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IN THE LAHORE HIGH COURT, LAHORE JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

Case No. W.P No.227807/2018

Haroon Farooq

Vs

Govt. of the Punjab etc.

Date of order/ Proceeding	Order with signature of judge, and that of parties or counsel,
1.12.2020 II S O N N N S S A M SI pe Sa Ca Mi Na Mi Mr Mr Dir	where necessary. 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 with M.D. MASA. Mr. Zahid Sikandar, Asst. Attorney General. Ashibzada Muzaffar Ali and Mr. Amir Saeed Rawn, dvocates for LDA with D.G, LDA. Mr. M. Azhar Siddique. Ahmad Rafae Alam and neraz Zaka, Advocates for petitioners in connected titions. The Balakh Sher Khosa, Advocate for applicant. Manad Pervaiz Advocate for applicant. Manad Pervaiz Advocate for applicant. Monim Sultan, Asst. Attorney General. Anis Ali Hashmi, Addl. A.G with Nawaz Manik, ector Law and Ali Ejaz, Dy. Dir. Environment.
	Proceeding 1.12.2020 I S O N W M S S A M S P S A M M S N M N M N M N M N M M N M M M M M

The report No.80 has been filed by the Water & Environmental Commission which mentions various steps taken for the control of smog. It has been stated in the report that 38.72% of the brick-kilns operating in Punjab have already converted to new zigzag technology. Sealing of industrial units which are emitting smoke and hazardous material is also underway which has now reached 201 in the vicinity of Lahore. A number of FIRs have also been

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registered against the owners of smoke emitting industrial units in violation of PDMA directions. Likewise, according to the report, action is continuing against the vehicles which do not conform to the standards settled by the Environmental Protection Agency. A large number of vehicles have been impounded and fines imposed to the tune of Rs.69,20,900/-.

- 2. The report of the Judicial Commission also mentions environmental pollution being raised by heavy congestion and encroachments in the area of Samanabad, Morre Samanabad due to illegal parking of cars by the showroom owners as well as Gulshane-Ravi service lane, Bund Road service lane, Allama lqbal Town (Moon Market). The report of TEPA, LDA has also been attached as Annexure 'C' which clearly shows the encroachments as well as illegal parking which contribute enormously to the environmental pollution. The D.G LDA is directed to initiate a campaign or ridding these areas of encroachments and illegal parking spaces. A report shall be submitted to this Court on the next date of hearing.
- 3. Learned counsel for Judicial Water Commission also submits that the finds which are being collected by E.P.A are supposed to be deposited in a separate



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head as these cannot be consolidated with the budgetary allocation of E.P.A. It is directed that the finds being imposed and collected by E.P.A on the directions of this Court, shall be deposited in a separate head maintained by E.P.A. The works being carried out by E.P.A on the directions of this Court may be borne out from the separate head which will be created by E.P.A. It is directed that a proper account shall be maintained by E.P.A in respect of the moneys coming into this account and the expenditure being made.

- 4. Learned Asst. Attorney General on Court's call shall apprise this Court regarding Naya Pakistan Project being constructed by an authority which has been set up by the Federal Government of the measures which have been taken in this regard by the authority to comply with the environmental standards.
- 5. Learned Addl. A.G has also placed on record the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report which has been prepared in respect of Ravi River Front Urban Development Project. He has also placed on record a letter dated 30.12.2020 written to the D.G Environmental Protection Department by the Chairman RUDA requesting for information regarding legal requirements for submission of EIA



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report for the approval of the E.P.D. Since the process for the grant of EIA is underway, it is directed that no works shall be commenced at the site by RUDA until the approvals are granted by the Environmental Protection Department regarding the environmental impact assessment of the said project.

6. Relist.

(SHAHID KARIM)
JUDGE

Rafaqat Ali

