

ORDER SHEET
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH AT KARACHI
C.P. No.D-1225 of 2024

Date

Order with signature of Judge

FRESH CASE:

1. For order on CMA No.5736/2024 (Urgent).
2. For order on CMA No.5737/2024 (Exemption).
3. For order on CMA No.5738/2024 (Stay).
4. For hearing of main case.

Dated; 11th March 2024

Mr. Muhammad Arif, Advocate for Petitioners.

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1. Urgency granted.
2. Exemption granted subject to all just exceptions.

3&4. Through instant Constitutional Petition, the petitioners have expressed their grievance against unauthorized and baseless inquiry/investigation being conducted against them, who are being summoned at Islamabad for the purpose of inquiry, however, inspite of having explained their position twice, they are still being harassed. Learned counsel for the petitioners submits that on the basis of false and frivolous purported complaint, which otherwise does not contain any valid ground to invoke the jurisdiction of FIA authorities, under which the petitioners are operating their business and they are being harassed. Learned counsel for the petitioners further submits that since the petitioners are operating their business activity in Karachi and the Regional Office of FIA is also situated at Karachi, therefore, instead of summoning the petitioners to Islamabad again and again for such purpose, which causes serious inconvenience and involves financial implication, the respondents may be directed to transfer inquiry to Regional Office at Karachi, if there is some material and may be further directed to conduct themselves strictly in accordance

with law and not to take any coercive action against the petitioner, including cancellation of their valid license, unless there is some concrete material and/or evidence available with the FIA against petitioners.

Let pre-admission notice be issued to the respondents as well as to the Deputy Attorney General, to be served through first three modes, for **26.03.2024**, when comments/reply, if any, shall be filed with advance copy to the learned counsel for petitioners. In the meanwhile, respondents are directed to conduct themselves strictly in accordance with law and to ensure that if their personal presence is required, they may be summoned to Regional Office at Karachi to avoid inconvenience and financial implication, whereas, the materials, if any as may be required, shall be obtained in writing from the petitioners, who may cooperate with the inquiry/proceedings in accordance with law.

CHIEF JUSTICE

JUDGE

Farhan/PS
