

ORDER SHEET  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, CIRCUIT COURT, LARKANA  
Cr. Misc. Appln No.S-140 of 2026

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| Date of Hearing | ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF JUDGE |
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10.08.2026.

1. For orders on office objection.
2. For orders on M.A. No.2073/2026.
2. For hearing of Main Case.

Mr. Ashique Hussain Kalhoro, advocate for the applicant.  
Mr. Aitbar Ali Bullo, DPG.  
Mr. Ghous Ali Shah, advocate for proposed accused No.1 & 2.

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The applicant, Azhar Ali, has challenged the order dated 03.04.2026, passed by the learned Additional Sessions Judge-V/Ex-Officio Justice of Peace, Larkana, whereby his application under Sections 22-A & 22-B, Cr.P.C. seeking registration of FIR was dismissed.

2. Briefly stated, the case of the applicant is that he allegedly delivered an amount of Rs.400,000/- to the proposed accused, namely Ali Hyder Meerani and Qamaruddin Meerani, under an agreement whereby the said amount was to be repaid to him from the monthly rent of a shop being run by them. It is further alleged that the proposed accused failed to pay the agreed amount out of monthly rent as well as to return the principal amount. The applicant further alleged that he was unlawfully confined at PP Aligoharabad, Larkana, where he was maltreated and subsequently released upon payment of an alleged bribe amount of Rs.120,000/-. When the police refused to register the FIR, the applicant approached the learned Justice of Peace under Sections 22-A & 22-B, Cr.P.C., which application was dismissed vide order dated 03.04.2026, hence the present petition.

3. Learned counsel for the applicant contends that the proposed accused have committed cognizable offences, however, the learned Ex-Officio Justice of Peace failed to appreciate the facts in their true perspective and unlawfully dismissed the application.

4. Conversely, Mr. Aitbar Ali Bullo, learned Deputy Prosecutor General for the State, assisted by Mr. Ghous Ali Shah, learned counsel for the proposed accused, have supported the impugned order and

contended that the learned Justice of Peace has rightly dismissed the application, as the dispute between the parties is purely of civil nature arising out of a monetary transaction.

5. Heard learned counsel for the applicant, learned DPG, learned counsel for the proposed accused, and perused the record.

6. The applicant's grievance essentially revolves around an alleged monetary transaction of Rs.400,000/- said to have been advanced to the proposed accused under an arrangement for repayment through shop rent. However, it is an admitted position that no documentary evidence whatsoever has been produced by the applicant before the learned Justice of Peace or even before this Court to substantiate the alleged payment or the asserted agreement.

7. A bare perusal of the record reveals that the dispute, at its highest, pertains to an alleged breach of financial arrangement between private parties, which squarely falls within the domain of civil jurisdiction. The allegations of confinement and alleged payment of bribe also remain unsubstantiated by any independent material or supporting evidence.

8. In these circumstances, the learned Justice of Peace has rightly concluded that the matter does not disclose commission of any cognizable offence warranting registration of FIR, and has accordingly dismissed the application under Sections 22-A & 22-B, Cr.P.C. No illegality, irregularity, or jurisdictional defect has been pointed out in the impugned order which may justify interference by this Court.

9. For the foregoing reasons, this Criminal Miscellaneous Application being devoid of merit is dismissed.

**JUDGE**