## ORDER SHEET

## IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

C.P. No.D-5401 of 2018

Date

Order with Signature(s) of Judge(s)

## FOR ORDERS AS TO MAINTAINABILITY OF PETITION

## 16.10.2018

Mr. Waseem Sheikh, advocate for petitioner

Mr. M. ShoaibMirza, Asstt. Atty. Gen.

Mr. Muhammad Aamir, Manager (Legal), PTCL

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On 07.8.2018, notice was issued to the respondents, but again Manager (Legal), Pakistan Telecommunication Co. Ltd. requests for time to submit the reply. It is quite unreasonable as despite availing reasonable time, they have failed to submit their reply. The petitioner has approached this Court for directions against PTCL for de-blocking the vendor code which according to the petitioner's counsel has been verbally blocked by the officials of respondent No.3 company. He further submits that no written explanation or show cause notice was issued, even no letter for blocking the vendor code was ever communicated to the petitioner. On the contrary, the Manager (Legal) submits that there was some enquiry on the basis of which this action was taken. Whether the petitioner's vendor code was blocked after some enquiry or whether he has committed some severe misconduct with regard to procurement process, this factual dispute cannot be resolved in the constitutional jurisdiction. It would be in the interest of justice to direct the Chief Executive of PTCL to provide an opportunity of hearing to the petitioner. The Chief Executive of the above company may nominate any authorized person/ official of the department to provide opportunity of hearing to the petitioner as to whether the

blocking of vendor code was justified or not. If the petitioner is found aggrieved by the decision he may seek appropriate remedy in accordance with law. The petition is disposed of accordingly.

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