

ORDER SHEET

IN THE LAHORE HIGH COURT, LAHORE
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Case No. W.P No.227807/2018

Haroon Farooq Vs Govt. of the Punjab etc.

S.No.of order/ Proceeding	Date of order/ Proceeding	Order with signature of judge. and that of parties or counsel, where necessary.
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17.09.2020	Mr. Abuzar Salman Khan Niazi, Advocate for the petitioner. Syed Kamal Ali Haider, Advocate for the Commission. Mr. Anis Ali Hashmi, Addl.A.G. Mian Irfan Akram, Advocate for WASA. Mr. Zahid Sikandar, Asst. Attorney General. Sahibzada Muzaffar Ali and Mr. Amir Saeed Rawn, Advocates for LDA with S.M Imran, Vice Chairman, LDA. Mr. Shehryar Kasuri, Advocate for the applicant in C.M No.8 of 2020. Mr. M. Azhar Siddique, Advocate for applicant. Mr. Altaf ur Rehman, Advocate for DHA. Mr. Nawaz Manik, Director Law, E.P.A. Mr. Usman Naeem, IGC/NGO.
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Report has been filed by the D.G Environmental Protection Agency. In that report it has been brought forth that the Secretary. Environmental Protection Department Punjab had a meeting with the brick-kiln owners association on 16.9.2020 in which the brick kiln owners agreed to shut down the brick-kilns from 7.11.2020 to 31.12.2020. This voluntary action on the part of the brick-kiln owners is commendable and it is directed that the said agreement shall be enforced by E.P.D in letter and spirit. It has also been brought forth that under the directions of this Court the Chief Secretary held a meeting under the co-convenership of the Chairman Judicial Environment Commission which was attended by the

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Secretary of the department and all the Deputy Commissioners in Punjab by video link. Clear instructions were given out to the D.Cs regarding stubble burning, emissions from brick-kilns, industrial units and solid waste burning in order to curtail accumulation of smog during winter season. It is directed that the Chief Secretary shall hold a meeting with the Chairman Water & Environment Commission after every two weeks to assess and follow up on the directions issued in the meeting dated 16.9.2020. It is also hoped that the instructions will go out to the D.Cs to replicate the steps which have been put in place for water conservation in Lahore.

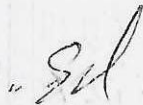
2. The Water Commission has filed report regarding the follow up steps on the directions issued by this Court on 11.9.2020. It also contains a report by Mr. Usman Naeem, Country Economist of International Growth Centre (IGC) regarding effectiveness of anti smog towers. A report has also been placed on record by the learned counsel for the petitioner Mr. Abuzar Salman Khan Niazi, Advocate which contains material of the use of anti smog towers in different cities of the world. He also submits that in India the towers are being constructed. The learned Asst. Attorney General shall touch base with the Secretary, Ministry of

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Science & Technology of the Federal Government in order to apprise this Court of the willingness of the Ministry to explore measures for the construction of these towers in Pakistan by use of local technology. The report shall be filed on the next date of hearing.

3. Learned counsel for DHA states that the orders of this Court have been placed before the CEO and no hurdles will be created in the performance of duties by the officers of Environmental Protection Agency.

4. To come up for further proceedings on **24.09.2020.**


(SHAHID KARIM)
JUDGE

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