ORDER SHEET

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH BENCH AT SUKKUR

Const. *Petition* No.D-**1615** of 2023 a/w C.Ps No.**568**, **1126** of 2023 & **889**, **1005**, **1006**, **1112**, **1727** of 2025

DATE OF HEARING

ORDER WITH SIGNATURE OF JUDGE

Hearing of case

- 1. For orders on office objections at flag 'A'
- 2. For hearing of main case

18.11.2025

M/s Wajid Ali Shaikh, Riaz Ali Shaikh, Imtiaz Ali Abbasi, Sheraz Fazal, Advocates for petitioners

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Mr. Saeed Jumani, Secretary, WWB, Government of Sindh, Karachi and Naheed Mirani, ADC-I Sukkur

In compliance to the earlier directions contained vide order dated 14.10.2025, learned Additional Advocate General has filed compliance report on the part of Secretary Labour and Human Resources Department, Government of Sindh, under cover of his statement same is taken on record. Whereas the counsel for respondent WWBS filed compliance report, same is also taken on record.

2. Compliance report submitted by Secretary, Labour and Human Resource Department reflect that he has assumed the charge on 16.10.2026, after order dated 14.10.2025 passed by this Court. Following the referred order, letters were issued to the Secretary, Workers Welfare Board (WWB), Sindh, on 29.10.2025, for compliance. The compliance report and updated status are to be submitted by the Secretary, WWB Sindh, as the directions in Para 9 of the Court's order dated 14.10.2025 specifically pertain to him.

As per the compliance report the key points from Para 9, with the updated status, are as follows:

- E. Review of Postings & Integrity Clearance
- 5. Regarding the Enquiry Committee constituted vide Order No. L-11-21-35/2017 dated 20.11.2017:
- i. Officers involved in misappropriation of funds may be suspended, as recommended by the Committee, and disciplinary proceedings initiated.

- ii. The Secretary, WWB Sindh, may assign responsibility to officers/officials and labour leaders involved.
- iii. Recommendations of the Enquiry Committee for system improvements should be implemented by the Secretary (WWB Sindh), Director Labour Sindh, and Commissioner (SESSI).

It is stated that the Minister, Labour and Human Resource Department, approved Para 3(ii) above. Accordingly, the Secretary, WWB Sindh, was requested to take necessary action, along with the original enquiry report, as directed by the concerned Minister. It is stated that department also received a NAB letter dated 06.08.2019 requesting updates on actions taken regarding the enquiry report. The department replied on 02.09.2019, apprising NAB of the status. No further documents are available in this office or with WWB Sindh beyond this correspondence. The office file indicates records up to 2019. However, the Secretary ensuring that the due course of law will continue to be followed.

3. The compliance report submitted by respondent Secretary Workers Welfare Board Sindh states that WWBS Governing Body, in its 28th meeting held on 10-04-2023, approved creation of Rs.2 billion Endowment Fund. Although the Secretary initially sought the Finance Department's help to open the account, it was later clarified that the Industries Department was responsible. Following the Court's order of 14-10-2025, a note for opening the Fund's bank account was moved on 03-11-2025, and after the Chairman's approval, the registration process began. Correspondence with the Industries & Commerce Department between 17-10-2025 and 13-11-2025 confirmed that registration would take 30-45 days. It is further submitted that a Board of Trustees must be constituted before the Fund account can be opened, which is expected after approval in the next Governing Body meeting. The Governing Body also approved a Digitalization Project in its 31st meeting on 27-06-2024, awarding the contract to M/s I. Technology Tracking Services Pvt. Ltd. Integration work is underway, but the Chairman has temporarily halted the project due to complaints. WWBS has provided allottee data to the Deputy Commissioner, Sukkur, for verification. The present Secretary/respondent also inspected Sukkur and Larkana Labour Colonies on 11-12 November 2025 and directed immediate improvements in utilities. During the tenure of the Ex-Secretary, only the 32nd and 33rd Governing Body meetings were held regarding the Court's directions. Major decisions by the Ex-CEO included procurement of 10,000 e-bikes, 20,000 sewing machines,

office acquisition, repair works, agreements with Sindh Insurance and I. Technologies, and Sukkur investments. Several of these such as ebike and sewing machine procurement, repair works, and the digitalization agreement have been suspended by the Chairman for review following complaints. It is submitted that compliance with the court order will be carried out strictly in accordance with law within the time frame prescribed.

- 4. Though the present Secretary, Labour and Human Resources Department, attempted to convince the Court regarding compliance with the orders dated 14.10.2025, but failed to do so. Under these circumstances, the respondents are once again directed to comply with the order passed by this Court in letter and spirit. The Chief Secretary, Government of Sindh, is also once again directed to ensure compliance with the observations contained in the entire set of orders passed.
- 5. Let notice be issued to the SSP NAB for the next date of hearing. The matter is adjourned to **13.01.2026**
- 6. Office to communicate the copies of this order to learned AAG, DAG, Secretary, Labour and Human Resources Department, Secretary Workers Welfare Board Sindh and Auditor General of Pakistan for compliance, and information, as directed in the previous order dated 15.09.2025, 25.09.2025, 02.10.2025 and 14.10.2025. Office is further directed to communicate copies of all the above orders to the Chief Secretary, Sindh, for compliance who is also directed to file compliance report on the next date of hearing.

Office is directed to place the signed copy of this order in captioned connected matter(s).

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