

# IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, AT KARACHI

Criminal Jail Appeal No. 615 of 2023

Appellant: Mehmood Raza through Mr. Muhammad Shafique Gopang, advocate  
The State: Mr. Muhammad Anwar Mahar, DDPP for the State  
Date of hearing: 02.05.2024  
Date of judgment: 02.05.2024

## J U D G M E N T

**IRSHAD ALI SHAH, J-** On conclusion of the trial, the appellant for having a revolver of 32 bores with four live bullets of the same bore which he was having at the time of the robbery was convicted u/s. 23(i)(a) of the Sindh Arms Act, 2013, and sentenced to undergo rigorous imprisonment for seven years and to pay a fine of Rs.10,000/- and in default in payment whereof to undergo simple imprisonment for 30 days with the benefit of Section 382(b) Cr.PC by learned Vth-Additional Sessions Judge Karachi South vide judgment dated 08.11.2023 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 DDPP for the State.

3. Heard arguments and perused the record.

4. The appellant is a young man of 20 years of the age. No criminal record against him has been brought on record. 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 three years with a fine of Rs.10,000/- and in default in payment whereof he would undergo simple imprisonment for one month 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