ORDER SHEET
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

Crl. Rev. Application No. 199 of 2018

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DATE

ORDER WITH SIGNATURE(S) OF JUDGE(S)

For hearing of cases:

10.12.2018

Mr. G.M. Korai, Advocate for applicant.

Mr. Zahoor Shah, DPG for State.

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Aftabullah, the applicant in these proceedings, has impugned an order dated

6.11.2018 passed by the learned 5th Additional Sessions Judge, Malir in Karachi. In terms

of the said order it was directed that a trailer bearing number TLX 813 be handed over

to the owner of the said trailer subject to his furnishing a solvent surety in the amount

of Rs. 10,000,000 (Rupees ten million).

It appears that on 12-10-2018 an F.I.R. bearing number 180 of 2018 was

registered under sections 395 and 506 P.P.C. by one Syed Rehman informed the police

that his trailer number bearing number TLX 813 had been robbed at gun point along

with the goods in it. The trailer was recovered and seized by the police as case property.

The learned trial court has observed in the impugned order that the owner of

the trailer is Aftabullah whereby the complainant of the case is Syed Rehman, the

person who is said to have purchased the trailer from Aftabullah. It further appears that

as Syed Rehman has not paid the sale price in full, the trailer is still in the name of

Aftabullah in the government records. Both Aftabullah and Syed Rehman have given

their no objection before the learned trial court and again before this court that the

trailer may be released to the owner.

It seems unfair that on the one hand the trailer is stolen from its owner while on

the other the owner himself is being asked to furnish a surety of Rs. 10,000,000 to take

possession of his trailer. Accordingly, the order of the learned trial court is upheld with

the only modification that the surety amount to be furnished is reduced from

Rs.10,000,000 to Rs. 50,000. The owner and the complainant shall both also swear

affidavits that they will comply with the condition of release as directed by the learned

trial court. The same will be submitted before the learned trial court.

JUDGE