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# **IMPLEMENTATION / COC APPLICATION**

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PETITIONER

Through:

Dated:-20/09/2022

(SARDAR MUHAMMAD AKMAL) &

(FAKHIR ALI TURK) Advocates High Court, Abbottabad

# BEFORE THE HONOURABLE SERVICE TRIBUNAL KHYBER PAKHUTNKHWA

Muhammad Tahir S/o Taj Muhammad Forest Guard Incharge Larri Beet Thandiani, Forest Sub Division Abbottabad.

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- 1. Muhammad Abid Majeed Secretary Forest Department KPK Peshawar.
- 2. Arif Muhammad Chief Conservator of Forest Department KPK Peshawar.
- 3. Yousaf Khan Conservator of Forest lower Hazara Forest Circule Abbottabad.
- 4. Tanweer Ilyas Divisional Forest Officer Gallis Forest Division Abbottabad.
- 5. Range Forest Officer, Gallis Forest Division Abbottabad.

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 Muhammad Asif Sub-Divisional Forest Officer Thandiani District Abbottabad.

### ...RESPONDENTS

IMPLEMENTATION / COC APPLICATION AGAINST THE RESPONDENTS IN LIGHT OF THE JUDGMENT OF THIS HONORABLE COURT DATED 20.01.2021 VIDE WHICH THIS HONORABLE COURT RE-INSTATED THE APPLICANT / APPELLANT IN HIS SERVICE WITH ALL HIS BACK BENEFITS.

#### **Respectfully Sheweth;-**

- That applicant / appellant filed a service appeal against the impugned order dated 22.05.2017 vide which the applicant / appellant was removed from his service.
- 2. That honorable court allowed the service appeal of the applicant/appellant dated 20.01.2021 and directed the respondent to reinstate the applicant / appellant for the purpose of de-novo inquiry strictly within 90 days. (Copy of the judgment of this Honorable Court is annexed as Annexure "A")
- 3. That after acceptance of the appeal of the applicant / appellant, respondent neither conducted de-novo inquiry within 90 days, nor the applicant / appellant reinstated in his service up till now. This act of the respondent comes into Contempt of Court, hence the respondent intentionally and deliberately disobeying the judgment of this Honorable Court and committed Contempt of Court and which liable for the punishment of Contempt of Contempt of Court proceeding.

4. That respondent has no authority to refuse the applicant / appellant for reinstatement of his service after acceptance of service appeal of the appellant.

## PRAYER:

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It is therefore humbly prayed that on acceptance of instant implementation / COC application respondent may kindly be directed to reinstate the applicant in the light of judgment dated 20-01-2021 passed by this honorable court and contempt of court proceeding may kindly be initiated against the respondent as per law.

Muhammad Tahir S/o Taj Muhammad ...Applicant / Appellant

Through Council:

Dated:- /2022

(SARDAR MUHAMMAD AKMAL)

(FAKHIR ALI TURK) Advocates High Court, Abbottabad

19/9/2022

Applicant

**VERIFICATION:-**

Verified that the contents of **Application** are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and that nothing

has been concealed therein.

Dated:-\_\_\_/2022

# BEFORE THE HONOURABLE SERVICE TRIBUNAL KHYBER PAKHUTNKHWA

Muhammad Tahir

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## VERSUS

Muhammad Abid Majeed and others

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# **IMPLEMENTATION / COC APPLICATION**

### AFFIDAVIT

I, Muhammad Tahir S/o Taj Muhammad Forest Guard Incharge Larri Beet Thandiani, Forest Sub Division Abbottabad, *Applicant*, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare on Oath that the contents of instant *Application* are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and that nothing has been concealed from this Hon'ble Court.

Dated:- /2022



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# BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL, PESHAWAR Appeal No. 697/2017



Muhammad Tahir, Forest Guard Incharge Larri Sub-Division, Forest Thandiani, Beet .....Petitioner Abbottabad ..... Service Tribupal

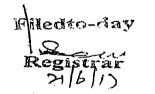
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- The Chief Secretary Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar.
- Khyber Government of to Secretary Pakhtunkhwa, Forest Department Peshawar.
- Chief Conservator of Forests, Peshawar.
- Conservator of Forests, Lower Hazara Forest 3. 4. Circle, Abbottabad.
  - Divisional Forest Officer, Gallis Forest Division, .5 بر Abbottabad.
    - Range Forest Officer, Siran Galli Forest 6. Division, Abbottabad.
    - Sub Divisional Forest Officer Thandiani, District 7.

SERVICE APPEAL UNDER SECTION 4 OF SERVICE TRIBUNAL ACT, 1974 AGAINST THE ORDER NO.84 DATED 02.02.2017 PASSED BY RESPONDENT NO.4 VIDE WAS APPELLANT THE WHICH SERVICE AND FROM REMOVED AGAINST THE ORDER NO.35 DATED 22.05.2017 WHEREBY THE APPEAL OF THE APPELLANT WAS DISMISSED BY RESPONDENT NO.4 AND THE ORDER NO.84 WAS UPHELD.

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#### BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICES TRIBUNAL, PESHAWAR

#### Appeal No. 697/2017

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Date of Institution	• · •	21.06.2017
Date of Decision		21.01.2021

Muhammad Tahir. Forest Guard Incharge Larri Beet Thandiani, Forest Sub-Division, Abbottabad. ... (Appellant)

### <u>VERSUS</u>

The Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar and six others.

Present:

MR. MUHAMMAD TAHIR,

MR. MUHAMMAD RIAZ KHAN PAINDAKHEL, Assistant Advocate General

MR. MIAN MUHAMMAD, MR. MUHAMMAD JAMAL KHAN MR. ATIQ-UR-REHMAN WAZIR

In person.

For respondents.

(Respondents)

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#### MEMBER(Executive) MEMBER(Judicial) MEMBER(Executive)

#### JUDGEMENT.

MIAN MUHAMMAD, MEMBER:- The office order dated 02.02.2017 of Respondent No.5 and appellate decision there on by Respondent No.4 dated 22.05.2017 have been assailed and challenged under Section-4 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Services Tribunal Act, 1974.

FACTS.

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02. Brief facts of the instant case, as per memorandum of appeal are that the **EXAMPLER** Chyber Pakhtunkhuppellant was appointed as Forest Guard (BS-07) on 18.03.2013 on contract basis Service Tribunal, Peshawar

whose services were regularized on 26.11.2013. He was posted and given the charge of Larri Beet Thandiani, Forest Sub-Division, Abbottabad on 24.04.2016. On the basis of a written complaint against him regarding illicit cutting of five trees (one deodar and four kail), the SDFO Thandiani (Respondent No.7) wrote a letter to DFO

(Respondent No.5) on 23.10.2016. Consequently and in pursuance of that, disciplinary proceedings against the appellant were initiated under the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency and Discipline) Rules 2011 which culminated on the impugned order dated 02.02.2017 passed by Respondent No.5 awarding him the major penalty of removal from service. The appellant preferred departmental appeal on 06.03.2017 which did not meet a favourable consideration and was rejected by the appellate authority (Respondent No.4) on 22.05.2017, hence, the instant service appeal submitted in the services Tribunal on 21.06.2017.

03. Respondents were summoned to produce relevant record and connected documents. They attended the Services Tribunal through their legally authorized representatives who contested the appeal on their behalf. Last time arguments were heard by Division Bench on 23.10.2019 which resulted in dissenting note by the respective Hon ble Members, hence, the instant service appeal was heard afresh by the Larger Bench on 03.12.2020. We have heard the pro and counter arguments of ESTEE the parties and perused the available record minutely and in detail.

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### ARGUMENTS.

04. The appellant started pleading his case personally and addressed the arguments. He contended that the proceedings were initiated on personal grudges, malafide intentions and ends of natural justice were not met by the Respondents. It was submitted that on 22.10.2016 i.e the day of reported visit of SDFO, the appellant due to ailment was not available on the spot which was taken adversely against him though he was performing duty throughout with dedication and devotion. He produced Handing/taking over of charge report dated 25.04.2016 showing beside others the details regarding damages to trees including Larri No:2(i). Three reports dated 02.06.2016, 06.08.2016 and 27.09.2016 mentioning names of the accused responsible for the offence of cutting of trees illicitly, were

produced as evidence to have been submitted to his immediate seniors in official hierarchy for taking appropriate action. He contended that he has not been given the opportunity of fair trial and his performance with produced evidence was not considered and appreciated; neither at the level of enquiry nor by the appellate authority. Moreover, the enquiry officer did not verify on the spot the damages reported by SDFO on 23.10.2016. It was strongly contended that he has been discriminated and the block officer who was recommended to be proceeded against, was not taken to task and only the appellant was targeted in the inquiry proceedings. The impugned orders being devoid of merit and passed on discreet exparte/ one side enquiry are liable to be set aside.

05. Learned Assistant Advocate General on the other hand, rebutted arguments advanced by the appellant and contended that fair chance of defense was provided to the appellant but he could not prove his innocence particularly for unauthorized absence on 22.10.2016 as there was no prior intimation whether formal or informal about his ailment on that very day. He argued that all codal formalities such as issuance of charge sheet/statement of allegations, show cause notice and opportunity of personal hearing, have been fulfilled before awarding him the major penalty of , removal from service and as such the instant service appeal may be dismissed.

## CONCLUSION.

06. It is observed that the impugned order of Competent authority refers to Peshawat "enquiry committee" whereas the enquiry was assigned to enquiry officer i.e Abdur Rasheed, Range Forest Officer. Similarly, the concept of enquiry officer or enquiry committee seems to have been misconstrued even by the enquiry officer who under paragraph on "discussion" portion of his enquiry report dated 28.12.2016 refers to it as enquiry committee though it is quite clear in Rule-10 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency and D scipline) Rules, 2011. The enquiry officer

hyber Pakhankhv Service Tribudal. has taken into account the reports dated 02.02.2016, 10.02.2016 and 12.03.2016 regarding illicit cutting of trees and which have been termed as reports submitted before his charge assumption but he has ignored the reports dated 02.06.2016, 06.08.2016 and 27.09.2016 submitted by the appellant after his charge assumption and during his tenure as Forest Guard holding the charge of Larri Beet Thandiani, Forest Sub-Division Abbottabad. A pertinent and relevant question therefore arises that what action has been taken on those reports nominating the offenders by name to have been involved in illicit cutting of trees? Also important is the question as to what is the proportionate quantum of responsibility of a Forest Guard vis-à-vis Block officer and other senior officials in the hierarchy when occurrence of the offence is duly reported by a Forest Guard? Moreover, the appellant was proceeded against for the charges of inefficiency, misconduct and corruption as per charge sheet/statement of allegations dated 16.11.2016. The aspect of efficiency and misconduct is exhibited and discussed in the enquiry report with regard to absence on 22.10.2016 but that too without evidence. However, absence of appellant on 22.10.2016 i.e on the day of visit of SDFO, making it as basis for misconduct and subsequently award of major penalty of removal from service does not commensurate to the quantum of guilt let alone the charge of corruption which has not been touched at all in the enquiry report. The enquiry officer could not be able to do justice to the assigned task as an enquiry officer. He was under obligation to have associated SDFO/ Complainant (as star witness) and recorded his statement during the inquiry proceedings but he miserably failed on this score. It is astonishing to note how could he arrive at the conclusion to have found the appellant "guilty of the allegation of inefficiency" and recommended that "the charges of inefficiency, misconduct and corruption established". The impugned order of 22.05.2017 passed Expression departmental appeal of the appellant by the appellate authority in an arbitrary, D = D

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whimsical and nonsensical manner, is not a speaking order in its true sense because exposition of documents/papers received to DFO (Respondent No.5) and impugned order of the competent authority have been made as the basis for rejection of his departmental appeal and up-holding of the impugned order dated 02.02.2017. Reliance is placed on Section-24-1 of the General Clauses Act, 1897 as well as plethora of judgements of Apex Court including 2009 PLC(CS) 966, 2010 SCMR 511, 2010 SCMR 1475, 2011 SCMR 1 AND 2020 YLR 42.

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07. As a sequel to the lacunae identified and discussed on the touchstone of circumstances, merit and legal position, we are of the considered view that the ends of justice have not been met and the appellant stands condemned without affording him opportunity of free, fair and impartial inquiry proceedings. The service appeal is therefore allowed and the appellant is reinstated in service for the purpose of denovo enquiry to be conducted by the Respondents strictly in accordance with the law and rules within ninety days of the receipt of this judgement. The question of back benefits shall however, be subject to the outcome of de-novo enquiry. Parties shall, however, bear their respective costs. File be consigned to the record room.

ANNOUNCED 20.01.2021

(MUHAMMAD JAMAL KHAN) MEMBER(JUDICIAL)

(MIAN MUHAMMAD) MEMBER(EXECUTIVE)

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176782 S.No. K. Name of Advocate DBA NO. 1018 TBA NO BC No. R.s.200/= المونل لي تحد 2. 1. بعدالرس 16. Jo Recting 10 de asing 20 عنوان:\_ نوعيت مقدمه ت<u>حريس کمارلاس</u> . باعث تحريراً نکه مقدمه مندرجه بالاعنوان میں اپنی طرف سے داسطے پیروی وجوابد ہی برائے پیشی پیا تصفیہ مقدمہ بمقام <u>کر سمیں سیسے</u> فاحلى قرب الأولا Velle 112 یے کہ بس ہر کمیش پرخود بابذ ربید مختار خاص رؤ بر دعدالت حاضر ہوتار ہوں گااور بر دفت یکارے كوحب ذمل شرائط بردكيل مقرركما جانے مقدمہ دکیل صاحب موصوف کواطلاع دے کر حاضرعدالت کروں گا۔اگر پیش پرمظہر حاضر نہ ہواادر مقدمہ میری غیر حاضری کی دجہ سے کسی طور پر میر بے خلاف ہو گیا تو صاحب موصوف *اس کے کسی طور پر ڈیڈ دارنہ ہو*ں کے نیز وکیل صاحب موصوف صدر مقام کچہر کی کے علاوہ کسی جگہ یا پچہری کے اوقات سے پہلے یا پیچھے ماہر وزننطیل پیروی کرنے کے ذمہ دارنہ ہوں کے اور مقدمہ پچہری کے علاوہ کسی اور جگہ ساعت ہونے پر ماہر وز تعطیل با کچہر کی کے اوقات کے آگے پیچھے پیش ہونے پر مظہر کو کوئی نقصان پنچے تو اس کے ذمہ داریا اس کے داسطے لسی معادضہ کے اداکر نے مامختان کے دانیس کرنے کے بھی صاحب موصوف ذمہ دارنہ ہو گئے ۔ مجھ کوکل ساختہ پر داختہ صاحب موصوف مش كرده ذات منظور دم بقبول بو كااور صاحب فموصوف كوعرض دعوى ياجوأب دعوى اور درخواست اجرائح فأكرى ونظر تاني ايجل تكرماني وبرقسم درخواست پرد يتخط دتصديق كرف كابعى اغتيار بوكا ادر كسى علم باذكرى كران اور برتم كارو يدومكول كرف اوررسيددين اورداخل كرن اور ہوتم کے بیان دینے اور اس پر تالق وراضی نامد وقیصلہ بر حلف کر فے اقبال دیوی دینے کا بھی اختیار ہوگا اور بصورت جانے بیر دنجات از پچهری صدراییل دبرآمدگی مقدمه با منسونی دگری بیطرفه درخواست پختم آمتنا ی یا قرقی یا گرفتاری داخرائ داجرائے دگری بھی صاحب موصوف کوبشرطادا تیکی علید وعقانه پیردی کا اختیار ہوگا۔اور بصورت ضرورت صاحب موصوف کو بیکی اختیار ہوگا کہ مقدمه ندکور باس کے کسی جزوکی کاروائی کے پابصورت اپل کسی دوسرے دکیل کواپنے بجائے پااپنے ہمراہ مقرر کریں اورا یسے وکیل کوبھی ہرامر میں وبى اور ويساختيارات حاصل ہوئے جیسے صاحب موصوف کو حاصل ہيں اور دوران مقدمہ جو پچھ ہر جاندالتوا پڑے گا وہ صاحب موصوف کاحق ہوگا۔اگر دکیل صاحب موصوف کو پوری فیس تاریخ پیشی سے پہلےادانہ کروں گا تو صاحب موصوف کو پورا اختیار ہوگا کہ وہ مقدمہ کی پروی نہ کریں اورا لی صورت میں میر اکوئی مطالبہ کسی قتم کا صاحب موصوف کے برخلاف نہیں ہوگا۔ 2022/17 لېذادكالت نامدككوديا ب كەسندر ب-معمون دکالت نامہ سن کیا ہے اور اچھی طرح سمجھ کیا ہے اور منظور بخ سال نوٹ: دکالت نامہ کی فوٹو کا پی قابلِ قبول نہ ہوگی ۔ سی کم میں میں <u>محالم میں میں محالم میں میں م</u>