ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI C.P. No.D-1096 of 2021

Date

Order with signature of Judge

Priority

- 1. For orders on Misc. No. 4573/2021
- 2.For orders on Misc.No.4574/2021
- 3. For orders on Misc. No. 4575/2021
- 4. For hearing of main case.

11-02-2021

Mr. Haroon Khan, Advocate for the Petitioners.

1 to 4. In fact the petitioners want directions against respondent Nos.2 to 4. The respondent No.2 is Registrar, Cooperative Societies Islamabad Capital Territory, Islamabad, whereas the respondent No.3 is Election Commissioner/Chairman Election Board, IBECHS, Islamabad and the respondent No.4 is Cooperative Housing Society, Islamabad.

The petitioners are seeking an order that polling booth for the elections of respondent No.4 should be established at Karachi also for casting votes in the forthcoming elections scheduled to be held on 15.02.2021. Learned counsel submits that various applications were sent to Deputy Commissioner Islamabad for establishing polling station at Karachi, but no action was taken. To a query raised by this court, how writ is maintainable against respondent Nos.2 to 4, who are located outside the territorial jurisdiction of this court. The respondent No.4 is cooperative housing society, which is otherwise not performing any functions in relation to the affairs of Federation or Province in the jurisdiction of this court, therefore, this court has no territorial jurisdiction to entertain this petition. At this juncture, learned counsel submits that same petition is pending before learned Islamabad High Court. The petition is dismissed in limine.

Judge