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PTI Seeks Approval for Aug 5 Rally in Islamabad

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On August 1, 2025, the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) submitted a formal request to the Islamabad district administration to hold a political rally at F-9 Park on August 5, following a directive from party founder Imran Khan. The application, signed by PTI Islamabad Region's General Secretary Malik Amir Ali and Regional President Amir Masood Mughal, seeks approval for a gathering from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m., aiming to advance the party's political narrative, as reported by The Express Tribune.

The PTI emphasized its constitutional right to peaceful assembly, with Malik Amir Ali stating that the rally would adhere to legal protocols. "The party intends to hold a lawful event in Islamabad on August 5 as per Imran Khan's call," he told the media, according to Geo.tv. The request comes amid heightened tensions, with the Anti-Terrorism Court

(ATC) issuing arrest warrants for 50 PTI leaders, including former President Dr. Arif Alvi and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Chief Minister Ali Amin Gandapur, over a prior protest. Despite internal party divisions, Imran Khan has urged unity for the August 5 event, as noted in posts on X by @CapitalTVLive.

The Islamabad administration's decision remains pending, with past PTI rally requests facing rejections citing security concerns, such as a July 26 protest denied by the Islamabad High Court (IHC), per Pakistan Today. The government's strict measures, including road blockades during a November 2024 PTI protest, reflect its cautious stance on large gatherings, as detailed in Wikipedia. Aleema Khan, Imran's sister, expressed confidence in public turnout, predicting a mass movement, according to The Express Tribune.

The rally aims to demand the release of imprisoned PTI leaders and protest rising inflation, aligning with Khan's call to restore the rule of law. Social media sentiment on X, including posts by @FetchPakistan, shows PTI supporters rallying behind the event. The administration's response will test the balance between security and democratic rights, as the PTI seeks to demonstrate its street power in the capital.