ORDER SHEET

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, CIRCUIT COURT LARKANA

Constitutional Petition No.D-79 of 2024

DATE ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF JUDGE

- 1. For orders on office objections at flag "A".
- 2. For hearing on maintainability of main case.
- 3. For hearing of M.A.No.277/2024 (S/A).

07.02.2024

Mr. Muzafar Ali Wadhio, Advocate for the Petitioner. Munawar Ali Abbasi, Asstt. A.G. Mr. Oshaq Ali Sangi, Assistant Attorney General. Mr. Shafquat Rasool Narejo, Assistant Director (Law), Election Commission of Pakistan, Larkana Division along with Mr. Abdul Wahid, Regional Election commissioner, Larkana.

The Petitioner, by way of instant constitution petition, has sought directions against the Respondents for change of Polling Station from Basic Health Unit ("BHU") Amrote Sharif (Male and Female) to Deh Masti Khan in GPS New Amrote Sharif of PS-193 (Shikarpur) for the reason that "changing of polling station of Petitioner's vicinity, whole the voters will suffer irreparable loss and their favorite candidate [presumably the Petitioner] will not get his actual votes. . .(paragraph 8 of the Petition)." If the Petitioner had a genuine grievance regarding the change of polling station as pleaded, then he ought to have objected to such action in a timely manner and at the appropriate stage, which such objection could have been raised and taken.

The 2024 Elections are scheduled for tomorrow (08.02.2024). The Counsel for the Petitioner was called absent yesterday (07.02.2024). Candidates were given an opportunity for hearing and due process but the Petitioner did not avail the same. No cogent grounds have been raised by the Petitioner to interfere with the election process at this late stage and to cause undue hindrance to the smooth running of elections by changing/shifting polling stations from one place to another. The Court is minded to grant any relief to Petitioner and cannot permit any disturbance to the 2024 Elections at this time without any lawful or reasonable justification.

In view of the above, the instant constitution petitioner being misconceived is dismissed in limine along with pending applications.

Judge

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