

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, CIRCUIT COURT, LARKANA

Constitution Petition No.D-98 of 2025

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Before;
Mr. Justice Arbab Ali Hakro;
Mr. Justice Abdul Hamid Bhurgri.

Petitioner : Yaseen Ali son of Mehboob Seelro,
through Mr. Muhammad Ashiq
Dhamraho, Advocate.

Respondents : AIGP/Establishment and 4 others.
through Mr. Altaf Nek Muhammad Bhutto,
Assistant Advocate General Sindh.

Date of Hearing : ***16.10.2025.***
Date of Order : ***16.10.2025.***

ORDER

Abdul Hamid Bhurgri, J.- Through this petition, the petitioner has sought directions against the official respondents for issuance of an appointment order in his favour for the post of Police Constable (BPS-05), claiming to have been declared a successful candidate pursuant to the recruitment process initiated by the Sindh Police Department.

2. The petitioner's case is that vacancies for the post of Police Constable (BPS-05) were advertised by the Sindh Police Department through an advertisement published in the daily "Jang", Karachi edition, dated 10.12.2014. He applied for the said post and, after qualifying the physical and written tests and completing all requisite formalities including document verification, he claims to have been declared successful. Despite repeated approaches and requests to the concerned office (Respondent No.4) for issuance of the merit list and appointment order, the same was denied to him. He has further placed reliance upon certain earlier decided petitions (C.Ps No. D-136, 505, and 517 of 2010), wherein the Court had issued directions for appointment of similarly situated candidates.

3. Comments were filed by Respondent No.4, wherein it was stated, inter alia, in paragraph 7, that pursuant to directions issued via wireless message dated 14.04.2015 by the Inspector General of Police, Sindh, Karachi, all Senior Superintendents of Police (SSPs) across the province were instructed to withhold the results of the written test conducted on 12.04.2015 for the post of Police Constables (BPS-05), until further orders. In compliance thereof, the recruitment process across the province was suspended/stopped.

4. We have heard learned counsel for the petitioner and learned Assistant Advocate General, Sindh, and have perused the material available on record.

5. In view of the factual position disclosed in para 7 of the comments submitted by Respondent No.4 (SSP, Shikarpur), it is evident that no appointment orders were issued in respect of the recruitment process in question, as the same was withheld under the directions of the Inspector General of Police, Sindh. Hence, no enforceable right appears to have accrued in favour of the petitioner. Moreover, the instant petition suffers from gross delay and is hit by laches, as the recruitment process pertains to the year 2014, whereas the present petition has been instituted in the year 2024 after an inordinate and unexplained delay of approximately ten years. It is a settled principle of law that the courts do not extend relief to indolent litigants who fail to approach the Court within a reasonable time without justifiable explanation. Law favours the vigilant, not those who sleep over their rights.

6. Accordingly, the petition, being devoid of merit and barred by laches, is hereby ***dismissed***, along with all pending miscellaneous applications, if any.

JUDGE JUDGE

Irshad Ali M/Steno