

ORDER SHEET
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI
C.P. No.D-3381 of 2018

Date	Order with signature of Judge
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- 1.For hearing of CMA No.15297/2018
- 2.For hearing of main case

16.05.2018

Mr. Haider Waheed advocate for the petitioner. Assisted by Mr. Shahzeb Akhtar Khan advocate.
Mr. Ghulam Shabbir Shah, Addl. A.G.
Shakeel Ahmed, Deputy Secretary, Finance Department, Government of Sindh.
Muhammad Shaharyar Khan Mahar, petitioner is also present.

Basically, the petitioner has approached this court in the capacity as MPA from PS. 10, Shikarpur and as a citizen of its respective constituency in NA-203, Shikarpur. In nutshell, he has prayed that directions be issued to the respondents to forthwith disburse funds in terms of minutes of meeting and order dated 28.02.2018 of the District Development Community of the petitioner's constituency. Learned counsel pointed out page No. 61 of the court's file which is an approval letter issued by Section Officer (Dev-V), Finance Department, Government of Sindh addressed to Deputy Commissioner, Shikarpur for community development programme for sustainable development goals 2017-2018. Through this letter, he communicated the sanction of Government of Sindh to the expenditure in respect of 27 approved development schemes in NA 202 in community development programme. Learned counsel argued that the grievance of the petitioner is that the

funds have been released to the MNAs and MPAs of ruling party but his constituency has been deprived of fund for developments projects.

At this juncture, learned Addl. A.G. pointed out that the amount for the development is to be released to the respective Deputy Commissioners and not to any MNA or MPA, however, he has submitted the comments of Deputy Secretary (Dev-II), Finance Department, Government of Sindh in which they have admitted that some schemes were sponsored by the community of PS-10 and NA-203 and relevant papers were received in the Finance Department on 03.04.2018 and the matter is pending for soliciting the approval of the Finance Minister for the release of funds amounting to Rs.197.774 million for Schemes of PS-10 and NA-203. It is further stated that funds in respect of PS-10 and NA-203 will be released as soon as approval of Finance Minister is received.

The learned counsel for the petitioner argued that the schemes of the petitioner's constituency were received on 03.04.2018 but after receiving these schemes, on 07.04.2018 the funds were released for 27 development schemes for NA-202 by ignoring the petitioner's constituencies. He also pleaded discrimination and prayed that strict directions may be issued for the release of funds. Learned Addl. A.G. undertakes that within seven days entire process will be completed. The Finance Secretary is directed to release the funds within seven days for the schemes covered under Community Development Programme for Sustainable Development Goals 2017-2018 and

also mentioned in the comments of respondent No.3. Learned Addl. A.G. will also ensure the compliance. The petition is disposed of accordingly.

Copy of this order be transmitted to the learned Addl. A.G. as well as the Finance Secretary, Government of Sindh for compliance.

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