

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, CIRCUIT COURT, HYDERABAD**

**CP No. D- 3585 of 2022**

[ Syed Sajjad Hussain Shah v. Province of Sindh & Others]

**BEFORE:**

**MR. JUSTICE MUHAMMAD SALEEM JESSAR**

**MR. JUSTICE NISAR AHMED BHANBHRO**

Petitioner: In person

Respondent-2: Through Mr. Unaib Kamal, Advocate

Date of hearing:

& Decision: 16.10.2025

**ORDER**

**NISAR AHMED BHANBHRO, J** - The Petitioner through listed Miscellaneous Application (MA No. 8993/24) filed under Section 3 & 4 of Contempt of Court Act r/w Article 204 of the Constitution of Pakistan, seeks initiation of the contempt proceedings against Respondent Officials of Sindh University for failure to implementation of order dated 22.02.2023 passed by this court

2. Petitioner has filed documents viz. Minutes of the 209<sup>th</sup> meeting of the syndicate and Agenda of 37<sup>th</sup> meeting of Senate scheduled to be held on 10.04.2025 along with statement for today's date, taken on record.

3. Learned Counsel for the Respondent University has filed set of documents viz. The University of Sindh Officers (National Scale of Pay) Pay Revisions Statutes 1975 and the employees of University of Sindh Basic Pay Scale of Pay & Fringe Benefits Statutes 1983, Minutes of the 37<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Senate Held on 10.04.2025 at University of Sindh, Final Voter List for the Election on the Syndicate of the Officer Seat of the Shah Abdul Latif University, of today's statement, taken on record.

4. Pursuant to notices, a report has been filed by the Registrar University of Sindh through its counsel. When confronted as to why the order dated 22.02.2023 has not been complied with and Elections of the Syndicate for the seat reserved for officers has not been held since year 2019, the learned counsel for the University of Sindh stated that rules for conduct of elections as directed by this Court are framed and there was no impediment to conduct elections of the University. During first round, learned counsel was granted time to consult University administration for the possible date of elections. In the second round when this matter was taken up he undertook that University will issue the Election Schedule for conduct of Elections to elect member from the category of officers' category within 40 days' time.

5. Petitioner shown his dissatisfaction on the statement filed by the University and submitted that in the earlier Elections process for Syndicate Elections to the Officers' category, he was declared un-opposed, but not notified until the expiry of tenure of the syndicate for the said period; that the respondent university had some personal grudge against the petitioner and it was still reluctant to allow the petitioner to participate in the election process.

6. Learned Counsel for the University converting the submission of Petitioner argued that if Petitioner qualified to contest Elections as per University Code he shall be allowed to participate in the process.

7. Record shows that the Petitioner was elected un-opposed in the earlier round of Elections held in the month of November 2019 but until the expiry of period of Syndicate he was not notified. Today even during proceedings learned counsel for university was reluctant to allow the petitioner to participate in the said elections by referring to certain Notifications. The position of record evidences that the university administration has some personal bias against the petitioner and were not allowing him to participate in the election process which was against the democratic norms and spirit of law.

8. This application is therefore disposed of with a direction that University Administration shall issue election schedule within forty days' time and ensure that the elections are conducted within a period of two months from today. It is clarified that Petitioner shall not be deprived of the right to contest elections in any manner. It is further made clear that if the

Petitioner is not allowed to participate in election process on any account entire election process shall be deemed to be a nullity and illegal.

The listed Miscellaneous Application (MA No. 8993/24) stands disposed of.

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