

**ORDER SHEET  
HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI**

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C.P. No.D-5420 of 2019

<b>Date</b>	<b>Order with signature of Judge</b>
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**Present**

**Mr. Justice Muhammad Ali Mazhar.  
Mr. Justice Arshad Hussain Khan.**

Muhammad Bilal Khalid .....Petitioner

Versus

Pakistan Council of Architecture and Town Planners,  
& another.....Respondents

**Date of hearing 29.10.2020**

Mr. Riaz Hussain Soomro advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Jamal Amir advocate for the respondent No.1

Mr. Hussain Bhora, Assistant Attorney General.

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**Muhammad Ali Mazhar, J:** The petitioner has sought the directions against Pakistan Council of Architecture & Town Planners (respondent No.1) to grant registration/license as Town Planner.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner pointed out page 27 which is a copy of Master Degree of the petitioner in Spatial Planning issued by Oxford Brookes University, U.K. on 03.12.2015. Learned counsel further argued that on the strength of this Master Degree, the petitioner applied for the registration and license. The respondent No.1 has already filed comments. Learned counsel for the respondent No.1 argued that the name of Oxford School of Architecture, College of Technology, Oxford, UK is appearing in the second schedule, whereas, the name of Oxford Brookes University

from where the petitioner has cleared the Master Degree is not included in the said schedule, therefore, an opportunity was given to the petitioner to appear in the examination to be conducted by Pakistan Council of Architecture & Town Planners to ascertain his qualification or in alternate the petitioner was asked to pass registration examination of the chartered planner from accrediting council in U.K. According to Section 11 of Pakistan Council of Architecture & Town Planners Ordinance, 1983, it is clearly provided that the Architectural & Town Planning qualifications granted by institutions outside Pakistan which are included in the second schedule shall be recognized qualifications for the purpose of this Ordinance. It is further provided in subsection (2) that any Architectural or Town Planning qualification granted by an institution outside Pakistan not included in the second schedule may be recognized by the council and the Council may by notification in the official gazette amend the second schedule. We have also examined the second schedule appended to the Ordinance. The first scheduled recognizes Architectural or Town Planning qualification granted by institution in Pakistan, whereas, second schedule germane to the Architectural or Town Planning qualification granted by institutions outside Pakistan. On examination of the second schedule it revealed to us that the name of the petitioner's institution is not mentioned and this was the main cause for which the his registration was refused, however, as proposed by the

respondent No.1 that after every six months they hold an examination in which the petitioner may appear and if he will qualify such examination he will be accorded registration and license accordingly. This proposal has been accepted by the learned counsel for the petitioner under the instructions and he agrees that the petitioner will apply in the said examination for qualifying his registration. Petition is disposed of accordingly.

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