

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF PAKISTAN
(Original Jurisdiction)

Bench-II:

Mr. Justice Syed Mansoor Ali Shah
Mr. Justice Muhammad Ali Mazhar
Mr. Justice Athar Minallah

Const. P. No.42/2022

Public Interest Law Association of Pakistan

..... *Petitioner(s)*

Versus

Federation of Pakistan, etc.

....*Respondent(s)*

In attendance:

Mian Sami ud Din, ASC vice
Mr. Faisal Hussain Naqvi, ASC.
Mr. M. Habib Qureshi, ASC
Ch. Muhammad Shoaib, ASC.
Mr. Jawad Rabbani, Dy. Chief M/O PD&SI
Mr. Mansoor Usman Awan, AGP.
Ch. Aamir Rehman, Addl. AGP.
Mr. Jawad Dero, AAG
Mr. Ghulam Murtaza,
Director Climate Chang, Balochistan.
Malik Javed Iqbal Wains, Addl. AGP.
Ms. Anza Niazi, A.D. Environment Pb.
Mr. Baleegh-uz-Zaman Ch, Addl. AGP.
Syed Kausar Ali, Addl. AG KPK.
Mr. M. Ayyaz Khan Swati, AAG Balochistan.
Mr. Zahid Yousaf Qureshi, AOR.
Mr. Mumtaz Ali, D.D. L/EPA, KPK.
Mr. Hammad Naqi Khan, Amicus Curiae.
Mr. Ghulam Qadir Shah, I.G. (Forest)
Mr. Asif Sahibzada, D.G. (Env/CC)
Syed Ali Raza Zaidi, D.D. (Law).
Mr. Shams-ul-Haq, S.O. (A.D.)

Date of hearing: 06.05.2024

ORDER

On the last date of hearing i.e., 21.03.2024, learned Attorney General assured the Court that the meeting of the Council will be held within a month from today to address the question regarding the establishment of the Authority, as well as, the Fund. Today, it is pointed out that meeting of the Council was held on 26.04.2024 and a summary has been put up by the Minister Incharge, Ministry of Climate Change for the establishment of the Authority but the Authority has not yet been established. We understand that the climate change is the most serious existential threat to the people of Pakistan and considering that the

Climate Act, 2017 was promulgated seven years ago neither the Authority nor the Fund has been established so far. Considering that failure to establish the Authority has serious implication on the fundamental rights of the people of Pakistan, we direct the Federal Government to establish the Authority within a fortnight and thereafter complete the establishment of the Fund.

2. Vide our last order dated 21.03.2024, the Provincial Governments were also directed to place on the record strategies adopted by them regarding climate change. In pursuance to above, learned Additional Advocate General representing the KPK, Sindh and Punjab submit that they have submitted their strategies regarding the climate change. As far as, Balochistan is concerned, the Director Climate Change submits that summary has been put up before the Cabinet and report to this effect has been placed on the record. We will take up these matters next time.

3. Let this case be posted for 03.06.2024.

Judge

Judge

Islamabad,
6th May, 2024.
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shall be uploaded for information
on the S.C. website.
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Judge