ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

CP D 5816 of 2023 CP D 4276 of 2023

Date Order with signature of Judge(s)

1. For orders on CMA No.26439/2024.

2. For orders as to maintainability of petition.

14.01.2025

Mr. Muhammad Nasir, advocate for the petitioners. Mr. Fahad Hussain Arijo, advocate for the respondent/SRB. Mr. Muhammad Kamran Khan, Assistant Advocate General Sindh.

These petitions assail show cause notices directly in the writ jurisdiction of this Court. The impugned notices provide an opportunity and forum to the petitioner to state its case, however, the petitioners have unjustifiably elected to abjure the opportunity / forum provided and approach this Court directly. No case has been set out as to why the any reservation with regard to the impugned notices could not have been taken before the issuing authority. Default by the petitioner in seeking recourse before the statutory hierarchy could not be demonstrated to denude the statutory forum of its jurisdiction; or confer the same upon this court. Therefore, no case could be articulated for direct recourse to writ jurisdiction in the presence of adequate remedy having been provided under the law.¹

The Supreme Court also consistently deprecated the tendency to shun the dispute resolution mechanism provided by statute and seek direct recourse to the High Court; as seen in *Jahangir Khan Tareen*², approved in Judgment dated 15.09.2022 rendered in *DCIR vs. Digicom Trading (CA 2019 of 2016)* The aforementioned ratio is squarely applicable to the present facts and circumstances.

In summation, no case has been set forth before us to merit the invocation of the discretionary³ writ jurisdiction of this Court; therefore, these petitions are hereby dismissed.

Office to place a copy hereof in the connected file.

Judge

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¹ Reliance is placed upon PLD 2016 Sindh 168.

² Per Muhammad Ali Mazhar J. in CIR vs. Jahangir Khan Tareen reported as 2022 SCMR 92.

³ Per Ijaz UI Ahsan J. in Syed Iqbal Hussain Shah Gillani vs. PBC & Others reported as 2021 SCMR 425; Muhammad Fiaz Khan vs. Ajmer Khan & Another reported as 2010 SCMR 105.