HIGH COURT OF SINDH, CIRCUIT COURT, HYDERABAD

C.P. No.D- 1135 of 2026
[Zafar Iqbal vs. Province of Sindh and Others]

Before:
JUSTICE ADNAN-UL-KARIM MEMON
JUSTICE MUHAMMAD JAFFER RAZA

• Petitioner	• By Mr. Muhammad Hashim Leghari, Advocate
• Respondents	• By Mr. Rafique Ahmed Dahri, Additional A.G, Sindh.
• Date of hearing	• 21.10.2026
• Date of Decision	• 21.10.2026

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ADNAN-UL-KARIM MEMON J:- The petitioner has filed this Constitutional Petition under Article 199 of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 with the following relief(s):-

> ***"A. Issue a writ of mandamus and/or any appropriate writ, order, or direction, directing respondents No. 2 to 5 to immediately de-seal the five shops of the petitioner located at Khathar Station, Taluka Latifabad, Hyderabad, and to restore possession, access, and use thereof to the petitioner, on the ground that the petitioner and his family are Pakistani citizens by birth holding valid CNICs and other documentary proofs, and that the impugned sealing is illegal, without lawful authority, and in violation of fundamental rights.***
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> ***B. Issue an interim order under Article 199(4)(a) of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973, directing respondents No. 2 to 5 to immediately de-seal the petitioner's shops pending the final adjudication of this constitutional petition, as the shops in question are the lifeline for the survival of the petitioner and his family, and any delay in granting interim relief would render the final relief infructuous and cause irreparable harm to the petitioner.***
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> ***C. Award costs of this petition to the petitioner, to be borne by the respondents, on account of their arbitrary, illegal, and mala fide actions that have compelled the petitioner to approach this Honourable Court despite having a clear legal right.***
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> ***D. Grant any other relief, including such interim, interlocutory, or consequential relief, which this Honourable Court may deem fit, just, proper, and***

equitable in the circumstances of the case and in the interest of justice."

2. The petitioner challenged the sealing of his five kiryana shops situated at Khathar Station, Taluka Latifabad, Hyderabad, by the Assistant Commissioner, claiming that he is a Pakistani citizen by birth, holds valid CNICs, pays taxes on his properties, and had also contested the 2015 Local Government Elections. He contended that the sealing was illegal and violative of his fundamental rights.

3. Learned A.A.G. submitted a report confirming that the subject shops had been de-sealed.

4. Since the purpose of the petition had been achieved, no further adjudication is required under Article 199 of the Constitution.

5. Accordingly, without touching the merits of the case, the petition, along with the listed application, stands disposed of.

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