

Pakistan anti-graft body submits list of 150 mega corruption cases

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Islamabad: Pakistan Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif, his brother and Punjab Chief Minister Shahbaz Sharif today figured in a list of 150 mega graft cases submitted by the country's anti-corruption body to the Supreme Court.

National Accountability Bureau (NAB) furnished the list - which also has names of two former premiers, an ex-president, ministers and top bureaucrats in it - during hearing of a case against it for failing to curb corruption in the country.

A three-member bench headed by Justice Jawwad S Khawaja heard a petition filed earlier this year by Manzoor Ahmed Ghauri against chairman NAB and other officials.

The document shows that NAB is conducting an inquiry against the Sharifs for building a road at the cost of Rs 126 million in suburbs of Lahore to facilitate traffic to their sprawling Raiwind estate where the ruling family resides.

The apex court showed dissatisfaction over NAB report and ordered it to add further details of the cases.

Former president Asif Ali Zardari is facing probes for corruption of billions of rupees besides former-premiers Chaudhary Shujaat Hussain and Raja Pervaiz Ashraf.

NAB list shows the incumbent finance minister Ishaq also under the scanner of corruption.

Some other prominent persons accused include former ambassador to the US Hussain Haqani, former interior minister Aftab Khan Sherpao and former Balochistan chief minister Nawab Aslam Raisani.

NAB has been frequently accused of failing to perform its duty and doing little to stem corruption in the country.

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