

**ORDER SHEET**  
**IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH BENCH AT SUKKUR**  
**C.P. No.D-79 of 2023**

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Order with signature of Judge \_\_\_\_\_

1. For orders on office objections
2. For hearing of main case.

**02.02.2023**

M/s. Ali Gul Abbasi, Sarfraz A. Akhund, Muhammad Azam Abro, Niazuddin Memon, Sheeraz Fazal, Muhammad Zuhaib Rajput, Amjad Ali Panhwar, Hajjan Shah, advocates for the Petitioner M/s. Shafi Muhammad Chandio and Mehboob Ali Wassan, AAGs alongwith Javed Soonharo Jiskani, DIGP Sukkur, PDSP Muhammad Umar Shaikh, Shaheed Benazirabad, Tanveer Hussain Tunio, SSP Ghotki, Sanghaar Malik, SSP Sukkur, Rohail Khan Khoso, SSP Khairpur, Abdul Qayyum Pitafi, SSP Naushahro Feroze and Azhar Hussain Lahori, DSP/SDPO Tando Adam on behalf of SSP Sanghar

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Pursuant to order dated 26.01.2023, DIGP Sukkur and SSPs of Districts Sukkur, Khairpur, Ghotki, ADIGP Shaheed Benazirabad and SSP Naushahro Feroze present submitted breakup of high profile criminal cases. Being relevant, same is reproduced herewith:-

**STATEMENT**

*Most respectfully, it is submitted before this Honorable Court that I have gone through the contents of order dated 26.01.2023 passed by this Honorable court in above constitution petition.*

*In this regard, it is stated that the undersigned has assumed the charge of DIGP Sukkur Range on 25.07.2022, since then regular crime meetings are conducted and in result many achievements are also acquired. Moreover in compliance of above mentioned order, the necessary directions have been issued to SSPs Sukkur, Khairpur and Ghotki vide this office letter No.Legal/DIGP/681-85 dated 27.01.2023 for strict/prompt compliance of the orders of this Honorable Court, initiate effective steps by proper policing in their respective districts and submit complete breakup of all category wise crimes including data of last three years and also furnish reasons of higher number of crimes and loose ends as well.*

*Accordingly, SSP Sukkur, Khairpur and Ghotki have reported that following number of cases have been reported/registered in their districts during last three years.*

S#	District	Year	Category -wise crime figure				Total
			Crime against persons	Crime against ro ert	Kidnapping for ransom	Miscellaneous & L&SL	
1	Sukkur	2020	794	302	07	1561	2664
		2021	850	377	06	1504	2737
		2022	771	364	04	1369	2508
2	Khairpur	2020	829	267		2228	3324
		2021	981	330	01	2262	3574
		2022	880	378		1880	3138
3	Ghotki	2020	1280	198	10		1488
		2021	1365	198	03		1566
		2022	1500	363	08		1871
<b>Range Total</b>			<b>9250</b>	<b>2777</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>10804</b>	<b>22870</b>

*Moreover, there are some following reason regarding sudden rise of crime in districts of Sukkur Range are as under:-*

*After flood most of the villages remain under water, the 70% income of local peoples depend upon the agriculture crop but due to stagnant water no any crop could be cultivated which caused poverty/unemployment and steep rise in crime.*

*A massive operation is going to be initiated in all affected areas where the dacoits have formulated their hide outs and sanctuaries to held the kidnapes for extorting ransom from the families of victims. The process of purchasing of compatible weapons through Government of Sindh is under way for launching massive operation against these out laws, however, information based targeted operation are being conducted in such areas to bring down the current figure of crime.*

*It is pertinent to mention here that trend of burking of crime, specially crime against property, has been reduced successfully. Victims are mostly interested the recovery of their articles and cash then getting the case registered and in pursuing their cases in trial courts. We follow the policy of Sindh Police for free registration of FIR. As a result, of many cases being registered, we face shortage of investigators and investigation staff which affect quality investigation.*

*The another important reason of crime spike is the overall displacement of the people due to flood which have destroyed the households and the source of the income of people who either beg or commit crime for feeding their families. In post flood scenario, Sukkur Range Police have taken a lead role in rescue, rehabilitation and restoration of a sizeable number of families and follow a multi-pronged strategy to control crime. As a result, Sukkur Range Police in its all three districts (Sukkur, Khairpur & Ghotki) have witnessed remarkable breakthrough and success in terms of tracing, bursting and eliminating heinous crime gangs involved in killings, kidnapping, abductions, weapon smuggling and narcotics peddling.*

*Besides above Sukkur Range Police have involved all Stakeholders of peace in establishing peace across the board & is determined to continue with this approach. Undersigned will continue to monitor the implementation of multi-pronged strategy of crime control until peace is fully restored in the area of our responsibility and people feel safe and secure in affairs of their lives”.*

When DIGP Sukkur is controverted with the number of cases, he admits that due to lack of basic facilities and training of police forces, there is a big number of crime and recently police officials are also martyred by the dacoits in District Ghotki; however Government of Sindh has approved budget with regard to purchase of military grade weapons. According to SSP Ghotki, said issue is yet pending due to necessary approval by Federal Interior Ministry. It has further come on record that there is shortage of police mobiles, infrastructure of police stations, vast difference in the salaries of SSU police force and ordinary police, non-availability of armoured vehicles. Besides, there is no riverine police teams having speed boats as dacoits gets shelter of Indus river, in these circumstances, we have no option to call Home Secretary, Government of Sindh, hence he shall be in attendance and submit present status with regard to purchasing of Military Grade Weapons; besides he shall also submit details of budgets allocated, released and utilized in last two years along with

SOPs. This report shall also include whether use of budget is prerogative of IGP Sindh having separate account. Additional Secretary (Finance) shall also in attendance and shall also submit report as ordered above. Besides, it has come on record that despite being number of SSU Force, there is no deployment in Sukkur regional. Focal Person of IGP Sindh shall submit explanation.

Adjourned to **23.02.2023**.

JUDGE

Faisal Mumtaz/PS

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