

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 & others

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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24.06.2022

Syed Kamal Ali Haider Advocate/Member of the
Judicial Water Commission.

M/s. M. Azhar Siddique, Mian Shabbir Ismail and M.
Yasin Hatif Advocates for petitioners in connected
petitions.

M/s. Aamir Khan Khichi and Waqar A. Sheikh,
Advocates for PHA.

Mian Irfan Akram, Advocate for WASA.

Mr. Sahibzada Muzaffar Ali and Afsar Raza Khan,
Advocates for the LDA.

Sardar Balakh Sher Khosa, Advocate for Cantonment
Board.

Ms. Ambreen Moeen, Deputy Attorney General.

Rana Zain Tahir A.A.G with M. Nawaz Manik Director
Law EPA, Ali Ejaz, Deputy Director EPA, Shahzad Khan
SPP City Traffic and M. Umer Hayat Law Officer.

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Report No.131 has been filed by the Member of
the Commission which refers to the waste water
treatment plants being required to be set up by various
industries. According to the Member of the Commission
these industries have submitted their affidavits that their
effluent are within prescribed limits of EPA. However,
this is not sufficient and the permissions granted by EPA
shall be analysed by the Commission in each case and if
there is a requirement mentioned in that permission by
the EPA for installation of effluent treatment plants, then

the companies must proceed with the installation of these plants and it would not suffice that these industries are not emitting affluent beyond the prescribed standards. The only industries who shall not be required to install the treatment plants shall be industries who have been exempted by EPA under the relevant law.

2. Learned Member of the Commission has next submitted the report regarding rooftop rainwater harvesting at Nishter Sports Complex, Lahore and states that the project is under the active support of WWF-Pakistan. The Water Commission shall submit a plan regarding brick kilns and their violations of operating the brick kilns on the old technology which is still being done across Punjab.

3. Report also mentions the meeting which took place with the Education Department regarding proposal for the use of public transport for school children. A letter has been written to the Chief Executive officers of District Education Authority Lahore dated 22.06.2022 in which they have been directed by the School Education Department to convene a meeting with the owners of private schools as well as public schools for making provision of busses for plying for these schools or the school children to be brought to the

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schools. A report to this effect shall be submitted on the next date of hearing.

4. Learned counsel for LDA has also submitted a report regarding rooftop plantation and setting up of solar energy panel. Substantial headway has been made according to the learned counsel with the consultation of PHA. It also refers to the action taken against high rise buildings and commercial plazas and most of which have either installed the solar panel or have given an undertaking that the directions of this Court will be implemented. It also refers to the properties which have either approved rooftop gardening or solar panels in order to control heat.

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5. In compliance of the directions of this Court, the Director General, PHA has entered appearance and has undertaken that a plan will be submitted which will be put in place by PHA for implementing directions of this Court and for making the city of Lahore greener in order to control environmental pollution and heat. Complete report shall be submitted on the next date of hearing. It is further directed that the present Director General, PHA shall not be relieved of his duties by the Government without permission of this Court as it is necessary that consistency in policies be ensured as also

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that incumbent of PHA ought to be given sufficient time and opportunity to implement those policies effectively.

6. Relist on 30.06.2022.


(SHAHID KARIM)
JUDGE

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