

ORDER SHEET
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

C.P. No.D-4151 of 2022

Date Order with signature of Judge

For hearing of main case.

20.07.2022.

Mr. Ahmed Hussain Jokhio, Advocate for the Petitioner.
Mr. Saifullah, Assistant, Advocate General, Sindh alongwith M/s.
Abdullah Hanjrah and Sarmad Sarwar, Law Officers, ECP.
Mr. Abdul Wahab Balouch, DAG.

The Nomination Paper submitted by the Petitioner in respect of the forthcoming Local Government Election was rejected by the Returning Officer on the ground that the Petitioner was not a registered Voter of the relevant constituency. An Appeal filed by the Petitioner in the matter also came to be dismissed. No error or illegality has been demonstrated through the present Petition so as to warrant interference by this Court in exercise of its Constitutional Jurisdiction as the case advanced by the Petitioner merely proceeds on the assertion that the Petitioner had sought verification of his voter status via the 8300 SMS system. However, as it transpires, the issue has already been decided by a learned Division Bench of this court vide order dated 30.06.2022 in C. P. No. D-3990 of 2022 and connected matters, where it was held that the 8300 system is only a facility initiated by the Election Commission of Pakistan for the benefit of the general public, but is not supported by any Statutory provision or rule, hence has no binding effect so as to advance the cause of the Petitioner. That being so, the Petition is devoid of force and stands dismissed accordingly

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