

# IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, AT KARACHI

Criminal Jail Appeal No. 625 of 2023

Appellant: Muhammad Arsalan through Mr. Iftikhar Ahmed Shah, advocate  
The State: Ms. Rubina Qadir, DPG for the State  
Date of hearing: 16.05.2024  
Date of judgment: 16.05.2024

## J U D G M E N T

**IRSHAD ALI SHAH, J-** The appellant on completion of the trial for having an unlicensed revolver of 32 bores with three live bullets of the same bore which he allegedly was having at the time of committing robbery was convicted u/s 23(i)(a) of the Sindh Arms Act, 2013, and sentenced to undergo rigorous imprisonment for seven years with a fine of Rs.20,000/- and in default in payment whereof to undergo simple imprisonment for one month with the benefit of Section 382(b) Cr.PC by learned Xth-Additional Sessions Judge Karachi South vide judgment dated 31.10.2023 which he has impugned before this Court by preferring the instant Criminal Jail Appeal.

2. At the very outset, it is stated by learned counsel for the appellant that he would not press the disposal of the instant Criminal Jail Appeal before this Court on merits, provided the sentence awarded to the appellant is reduced to a considerable extent, which is not opposed by learned DPG for the State.

3. Heard arguments and perused the record.

4. The appellant is a young man of 23 years of age and is said to be the sole bread earner of his family. By not pressing disposal of his appeal on merits, he has shown remorse; thus there is a likelihood of his reformation. Considering all these factors as mitigating circumstances, the sentence awarded to the appellant for the said offence is reduced to rigorous imprisonment for one year with a fine of Rs.10,000/- and in default in payment whereof he would undergo simple imprisonment for one week with the benefit of Section 382(b) Cr. PC.

5. Subject to the above modification, the instant Criminal Jail Appeal is dismissed as not pressed.

JUDGE