

ORDER SHEET
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH BENCH AT SUKKUR
Constitution Petition No.D-45 of 2026
(Muhammad Adnan and another Vs Federation of Pakistan & others)

DATE OF HEARING	ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF JUDGE
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Before;

Adnan-ul-Karim Memon, J;
Abdul Hamid Bhurgari, J;

Mr. Abdul Hafeez Bandhani, Advocate for the petitioner
Mr. Ashfaque Ahmed Abro, Deputy A.G
Mr. Israr Ahmed Shah, Assistant A.G

Date of hearing and order: 10-06-2026.

ORDER.

Adnan-ul-Karim Memon, J; The petitioners have filed this constitutional petition under Article 199 of the Constitution, seeking directions to the official respondents not to harass them at the instance of Respondent No.6.

2. It is alleged that the petitioners, residents of Nawa Goth, Shikarpur Road, Sukkur, raised concerns on Facebook regarding the alleged misuse of powers by the Chairman, U.C.-09. Upon a complaint, Respondent No.3 initiated an inquiry and issued notices under Section 160, Cr.P.C., as a non-cognizable offence was prima facie disclosed. However, the petitioners appeared before the inquiry officer, and the inquiry is presently underway.

3. Having heard the learned counsel for the parties present in Court and examined the available record, this Court is of the view that the mere issuance of notices and conduct of a lawful inquiry by the police, in accordance with the provisions of law, does not by itself furnish a cause for interference in constitutional jurisdiction.

4. It is settled law that the investigating agency is competent to conduct an inquiry on receipt of information relating to the commission of an offence and to determine whether the matter warrants registration

of a criminal case. At this stage, no mala fide, abuse of process, or violation of any fundamental right has been demonstrated to justify intervention by this Court.

5. Nevertheless, it is equally well settled that the powers of inquiry and investigation must be exercised strictly in accordance with law and without subjecting any person to unnecessary inconvenience, coercion, or harassment.

6. The inquiry officer is, therefore, directed to conclude the inquiry expeditiously and, if the material collected discloses commission of a cognizable offence, to proceed further strictly in accordance with law; however, if no such offence is made out, the matter shall be dealt with in the manner prescribed by law. The entire exercise shall be completed within one month from today.

7. The petition is accordingly disposed of with the observation that no unnecessary harassment shall be caused to the petitioners and that any further action, if required, shall be taken strictly in accordance with law.

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