ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI C. P. No. D-116 of 2020

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	Date	Order with signature of Judge
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1. For hearing of CMA No.490/2020.

2. For hearing of main case.

<u>Present</u> Mr. Justice Muhammad Ali Mazhar Mr. Justice Yousuf Ali Sayeed.

Abdul Majid.....Petitioner

Versus

Federation of Pakistan & others......Respondents

<u>27.01.2020.</u>

Mr. Ali Nawaz, Advocate for the Petitioner. Mr. Kafeel Ahmed Abbasi, DAG. Mr. Jawwad Dero, Addl. A. G. Ms. Samina Iqbal, Advocate for NADRA.

<u>Muhammad Ali Mazhar, J:</u> Brief facts of the case are that the Petitioner was nominated in Reference No.25/2017 as Accused No.20. Since he was declared absconder, therefore, learned Accountability Court No.1, Karachi sent a letter to the Director General, NADRA for blockage of the CNIC. After sometime, the Petitioner surrendered and also filed an application for plea-bargain, which was allowed vide order dated 29.08.2019 and subsequently a writ of release was also issued. Despite, acceptance of the application for plea-bargain, the grievance of the Petitioner is that his CNIC has not been de-blocked by the NADRA, therefore, this Petition has been filed.

On notice, Ms. Samina Iqbal, learned Law Officer of NADRA appeared and submitted that the CNIC of the Petitioner was blocked under the directions of the learned Accountability Court and they have not received any order for de-blocking the CNIC of the Petitioner.

On the basis of available record, it is cleared that the application for plea-bargain was approved and the writ of release was issued by the learned Accountability Court on 29.08.2019. Despite that the Court has not communicated the order to the NADRA for de-blocking the CNIC of the Petitioner. Once the Court passed any order for blocking the CNIC and subsequently if the accused is discharged from such Reference on plea-bargain or otherwise, it is the responsibility of the NAB Court at the same time to communicate the NADRA for de-blocking CNIC, which has not been done in this case.

The Petitioner is directed to file an application before the learned Accountability Court No.1, Sindh, Karachi tomorrow for such relief. At this juncture, learned counsel for the Petitioner submits that the learned Accountability Court No.1, Sindh, Karachi is vacant, therefore, some directions may be issued to the learned Link Judge to pass an appropriate order. It is directed that if the learned Accountability Court No.1, Sindh, Karachi is vacant, then COC of that Court will place said application for order before the learned Link Judge.

Petition is disposed of in the above terms.

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