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ORDER SHEET

IN THE LAHORE HIGH COURT LAHORE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Case No.

W.P. No.227807 of 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
Proceeding	Proceeding	counsel, where necessary.

14.10.2022

M/s. Syed Kamal Ali Haider and Hina Hafeezullah Ishaq, Advocates/Members of the Judicial Water Commission.

Mr. Zain Sheikh, Advocate for the petitioner.

M/s. Talaat Farooq Sh. And M. Yasin Hatif, Advocates for the petitioner in connected petitions.

Mr. Shazib Masud, Advocate for LCBD.

Sahibzada Muzaffar Ali, Advocate for respondents-LDA.

M/s. Mian Irfan Akram and Mohsin Mumtaz,

Advocates for respondent-WASA.

Mr. Waqar A. Sheikh, Advocate for respondent-PHA. Syed Moazzam Ali Shah, Advocate for the applicant.

Mr. Asad Ali Bajwa, Dy. Attorney General.

Mr. Tipu Salman Makhdoom, Addl. Advocate General, Punjab along with Nawaz Manik, Director (Law) EPA, Ali Ejaz, DD EPA, Shahzad Khan, SPP City Traffic, Shahid Anjum Minhas, Chief Town Planner, LDA and Umer Hayat, Law Officer.

Report on behalf of Environment Protection
Department (EPD) has been filed. According to which
the Provincial Disaster Management Authority
(PDMA) has issued an order regarding stubble burning
etc. The Director General, PDMA shall appear on the
next date of hearing to respond to various queries
raised in the report filed by the Members of the
Commission. Learned Addl. Advocate General has
also produced a circular dated 10.10.2022 issued by
the Services & General Administration Department

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(Implementation & Coordination Wing), Government of the Punjab, which has been sent out to all the Deputy Commissioners of Punjab regarding orders of this Court for compliance regarding violation of stubble burning. In the report, the Members have pointed out serious violations to take place in different Districts of Punjab. Yet, the Deputy Commissioners having been approached time and again regarding orders of this Court and to take action on the matters have failed to do so. The Deputy Commissioners of Districts Hafizabad, Gujranwala, Kasur and Okara are directed to appear personally on the next date of hearing to answer the query raised in this report regarding stubble burning and to respond as to why proceedings in contempt should not be taken against them in failing to fulfill their duties in this regard. Report also refers to a general instruction issued by the office of Commissioner, Lahore Division, Lahore regarding action to be taken against smog emitting official vehicles. It is expected that the follow up action shall be taken on this letter by the office of the Commissioner. Re-list on 18.10.2022.

(SHAHID KARIM)
JUDGE

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