

Form No: HCJD/C-121

ORDER SHEET

IN THE ISLAMABAD HIGH COURT, ISLAMABAD
(JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT)

W.P. No.1624/2020

Farooq Haider

Versus

Government of Pakistan, etc.

S. No. of order/ proceedings	Date of order/ proceedings	Order with signature of Judge and that of parties or counsel where necessary.
	22-06-2020	Mr Muhammad Afzal Joyia, Advocate for petitioner.

The petitioner, through this constitutional petition, has sought multiple prayers. The learned counsel was asked whether before invoking the jurisdiction of this Court under Article 199 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 the petitioner had approached the Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (*hereinafter referred to as the 'Authority'*). The learned counsel has stated that a complaint was filed but he was unable to produce a copy thereof.

2. It is noted that the Authority was established under the Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority Ordinance, 2002

and statutory remedies are provided thereunder for filing complaints and redressal of grievances. It is settled law that when a statute provides for remedies, then a constitutional petition is not competent unless they have been exhausted. The petitioner may approach the Authority for disposal of his representation.

3. For what has been discussed above, this petition is pre-mature and is, therefore, accordingly dismissed.

(CHIEF JUSTICE)

Luqman Khan/*