

IN HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI

C.P. No.D- 2094 of 2026

[Muhammad Mateen Versus The Federation of Pakistan & others]

Before:

**Mr. Justice Muhammad Saleem Jessar**  
**Mr. Justice Nisar Ahmed Bhanbhro**

Petitioner

Muhammad Mateen

Through Mr. Muhammad Bilal Rashid &  
Muhammad Najeeb Jamali, Advocates

Respondent No.3

Javed Iqbal

Through Mr. Muhammad Wavda,  
Advocate

Respondents No 1 & 2

FIA

Inspector Muhammad Arif

Federation of Pakistan

Through Ms. Shazia Ahmed Hanjrah  
Deputy Attorney General, for Pakistan

Date of hearing

& Order:

13.05.2026

**ORDER**

Today the matter was fixed for filing of reply by the Respondents. Learned Deputy Attorney General for Pakistan sought time to file reply on behalf of Respondent No 1 & 2. The Court was inclined to grant time, but learned counsel for Respondent No.3 pleaded urgency and insisted to proceed with the matter.

At this stage, when confronted about the status of Petitioner, learned counsel for the Respondent No.3 contended that Petitioner was the President of Society registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860, but was involved in illegal activities of holdings sports events and amassed wealth without the permission of Pakistan Sports, which amounted to corruption and corrupt practices. However he frankly conceded that Petitioner was a private individual and was not engaged in any official assignments.

Inspector FIA Muhammad Arif and learned DAG when confronted about the domain of FIA to enquire into the matters against private individuals failed to justify the initiation of inquiry.

Under the provisions of FIA, Act 1974, the agency was established to probe into the matters of corruption and corrupt practices against the Public Servants, whereas, the dispute involved in the instant petition is between private parties for which FIA lacks jurisdiction to entertain such application and proceed with inquiry.

In the wake of above discussion, a case to exercise powers of judicial review in favor of the Petitioner is made out. Consequently, the captioned petition is allowed. The impugned inquiry No.CCC - KHI - 18/26 Corporate Crime Circle Karachi is quashed. The Respondent No. 3 may however is at liberty to approach Pakistan Sports Board a regulatory body in the matters to inquire into the affairs of Petitioner Association. If approached Pakistan Sports Board shall proceed with the complaint strictly in accordance with law.

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