

ORDER SHEET
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI
C. P. No. D-7282 of 2022

Date	Order with signature of Judge
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FRESH CASE.

1. For orders on Misc. No.30840/2022.
2. For orders on Office Objection No.01, 14 & 15.
3. For orders on Misc. No.30841/2022.
4. For orders on Misc. No.30842/2022.
5. For hearing of main case.

29.11.2022.

Mr. Ali Akbar Kumbho, Advocate for the Petitioner.

YOUSUF ALI SAYEED, J. - The Petitioner has invoked the jurisdiction of this Court under Article 199 of the Constitution, seeking that directions be issued to the Respondents No.2 to 4, being the functionaries of Pakistan Mobile Communication Limited, the operators of the cellular phone network by the name of Mobilink, to issue him a replacement SIM for a particular cell-number said to have been in his use.

The backdrop to the matter is that the Petitioner professes to have been issued a SIM for that number as an incidence of his employment at a private limited company about 15 years ago, with it being stated that the same however remained in his use even after his departure from the Company in the year 2020, until such time as his cellphone then came to be stolen during a visit to Lahore, after which he approached the Respondents for issuance of a duplicate, but to no avail.

Having considered the matter, we are of the view that the same does not fall within the parameters of Article 199 of the Constitution as the concerned Respondents operate in the private domain and a perusal of the pleadings even otherwise reflects that the SIM in question had been issued in the name of one Muhammad Younus, who was co-worker of the Petitioner at the company where he was employed at that time.

Under the given circumstances, we are of the view that the Petition is misconceived and not maintainable, hence, while granting the application for urgency, we hereby dismiss the Petition *in limine*, along with the other miscellaneous applications.

JUDGE

CHIEF JUSTICE

MUBASHIR