

# URGENT ACTION

## PAKISTANI MAN EXECUTED IN SHANGHAI, CHINA

**A Pakistani man, Syed Zahid Hussain Shah was executed by lethal injection on 21 September after the Supreme People's Court in Beijing had approved his death sentence.**

**Syed Zahid Hussain Shah** was sentenced to death in March 2010 for drug trafficking in Shanghai and his verdict was upheld in November 2010. His family travelled to China to plea for mercy to the Chinese leaders on humanitarian grounds, but their pleas were rejected.

Syed Zahid Hussain Shah was able to meet with his family at the Shanghai Detention Centre before the execution, where he maintained his innocence. His cousin, Tasneem Fatima said: "He knows he will be today executed. He is very sad and very weeping. And (for the) last time, he said to me, I am innocent."

**No further appeals are requested. Many thanks to all who sent appeals.**

This is the first update of UA 277/11. Further information: <http://www.amnesty.org/en/library/info/ASA17/043/2011/en>

Name: Syed Zahid Hussain Shah

Gender m/f: Male

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