IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, CIRCUIT COURT, LARKANA 1st Criminal Bail No.S-742 of 2024

Muhammad Tahir Magsi V/S

The State

Applicant:

Through Mr. Ashique Ali Jatoi.

Advocate.

State:

Through Mr. Aitbar Ali Bullo, Deputy

Prosecutor General, Sindh.

Date of Hearing:

29.01.2025

Date of Decision:

29.01.2025

ORDER

Omar Sial, J.- Muhammad Tahir has sought pre-arrest bail in Crime No 394/2024, registered under sections 462-I, 353, 506/II, 34 P.P.C., and 39-A Electricity Act.

- 2. The case against the applicant is that a team from an electricity distribution company received a complaint about an illegal connection. The team led by Sajjad Ali reached the identified place and disconnected the electricity supply to the applicant's home. Allegedly, the applicant and others resisted the electricity team from disconnecting, and a scuffle ensued. Nobody was hurt in this incident.
- 3. I have heard the counsels. My observations are as follows:
- 4. The record reflects that cognizance was not taken for the offenses falling under the Electricity Act and section 462-I. The only sections for which cognizance was taken were 506/II and 353 P.P.C. Section 353 is bailable, whereas the case facts require a further inquiry into whether an offense under 506/II even occurred. Learned counsel for the applicant has argued that this case has been registered due to malafide as the complainant is a friend of a relative of the applicant.
- 5. Given the above, I find no reason to decline bail to the applicant. Accordingly, interim pre-arrest bail earlier granted to the applicant is hereby confirmed on the same terms and condition.

JUDGE