



# Week 1: June 19-23

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AI summary	<p>This document outlines the progress made by an intern at the Justice Project Pakistan during their first week, including research on the Torture Campaign and death penalty cases, creating a video on the Pakistani Torture and Custodial Death Act, and writing an Op-Ed piece for Dawn magazine, among other action items. The document contains links to the items mentioned above. The intern also learned about working in an office environment and the importance of collaboration and organization in leadership. Future focus items include integrating into office culture and getting involved with the Legal and Investigation teams.</p>

## Progress Made

Monday 06/19	Tuesday 06/20	Wednesday 06/21	Thursday 06/22	Friday 06/23
I went through the <a href="#">JPP orientation process</a> and familiarized	On Tuesday I got to meet with Sarah Belal, head of the JPP. Working with the Advocacy Team,	Today, I was assigned to write an Op-Ed piece on the Pakistani Torture	For the duration of the day I worked on the Op-Ed piece. For my	I drafted a memo based on yesterday's meeting with Dr. Madson and

myself with the small staff and other interns. My main task for the day was to go through a set of policy and legal briefs on the various issue areas which the organization is involved in. The primary issue area which I focused on was the Torture Campaign, the goal of which is to protest against the use and protection of torture by public officials. I also read briefs on the various death penalty cases JPP is involved in.

I was assigned to write an initial script draft for an informational video exploring Pakistan's Torture and Custodial Death (Prevention and Punishment) Act 2022. This required me to read the Act in full, and condense its core details into a short video format fit for public consumption by those without full context. I worked with members of the Comms team to edit the video, and comb through other JPP reports for relevant information which could be included in the video. This required me to also collaborate with other interns to read the UN Convention Against Torture documents to get an understanding of International Law in relation to the Act.

Act. I was to brainstorm a topic and collaborate with another intern to write the piece. The goal was to have the piece ready for submission by **Sunday 06/25** so that it could be accepted by the Dawn magazine. We wanted to have the piece ready to publish on Monday the 26th, International Day in Support of Torture Victims. I decided that the topic of the piece would be comparing Pakistan's legislation criminalising torture to similar legislation passed by other South Asian signatories of UNCAT. I spent the evening observing and taking photographs for

research, I went through the anti-Torture Acts passed by Sri Lanka, Nepal and Bangladesh, comparing each with the Pakistani legislation. I made detailed notes on each piece of legislation which would be used in the article. I also collaborated with Sohail saab, a long-time member of JPP who was writing a proposal for the creation and funding of a rehabilitation center for exonerees with mental health issues. Since Sohail saab's primary language is Urdu, I worked to edit and re-draft the proposal for submission and sent my work

submitted it to the advocacy team. The memo include Minutes from the meeting, as well as action items to be done. Friday - Sunday I worked on drafting the Op-Ed for submission. I sent my draft in for review to the Advocacy and Comms team leaders. Then it was also reviewed by Sarah Belal before submission. I made all necessary edits to the piece over the weekend.

		<p>a JPP Capacity- <u>Building Session</u> in collaboration with the National Academy of Prison Administration.</p>	<p>back to Sohail saab for additional review. I worked overtime to attend and take notes for a meeting with Nathan Madson, an attorney at the International Justice Project. During the meeting Dr. Madson provided feedback on a JPP report which was being submitted to the ICCPR in August.</p>	
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## Improvements

All of my action items for the week were done and submitted on time. However, I wish that I had set up my Notion page *prior* to the start of this week, so that I could update my daily notes at the end of each day to ease the workload for the week. This would also allow me to get more depth in my notes.

## Learnings

Contributions are listed above. I primarily learned how to work in an office environment. Prior to this experience, I had never worked in an office before. So there was some adjustment which needed to take place in order to fully integrate myself into the workplace.

## Leadership Insights

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I primarily learned that leadership requires one to be able to work efficiently with and organize a team to act towards a particular set of goals. The JPP's use of tools such as memos demonstrated an adherence to a very collaborative workstyle through which anyone can easily be looped into projects which they may not have personally worked on.

## Future Focus Items

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Next week I want to focus more on integrating into the office culture by getting to know my peers and other full-time staff members on a more personal level. I also want to get involved with the Legal and Investigation teams.

## Finished Products

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Op-Ed: <https://www.dawn.com/news/1761668/pakistans-anti-torture-law-may-be-a-step-in-the-right-direction-but-there-is-still-a-long-way-to-go>

Video: [https://twitter.com/JusticeProject\\_/status/1673344643939938306](https://twitter.com/JusticeProject_/status/1673344643939938306)

NAPA Meeting: [https://twitter.com/JusticeProject\\_/status/1671500659663990791](https://twitter.com/JusticeProject_/status/1671500659663990791)