#### **ORDER SHEET**

### IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, CIRCUIT COURT, LARKANA.

Constt: Petition No.S- 427 of 2024.

(Muhammad Qasim v. SHO, PS, SMBBMU Larkana & Ors)

#### DATE OF HEARING

### ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF HON'BLE JUDGE

- 1. For orders on office objections as flag A.
- 2. For hearing of main case.

#### Date of hearing & Order: 14.3.2025.

None present for the petitioner...

Mr. Abdul Waris Bhutto, Asstt: A. G.

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# ORDER

Adnan-ul-Karim Memon, J:- The petitioner sought Court protection from harassment, claiming official respondents were/are acting at the instigation of private parties.

- 2. Learned A.A.G. present in Court seeks disposal thereof with the narration that no harassment shall be caused to the petitioner by the police officials.
- 3. This Court stressed the police department's responsibility, particularly the Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP), to address such issues. While the petitioner has a fundamental right to protection from both police and private harassment, this court clarified that the police retain full authority to act legally if either party commits a cognizable offense, as Article 4 of the Constitution guarantees everyone the right to be treated according to the law, which includes fairness and the elimination of any factors that obstruct legal processes.
- 4. In view of such state of affairs, this Court is left with no option but to direct the official respondents to prevent harassment and provide legal protection to the petitioner and his family, subject to restrictions imposed by the law. However, if any cognizable offence is committed by either party, the police shall be free to take action, under the law.
- 5. The petition is disposed of in the above terms

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