ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI C. P. NO. D-29 / 2023

C. P. NO. D-29/202

Date

Order with signature of Judge

PRIORITY.

- 1) For hearing of Misc. No. 107/2023.
- 2) For hearing of main case.

<u>31.10.2024.</u>

Mr. M. Hanif Faisal Alam, Advocate for Petitioner. Mr. Shah Hussain, Deputy Attorney General. M/s. Abdul Hakeem Junejo, Fahim Ali & Tauqeer Ahmed, Advocates for Respondent.

This matter pertains to the *vires* of section 4C of the Income Tax Ordinance 2001 and provision/s appurtenant thereto, related to imposition of super tax. The issue stands determined by this Division Bench of this Court in the case reported as *Shell Pakistan Limited vs. Federation of Pakistan & Others* (2023 PTD 607).

Therefore, in *mutatis mutandis* application of the reasoning and rationale so assigned in *Shell Pakistan*, the subject petitions are also disposed of upon the same terms, being:

"1. Sections 4C of the Income Tax Ordinance 2001 is read to reflect that the levy shall be applicable from the tax year 2023.

2. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the 1st proviso to Division IIB of Part I of the First Schedule to the Income Tax Ordinance 2001 is declared to be discriminatory, hence, ultra vires to the Constitution.

The operation of this judgment shall remain suspended for a period of sixty days from the date hereof; hence, the securities furnished pursuant to respective ad interim orders shall remain intact for the said period."

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