

ORDER SHEET

IN THE ISLAMABAD HIGH COURT, ISLAMABAD
(JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT)

W.P. No. 2433 of 2021

Pakistan Telecommunication Authority
Vs

Federal Board of Revenue, etc.

S. No. of order/ proceedings	Date of order/ proceedings	Order with signature of Judge and that of parties or counsel where necessary.
01)	<u>07.07.2021.</u>	Mr Muhammad Umer Khan Vardag Advocate, for the petitioner.

The Pakistan Telecommunication Authority [hereinafter referred to as the “**Authority**”] has assailed show cause notice, dated 25.06.2021.

2. The learned counsel has, inter-alia, contended that the Authority has been established under the Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (Reorganization) Act, 1996. The Authority functions and exercises its powers as a regulator. The Federal Board of Revenue has issued various show cause notices stating that the Authority is rendering services and, therefore, it is amenable to the jurisdiction under the Federal Excise Act, 2005 and the rules made thereunder.

3. Let notices be issued to the respondents for filing report and parawise comments within a fortnight.

4. Relist, alongwith other petitions filed by the Authority.

C.M. No.02/2021.

Notice. In the meanwhile, the proceedings will continue but a final order will not be passed by the competent authority till the next date fixed.

C.M. No. 01/2021.

Exemption sought for is allowed, subject to all just and legal exceptions.

(CHIEF JUSTICE)