ORDER SHEET

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI

Civil Revision Appln. No. 08 of 2026

Date	Order with signature of Judge

1. For orders on office objection a/w reply at Flag "A".
2. For hearing of CMA 332/2026.
3. For hearing of main case.

02.11.2026.

Mr. Khaleeq Ahmed, DAG for applicants alongwith Lieutenant Commander Kamran and Lieutenant Syed Haider Abbas, Pakistan Navy.
Mr. Sahib Khan Kalhoro, for respondent.

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Applicants have challenged the Order dated 29.10.2025 in which Application field by the Applicant under Order VII, Rule 11, CPC (for rejection of Plaint) has been dismissed primarily on the ground that the Suit filed by the Respondent is at the evidence stage.

Undisputedly, Respondent is in the employment of Applicants-Pakistan Navy and has filed Suit No.114/2022, against removal of his name from the Correspondence in which yearly civilian award is given by the Pakistan Navy. Learned DAG submits that there is no publication as such against which the defamatory suit is entertained by the learned Trial Court under the special statute viz. The Defamation Ordinance, 2002. He has referred to the Official Correspondence of 24.12.2019 (Annexure "C") in which name of respondent is mentioned with recommendation for PN Civilians Award for the year 2019, whereas in the next Correspondence of 15.1.2020 (Annexure "C-1") his name was dropped. In the written statement the stance of Pakistan Navy is that disciplinary proceeding has been initiated on the complaint of a female worker.

Learned counsel for Respondent/Plaintiff has supported the impugned Order and states that the present civil revision application should be dismissed as it has been filed by an unauthorized entity viz. The State, although the suit has been preferred against different officials of the concerned Department of Pakistan Navy. His other contention is that the removal of the name of the respondent has caused him humiliation and that is

why he preferred the above suit which is at the stage of evidence and even the above application was filed with mala fide intention.

Arguments heard. Record perused.

Admittedly, there is no impugned publication and only inter departmental correspondence is there which was later withdrawn for the reason mentioned in the written statement. The question of maintainability of the suit as well as whether it is adversely affected by the provision of Order VII, Rule 11, CPC, was not considered properly on the basis of case law. Consequently, the impugned Order cannot be sustained. It is set aside. The case is remanded back to the trial Court for decision afresh on the pending Application(s). Any observation in this Order is of tentative nature and would not influence the decision on the pending Application(s).

Civil Revision Application No.08/2026 stands disposed of alongwith listed Application.

Judge

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