ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI

C.P.No.D-6280 of 2023

Date

Order with signature of Judge

For hearing of main case

09.09.2025

M/s M. M. Aqil Awan and Danish Rashid advocates for petitioner Mr. Ali Safdar Deepar AAG

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The main grievance of the petitioner is that the departmental appeal filed by him has not yet been decided by the competent authority. However, the learned counsel for the petitioner submits that he would be satisfied if this Court orders the competent authority to decide the appeal filed by the petitioner under Section 24 of the Sindh Civil Servants Act, 1973, seeking reinstatement into service.

- 2. Record reflects that the petitioner filed a departmental appeal, which was received on 08.07.2019. In the manuscript, it was marked "please put up reinstatement." However, it appears that no decision has been taken on the departmental appeal despite the order dated 11.09.2020 passed by the learned Sindh Service Tribunal, Karachi, in Appeal No. 811/2018, which was subsequently withdrawn.
- 3. The learned Additional Advocate General does not agree with the proposal to remand the appeal to the competent authority for a decision. However, we are of the view that this is merely a technicality. Accordingly, the Chief Minister Sindh, through the Chief Secretary Sindh, is directed to decide the aforesaid appeal of the petitioner, if not already decided, within three (03) months from the date of this order keeping in view of his conduct. The decision must be made through a speaking order, after affording the petitioner a personal hearing and in accordance with the guidelines laid down by the Supreme Court in the case of *Sayyid A.S. Pirzada vs. The Chief Secretary, Services and Administration Department and others* (2023 SCMR 1087).
- 4. A copy of this order along with appeal which is available at pages 275 to 281 shall be sent through Chief Secretary Sindh and Principal Secretary to Chief Minister Sindh for compliance.
- 5. The instant petition is disposed of in the above terms along with pending applications, if any.

HEAD OF CONST. BENCHES

JUDGE

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