## ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI C.P. No.D-5801 of 2015



## Date

## Order With Signature Of Judge

- 1. For orders on CMA No. 29499/15
- 2. For orders on office objections No. 2& 3.
- 3. For orders on CMA No. 29500/15
- 4. For katcha peshi
- 5. For orders on CMA No. 29501/15

## 22.09.2015.

Mr. Amir Hamzo Brohi, advocate for petitioner.

====

- 1. Urgency granted.
- 2-5. The instant petition has been filed with the following prayers:-
  - 1) To direct the respondent No. 3 to issue electricity consumption bill on the basis of actual consumption.
  - 2) Restrain the respondents from forcing to pay the exorbitant bill or harassing the petitioner without due course of law.
  - 3) Restrain respondent No. 3 regarding disconnection of electricity line of Meter No.LA617171.
  - 4) Any other relief/ relives which this Hon'ble Court may deem fit and proper in the circumstances, be granted in the interest of justice.

The petitioner is a consumer of electricity having Meter No.LA617071 on his one room house and Meter No.LA617070 installed in an open plot occupied by him. Petitioner received some exorbitant bills from respondent No.3 and thereafter he approached the Provincial Office of Inspection and also filed a complaint before the Electric Inspector. The Electric Inspector thereafter vide order dated 17.8.2015 gave some relief to the petitioner but since the relief was not upto the satisfaction of the petitioner, thereafter the petitioner has filed the instant petition.

Mr. Amir Hamzo Brohi, advocate has appeared on behalf of the petitioner and states that the order passed by the Electric Inspector was not in accordance with law as the said Electric Inspector has not considered various aspects of the case hence the order passed by him may be vacated.

We have heard the learned counsel at some length.

The learned counsel, at the very outset, was asked a question that whether he has challenged the order of the Electric Inspector before the Advisory Board as specifically provided under section 36 of the Electricity Act, 1910, to which he replied in negative.

In our view, this petition is not maintainable since a remedy is provided under the above referred section to the complainant that if he is aggrieved with the order passed by the Electric Inspector he should approach the Advisory Board for redressal of his grievance. It is an admitted position that the petitioner without availing the said remedy has directly approached this Court. We, therefore, find no merit in the instant petition and dismiss the same in limine along with listed applications. The petitioner, however, would be at liberty to approach the Advisory Board for redressal of his grievance, as per the relevant provisions of law.

**JUDGE** 

**JUDGE**