ORDER SHEET

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, CIRCUIT COURT, HYDERABAD.

C.P. No.D — 1393 of 2022.

DATE

ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF JUDGE

<u>31.05.2022</u>.

FOR ORDERS ON OFFICE OBJECTION. FOR ORDERS ON M.A.5732/2022. FOR ORDERS ON M.A.5733/2022. FOR HEARING OF MAIN CASE.

Mr. Imam Bux Advocate / Associate of Mr. Mian Taj Muhammad Keerio Advocate for petitioner.

Mr. Khurram Shahzad, Additional Director General, Law & Zaheer Abbass Khowaja, Law Officer Election Commission of Pakistan alongwith Saleemuddin Dal District Election Commissioner Tharparkar, Prem Chand Additional D.C Mirpurkhas, Roshan Ali Jatoi DEC Mirpurkhas, Masood A. Qureshi REC Mirpurkhas, Lutuf Ali Mastoi E.O Umerkot, Muhammad Saleem Shaikh AC Shujaabad, Muhammad Yousuf Majeedano DEC Hyderabad and Ali Abdullah Khalid REC Hyderabad

Mr. Muhammad Humayoon Khan DAG

Mr. Habib ur Rehman Advocate for respondent/ NADRA.

Mr. Allah Bachayo Soomro, Additional A.G Sindh.

This petition pertains UC No.01 Taluka & District Umerkot, where objection petition No.41 of 2022 was filed. The objector claims that in past Deh Panjoi was included in UC-18, which is 10 Kms far from his Deh Muhammad Alam Palli. He claims that due to inclusion of Deh Panjoi the population of UC-01 has been increased up to 20787. Hence he prayed that Deh Panjoi of UC-01 may be excluded and may be included with UC-18 (the old UC-Sufi).

The objections were taken into consideration by the Delimitation Authority in the following manner:-

"4. Arguments heard, record perused, map has also been perused. At the prima facie, on examination of map of UC No.01, Taluka & District Umerkot, it has been observed that the request of Petitioner is not genuine and against the Principles of Delimitation under Section-20 Election Act, 2017, which is reproduced below:

20. Principles of delimitation.---(i) All constituencies for general seats shall, as far as practicable, be delimited having regard to the distribution of population in geographically compact areas, physical features, existing boundaries of administrative units, facilities of communication and public convenience and other cognate factors to ensure homogeneity in the creation of constituencies.

5. Keeping in view the Principles of Delimitation i.e. compactness, geographical features, cognate factors & ground realities, the request of the petitioner is cannot be entertained. Hence the instant petition is rejected. The copy of order be sent to the Delimitation Committee immediately with the direction to incorporate the decision accordingly for publication in the final gazette delimitation of District Umerkot. File after compilation be kept in safe custody.

DECISION.

Rejected."

This is sufficient exercise in the light of (1) Muhammad Ibrahim Jatoi v. Election Commission of Pakistan [2019 CLC 1801] and (2) Bahadur Ali and others v. Election Commission of Pakistan [PLD 2018 Sindh 636] as far as reasons as being provided by the Delimitation Authority is concerned and has also discharge substantial and sufficient compliance of an order / judgment passed in Zulfiqar Ali Malik's case in C.P. No.D-328 of 2022 is concerned. No interference as such, is required.

The petition is dismissed.

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