

ORDER SHEET
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

Special Sales Tax Reference Application No. 355 of 2019

DATE	ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF JUDGE(S)
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1. For orders on CMA No.2146/2019
2. For hearing of main case
3. For orders on CMA No.2147/2019

01.10.2025

Mr. Iqbal Lakho, Commissioner
Mr. Tariq Tunio, Commissioner
Mr. Shoaib Rajkoti Deputy Commissioner
Mr. Mukhtiar Memon, Assistant Commissioner

Barrister Talha Abbasi advocate files vakalatnama on behalf of applicant which is taken on record. He files written explanation pursuant to order dated 17.09.2025, which is also taken on record.

On 17.09.2025, the following order was passed :

“This reference is pending since 2019 and not even notice has been sought / issued till date. Perusal of the penultimate paragraph demonstrates that the learned Tribunal has pleased to remand the case for adjudication afresh within three months. Today when confronted as to how the remand order is amenable to reference jurisdiction in present circumstances, and / or why the order of the Tribunal has not been complied with, despite the passage of six years, Mr. Narejo states that the matter is assigned to some external counsel, who is not available in the court today. The cause list and file cover do not contain the name of any external counsel. Let the concerned Commissioner be in attendance on the next date along with written explanation. To come up on 01.10.2025”

Today learned commissioner is present and does not press this reference application and states that the matter shall be proceeded before the adjudication officer in accordance with law and all objection shall be raised there before. In view hereof, this reference application is dismissed as withdrawn.

The presence and assistance of learned commissioner is appreciated and dispensed with.

A copy of this decision may be sent under the seal of this Court and the signature of the Registrar to the learned Appellate Tribunal, as required per section 63 (5) of the Sindh Sales Tax on Services Act, 2011.

Judge

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