

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH KARACHI

Present:

Mr. Justice Adnan Iqbal Chaudhry
Mr. Justice Abdul Mubeen Lakho

C.P. No. D-5205 of 2024

[Mst. Kainat Javed & others v. The Karachi Development Authority & others]

1. For orders on Misc. No. 23083 of 2024.
2. For orders on Misc. No. 23084 of 2024.
3. For orders on Misc. No. 23085 of 2024.
4. For hearing of main case

Petitioners : Mst. Kainat Javed & 05 others
through M/s. Usman Tufail Shaikh
and Muhammad Altaf, Advocates.

Date of hearing : 17-10-2024

Date of decision : 17-10-2024

ORDER

Adnan Iqbal Chaudhry J. - Urgency granted. Exemption granted
subject to all just exceptions.

The Petitioners are aggrieved of a show-cause notice dated 09.10.2024 published in a newspaper calling upon a number of employees of the Karachi Development Authority, including the Petitioners, to show-cause against alleged unlawful appointments. Admittedly, the Petitioners have yet to file a reply to the show-cause notice and the allegation has yet to be determined. It has been held by the Supreme Court in *Commissioner Inland Revenue v. Jehangir Khan Tareen* (2022 SCMR 92) that a show-cause notice was a structured process to provide a fair chance to a person to respond to allegations against him, and that interference in writ jurisdiction at such a premature stage was not warranted unless the show-cause notice itself was barred by law or an abuse of the process of law. The Petitioners do not make out a case of such interference. The petition is therefore dismissed *in limine*.

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