

ORDER SHEET
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI
Constitutional Petition No. D-5978 of 2025
(Imran Malik versus Federation of Pakistan & others)

Date	Order with signature of Judge
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Mr. Justice Adnan-ul-Karim Memon
Mr. Justice Abdul Mobeen Lakho

1. For order on CMA No.911/2026 (Urgency)
2. For order on office objection No.1 to 3
3. For hearing of main case

Date of hearing and order: 20.1.2026

Mr. Muhammad Ilyas Khan Tanoli advocate for the petitioner
Ms. Mehreen Ibrahim, DAG
Mr. Abdus Samad Khan, Law Officer, NADRA

Adnan-ul-Karim Memon, J. Petitioner Imran Malik has filed this Constitutional Petition under Article 199 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973, seeking the following relief: -

a) To adjudge that all the documents prepared & produced by the private respondents showing the death of the petitioner in the record of the NADRA are fake & fabricated are liable to be cancelled, and to cancel the same.

b) To direct the respondent No.1 to 4 to cancel the alleged death certificate of the petitioner produced by the private respondents and restore the CNIC No. 42301-1478993-3 to its original number & position accordingly, and also to delete such entry of death made in their record, including the death certificate and all other documents relating thereto.

2. The case of the petitioner is that he has been running his business in the U.K. since 2003 and holds CNIC No.542301-1478993-3. He is also a shareholder in the movable and immovable assets of his deceased father, including the businesses “Zeeshan Oil & Umainah Marble” in Karachi. During his visit to Pakistan on 14-10-2025, the petitioner discovered that his CNIC had been blocked because he had been falsely declared “dead.” Respondents No. 6, 7, and 9, with malafide intent, allegedly manipulated official records and obtained forged documents, including a certificate from a grave digger, a social welfare certificate, an application for a computerized death certificate, and a fake death certificate dated 11-11-2025. These acts were committed to usurp the petitioner’s assets, and his illiterate mother was used as an instrument in this fraud. The petitioner lodged an FIR at Baghdadi Police Station under Sections 420, 466, 468, 471, and 34 PPC. Respondent No.9 was arrested, while the others obtained pre-arrest bail. The investigation is going on.

3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that despite making applications to restore his CNIC and remove the false death entry, respondents

No.3, 4, and 5 have failed to take any action. The petitioner's counsel submits that petitioner is alive and continuing to suffer due to the blockage of his CNIC, which prevents him from conducting his routine affairs. The official respondents are legally obliged to restore the CNIC and correct the records, but have neglected to do so. In light of the above, the petitioner's counsel prays that this Court may allow the present petition.

4. At the very outset, the petitioner's stance has been disputed by the counsel for respondents No.3 and 4, who submitted that the CNIC of the petitioner, Imran Malik (42301-1478993-3), was cancelled by his brother, Zeeshan Malik (42301-5469864-5), vide Tracking ID No.505443822605 dated 14.01.2025, upon submission of a CRMS Death Certificate in accordance with NADRA's procedures and policies.

5. The petitioner's counsel, however, contends that the petitioner is alive and that the Death Certificate was issued with malafide intent. He seeks cancellation of the Death Certificate from the concerned Union Council to proceed further. The petitioner's counsel further submits that the petitioner will approach the relevant NADRA Centre for restoration of his CNIC. The aforesaid proposition is accepted by the counsel for the NADRA and seeks disposal of the instant petition in those terms. The request so made seems to be reasonable and acceded to.

6. In view of the foregoing, this Court directs the petitioner to first approach the concerned Union Council for cancellation of the Death Certificate, which shall be taken care of by the concerned Union Council without delay, by showing the relevant documents by the petitioner, and thereafter proceed to the Operation Branch of NADRA at the Regional Head Office, Karachi, within one week, who shall act strictly in accordance with law by redressing the grievance of the petitioner accordingly in the aforesaid period.

7. Accordingly, without touching the merits of the case and with the consent of the parties, the petition stands disposed of in these terms alongwith listed application.

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