ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI C.P. No. D-6788 of 2022 Order with Signature(s) of Judge(s)

<u>Priority</u>

Date

1. For hearing of Misc. Application No. 28701/2022 (Stay Application).

2. For hearing of main case.

11.11.2022

Mr. Khawaja Shams-ul-Islam, Advocate for petitioner.

Mr. G. M. Bhutto, Assistant Attorney General alongwith M/s. Hakeemullah, A.O. Ihtesham Fahim A.O. and Mustafa Zamir D.D. Customs.

M/s. Mian Tassaduq Nadeem and Sardar Zafar Hussain Advocates have filed Vakalatnamas on behalf of respondents No. 2 to 6, which are taken on record.

At the very out set Mr. G. M. Bhutto, Assistant Attorney General, states that except the two F.I.Rs. impugned through this petition no other F.I.Rs. have been registered against the petitioner in the present controversies.

This petition was filed on the ground that while two F.I.Rs. (Nos. 03 & 04 of 2022 dated 12.10.2022) were registered against the petitioner, the petitioner was threatened that many more such F.I.Rs. were on the way, not only so, he was constantly harassed, even at late night by sending unsolicited corrosive messages via Whatsapp, as disclosed by the learned counsel for the petitioner.

In this background, giving certainty to number of F.I.Rs., the counsel for the petitioner states that the petitioner is now ready to join the investigation as long as the respondents be directed to act strictly in accordance with law.

Under these circumstances the petitioner is directed to join investigation and to avail all legal remedies available to him to the extent that if the charges against him are groundless (in his opinion) or he is of the view that there is no probability of his conviction, he may file appropriate application under Section 265-K Cr.P.C. before the concerned Court, who would decide the same strictly in accordance with law, while considering all objections posed by the petitioner including the issue of jurisdiction at the first hand, before any further proceedings are taken.

With directions to the official respondents and A.Os. present not to harass the petitioner and act strictly within four corners of law, the instant petition, alongwith the listed application, stand disposed of in the manner detailed in the forgoing.

JUDGE

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