

ORDER SHEET
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI
CP D-6369 of 2016

Order with signature of Judge

Present: **Muhammad Ali Mazhar** and **Agha Faisal, JJ.**

Iqbal Kazmi & Others
Vs.
Federation of Pakistan & Others

For hearing of main case

04.11.2019

Petitioner, who is appearing in person, is called absent.
Mr. Jawad Dero, Additional Advocate General Sindh.

Mr. Riaz Hassan Khoso, Deputy Director, Excise, Taxation and Narcotics Control, District South, Karachi is present.

Muhammad Ali Mazhar J., Petitioner, who is appearing in person is called absent. On the last date of hearing also the petitioner was called absent. Learned AAG pointed out the comments filed by the Deputy Director/Senior Excise and Taxation Officer Excise, Taxation and Narcotics (Excise) District South Karachi in which it is stated that the liquor licenses are granted under Article 17 of the Prohibition (Enforcement of Hadd) Order, 1979 read with rule 23(1) of the Sindh Prohibition Rules, 1979. It is further stated that before granting any such license, Excise, Taxation and Narcotics Control Department invites objections of the inhabitants of the area and also ensures that no educational and religious institution be situated within 100 yards of the proposed license premises. It is further stated that all liquor licenses are issued for the sale of the liquor to the Non-Muslims only. It is further stated that the petitioner has not exhausted the remedy by filing objection with the concerned authorities of Excise, Taxation and Narcotics Department. Since the petitioner is called absent, the petition is dismissed for non-prosecution.

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