IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PAKISTAN
(Appellate jurisdiction)

PRESENT: Justice Muhammad Hashim Khan Kakar
Justice Salahuddin Panhwar
Justice Ishtiaq Ibrahim

**Criminal Appeals No.158-L/2020 and 159-L/2020
And Criminal Petition 455/2023**
(On appeal against the judgments/orders dated 07.10.2013
passed by the Lahore High Court, Lahore, in M.R No. 437/2009, Crl. A No. 1698/2009,
Crl.A No. 1918/2009 and Crl. Revision No. 981/2009
and order dated 06.02.2023 passed by the Lahore High Court, Lahore in
Crl. Misc. 35729-M/2022 in Crl. A. No. 461/2013)

Munir Hussain, etc (in Crl. A. 158-L/2020)   Appellant(s)/petitioner
Malik Taj Muhammad (in Crl.A. 159-L/2020)
Munir Hussain   (in Crl.P. 455/2023)

Versus

The State, etc (in all)   Respondent(s)

For the Petitionera(s)/A :   Mr. M. Mukhtar Talokar, ASC
                                  (in Crl. Appeal 158-L/2020
                                  (in Crl. Petition 455/2023)

For the Appellant(s):   Malik Matee Ullah. ASC
                                  (in Crl. Appeal 159-L/2020)

For the State: Mr. Sajjad Hussain, D.P.G Punjab
                                  (in all)

Date of hearing: 24.04.2025

ORDER

Muhammad Hashim Khan Kakar J.

<u>Crl. A. No. 158-L/2020:</u> Learned counsel appearing on behalf of the appellant does not press the instant appeal for the reason that the appellant, Munir Hussain, has been released from jail after serving out the sentence, as such, this appeal is dismissed as not pressed.

<u>Crl.A. No. 159-L/2020:</u> We have gone through the impugned judgment which reflects that the learned Division Bench of the Lahore High Court has given valid reasons while converting the death sentence into life imprisonment i.e. failure on the part of prosecution to establish the alleged motive as well as recovery of crime weapon from the possession of

the convict and that too in the absence of positive report from the FSL. Therefore, this appeal being devoid of merits is dismissed.

<u>Crl.P. No. 455/2023</u>: In view of the disposal of the appeal filed by the convict, this petition has become infructuous, therefore, it is dismissed as such.

<u>Islamabad</u>
24.04.2025
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