ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

C.P.NO.D-352/2015

Date Order with signature of Judge

1. For order on office objection

2. 'For KatchaPeshi

04.08.2015

Mr. Sami Ahsan, Advocate for the petitioner Mr. Sheikh Liaquat Hussain, Standing Counsel; Mr. Mustafa Mehaser, Addl.A.G

Through instant petition, the petitioner seeks directions to respondent No.1 to 3 to initiate punitive action against the Cable Operators and MMDS distributors, for not displaying VSH News on their network and also to issue mandatory directions that VSH News be displayed as a Channel No.5 after PTV.

Counsel for the petitioner was asked to satisfy this Court as to maintainability of this petition, as observed in order dated 25.2.2015 to which the Counsel could not satisfactorily respond. It is further observed that displaying/airing a Channel of a particular category on a particular Serial Number on the distribution Network appears to be private issue between the Channel owner and the Cable Operator and is not directly within the domain of respondent No.3. Even otherwise, if the petitioner has any grievance against any particular Cable Operator, the petitioner can approach Respondent No.3 for initiating action under PEMRA Ordinance 2002 read with PENRA Rules 2009.

Perusal of the record further reflects that there are various directions already issued by respondent No.3, whereby its Regional offices as well as the Cable Operators have been directed to ensure the distribution of petitioners Channel on their distribution Networks.

In view of such position, we are of the view that instant petition does not merits any consideration and is misconceived. Accordingly, the same is dismissed in limine.

JUDGE