ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

C.P. No.D-1920 and D-1947 of 2019

Date Order with signature of Judge

Dated: 01.08.2019

Mirza Adil M. Baig for petitioner in CP No.D-1920 of 2019.

Mr. K.A. Vaswani, AAG along with Syed Kazim Raza Shah, Project Manager.

Mr. Kh. Naveed Ahmed for respondent No.4.

Compliance report in pursuance of order dated 16.05.2019 annexing therewith notifications has been filed, which is taken on record.

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We have heard the learned counsel and perused the material available on record. No one is in attendance on behalf of petitioner in connected petition bearing No.D-1947 of 2019 however since the same appears to have been filed on the same footing, it is also being decided along with main petition.

The only grievance of the petitioners is that appropriate notification in terms of Section 5(A) of Land Acquisition Act, 1894 has not been issued before issuance of notice under section 6 of the ibid Act. Section 6 empowers the authority to issue a notification under section 6 in case the land is required for public purpose. Notification under section 6 of Land Acquisition Act, 1894 has already been issued which is available at page 97 and admittedly objections to such award are pending in the shape of Reference before District & Sessions Judge Thatta. The grievance of the petitioners could well be addressed through their objections which are pending in Reference and the concerned Judge may hear the petitioners with reference to their objections pending in the shape of Reference expeditiously in accordance with law. The points and grounds raised in these petitions may also be taken into consideration by the District & Sessions Judge at the time of disposal of the Reference. In the meantime respondents may continue with their contract in accordance with law and the specifications.

Petition stands disposed of in the above terms along with pending applications.

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