## ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH BENCH AT SUKKUR Const. Petition No.D-334 of 2023

Date Order with signature of Judge

For hearing of main case

## <u>21-03-2024</u>

Syed Zafar Ali Shah, Advocate for the Petitioner Mr. Zulfiqar Ali Naich, Assistant Advocate General a/w DSP Tasneem Ahmed Focal person SSU, Karachi, Abdul Waqar Channa, Focal person Legal Branch CPO, Inspectof Muhammad Aslam, SSP office Sukkur, Inspector Ghulam Shabbir, SSP Office Khairpur Inspector Ghulamullah, SSP Office Ghotki

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**Muhammad Iqbal Kalhoro,J:-** Petitioner applied for a post of Police Constable in Special Security Unit (SSU) of Sindh Police. He qualified all the academic tests but in the measurement of his chest he was found short of benchmark set out in the eligibility criteria provided in Sindh Police Recruitment Policy 2022 regarding expansion of chest of the candidates.

Rule 4.1.6 of said policy explains the eligibility criteria. According to which, age of a candidate shall be between 18-28 year, academic qualification Matriculation, minimum height for male candidate 5.5 ft, for female candidate minimum height 5 ft, minimum chest inspiration 33 inches with 1.5 inch expansion. When the petitioner was examined he was found 34.5 inch in chest inspiration and chest expansion 35.5 inch, which is 1 inch and that is half inch less than the criteria of 1.5 inch for chest expansion.

Learned counsel for the petitioner has submitted that the candidates whose chest expansion was less than petitioner have been appointed. However, he has not been able to submit any proof in this regard. The eligibility criteria is set out in the Revised Sindh Police Recruitment Policy-2022, a copy of which has been placed on record by DSP Special Security Unit. We while exercising jurisdiction under Article 199 of the Constitution cannot alter that criteria set out as such and substitute it with our opinion by ordering the respondents to appoint the petitioner, found short of

required chest expansion in SSU Sindh Police. This being a case, we find no merit in the petition and accordingly dismiss it.

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