowding and Alleged Rights Violations in Women's Cell 8/10 — Case of PTI Activist FALAK JAVED*

" LAHORE "

Concerns over prison conditions and due process have resurfaced following reports from women's Cell 8/10 in Lahore, where 11 women were reportedly held in a space meant for fewer occupants. Among those detained was PTI social media activist Falak Javed.

According to accounts from inside the facility, the cell was already overcrowded at the time. Some women had been transferred into the cell shortly before the arrival of others, further increasing pressure on limited space, ventilation, and basic facilities.

Who is in the Cell.?

Of the 11 women present, sources state:

4 women faced charges related to narcotics offences

3 women were charged under Section 302

The remaining women,

including Falak Javed, were detained on other charges

Human rights observers note that mixing detainees with different charges in one cramped space, along with the reported presence of political activists, raises serious questions about prisoner classification, safety, and dignity.

Late-Night Incident and Safety Risks

It is alleged that an incident occurred late at night that appeared intended to cause damage within the cell. Detainees present, including Falak Javed, stated that because of the timing no one was physically injured or killed. However, the incident created significant fear and trauma among the women.

The delayed response and conditions in the cell at that hour have prompted questions about the state's duty to protect prisoners and ensure their safety.

Allegations of Targeting Political Workers.

Statements from inside the cell allege that the incident was part of a broader pattern of pressure. Specifically, it is claimed that social media workers of a political party, including Falak Javed, were being singled out while in custody.

Sources describe this as "the use of detention as a weapon" against political expression. Legal experts say that if true, targeting prisoners based on political affiliation or online activity would violate the right to freedom of expression and the principle of non-discrimination in detention.

Human Rights Concerns.

The situation raises several key human rights issues:

1. Right to adequate detention conditions.

Overcrowding in Cell 8/10 with 11 women, including Falak Javed, may breach UN standards for space, hygiene, and dignity.

2. Right to safety and security.

Any incident intended to cause harm inside a prison cell requires an immediate and independent investigation.

3. Freedom of expression and political rights.

Allegations that Falak Javed and other social media workers were singled out warrant scrutiny to ensure detention is not being used to suppress political speech.

4. Due process and fair classification.

Women with different charges should be housed appropriately and have access to legal counsel and fair trial guarantees.

International standards, including the UN Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners [Nelson Mandela Rules], require that all prisoners be treated with respect for their inherent dignity and that authorities ensure their safety at all times.

Call for Action.

Human rights advocates and civil society groups are calling for.

An independent inquiry* into the late-night incident in Cell 8/10 and the treatment of Falak Javed and other detainees

* Immediate steps,

to address overcrowding and ensure proper classification of prisoners

Protection for all detainees.

regardless of political affiliation or charges

Access for lawyers, family members, and human rights monitors* to meet with Falak Javed and others in the facility

Until authorities respond, family members and rights groups remain concerned about the wellbeing of Falak Javed and the other women in custody.

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Overcrowding. Fear. Alleged targeting.

PTI social media activist *Falak Javed* is among 11 women held in Cell 8/10, Lahore — in a space meant for far fewer.

#HumanRights

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Reports say a late-night incident inside the cell was meant to cause harm. No one was injured, but the trauma remains.

Where is the state's duty to protect prisoners?

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Allegations: Social media workers like Falak Javed are being singled out in custody.

Detention should not be used as a weapon against political speech.

Tweet 4/4

We demand:

1. Independent inquiry into Cell 8/10
2. End to overcrowding
3. Access to lawyers & family
4. Protection for all detainees

2. Facebook/Instagram Post Version

Overcrowding and Alleged Rights Violations: Falak Javed's Case

PTI social media activist *Falak Javed* is currently among 11 women detained in Cell 8/10, Lahore. Reports from inside say the cell is severely overcrowded and that a late-night incident created fear among detainees.

Most concerning are allegations that social media workers are being targeted in custody.

This raises serious questions about:

- Prison conditions & dignity
- Safety of women in custody
- Freedom of expression & political rights

We call for an independent inquiry, proper classification of prisoners, and immediate access for lawyers and family.

No one should be punished for their political views.

3. Short WhatsApp/Status Version

11 women. 1 small cell. Including PTI activist *Falak Javed*.

Reports of overcrowding + a late-night incident in Cell 8/10, Lahore.

Allegations that social media workers are being targeted.

We demand: Safety, due process, and an independent inquiry.

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