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ORDER SHEET
IN THE LAHORE HIGH COURT LAHORE
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Case No. W.P. No.227807/2018

Haroon Farooq Versus Government of Punjab, etc

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20.01.2022

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petitioner.

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Sheikh, Advocates/Members of the Judicial Water
Commission.

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for petitioners in connected petitions.

Mr. Akif Majeed, Advocate for the applicant.

Mr. Waqar A. Sheikh Advocate for PHA.

Mian Irfan Akram, Advocate for WASA.

Mr. Shezada Mazhar Advocate for DHA, Multan.

Mr. Sahibzada Muzaffar Ali, Advocate for the LDA.

Sardar Balakh Sher Khosa, Advocate for Cantonment
Board.

Mr. Ehsan Ullah Manj Advocate for Walton Cantonment
Board.

Mr. Asad Ali Bajwa, Deputy Attorney General.

Mr. Salman Alam Khan, A.A.G with, Abdul Razzaq
Chohan, Chief Engineer TEPA and Muhammad Nawaz

Manik, Director Law EPA.

Mr. Ali Ejaz Deputy Director EPA

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Report has been filed by the Members of the
Judicial Water and Environmental Commission. Firstly
with regard to the letter written by the Chairman
Pakistan Cricket Board to the previous Commission, it
has been stated that there is a plan for construction of up
to 120 additional rooms in the area available with the
PCB at the National High Performance Centre premises
for which request is pending with the Board of

Revenue, Punjab. A further request has been made by the PCB for assistance in the matter so that work can commence expeditiously. The Members of the Commission have placed on the record a letter dated 19.01.2022 written to the Senior Member, Board of Revenue for expediting the issue and it is directed that the Senior Member, Board of Revenue shall act on that letter so that environmental problem which arises out of the holding of the sports events by moving of the teams can be minimized upon construction of this accommodation.

2. According to the report operation against non-compliant brick kilns is continuing across the Punjab and a number of brick kilns were inspected and fine of Rs.83.9 million was imposed. Report also refers to the action taken against polluting vehicles and gives a brief summary of the action taken in respect of those vehicles which includes fines which have been imposed and the impounding of vehicles.

3. Regarding the covering of drains it has been informed by the learned counsel for WASA that the execution of the contract is likely to take place between WASA and the Asian Development Bank within next one month and which will cover the entire drains running through Cantonment and Gulberg.

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4. Members of the Commission have also informed that sugar mills shall also be pursued vigorously for installing treatment plants and a report shall be submitted on the next date of hearing.
5. Report has also been submitted on behalf of the LDA/TEPA and the learned counsel for LDA informs that the orders passed by the Court on the last date of hearing regarding rooftop gardening shall be pursued and notices are being issued to all the owners in compliance. Those notices shall be placed on the record and shall also be placed before the Members of the Commission for overview and supervision in this regard. According to learned counsel for LDA, most pollution is caused because of congestion around Bhatta Chowk Bedian Road. However, no one is taking responsibility for this area. He suggests that the Commissioner Lahore Division be tasked to coordinate amongst different stakeholders regarding that area so that a decision may be taken and responsibility may be affixed on one particular authority to undertake measures for redesign that entire area so that congestion may be reduced. Report shall be called from the Commissioner Lahore Division who has always been forthcoming in these matters so that next steps can be taken.

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6. It has been informed by the focal person of the CTO Lahore that a meeting with the ring road authority is due to take place during next week. Also report regarding encroachments in Kahna and Shahdara will be submitted by the Metropolitan Corporation who shall establish permanent camps at the area so that encroachments shall not recur.

7. Learned D.A.G has produced a report filed by PEMRA which may be seen by the learned counsel for the parties.

8. Also on behalf of the LESCO it has been informed that in future cutting and felling of trees shall not be done unless coordination is made by PHA with the LESCO for any project being undertaken by LESCO. Report to this effect shall be filed on behalf of Chief Executive Officer, LESCO on the next date of hearing.

Adjourned to 27.01.2022.

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