

Form No: HCJD/C-121
ORDER SHEET

IN THE ISLAMABAD HIGH COURT, ISLAMABAD
(JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT)

W.P. No.1970/2019

Dar-ul-Mina Hajj & Umrah Services (Pvt) Ltd

Versus

Ministry of Religious Affairs & Interfaith Harmony, etc.

S. No. of order/ proceedings	Date of order/ proceedings	Order with signature of Judge and that of parties or counsel where necessary.
	24-05-2019	Barrister Gohar Ali Khan, Advocate for petitioner. Mr M. Saifullah Gondal, Asstt. Attorney General. Mr Nadeem Ahmed Siddiqui, representative of M/o Religious Affairs.

The petitioner Company has invoked the jurisdiction of this Court under Article 199 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 challenging the merit list, dated 14-05-2019, on the sole ground that no Hajj Group Organizer belonging to the Province of Balochistan has been included therein.

2. The learned Counsel has been heard at length. He has argued that exclusion of Hajj Group Organizers from the Province of Balochistan in the merit list is in violation of the prescribed eligibility criteria.

3. The learned Assistant Attorney General on the other hand has argued that the merit list has been prepared strictly in accordance with the guidelines and principles enunciated by this Court and the august Supreme Court in various judgments.

4. The learned Counsel and the learned Assistant Attorney General have been heard and the record perused with their able assistance.

5. The petitioner Company has assailed the merit list on the sole ground that Hajj Group Organizers from the Province of Balochistan have not been included therein. It is admitted position that the merit list has been prepared in accordance with the prescribed criteria. The learned Counsel for the petitioner, despite his able assistance, could not show that the merit list is required to be prepared keeping in view the representation of each province. It is not the case of the petitioner Company that the impugned list has been prepared otherwise than on the basis of merit.

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6. For what has been discussed above, this petition is without merit and is, therefore, accordingly dismissed.

(CHIEF JUSTICE)

Luqman Khan.