

ORDER SHEET
IN THE ISLAMABAD HIGH COURT, ISLAMABAD
JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT

W.P. No.3559 of 2019

Tayyab Aziz

Versus

Federal Board of Revenue through its Chairman and another

S. No. of order / proceedings	Date of order/ Proceedings	Order with signature of Judge and that of parties or counsel where necessary.
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16.10.2019	Ms. Nargis Sultana Chohan, Advocate for the petitioner.
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Through the instant writ petition, the petitioner, Tayyab Aziz seeks a direction to the respondents to update the petitioner's data regarding assets declaration in accordance with the law. Furthermore, the petitioner seeks a direction to the respondents to facilitate the petitioner given the fact that he had deposited tax amounting to Rs.109,125/- on 28.06.2019 for the tax period – 2018.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner submitted that under the provisions of the Assets Declaration Ordinance, 2019, the deadline for the declaration of assets and payment of tax under the said Ordinance was 30.06.2019; that subsequently, the said deadline was extended to 03.07.2019; that although the petitioner had paid tax amounting to Rs.109,125/- on 28.06.2019 for the tax period – 2018, but since F.B.R.'s web portal IRIS had crashed seven hours before the deadline, the petitioner could not submit his assets declaration form; that the news reports on 04.07.2019 confirmed the fact that FBR's web portal IRIS had crashed; and that the petitioner has been applying to the respondents for permission to submit his assets declaration, but to no avail.

3. Since the deadline of 03.07.2019 was said to have been fixed in the Assets Declaration

Ordinance, 2019, this Court cannot direct the respondents to accept the petitioner's assets declaration beyond the said deadline. However, since the petitioner's application dated 07.10.2019 (annexed at page 9 of this petition) has till date not been responded to, it is expected that the same may be decided in accordance with the law.

4. Disposed of in the above terms.

(MIANGUL HASSAN AURANGZEB)
JUDGE

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