Order Sheet

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH KARACHI

Cr. Misc. A. No. 707 of 2025

Date	Order with Signature of Judge
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- 1. For order on MA No.11208/25 (urgent)
- 2. For order on MA No.11209/25 (exemption)
- 3. For hearing of main case

12.08.2025

Mr. Mubarak Ali Shah, advocate for applicant

- 1. Urgency is granted.
- 2-3. The applicant-complainant, Mst. Sanam is aggrieved by the impugned Order dated 29.07.2025, passed by the learned Ex-Officio Justice of Peace, dismissing her Crl. Misc. Appln. No.3516/2025 u/S 22-A & 22-B CrPC. The applicant alleges a series of offences committed against her by her former in-laws following her divorce from Respondent No.1 (her former husband) on 09.04.2025. It appears from the record available on file that the applicant has initiated recovery of dowry items proceedings against Respondent No.1, which are pending adjudication before the trial Court. In the interim, on 12.06.2025, her husband has belatedly lodged a FIR No.623/2025 nominating the applicant as an accused for an incident that Respondent No.1 alleges took place on 20.02.2025. Heard Counsel. The application filed before the Ex-Officio Justice of Peace appears to be a counterblast to the above-mentioned FIR. The Applicant's claims are unsupported by any information, lack dates of occurrence and are vague. Counsel was unable to satisfy this bench's query to make out any cognizable offence. There is no defect in the observations made and the conclusion reached by the Ex-Officio Justice of Peace in the impugned Order. Counsel concedes the applicant-complainant does not reside with Respondent No.1 and/or her in-laws, such that there is imminent danger or threat to life of the applicant. Yet, the remarks made by the Ex-Officio Justice of Peace concerning extending police protection to the applicant-complainant merit repetition, and in the same terms, a copy of this Order, too, may be sent to the Officials Respondent Nos. 4 and 5. Given the above, the Crl. Misc. Application is hereby dismissed.