ORDER SHEET

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, CIRCUIT COURT, LARKANA.

Constt: Petition No.S- 463 of 2024. (Muhammad Sadiq v. SHO, PS, Vehear & Ors)

DATE OF HEARING

ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF HON'BLE JUDGE

Date of hearing & Order: 14.3.2025.

Mr. Muhammad Afzal Jagirani, advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. Abdul Waris Bhutto, Asstt: A. G. a/w SIP Ali Gohar, SHO P.S Veehar.

ORDER

<u>Adnan-ul-Karim Memon, J:</u>- By this petition, the petitioner is seeking protection against the harassment being caused by the official respondents at the behest of the private respondents.

- 2. In response to the notices, the official respondents have filed their statements, taken on record, in which they have denied the allegations contained in the petition and further assure that petitioner shall be protected under law.
- 3. ,Mr. Bashir Ahmed Junejo, files vakalatnama on behalf of private respondents, taken on record. He also states that no harassment is caused by the private respondents nor do they intend to do so in the future.
- 4. This Court stressed the police department's responsibility, particularly the Senior Superintendent of Police (SSP), to address such issues. While the petitioner has a fundamental right to protection from both police and private harassment, this court clarified that the police retain full authority to act legally if either party commits a cognizable offense, as Article 4 of the Constitution guarantees everyone the right to be treated according to the law, which includes fairness and the elimination of any factors that obstruct legal processes.
- 5. In view of such state of affairs, this Court is left with no option but to direct the official respondents to protect the petitioner and his family under law subject to restrictions imposed by the law.
- 6. This petition is disposed of in the above terms.

Shabir/P.S