

## **ORDER SHEET**

### **HIGH COURT OF SINDH, CIRCUIT COURT, HYDERABAD**

**Before:**

**Justice Arbab Ali Hakro  
Justice Riazat Ali Sahar**

1.	C.P No.D-220 of 2026	Dost Ali v. Province of Sindh and others
2.	C.P No.D-253 of 2026	Rasool Bux Gopang v. Province of Sindh and others
3.	C.P No.D-254 of 2026	Jan Muhammad v. Province of Sindh and others
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7.	C.P No.D-281 of 2026	Niaz Muhammad v. Province of Sindh and others
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9.	C.P No.D-283 of 2026	Manthar Ali v. Province of Sindh and others
10.	C.P No.D-286 of 2026	Zeeshan Ahmed v. Province of Sindh and others
11.	C.P No.D-287 of 2026	Mir Mehtab Abro v. Province of Sindh and others
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19.	C.P No.D-296 of 2026	Aijaz Ali v. Province of Sindh and others
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23.	C.P No.D-304 of 2026	Wajahat Hussain v. Province of Sindh and others
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27.	C.P No.D-309 of 2026	Sahir Khan v. Province of Sindh and others
28.	C.P No.D-310 of 2026	Soomar v. Province of Sindh and others
29.	C.P No.D-311 of 2026	Fazal Hussain v. Province of Sindh and others
30.	C.P No.D-312 of 2026	Ali Gohar Chandio v. Province of Sindh and others
31.	C.P No.D-313 of 2026	Shajarul Islam v. Province of Sindh and others
32.	C.P No.D-314 of 2026	Shoab Khan v. Province of Sindh and others
33.	C.P No.D-315 of 2026	Salman Anjum Khan v. Province of Sindh and others
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37.	C.P No.D-320 of 2026	Adnan Khan v. Province of Sindh and others
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39.	C.P No.D-322 of 2026	Riaz Ahmed v. Province of Sindh and others
40.	C.P No.D-323 of 2026	Mazhar Ali v. Province of Sindh and others
41.	C.P No.D-328 of 2026	Maroof Ali v. Province of Sindh and others

42.	C.P No.D-329 of 2026	Jan Muhammad v. Province of Sindh and others
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45.	C.P No.D-335 of 2026	Kamran Ali v. Province of Sindh and others
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49.	C.P No.D-345 of 2026	Muhammad Faheem v. Province of Sindh and others
50.	C.P No.D-348 of 2026	Tehseen Palari v. Province of Sindh and others
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52.	C.P No.D-350 of 2026	Kishore Kumar v. Province of Sindh and others
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54.	C.P No.D-367 of 2026	Rajab Ali v. Province of Sindh and others
55.	C.P No.D-368 of 2026	Liaquat Ali v. Province of Sindh and others
56.	C.P No.D-369 of 2026	Ali Nawaz v. Province of Sindh and others
57.	C.P No.D-370 of 2026	Khair Muhammad v. Province of Sindh and others
58.	C.P No.D-374 of 2026	Sajid Khan v. Province of Sindh and others
59.	C.P No.D-375 of 2026	Adnan v. Province of Sindh and others
60.	C.P No.D-383 of 2026	Muhammad Asif v. Province of Sindh and others
61.	C.P No.D-384 of 2026	Mazhar Ali Mughal v. Province of Sindh and others
62.	C.P No.D-385 of 2026	Atta Muhammad v. Province of Sindh and others
63.	C.P No.D-386 of 2026	Zahid Ali v. Province of Sindh and others

Date of hearing: **24.02.2026**

Date of Decision: **24.02.2026**

M/s Ghulam Murtaza Laghari, Mazhar Ali Leghari, Anand Kumar Khatri, Muhammad Ibrahim, Zulfiqar Ali Chang, Zahid-ul-Haque, Faisal Nadeem, Muhib Ali, Adnan Ahmed Siddique, Poonjo, Anb, Muhammad Rafique Khalti, Heman Das, Abdul Majeed, Syed Amjad Ali Khaskheli, Rasheed Ahmed, Fatima Zahara, Imam Ali Hajano, Imtiaz Ali Channa, Peeral Majeedano, Pardeep Kumar, Hafiz Muhammad Ansari, Azhar Hussain, Tahir Roshan Mashori, Zaheer Ahmed, Ashar Majeed Khokhar, Amjad Hussain Shar, Haji Khan Hingorjo, Osama Yousaf Parhyar, Aijaz Ali Bhutto, Ghulam Rasool Mallah, Ali Bux Solangi, Ghulam Shabir, Muhammad Salman, Naeemuddin Sahito, Sajjad Ali Kaka, Muhammad Hassan Chang, Ghulam Mustafa, Shoukat Ali, Sameeullah Rind Balouch, Hans Raj, Masood Ahmed Sahito, Muhammad Salman, Muhammad Sabir Hussain, Neelam Meer and Abdul Hameed Laghari, Advocates for the Petitioner (s)

Mr.Rafiq Ahmed Dahri, Assistant A.G Sindh (present in Court in other matters waives notice of these petitions)

### **ORDER**

**ARBAB ALI HAKRO, J.** Since all the aforementioned petitions raise an identical question of law and revolve around the same factual matrix, they are being decided through this consolidated order to avoid multiplicity of proceedings and to ensure uniformity in the adjudication of the issue involved.

2. The petitioners seek a writ of mandamus directing the official respondents to grant the requisite permissions enabling them to operate their respective hotels, restaurants, pakora shops, biryani shops, juice corners, bakers or similar establishments during the holy month of Ramzan. Their grievance is that despite submitting applications before the competent authorities, no decision has been taken, thereby exposing them to harassment and possible penal consequences under the Ehtram-e-Ramzan Ordinance, 1981.

3. Learned Additional Advocate General Sindh raises no objection if these petitions are disposed of by directing the respective Deputy Commissioner (s) to decide the petitioners' applications strictly in accordance with law.

4. The issue raised in these petitions is not res integra. Various benches of this Court have already examined the matter in detail in earlier proceedings, notably the judgment dated 28.05.2018 passed in C.P. No.D-1007 of 2018 and connected petitions, and the order dated 02.05.2019 passed in C.P. No.D-709 of 2019 and others. In those matters, this Court held that it is not within its jurisdiction to determine the merits of individual applications seeking exemption under Section 5 of the Ehtram-e-Ramzan Ordinance, 1981. The competent authority to decide such applications is the Deputy Commissioner concerned, who is required to assess the nature and location of the establishment and determine whether it qualifies for exemption under the statutory framework.

5. In view of the settled legal position and the consensus of the parties, all the listed petitions are **disposed of**, with the direction that the applications of the petitioners, whether already pending before the concerned Deputy Commissioner(s) or to be filed pursuant to this order shall be decided within seven days of receipt of this order. The Deputy Commissioner(s) shall examine each case independently, afford the petitioners an opportunity of hearing and render a reasoned order in accordance with law and the principles laid down in the aforementioned judgments. The authority shall specifically determine whether the establishment in question is situated in a locality that qualifies for exemption under Section 5 of the Ehtram-e-Ramzan Ordinance, 1981.

6. All the petitions stand disposed of in the above terms.

Office is directed to transmit a copy of this order to the concerned Deputy Commissioner(s) for information and compliance.

**JUDGE**

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