ORDER SHEET IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH CIRCUIT COURT HYDERABAD

C.P No.D-3643 of 2016

DATE ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF JUDGE

- 1. For orders on office objection.
- 2. For orders on MA No.20430/2016.
- 3. For orders on MA No.5819/2019.
- 4. For hearing of MA No.5820/2019.
- 5. For hearing of main case.

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Mr. Farhan Ahmed Bozdar advocate for petitioners.

Mr. Muhammad Ismail Bhutto, Additional Advocate General Sindh along with Wajid Ali Solangi Divisional Forest Officer Sanghar at Khipro/respondent No.4.

Main grievance of the petitioners is that they are owners of certain land but Government of Sindh/relevant departments under the garb of demarcation of forest land are disturbing their possession and trying to occupy their private land. Learned A.A.G and D.F.O. Khipro rebut the contentions of petitioners and submit that in fact, petitioners are in occupation of forest land and under the garb of this petition are holding on to such illegal possession, which assertion however, has been disputed by learned counsel for petitioners. In any case, we have seen that by means of this petition, petitioners amongst others, seek directions to the forest department to conduct demarcation of the land to put at rest the controversy i.e. whether the petitioners are in illegal occupation of forest land or not.

Learned A.A.G. has submitted that already in compliance of the orders of the Honourable Supreme Court in C.P No.52/2018 "Qazi Ali Athar & others v. The Province of Sindh and others", Government of Sindh has approved a scheme titled "Demarcation, Reforestation and Regeneration of Vacated for Forest Land" and a Committee has been constituted thereunder which has already started its work demarcation of forest land. The land of forest in Khipro would also be demarcated: and the grievance of the petitioners, if any, if found genuine would be resolved in the light of relevant documents and by seeking assistance from the relevant departments/Land Survey & Settlement Department, etc.

Petitioners' counsel is satisfied and petition is accordingly **disposed of** along with listed application in above terms.

JUDGE