

ORDER SHEET
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI
Constitutional Petition No. D-37 of 2026
(Sohail versus Federation of Pakistan & others)

Date	Order with signature of Judge(s)
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Fresh Case

Date of hearing and order : 06.01.2026

Mr. Muhammad Riaz advocate for the petitioner

ORDER

The petition seeks prompt decision of a bail application of a female accused pending before the Court of Special Judge Central II, Karachi in the proceeding arising out of Crime No. 191/2025. After registration of the FIR, all accused were remanded to jail; however, all obtained post-arrest bail except the applicant, who remains in custody. Her bail application was rejected by Respondent No. 2 as well as by the learned Single Bench of this Court. After the completion of cross-examination of prosecution witnesses, a fresh bail application was filed in November 2025, which is still pending. The accused lady has been incarcerated for the last seven months without a decision on her bail application.

We have been informed that lady accused has been in continuous custody for the last seven months and that her fresh bail application, filed after completion of cross-examination of prosecution witnesses, has remained undecided since November 2025. It is well settled that an accused is entitled to expeditious disposal of a bail application, particularly when the liberty of a female accused is involved. The failure of Respondent No. 2 to fix or decide the pending bail application and in view of the impending retirement of the Presiding Officer and the vacancy of the other Anti-Corruption Court, prima facie amounts to undue delay and causes serious prejudice to the accused.

In these circumstances, without touching the merits of the case, Respondent No. 2 is expected to expeditiously dispose of the subject Bail application in accordance with the law.

The petition is disposed of in the above terms.

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