IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, AT KARACHI

Present:

Ahmed Ali M. Shaikh, CJ Yousuf Ali Sayeed, J

C. P. No. D-161 of 2023

Petitioners : Shoair Ali & others through Ahmed

Nawaz Jokhio, Advocate.

Date of hearing : 11.01.2023

ORDER

YOUSUF ALI SAYEED, J
The Petitioners are residents of Thatta town, Taluka & District Thatta, and claim that certain tenders were floated for purpose of rehabilitation of the infrastructure of that area but the envisaged work has not been carried out to date. As such, they have invoked the jurisdiction of this Court under Article 199 of the Constitution seeking that the official Respondents be directed to submit a detailed report and that an inquiry also be conducted in the matter through learned District and Sessions Judge, Thatta, with directions to be issued to the private Respondents to whom the work was allegedly entrusted for completing the same.

However, whilst the Petitioners have referred to various tenders, no particulars or copy of any contract or work order have been placed on record and on query posed as to how the directions for specific performance of alleged contracts could be issued against private persons in the present proceedings, Learned counsel for the Petitioners was found wanting and could not offer any cogent response other than to submit that the tenders in question suffered from corruption and illegal practices so as to favour those private Respondents.

Needless to say, if Petitioners have any proof of corruption or corrupt practice(s) having taken place, they may approach the concerned anti-graft agency in that regard so as to place such material before that agency for consideration and action, if deemed appropriate.

However, under the circumstances, the Petition is found to be misconceived and while granting the application for urgency we accordingly dismiss the same *in limine* along with the other pending miscellaneous applications.

JUDGE

CHIEF JUSTICE