Petition for Police Reforms

Civil society organizations including Pakistan Institute of Labour Education & Research (PILER), Orangi Pilot Project- Research & Training Institute (OPP-RTI) and Urban Resource Centre (URC) as institution and some individuals including Karamat Ali, Nazim H. Haji, artist Shahzad Roi, Ms. Aquila Ismail have filed a Constitution petition in Sindh High Court on Police reforms in Sindh, through senior lawyer Faisal Siddiqi.

On December 28, 2016 the Honorable SHC granted stay on transfer of IG of Sindh A. D. Khawaja as reported in the newspaper.

Following is the prayer of the petition:

- (a) Declare that 'The Sindh (Repeal of the Police Order, 2002 & Revival of the Police Act, 1861) Act, 2011', is unconstitutional, without jurisdiction, illegal and of no legal effect.
- (b) Declare that the Police Order, 2002, is constitutionally and legally valid and in force and has not been repealed by 'The Sindh (Repeal of the Police Order, 2002 & Revival of the Police Act, 1861) Act, 2011'.
- (c) Permanently restrain the Respondents No.1 to 4 from implementing 'The Sindh (Repeal of the Police Order, 2002 & Revival of the Police Act, 1861) Act, 2011'.
- (d) Permanently restrain the Respondents No.1 to 4 from taking any adverse action against the Respondent No.7, including but not limited to sending him on forced leave, his removal/transfer etc., except in accordance with the Police Order, 2002.
- (e) Direct the Respondents No.1 to 4 to ensure the effective implementation of the Police Order, 2002, including the formation of all institutions/commission/authority/committee, envisaged under the Police Order, 2002, within a period of six months from the date as set by this Honourable Court.
- (f) Direct the constitution of a broad based independent Commission, headed by a retired High Court Judge or Supreme Court Judge and comprising of relevant and respected civil society persons as nominated by this Honourable Court (at the cost of the Provincial Government) and further direct this broad based independent Commission to supervise the effective implementation of the Police Order, 2002, including the formation of all institutions/commission/authority/committee, envisaged under the Police Order, 2002, within a period of six months from the date as set by this Honourable Court, and to submit a compliance report to this Honourable Court for further orders.