ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

C.P. No.D-3293 of 2025

Muhammad Yousif Malik Versus Federation of Pakistan & another

Order with signature of Judge

For hearing of main case.

Dated: 09.10.2025

Date

Mr. Meer Ali Nawaz, advocate for petitioner.

Mr. Dur Muhammad Shah, DAG.

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Mr. Faraz Khan Jadoon Advocate, Deputy Legal Adviser along with Ms. Syeda Rabiya Shahid Jamil, Law Officer State Bank of Pakistan, files his memo of authorization on behalf of respondent State Bank of Pakistan, which is taken on record.

This petition has been filed against a judgment dated 28.02.2023 passed by Adjudicating Officer, State Bank of Pakistan. Learned counsel who has appeared on behalf of State Bank of Pakistan submits that in terms of Section 23C(3) of the Foreign Exchange Regulation Act, 1947 the right of appeal is available to the petitioner. Learned counsel submits that this is an exparte judgment and when the petitioner came to know of it, period of limitation upto 60 days for filing the appeal had already elapsed. To this counsel for the State Bank of Pakistan submits that even this issue of delay can be raised before the appellate forum.

Hence, with consent we dispose of this petition and put the petitioner at liberty to file appeal before the appellate forum in terms of above provision of law along with condonation application stating the grounds for delay, which may be considered by the appellate forum in accordance with law.

The petition stands disposed of in the above terms.

Judge

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