ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH KARACHI Crl. Misc. Application No. 326 of 2023

DATE ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF JUDGES

For hearing of Main Case

<u>12.12.2023</u>:

Mr. Khawaja Saiful Islam Advocate for the Applicant Mr. Zahoor Shah Additional Prosecutor General Sindh Muhammad Umer and Muhammad Altaf Hussain, Respondent No.5 and 6 present in person

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The applicant has impugned the Order dated 28.03.2023 passed by the 2nd Additional Sessions Judge, Karachi-Central whereby the application under Section 22-A CrP.C. filed by the applicant was dismissed. He has prayed for setting aside the impugned order and further seeks direction for registration of FIR against the private respondents.

I have heard the learned counsel for the applicant, learned Additional Prosecutor General for the State as well as the Respondent Nos. 5 and 6 and perused the record.

The applicant can provide information of any offence, which he believes to be correct, to the police station having the requisite jurisdiction in the matter. The Applicant will be heard in a professional and polite manner by the SHO. It will be the primary duty of the police to determine whether the information provided discloses the commission of an offence or not, if the information provided is correct and true, and if it is, whether it discloses the commission of a cognizable or non-cognizable offence. The police may then proceed further in accordance with law. It is clarified that this order should not be interpreted as mandatory directions for lodging an F.I.R. All that the police are directed to ensure is compliance with the law.

Application stands disposed of in the above terms.

JUDGE