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*Federal Shariat Court*

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**Federal Shariat Court emphasized the necessity of proving guilt beyond a reasonable doubt and as result acquitted Parvaiz Chandio, Fateh Ali Chandio, Abdul Malik, and Ghulam Sarwar Bhand on the basis of this principle.**

**Islamabad**– A Full Bench of the Federal Shariat Court comprising of Hon’ble Chief Justice Mr. Justice Iqbal Hameedur Rahman, Mr. Justice Khadim Hussain M. Shaikh and Mr. Justice Ameer Muhammad Khan acquitted the appellants. The appellants Parvaiz Chandio and Fateh Ali were sentenced to life imprisonment while the appellants Abdul Malik alias Matto and Ghulam Sarwar Bhand were sentenced to death for dacoity with murder. This judgment is authored by Hon’ble Mr. Justice Ameer Muhammad Khan and concurred by the other two members of the bench. The court held:

1. The prosecution failed to prove the charge against the accused beyond any shadow of doubts.
2. The prosecution evidence was found hearsay and not worthy of credit and was comprised of manipulations and fabrications by the police.
3. Recoveries were found inconsequential, hence the story of the prosecution become unnatural.
4. The manipulations and fabrications by the police cannot be the alternate of the truth and the Principle of “sifting the grain from the chaff” has been found contradictory to the oath administered to PWs for stating the whole truth not for the half truth.

The accused have been acquitted while extending the benefit of doubt to them.

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