ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

Special Customs Reference Application 309 of 2020

DATE

ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF JUDGE

- 1. For hearing of CMA No.1256/2020
- 2. For hearing of main case
- 3. For hearing of CMA No.1257/2020

17.10.2025

Mr. Khalid Mehmood Rajpar, advocate for the applicant

Learned counsel places tracking report on record, which demonstrates that service has been effected upon the respondent.

The primary question involved is that the impugned order has been rendered in a perfunctory manner and without consideration of settled law.

Per learned counsel, the impugned order has not even attempted to address the question as to whether the law applied / invoked was applicable in the facts and circumstances or otherwise. Counsel states that the order has been rendered in a perfunctory manner and the same is not befitting the last fact-finding forum in the statutory hierarchy. Counsel states that the impugned order also offends judgment reported as 2019 SCMR 574 wherein Hon'ble Supreme Court has observed that AEDB and EDB are respective authorities to ascertain the exemption in such regard.

Learned counsel places reliance on order dated 02.10.2024 in SCRA 1113 of 2023 and judgment dated 27.08.2024 in SCRA 757 of 2015 to state that the order of the Tribunal is required to be dealt with independent reasons and findings and in the absence thereof a perfunctory order could not be sustained. Learned counsel relies upon the judgment dated 10.12.2024 in ITRA 342 of 2024 to state that in instances where the order of the Tribunal does not qualify upon the threshold to determine the correct records, the proper course is to remand the case. Learned counsel demonstrates from the impugned order that the aforementioned authority is squarely applicable thereupon.

In view hereof, he seeks that the impugned order may be set aside and the matter be remanded back to the learned Tribunal for adjudication afresh. Order accordingly.

A copy of this decision may be sent under the seal of this Court and signature of the Registrar to the learned Customs Appellate Tribunal, as required per section 196(5) of the Customs Act, 1969.

Judge

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B-K Soomro