ORDER SHEET

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI

C. P. No. D – 987 of 2025

DATE:

ORDER WITH SIGNATURE(S) OF JUDGE(S).

Priority

- 1. For order on office objection
- 2. For hearing of Misc. No.5254/2025
- 3. For hearing of Main Case

29.04.2025

Mr. Zamir Ghumro, Advocate for the Petitioner along with M/s. Malik Naeem Iqbal, Faizan Hussain Memon and Malik Waseem Iqbal, Advocates.

Mr. Mohsin Kadir Shahwani, Additional Attorney General for Pakistan.

Mr. Jawad Dero, Advocate General Sindh.

M/s. Iftikhar ul Hassan Shah, Legal Consultant and Rana Kashif Ali, Assistant Director IRSA, are present.

Learned Additional Attorney General for Pakistan has filed Decision of Council of Common Interests ["CCI"] dated 28.04.2025 under his Statement, same is taken on record. It states, *inter alia*, that Water Available Certificate dated 17.01.2024 [also suspended by this Court], has been returned. It is also decided that no new Canals will be built without mutual understanding from CCI.

Learned Advocate General [Sindh] has filed a Statement dated 28.04.2025 along with Parawise Comments and documents, same are also taken on record. Annexure A-XI [dated 22.04.2025] whereof has proposed the name of Mr. Shafquat Hussain Wadho, retired Chief Engineer to be appointed as Federal Member [IRSA] from the Sindh Province, for a period of three years. It means that process to appoint Federal Member from the Sindh Province has been initiated by the Respondent No.4 – Government of Sindh, in view of the earlier Judgment of this Court, referred to in our previous Orders. The Federal Member from this Province should be appointed before the next date of hearing.

To come up on 22.05.2025 at 11.00 a.m. We reiterate our observation, that in order to resolve the issue in a holistic manner, the

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necessary legislative amendment may be done, so that controversies of such magnitude are prevented in future, undermining the National Unity.

Both the Law Officers for the Federation and Province shall apprise this Court about the proposed legislative amendment, on the next date of hearing.

Judge

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