

**ORDER SHEET
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI
CP D 2146 of 2019**

Order with signature of Judge

Present: Muhammad Ali Mazhar and Agha Faisal, JJ.

- 1. For hearing of CMA No.9641 of 2019*
- 2. For hearing of main case*

07.05.2019

Molvi Iqbal Haider, Advocate for the Petitioner.

Mr. Mukesh Kumar, Assistant Attorney General.

Mr. Faqir Liaqat Ali, Deputy General Manager (Legal), Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (PEMRA) is present in person.

Muhammad Ali Mazhar J., The petitioner, who is an Advocate of this Court, has filed this petition for directions against the respondents 2 to 4 to decide his pending complaint, which he moved against alleged offending comments/remarks given by the respondent 6 in the program “Dunya Kamran Khan kay Sath” broadcasted by Dunya T.V. News Channel. Copy of the complaint is available at page 31, which was sent to the Chairman PEMRA on 28.03.2019 through TCS on 29.3.2019.

The grievance of the petitioner is that despite sending this complaint in the month of March, 2019 the same has not been entertained nor any notice was issued to the petitioner to appear before the Council of Complaints constituted under the PEMRA laws.

Mr. Faqir Liaquat Ali, Deputy General Manager (Legal), PEMRA is present and submits that the tenure of the members appointed in the Council of Complaints has expired and no new notification has been issued for their appointment. However, he

submits that the Council of Complaints is working in Islamabad and he proposed that the complaint of the petitioner will be transmitted by PEMRA to the Council of Complaints at Islamabad for hearing and decision. The counsel for the petitioner accepted this proposal. Let the Chairman PEMRA transmit the complaint of the petitioner available at page 31 of the Court file, to the Council of the Complaints at Islamabad. The complaint of the petitioner will be decided in accordance with the law. The petitioner/complainant and the News Chanel and the anchor of the program shall be granted opportunity of hearing by the Council of Complaints. The complaint shall be disposed of within a period of one months. This petition is disposed of accordingly.

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