ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH CIRCUIT COURT LARKANA C.P No.D- 1268 of 2012



DATE

ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF JUDGE

- 1. For orders on office objection 'A'
- 2. For Katcha Peshi.

08.5.2014

Mr. Saleem Raza Jakhar, advocate for petitioner.

Mr. Abdul Hamid Bhurgri, Addl. A.G.



Through the instant constitution petition, petitioner has prayed for the following relief(s):-

- (a) That this Hon'ble Court may be pleased to direct the respondents No.2 to 4, to provide job/appoint petitioner as Constable in police department on the basis of prevailing policy of the government and the Standing Order.
- 2. Notices were issued to the respondents as well as A.A.G. Comments are filed on behalf of respondents. In the comments filed by respondent No.2, Deputy Inspector General of Police, Larkana in Para No.3, it is admitted that petitioner appeared but could not qualify the interview conducted by the committee, though he had qualified the written test. At this juncture, it would be advantageous to refer the relevant portion of comments which is as under:-

"The process of physical as well as written test was completed, in all respective districts of Larkana Range by the concerned SSsP/SsP. The committee conducted viva voce test of the candidates, in which 131 candidates of Larkana Range were declared successful including candidates of district Kashmore @ Kandhkot. The petitioner could not qualify in interview conducted by the committee and the deserving candidates have been recommended accordingly. The list of 131 successful candidates was sent to the IGP, Sidh Karachi, vide this office letter No.E.II/23136 dated 27.6.2012, with a request to accord necessary approval for their appointment as constables against son quota. The IGP, Sindh Karachi returned back the same cases with directions to re-examine the list of 131 candidates of Larkana Range".

3. After hearing learned counsel for the parties it is ordered that case of the petitioner who has applied for the post of Police Constable shall be reconsidered by the respondents/recruitment committee according to the existing policy, rules as well as judgment passed by this Court in the case of Muhammad Aslam v. Government of Sindh reported in 2013 PLC (C.S) 1275 wherein, in similar circumstances, petition was allowed. It

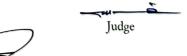
would be conclusive to refer the relevant para No.9 and 10 of the said dictum, which reproduced as under:-



- 9. Having said so, now we would revert to the merits of the case in hand. The following facts are not disputed at all:--
- (i) the petitioner No.1 has served more than 20 years in the police department.
- (ii) the petitioner No.2 is the real son of the petitioner No.2.

Both the above undisputed facts leave nothing ambiguous that the case of the petitioners fall within the meaning and objective of the Standing Order therefore, the petitioner No.2 is legally entitled for extension of relief, so provided under the Standing Order in question.

- Now we would further like to examine the condition of eligibility, as per the Standing Order, which is that "who otherwise meet the criteria of Constable, Junior Clerk and Naib Qasid". This puts only a condition that children of the employees shall be required to show that they fall within the "criteria" so required for such post. This no-where requires that such qualified candidate (per Standing Order) should also undergo all tests, as are to by a regular candidate. The word "criterion" is defined in the Oxford dictionary as "a principle a standard by which something may be judged or decided". This also makes it clear that it is the qualification/requirement for the job which are described at the time of inviting application(s) for such jobs. Such eligibility of the petitioner No.2 is no where disputed because he was found physically fit so was allowed to appear in written test and even he qualified such written test(s) twice which also proves that the petitioner No.2 was, at such times, falling within the "criterion" so required for the post of constable."
- 4. Thus, we direct the concerned respondents to reconsider and decide the case of the petitioner within the parameter as laid down in above referred petition and Standing Order/policy, which was in existence at the time when petitioner passed written test, within a period of three months under intimation to this Court.
- 5. Constitution petition stands disposed of accordingly.



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