

ORDER SHEET  
IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI

Constitutional Petition No. D-4592 of 2025  
(Mst. Urooj Fatima versus Federation of Pakistan & others)

Date	Order with signature of Judge
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Mr. Justice Adnan-ul-Karim Memon  
Mr. Justice Zulfiqar Ali Sangi

**Date of hearing and order:- 03.2.2026**

Mr. Rabnawaz Shar advocate for the petitioner  
Ms. Mehreen Ibrahim, DAG

**ORDER**

**Adnan-ul-Karim Memon, J.** – The Petitioner, Mst. Urooj Fatima has filed this Constitutional Petition under Article 199 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 with the following prayer: -

- A. *Declare that the act of blocking / impounding the passport of the petitioner is illegal, unlawful, arbitrary, and without jurisdiction;*
- B. *Direct the respondents to immediately remove the name / passport of the petitioner from PNIL category and activate the passport of the petitioner as well as allow her to exercise her right of travel abroad.*
- C. *Restrain the respondents from taking any adverse action against the petitioner without due process of law.*

2. The petitioner has challenged the blocking of her Pakistani passport No. AJ8455664 (Tracking No. 10322263242) without lawful authority or due process. Learned counsel submits that the petitioner is a law-abiding citizen with no criminal record, not affiliated with any political party, and was first informed of the blockage when attempting to travel abroad. This action, counsel contends, violates her fundamental rights under Articles 4, 9, 15, and 18 of the Constitution. She seeks a declaration that the passport blockage is illegal and directions to remove her name from the PNIL category, reactivate her passport, and restrain any adverse action without due process.

3. Respondents, through FIA Immigration JIAP Karachi, state that the petitioner's name has been on the Stop List (PNIL) as "ACTIVE" since 14.12.2024, but FIA is not competent to place or remove names from the list and only acts on directions from the competent authority.

4. The DAG submitted that respondents No.2 and 3 were unnecessarily impleaded, as the PNIL determination is exclusively under FIA. The passport remains active and valid until 08.10.2033.

5. After hearing the parties and reviewing the record, it is tentatively observed that there is no legal justification to block the petitioner's passport. Therefore, propriety demands that her name shall be removed from the PNIL category, and her passport be reactivated, if not earlier done, and she shall be allowed to travel abroad under the Constitution and law.

6. The petition along with pending application(s) is disposed of accordingly.

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