

Form No:HCJD/C-121 ORDER SHEET

IN THE LAHORE HIGH COURT LAHORE

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Case No.

W.P. No.227807/2018

Haroon Farooq

Versus

Government of Punjab, etc

S.No.of order/	Date of order/	Order with signature of judge, and that of parties or counsel, where necessary.
Proceeding	Proceeding	

04.11.2021

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Report No.103 has been filed by the Judicial Water

& Environmental Commission in which it has been

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brought forth the action taken by EPA regarding non-compliant brick kilns, smog emitting vehicles as well as industrial units. It seems that substantial steps have been taken by EPA with regard to the nonconforming brick kilns as well as industrial units and a large number of these units have also been sealed and fines have been imposed.

In para 6 of this report it has been stated that a 2. meeting as directed by this Court was held with the Chief Secretary, Punjab and the Chairman of the Judicial Water & Environmental Commission in Chair which was attended by all Deputy Commissioners, of Punjab. The issue of stubble burning was highlighted and according to the learned counsel, Chief Secretary as well as Secretary Agriculture were of the opinion that stubble burning was on the decline which was disagreed by the Chairman, Judicial Water & Environmental Commission since it has regularly been reported through various sources that stubble burning is continuing non-abated and there is no letup in this regard. The Deputy Commissioners are directed to comply with the order of this Court and to take strict action against whosoever is involved in stubble burning.

3. Also it has been stated in the report that the Transport Department, Government of Punjab is

restricted from checking smog emitting vehicles on account of lack of gadget and technology in order to determine whether a particular vehicle exceeds that level or not. For the purpose learned A.A.G shall touch base with the Secretary Transport Department in order to explore idea of purchase of these gadgets out of the amount which has been collected by imposing fine on the orders of this Court. Report shall be filed to this Court and necessary orders thereafter shall be passed.

4. Some more time is also requested by the learned counsel for the petitioner for compilation of the report directed by this Court regarding realignment of various roads in order to check the issue regarding traffic congestion and vehicular idling. This shall be submitted before the next date of hearing.

5. Further it has been brought forth that waste water treatment plant has been installed by Lotte Akhtar Beverages Pvt. Ltd./Pepsi Cola which treats at least 2 million liters of water each day. Learned A.A.G shall touch base with the Director General, PHA who was present on the last date of hearing in order to suggest ways as to how water is to be dealt with. Further, it is directed that this achievement shall be published in major newspapers at a prominent space at the expense shared by WASA and Lotte Akhtar Beverages equally.

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This is to underscore the act as an important step in the corporate social responsibility

- 6. Learned counsel for LDA shall inform this Court regarding setting up of a dedicated environment unit in LDA for the purpose of environment assessment which has an impact on the future projects to be undertaken in areas within remit of LDA.
- 7. Pursuant to the orders of this Court inspection was undertaken regarding road adjacent to Banking Court which is placed on the record. According to the report substantial work had also been completed regarding manholes. The carpeting of the road shall also be undertaken shortly according to the report. The Director, WASA and Chief Engineering are present and they have compiled this report and according to the learned counsel they have done commendable work in this respect.

8. Relist on 11.11.2021.

(SHAHID KARIM)
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