

# Rochdale grooming gang member, 51, who got girl, 13, pregnant, complains about having 'no rights' and 'surviving' on benefits at tribunal to deport him

*This pair are really being allowed to play the system. From the [Khan complained about having no rights in the UK](#).*

Speaking through a Mirpuri translator, he said: 'But I cannot exercise any rights in this country as an individual. I cannot do anything for my family, I'm just surviving on my son's benefits. I cannot take my son to school if it is raining, we cannot afford a taxi. *Try walking – it's what I did.*

'The police informed me about a month ago that they have cancelled my driver's licence, according to the Home Office instructions.'

Rauf, a father-of-five, trafficked a 15-year-old girl for sex, driving her to secluded areas to have sex with her in his taxi and ferry her to a flat in Rochdale where he and others had sex with her. He was jailed for six years and released in November 2014 after serving two years and six months of his sentence.

The tribunal hearing on Wednesday heard the men's appeal is on two grounds, the first being the issue of 'statelessness'. Both men have certificates issued by the Pakistan government, which they say represents them legally renouncing their Pakistani nationality. But this was done in September 2018, only after they had been deprived of UK

citizenship and the validity and legality, under Pakistan law, of the documents is in question.

The second ground for appeal, which will be heard separately, but one after the other by the same panel of judges, will consider their rights under Article 8 of the European Convention on Human Rights, arising out of their individual circumstances relating to their private and family life. Judge Bird adjourned the hearing for a further case review hearing on November 29, ahead of the main appeal hearing, probably next year, some 10 years after they were convicted along with seven others in 2012.

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