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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

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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28.02.2019

Nemo for the petitioner.  
Mr. Rafay Alam, Advocate/ *Amicus Curiae*.  
Mr. Sibtul Husnain Advocate for DHA.  
Mian Irfan Akram and Mohsin Mumtaz,  
Advocates for respondent No.4/WASA.  
Mr. Anis Ali Hashmi, A.A.G.  
Syed Zahid Aziz, M.D, WASA.

Interim report has been filed by the Water Commission which delineates the steps which have already been taken in a separate constitutional petition and a similar issue. Those steps are laudable and need to be continued for a proper preservation of ground water aquifer. Moreover the Commission appointed by this Court has given an outline of the further necessary actions which are required to be taken in order to sustain the steps which have already been taken. Some of these proposals relate to the enactment of legislation for giving permanence to the role of WASA etc. This shall be considered on the next date of hearing. However, the proposals relating

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to infrastructural environment and overseeing the steps which have already been taken by the Water Commission are hereby endorsed and the Water Commission shall proceed with all deliberate speed to follow up of those proposals. It goes without saying that the Water Commission shall also engage the relevant stakeholders and the offices of the Government of Punjab with regard to the legislative measures which are proposed in the interim report and the stage of these legislative measures which will be apprised to this Court on the next date of hearing.

2. On the last date of hearing while passing the order dated 15.02.2019 the Registrar of this Court was directed to make arrangements for the Commission to hold its meetings and to conduct its business. However, it seems that it would be more appropriate for the Commission to reside itself in the office of WASA which will not only be more convenient but also more suitable to the nature of work being undertaken by the Commission. Hence, the M.D WASA is directed to ensure the provision of sufficient space for the Commission to hold its meetings and in this regard to make all necessary arrangements to

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enable the Commission to work with efficiency and without any hindrance. To come up for further proceedings on 15.03.2019.

  
**(SHAHID KARIM)**  
**JUDGE**

Abdul Waheed

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Lahore High Court, Lahore