ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI

C. P. NO. D-542 / 2025

Date

Order with signature of Judge

PRIORITY

- 1) For orders on office objection No. 1.
- 2) For hearing of Misc. No. 2886/2025.
- 3) For hearing of main case.

11.03.2025.

M/s. Hussain Ai Almani & Ghulam Hussain Shah, Advocates for Applicant.

Ms. Alizeh Bashir, Assistant Attorney General.

Mr. Muhammad Siddiq holding brief for

Mr. Sardar Zafar Hussain, Advocate for Respondent.

Mr. Abdul Hameed Shaikh, Manager (ROK), EDB,

Ministry of Industries & Production Islamabad.

Through this Petition the Petitioner has sought a declaration¹ that impugned *decision* dated 23.12.2024 passed by Ministry of Industries and Production, Government of Pakistan and *Letter* dated 20.01.2025 issued by Engineering Development Board to the Customs Authorities at Karachi, communicating such decision and asking them for retrospective recovery of Customs duties, if any, are illegal and void ab initio. The Petitioner has also sought a declaration that Petitioner's imports for the Upgraded Sportage D are eligible for concessionary duty under SRO 656 read in light of the Agreement.

Heard learned Counsel for the Petitioner as well as learned Assistant Attorney General and perused the record.

For reason to be recorded later and subject to what is set out therein by way of amplification or otherwise, the Petition is hereby allowed by declaring the impugned *decision* 23.12.2024 and *Letter* dated 20.01.2025 as being illegal and without lawful authority; hence, are hereby set-aside. The petition is also allowed as prayed for in prayer Clause "B"².

ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE

JUDGE

Arshad/

¹ in terms of Article 199(1)(a)(ii) of the Constitution

² Declare that Petitioner's imports for the Upgraded Sportage D are eligible for concessionary duty under SRO 656 read in light of the Agreement.