### BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL PESHAWAR AT CAMP COURT, SWAT

Service Appeal No.26/2018

Date of Institution	 08.01.2018
Date of Decision	 06.07.2022

Bakht Amin S/O Umar Khan, Ex-Constable No.871 Swat Police R/O Haroon Abad Odigram Tehsil Babozai, District Swat.

(Appellant)

### <u>VERSUS</u>

Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa through Provincial Police Officer/IGP at Peshawar and three others.

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Barrister Adnan Khan,

Noor Zaman Khattak, District Attorney

> Rozina Rehman Fareeha Paul

# (Respondents)

For respondents.

For appellant.

Member (J) Member (E)

### <u>JUDGMENT</u>

ROZINA REHMAN, MEMBER (J): The appellant has invoked the jurisdiction of this Tribunal through above titled appeal with the prayer as copied below:

"On acceptance of this appeal, the impugned order No.OB 218 dated 08.12.2010 may be set aside and appellant be reinstated in service as Constable".

2. Brief facts of the case are that appellant was inducted in the Police Department and subsequently, posted in Police Force of District Swat as Constable on 19.10.2004. During service, he performed his



duties in extremely harsh security situation when the militants had occupied several parts of District Swat. The appellant even in the said circumstances did not avail his annual leave and continued performing his duties to the entire satisfaction of his high-ups. However, due to some compelling circumstances, appellant could not perform his duties for a certain period. That after the above-mentioned absence, when he appeared at his place of duty, he was informed about dismissal from service. Feeling aggrieved, he filed various written and oral requests which were never responded to by the respondents. That having his grievances not redressed by respondents, appellant lost all hopes about his reinstatement. However, in the year 2015-16, various Constables of Reserved Police with similar status as that of appellant were reinstated in service and last in the series of such orders was made on 18.03.2016. Relying on such like orders, one Adil Said Ex-Constable approached the Service Tribunal and his appeal was accepted. The above-mentioned reinstatement order and judgment of this Tribunal gave a fresh ray of hope to the appellant, hence, he filed a fresh departmental appeal for his reinstatement which was dismissed being time barred. Feeling aggrieved, the present service appeal was filed.

3. We have heard Barrister Adnan Khan, learned counsel for the appellant and Noor Zaman Khan Khattak, learned District Attorney for respondents and have gone through the record and the proceedings of the case in minute particulars.

4. Barrister Adnan Khan, learned counsel for the appellant argued inter alia that the impugned order had been passed unilaterally and in

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blatant violation of law, hence, liable to be set aside; that the requirements of due process, fairness and justness were not complied with as the appellant was neither issued a show cause notice nor charge sheet alongwith statement of allegations. Learned counsel submitted that the appellant was never associated with the inquiry proceedings and he was condemned unheard. It was further submitted that numerous officers and officials of Malakand Region Police had fled away at the time of insurgency but majority of those were reinstated into service after restoration of peace in the area and that appellant was not treated at par with those reinstated individuals. He submitted that last in the series of the reinstatement, application had been made by the appellant at belated stage, however, these were the reinstatement orders in respect of sacked constables of FRP and that judgment of this Tribunal in Service Appeal No.1214 of 2015 gave the appellant a fresh cause of action. Reliance was placed on 2002 PLC (CS) 268, wherein, it was held that no limitation shall run in cases of similarly placed employees. He, therefore, requested that the impugned order being void ab-initio is liable to be set aside and the appellant may kindly be reinstated with all back benefits.

5. Conversely, learned District Attorney submitted that the appellant being member of the disciplined force was under an obligation to perform his duties with zeal, zest and devotion irrespective of harsh and tense environment, hence, stance of the appellant is not tenable in the eyes of law. He submitted that the appellant could not perform his duties for a certain period and that he was proceeded against departmentally on the allegations of absentia, therefore, he was

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awarded major punishment of dismissal from service by the competent authority after fulfillment of all codal formalities.

6. After hearing the learned counsel for the parties and going through the record of the case with their assistance and after perusing the precedent cases cited before us, we are of the opinion that Constable Bakht Amin absented himself from duty w.e.f 17.08.2008 till the date of impugned order i.e. 08.12.2010 vide DD No.09 dated 17.08.2008 followed by DD No.12 dated 11.10.2010 of Police Line without any permission or leave and vide order dated 08.12.2010 of District Police Officer, Swat major punishment of dismissal from service was awarded from the date of his absence i.e. 17.08.2008. No doubt, departmental appeal was not filed within time and the case of the present appellant was filed. Relying on the orders in respect of one Adil Said Constable No.763 of Swat Police who approached this Tribunal in Service Appeal No.1214/2015 and which appeal was accepted vide order dated 02.01.2017. He submitted different applications but when other constables of the Reserved Police were reinstated into service in the year 2015-16 and the last in the series of such of orders was made on 18.03.2016 which prompted the appellant to pursue his case. He, therefore, filed departmental appeal for his reinstatement on 26.07.2017. Learned counsel has placed on file different orders of Ex-Constables who were dismissed from service in the year 2009 w.e.f 2008 but was reinstated vide order dated 18.03.2016. In this regard, order of Commandant Frontier Reserved Police Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar in respect of Ex-Constable Khalil Ur Rehman is available on file as "Annexure-B". Similarly, one Bashir Khan Ex-Constable of FRP

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Malakand Range was removed from service on 10.10.2008 but was reinstated on 04.03.2016. Another order is in respect of Ex-Constable Arshad Iqbal of FRP Malakand Range who was removed from service on 21.02.2008 but was reinstated on 29.03.2016. An order in respect of Ex-Constable Jamshaid Ali is also available on file who was proceeded against departmentally on allegation of absentia w.e.f 28.09.2008 till his removal from service. Lenient view was taken and he was reinstated in service vide order dated 23.09.2015. Similar orders in respect of Ex-Constables Imran and Muhammad Shahid are also available on file. One Ex-Constable Adil Said No.763 of District Swat preferred service appeal against the impugned order dated 29.12.2008 vide which he was awarded major penalty of dismissal from service and vide order of this Tribunal dated 02.01.2017, his appeal was accepted. Relevant Para from the judgment of this Tribunal in Service Appeal No1214/2015 is hereby reproduced for ready reference:

"The Commandant FRP vide orders referred to above had reinstated ex-constables including Khalilur Rehman, Bashir Khan, Arshad Iqbal, Basir Khan and similar others vide orders referred to above. We are not in a position to ascertain from the record that the case of the appellant is similar to the afore-stated constables who were reinstated in service despite their absence during the period of insurgency and militancy. In such a situation we are left with no option but to accept the present appeal, set aside the impugned orders and directed that the appellate authority shall examine the case of the appellant with the cases of those constables who were reinstated in service by the Commandant FRP and in case the appellant is found entitled to similar treatment as extended to the said constables then the said authority shall also extend the same treatment to the present appellant. The appellant shall be afforded opportunity of hearing during the proceedings which shall be conducted and concluded within a period of 2 months from the date of receipt of this judgment. Parties are left to bear their own costs. File be consigned to the record room."

7. So far as limitation is concerned, in this respect the Rule laid down in judgment reported as 2002 PLC (CS) 268 is applicable where it was held that no limitation shall run in cases of similarly placed employees and the Apex Court condoned the delay which in some cases was more than 10 years, in the interest of justice and in view of the similarity of point involved in other cases.

8. In view of the above discussion, we have come to the conclusion that in such a situation, we are left with no option but to accept the present appeal, set aside the impugned orders and direct the appellate authority to examine the case of appellant in line with the cases of those constables who were reinstated in service by the Commandant FRP and in case the appellant is found entitled to similar treatment as extended to other constables, then the said authority shall also extend the same treatment to the present appellant. Needless to mention that the appellant shall be afforded opportunity of hearing during the proceeding which shall be conducted and concluded within a period of 60 days from the date of receipt of copy

of this judgment. Parties are left to bear their own costs. File be consigned to the record room.

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ANNOUNCED. 06.07.2022

(Fareeha Paul) Member (E) Camp Court, Śwat

(Rozina Rehman) Member (J) Camp Court, Swat

ORDER 06.07.2022

Appellant present through counsel.

Noor Zaman Khan Khattak, learned District Attorney for respondents present. Arguments heard. Record perused.

Vide our detailed judgment of today of this Tribunal placed on file, we have come to the conclusion that in such a situation, we are left with no option but to accept the present appeal, set aside the impugned orders and direct the appellate authority to examine the case of appellant with the cases of those constables who were reinstated in service by the Commandant FRP and in case the appellant is found entitled to similar treatment as extended to other constables, then the said authority shall also extend the same treatment to the present appellant. Needless to mention that the appellant shall be afforded opportunity of hearing during the proceeding which shall be conducted and concluded within a period of 60 days from the date of receipt of copy of judgment. Parties are left to bear their own costs. File be consigned to the record room.

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Member (E)

Camp Court, Swat

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13.05.2022

Appellant in person present. Mr. Kabirullah Khattak, Addl: AG for respondents present.

Appellant requested for adjournment on the ground that his counsel is busy before the august Supreme Court of Pakistan. Adjourned. To come up for arguments on 08.06.2022 before the D.B at camp court Swat. .

(Mian Muhammad) Member(E)

(Salah Ud Din) Member(J) Camp Court Swat

8<sup>th</sup> June, 2022

None for the appellant present. Mr. Kabirullah Khattak, Addl: AG for respondents present.

Counsel are on strike. To come up for arguments on 06.07.2022 before the D.B at camp court Swat.

(Mian Muhammad) Member(E)

(Kalim Arshad Khan) Chairman Camp Court Swat 09.12.2021

Junior to counsel for appellant present.

Muhammad Riaz Khan Paindakheil, learned Assistant Advocate General for respondents present.

Request for adjournment was made on behalf of appellant as senior counsel for appellant is not available today. Opportunity is granted and case is adjourned. To come up for arguments on 10.02.2022<sup>3</sup> before D.B at Camp Court, Swat.

(Atiq ur Rehman Wazir) Member (E) Camp Court, Swat.

(Rozina Rehman) Mémber (J) Camp Court, Swat

10.02.2022

Tour is hereby canceled .Therefore, the case is adjourned to 07.04.2022 for the same as before at Camp Court Swat.

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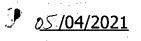
Appellant alongwith his counsel present. Mr. Ali Rehman Inspector (Legal) alongwith Mr. Noor Zaman Khattak, District Attorney for the respondents present.

Learned counsel for the appellant requested for adjournment on the ground that he is proceeding for appearance in cases before Hon'ble Peshawar High Court, Mingora Bench (Dar-Ul-Qaza) Swat, therefore, an adjournment may be granted. Adjourned. To come up for arguments on 13.05.2022 before the D.B at Camp Court Swat.

(Rozina Rehman)

Member (J) Camp Court, Swat

(Salah-Ud-Din) Member (J) Camp Court Swat



Due to COVID-19, the case is adjourned to

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06.10.2021

Nemo for appellant.

Asif Masood Ali Shah learned Deputy District Attorney for respondents present.

Preceding date was adjourned on a Reader's note, therefore, appellant/counsel be put on notice for 09.12.2021 for arguments before D.B at Camp Court, Swat.

(Atiq ur Rehman Wazir) Member(E) Camp Court, Swat

(Rozina Rehman) Member(J) Camp Court, Swat 07.12.2020

Due to COVID-19, case is adjourned to 01.02.2021 for the same as before.



01.02.2021

Nemo for parties.

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Muhammad Riaz Khan Paindakhel, Assistant Advocate General for respondents is present.

Preceding date was adjourned on account of Covid-19, therefore, both the parties be put on notice for the date fixed. Issue involved in the instant case is pending before Larger Bench of this Tribunal, therefore, case is adjourned to 05.04.2021 before D.B at camp court Swat.

(Mian Muhammad) Member(E)

(Rozina Rehman) Member(J) Camp Court Swat 06.07.2020

Bench is incomplete. Therefore, the case is adjourned. To come up for the same on 07.09.2020, at camp court Swat.

Reader

07.09.2020

Appellant present through counsel.

Mr. Riaz Paindakhel learned Assistant Advocate General for respondents present.

Learned counsel for appellant seeks adjournment as issue involved in the present case is pending before Larger Bench of this Tribunal.

Adjourned to 07.12.2020 for arguments before D.B. at Camp Court, Swat.

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(Rozina Rehman) Member Camp Court, Swat

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#### 03.06.2020

Due to Covid-19, the case is adjourned. To come up for the same on 06.07.2020, at camp court Swat.

### Service Appeal No. 26/2018

04.11.2019

Appellant in person and Mr. Riaz Ahmad Paindakheil, Assistant AG alongwith Mr. Mir Faraz, DSP (Legal) for the respondents present. Appellant submitted an application for adjournment on the ground that his counsel is busy before the Hon'ble Dara-ul-Qaza, Swat and cannot attend the Tribunal today. Application is placed on record. Case to come up for arguments on 08.01.2020 at Camp Court Swat:

(Hussain Shah)

Member Camp Court Swat (M. Amin Khan Kundi) Member Camp Court Swat

08.01.2020

Appellant in person and Mr. Riaz Ahmad Paindakheil, Assistant AG alongwith Mr. Muhammad Ishaq, Head Constable for the respondents present. Appellant requested for adjournment on the ground that his counsel is not available today due to general strike of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Bar Council. Adjourned to 02.03.2020 for arguments before D.B at Camp Court Swat.

(Hussain Shah) Member Camp Court Swat

(M. Amin Khan Kundi) Member **Camp Court Swat** 

#### 02.03.2020

Learned counsel for the appellant and Mr. Usman Ghani learned District Attorney present. Learned counsel for the appellant seeks adjournment. Adjourn. To come up for arguments on 04.05.2020 before D.B at Camp Court Swat.

Member Camp Court, Swat.

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11.06.2019

Mr. Arshed Khan, Advocate on behalf of learned counsel for the appellant present and seeks adjournment. Mr. Mian Ameer Qadir, learned District Attorney for the respondents present. Adjourn. To come up for arguments on 02.09.2019 before D.B at Camp Court Swat.

Kundi) (M. Amin/Khan Member Camp Court Swat

(M. Hamid Mughal) Member Camp Court Swat

02.09.2019

Learned counsel for the appellant present. Mian Amir Qadir, DDA alongwith Mr. Khawas Khan, SI for respondents present. Learned counsel for the appellant seeks adjournment as he has not prepared the brief. Adjourn. To come up for arguments on 04.11.2019 before D.B at camp court Swat.

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### 06.02.2019

Appellant in person and Mian Amir Qadar learned Deputy District Attorney alongwith Khawas Khan SI present. Due to general strike of the bar, the case is adjourned. To come up for arguments on 06.03.2019 before D.B at camp Court Swat.

Member

Member Camp Court Swat.

### 06.03.2019

Counsel for the appellant and Mian Amir Qadir, District Attorney alongwith Khawas Khan, S.I (Legal) for respondents present.

Learned counsel for the appellant requests for adjournment due to his engagement before the Honourable High Court today in many cases.

Adjourned to 03.04.2019 before the D.B at camp court, Swat.

Member

Chairman Camp Court, Swat

#### 03.04.2019

Learned counsel for the appellant and Mr. Mian Ameer Qadir, District Attorney for the respondents present. Learned counsel for the appellant seeks adjournment for arguments and to assist the Tribunal on the issue of limitation. Adjourn. To come up for arguments on 11.06.2019 before D.B at Camp Court Swat.

(M. Amin Khan Kundi) Member Camp Court Swat

(M. Hamid Mughal) Member Camp Court Swat 07.08.2018

Appellant in person present. Due to summer vacation the case is adjourned to 02.10.2018 for the same at camp court Swat.

02.10.2018

Appellant Bakht Amin in person present. Mr, Usman Ghani District Attorney for the respondents present. Appellant made a request for adjournment. Granted. To come up for arguments on 04.12.2018 before the D.B at camp court, Swat.



Chairman Camp Court Swat

04.12.2018

Irfan Muhammad Advocate present on behalf of appellant and Mr. Usman Ghani learned District Attorney for respondents present. Irfan Muhammad Advocate requested for adjournment on the ground that learned counsel for the appellant is not in attendance. Adjourn. To come up for arguments on 06.12.2018 before D.B at Camp Court Swat.



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Member Camp Court, Swat

06.12.2018

Appellant in person and Mr. Usman Ghani learned District Attorney present. Appellant seeks adjournment as his counsel is not in attendance. Adjourn. To come up for arguments on 06.02.2019 before D.B at Camp Court Swat.

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#### 03.04.2018

Clerk of counsel for the appellant and Mr. Usman Ghani, District Attorney Khawas Khan, S.I (Legal) for the respondents present. Seeks adjournment for submission of written reply. Granted. To come up for Written reply/comments on 08.05.2018 before S.B at camp court, Swat.

## Chairman Camp court, Swat

09.05.2018

The Tribunal is non-functional due to retirement of the Worthy Chairman. To come up for the same on 05.06.2018 before the S.B at camp court, Swat.

### 05.06.2013

Appellant Bakht Amin in person present. Mr. Khawas Khan, S.I (Legal) alongwith Mr. Usman Ghani, District Attorney for the respondents present. Written reply submitted. To come up for rejoinder, if any, and arguments on 07.08.2018 before the D.B at camp court, Swat.

Chairman Camp Court; Swat

02.02.2018

Learned counsel for the appellant present. Preliminary arguments heard and case file perused

Learned counsel for the appellant argued that the appellant was inducted in the Police Department and subsequently posted in Police Force of District Swat as Constable on 19.10.2004. At the time of dismissal from service, the appellant was performing his duty at Police Station Matta, District Swat. That during his service as Constable, the appellant has performed his duties in extremely harsh security situation when the militants had occupied several parts of District Swat. That due to some compelling circumstances the appellant could not perform his duty for certain period. Whereafter the appellant reported for duty, but he was informed about dismissal from service by respondent No. 3 vide order dated 08.12.2010, with effect from the date of absence i.e. \$7.58.2008. That the impugned order dated  $O_{200}$  is void as retrospective order is not acceptable in the eyes of law. That in similar cases belonging to Malakand Region the appellants were reinstated in service. That being similarly placed person, no limitation runs against void orders and similarly placed persons. Learned counsel also relied on the judgment reported as 2002 PLD (C.S) 268.



Points raised need consideration. Admitted for regular hearing subject to all legal objections including limitation. The appellant is also directed to deposit security and process fee within (10) days, whereafter notice be issued to the respondents department for written reply/comments on 08.03.2018 before S.B at Camp Court, Swat.

(Gul Zeb Khan) Member

Camp Court Swat.

08.03.2018

Appellant in person and Addl: AG alongwith Mr. Khawas Khan, SI for respondents present. Written reply not submitted. Requested for adjournment. Adjourned. To come up for written reply/comments on 03.04.2018 before S.B at camp court, Swat.

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Dr. Adnan Khan, Barrister-at-Law Office: Adnan Law Associates, <sup>6</sup> Opp. Grassy ground Mingora, Swat. Cell: 0346-9415233

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- Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa through Provincial Police Officer/IGP at Peshawar.
- The Regional Police Officer/DIG Police, Malakand Region at Saidu Sharif, Swat.

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- 3) The District Police Officer, Swat at Saidu Sharif.
- 4) DSP, Legal Swat Police at Saidu Sharif, Swat.

APPEAL UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL ACT, 1974 AGAINST THE ORDER OF IMPOSITION OF MAXIMUM PENALITY WHEREBY APPELLANT WAS DISMISSED FROM SERVICE.

Filedto-day

PRAYER:

On acceptance of this Appeal, the impugned order No. O.B 218 dated 08-12-2010 may be set aside and appellant be reinstated into service as Constable.

### Respectfully Sheweth:

- That the appellant was inducted in the Police Department and subsequently posted in police force of District Swat as Constable on 19-10-2004. At the time of dismissal from service, appellant was performing his duty at Police Station Matta, District Swat.
- 2. That during his service as Constable, appellant has performed his duties in extremely harsh security situation when the militants had occupied several parts of District Swat. Needless to say that a handsome majority of police officials serving in District swat were hesitant to continue their duties in the said period.
- 3. That appellant even in the said circumstances did not avail his annual leave and continued performing his duties to the entire satisfaction of his high ups. However, due to some compelling circumstances arising out of severe financial burden in the family, appellant could not perform his duty for a certain period.
- 4. That after the above mentioned absence, when the appellant appeared at his place of duty, he was informed about dismissal from service by respondent No.3 vide order dated 08-12-2010 (Copy of dismissal order is attached as Annexure "A").
- 5. That appellant being aggrieved with the dismissal order, presented various written and oral requests for his reinstatement before his high-ups, which were never respondent to by them.

That having his grievances not redressed by respondents, appellant lost all the hopes about his reinstatement. However, in the year 2015-16, various constables of Reserve Police with similar status as that of appellant were reinstated to service by the competent authorities. The last in the series of such orders was made on 18-03-2016 (Copies of reinstatement orders by Commandant FRP are attached as Annexure "B").

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- 7. That relying on such like orders, one Adil Said Ex-Constable No.763 of Swat Police approached this Hon'ble Tribunal through Service Appeal No.1214 of 2015. The said appeal was accepted by this Hon'ble Tribunal vide judgment dated 02-01-2017 (Copy of judgment is attached as Annexure "C").
- 8. That the above mentioned reinstatement orders and judgment of this Hon'ble Tribunal gave a fresh array of hope to appellant, hence he filed a fresh departmental appeal for his reinstatement before respondent No.2 on 27-07-2017 (Copy of reinstatement application is attached as Annexure "D").

9. That respondent No.2 vide order dated 30-08-2017, communicated very recently to the appellant, dismissed the above mentioned application alongwith applications of other Ex-employees of Police Department being time barred (Copy of order dated 30-08-2017 is attached as Annexure "E").

10. That feeling aggrieved with the above mentioned order of rejection of departmental Appeal, the appellant files this appeal, *inter alia*, on the following grounds:

### GROUNDS:

- A) That the impugned order has been passed unilaterally and in blatant violation of law, hence the same is liable to be set aside.
- B) That the requirements of due process, fairness and justness have not been complied in the present case. The appellant was neither show caused nor a statement of allegations was given to him.
- C) That appellant was not associated with the alleged inquiry.Hence, appellant has been condemned unheard in the instant case. Therefore, on this score as well the impugned order is liable to be set aside.
- D) That the mandatory requirement of publication has not been fulfilled in the instant case. Therefore, on this ground as wellthe impugned order is not tenable in the eyes of law.
- E) That numerous officers and officials of Malakand Regional Police had fled their duties at the time of insurgency. Majority of those individuals were reinstated into service after restoration of peace in the area. Regrettably, appellant has not been treated at par with those reinstated individuals.
- F) That no doubt, the last in the series of reinstatement applications has been made by the appellant at belated stage.However, as mentioned in the facts, these were the reinstatement orders in respect of sacked constables of FRP

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and judgment of this Hon'ble Tribunal in Service Appeal No.1214 of 2015, which gave the appellant a fresh cause of action. In this respect the rule laid down in a judgment reported as 2002 *PLC (C.S)* 268 is applicable, where it was held that no limitation shall run in cases of similarly placed employees.

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- G) That by virtue of the impugned order, punishment by way of imposition of major penalty has been inflicted upon the appellant retrospectively, i.e from the date of appellant's alleged absence and not from the date of decision. The impugned order being *void ab initio*, is liable to be set aside on this score as well. Furthermore, as per the consistent view of superior courts and this Hon'ble Tribunal in numerous judgments, limitation shall not run against a void order. Hence, the present appeal is within time for the said reason.
- H) That further grounds with leave of this Hon'ble Tribunal will be raised at the time of oral submissions.

Therefore, it is humbly prayed that on acceptance of this appeal, the impugned order be set aside and the appellant be reinstated in service with all back benefits. Any other remedy though may not specifically prayed for but which canons of justice would demand may also be granted.

Appellant

Bakht Amin

Through Counsel

Dr. Adnan Khan, Barrister-at-Law

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### **CERTIFICATE:**

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Certified that no such like appeal has earlier been filed before this Hon'ble Tribunal on the subject matter.

Appellant

Bakht Amin

Through Counsel

Dr. Adnan Khan, Barrister-at-Law



### BEFORE THE HON'BLE SERVICE TRIBUNAL, KHYBER PAKHTHUKHWA, PESHAWAR

Misc: Application No.\_\_\_\_\_ of 2018

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..... Applicant/Appellant

### VERSUS

Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and others

### APPLICATION FOR CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING THE INSTANT APPEAL.

### Respectfully sheweth,

- That the captioned appeal is being filed before this Hon'ble
   Tribunal, which is yet to be fixed for regular hearing.
- 2) That the appeal is having some apparent delay, which may become condoned inter alia on the following grounds:

#### GROUNDS:

A) That various civil servants at par with appellant have been recently reinstated into service by the competent authority. On the ground of rule of consistency and similar treatment, the appellant has a fresh cause of action to file this appeal.



- B) That as per the judgment of this Hon'ble Tribunal in Service Appeal No.1214 of 2015, a civil servant with similar case as that of the present appellant was reinstated into service, which also gave the appellant a fresh cause of action. In this respect the rule laid down in a judgment reported as 2002 *PLC (C.S)* 268 is applicable, where it was held that no limitation shall run in cases of similarly placed employees.
  - That by virtue of the impugned order, punishment by way of imposition of major penalty has been inflicted upon the appellant retrospectively, which makes the order *void ab initio*.
    As per the consistent view of superior courts and this Hon'ble Tribunal in numerous judgments, limitation shall not run against a void order.

In view of above, it is therefore, humbly prayed that any delay in filing this appeal may be condoned in the interests of justice.

Appellant/Applicant Through Counsel

Dr. Adnan Khan, Barrister-at-Law

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# BEFORE THE HON'BLE SERVICE TRIBUNAL, KHYBER PAKHTHUKHWA, PESHAWAR

Misc: Application No.\_\_\_\_\_ of 2018

In Service Appeal No.\_\_\_\_\_ of 2018

Bakht Amin..... Applicant/Appellant

### VERSUS

Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and others

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### <u>AFFIDAVIT</u>

I, **Bakht Amin** (Applicant/Appellant), do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that the contents of the above titled Misc: application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Indentified by

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Dr. Adnan Khan, Barrister-at-Law

DEPONENT

**Bakht Amin** 



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# BEFORE THE HON'BLE SERVICE TRIBUNAL, KHYBER PAKHTHUKHWA, PESHAWAR

Service Appeal No.\_\_\_\_\_ of 2018

Bakht Amin..... Appellant

### VERSUS

Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and others

### <u>AFFIDAVIT</u>

I, Bakht Amin (Appellant), do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that the contents of the above titled Appeal are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Furthermore, no such like appeal has earlier been filed before this Honourable Tribunal or elsewhere on this subject matter.

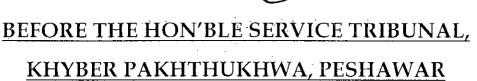
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Dr. Adnan Khan, Barrister-at-Law

DEPONENT

**Bakht Amin** 





Service Appeal No.\_\_\_\_\_ of 2018

Bakht Amin..... Appellant

#### VERSUS

Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and others

......Respondents

### ADDRESSES OF THE PARTIES

### **APPELLANT:**

Bakht Amin s/o Umar Khan, Ex-Constable No.871 Swat Police r/o Haroon Abad Odigram Tehsil Babozai, District Swat

CNIC# 15602-0492973-9

#### Cell # 0344-9992393

### **RESPONDENTS:**

- Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa through Provincial Police Officer/IGP at Peshawar.
- The Regional Police Officer/DIG Police, Malakand Region at Saidu Sharif, Swat.
- 3) The District Police Officer, Swat at Saidu Sharif.
- 4) DSP, Legal Swat Police at Saidu Sharif, Swat.

Appellant

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#### ORDER

This order will dispose off the enquiry initiated against Constable Bakht Amin No.871 of Police Station Matta absented himself from duty with effect from 17/08/2008 till to date vide D.D No. 09 dated 17/08/2008. followed by D.D No. 12 dated 11/10/2010 of Police Line without any prior permission or leave. As per finding report of Enquiry Officer DSP/Hqrs: Swat dated 11/11/2010 intimated that you have gone to Saudi Arabia for labour and not present in home, as per written verification of local elders namely Hazrat Bilal s/o Umar Khan r/o Odigram NIC No. 15602-8944617-3 and Itbar Ali s/o Mazang r/o Odigram NIC No. 15602-0454062-7. The charges leveled against you were proved and the enquiry officer recommended you for dismissal from service.

Consequently he was served Final Show Cause Notice No. 287/E dated 01/12/2010 but he did not submit his reply within stipulated period and remained absent.

Therefore I, Qazi Ghulam Farooq DPO Swat in exercise of the power vested in me under Removal from Service (Special Power) Ordinance 2000 (amendment ordinance 2001) awarded him major punishment of Dismissal from Service from the date of his absence i-e 17/08/2008.

Order announced.

District Police, Officer, Swat

Dr. Adnan Khan Advocate High Court

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#### ORDER

This order is hereby passed to dispose of departmental appeal under Rule 11- of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Police Rules 1975, submitted by Ex-Constable Khalil-ur-RehmanNo.4289 of FRP Malakand Range, against the order of the SP, FRP/Malakand Range, Swat in which the applicant was removed from service.

Brief facts of the case are that Ex-Constable Khalil-ur-RehmanNo.4289 of FRP Malakand Range was enlisted on 11-05-2006. He while posted to platoon No.78 district Swat, absented himself from lawful duty w.e.f. 02.12.2008 till to the date of his removal from service i.e. 21-02-2009 without any leave or prior permission of the competent authority for the period of 02 months and 20 days.

He was issued charge sheet along with summary of allegations vide SP FRP Malakand Range Swat office order Endst: No.775/EC, dated 16-12-2008, but neither he reported for duty nor submitted reply to the charge sheet in the stipulated period. He was also issued Urdu parwaha to resume his duty but he failed to submit reply in the response of the same within stipulated period, therefore The defaulter Constable was recommended for removal from service by the enquiry Committee.

In the light of recommendation of enquiry Committee he was removed from service vide office order OB: No.23, dated 21-02-2009.

The enquiry file of the applicant was perused and found that the applicant has nel deali. with proper departmental proceedings as he was not participated with the enquire proceedings while he was removed from service unheard.

He was also heard in person, during the course of hearing he advanced cogent reasons in his defense his plea was found plausible and satisfactory.

Kceping in view the above and as well as his poor family back ground 1. Take a lenient view, he (Ex-Constable Khalil-ur-RehmanNo.4289 of FRP Malakand Range) is hereby **re-installed** in service from the date of removal from service. However, the period of absence and the intervening period from service are treated as extra ordinary leave without pay.

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## ORDER

This order is hereby passed to dispose of departmental appeal under Rule 11-a. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Police Rules 1975, submitted by Ex-Constable Bshir Khan No. 4837/7457 of FRP Malakand Range against the order of the SP/ FRP, Malakand Range swat, in which the applicant was removed from service. Breif facts of the case are that Ex- Constable Bshir Khan No. 4837/7457 of FRP Malakand Range was enlisted in Police Department on 26.07.2007. While he was posted to Platoon No. 85 FRP/Swat absented himself form lawful duty w. e. from 27.06.2008 till the date of his removal from service i.e. 10.10.2008. He was issued charge sheet and summary allegation vide SP/FRP/Malakand Range swat office order Endst: No. 501/EC, dated 08.07.2008, but neither he reported his arrival for duty nor replied to charge sheet in the stipulated period. He was also issued final show cause notice vide this office Endst: No. 504 /EC, dated 015.07.2008, but his reply was not received in the stipulated period and the said Constable was recommended for removal from service by the enquiry committee.

In the light of recommendation of the enquiry committee he was removed from service vide SP/FRP/Swat Range office Endst: No. 138 dated 10.10.2008.

The enquiry file of the applicant was perused and found that the applicant has not dealt, with proper departmental proceedings as he was not participated with the enquiry proceedings while he was removed from service with slipshod manner.

He was also heard in person, during the course of hearing he advanced cogent reasons in his defense his plea was found plausible and satisfactory.

Keeping in view the above and as well as his poor family back ground I, take a lenient view he (Ex-Constable Bshir Khan No. 4837/7457 of FRP Malakand Range Swat, is hereby re-instated in service from the date of removal from service However, the period of absence and the intervening period from service are treated as extra ordinary leave without pay.

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spiperp micd Range, Swat 7/3/2016 /EC, dated Peshawar the \_\_\_\_\_\_/03/2016 No1977.

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### ORDER

This order is hereby passed to dispose of departmental appeal under Rule 11 Pakhtunkhwa Police Rules 1975, submitted by Ex- Constable Arshad Iqbal No.4832 of FRP Malakand Range, against the order of SP/FRP, Malakand Range, Swat in which the applicant was removed from service.

Brief facts of the case are that, Ex-Constable Arshad Iqbal No.4832 of FRP/Malakand was enlisted in Police department on 26-07-2007. He while posted to Platoon No.85-FRP, Buniar was absented himself from his lawful duty w.e.f 16-07-2008 till to the date of his removal from service. He was issued charge sheet and statement of allegations vides SP FRP Malakand Range Swat Office NO.768/EC dated 16-12-2008. He neither reported his arrival for duty nor submitted his reply to the charge sheet in the stipulated period and the defaulter Constable was recommended for removal from service by the Enquiry Committee.

In the light of recommendation of the enquiry committee the defaulter . Constable Arshad Iqbal No.4832 was removed from service vide SP FRP Malakand Range Swat office Endst: 241 dated 21-02-2008.

The enquiry file of the applicant was perused and found that the applicant was not participated with the enquiry proceedings while he was removed from service unheard. The SR/FRP Malakand Range Swat has narrated that the appellant a trained solder and recommended him for re-instatement in service vide his office Memo No. 2211/EC, dated 08.12.2015.

He was also heard in person, during the course of hearing he advance cogent reasons in his defense his plea was found plausible and satisfactory.

Keeping in view the above and as well as his poor family back ground 1. take a Jeniem view, he (Ex- Constable Arshad Iqbal No.4832 of FRP/Malakand Range) is hereby re-instated in service from the date of removal from service. However, the period of his absence and the intervening period from service are treated as extra ordinary leave without pay.

> Commandant Frontier Reserve Police Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

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### ORDER

This order shall dispose off the departmental appeal of Ex-Constable Bsir KhanNo. 4730 of FRP / Malakand Range Swat.

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Brief facts of the case are that he was enlisted in Police Department on 25.07.2007 and while posted to Platoon No. 82 FRP/Swat, absented himself form lawful duty w. e. from 04.08,2008 till his removal from service i.e. 19.11.2008. He was issued charge sheet and summary allegation vide SP/PRP/Malakand Range swat office order Endst: No. 634/EC, dated 30.10.2008, but neither he reported his arrival for duty nor replied to charge sheet in the stipulated period. He was also issued final show cause . notice vide this office Endst: No. 708 /EC, dated 01.11.2008, but his reply was not received in the stipulated period and the Enquiry Committee was recommended him for major penalty of removal from service.

In the light of recommendation of the enquiry committee he was removed from service by the SP/FRP/Malakand Range, Swat vide office order Endst: No. 1471 dated 19.11.2008.

The enquiry file of the applicant was perused and found that the applicant has not dealt with proper departmental proceedings as he was not participated with the enquiry proceedings while he was dismissed from service with slipshod manner.

He was also heard in person, during the course of hearing he advanced cogent reasons in his defense his plea was found plausible and satisfactory.

Kccpipg in view the above and as well as his poor family back ground he (Ex-Constable Bsir Khan No. 4730) of FRP / Malakand Range Swat, is here by re-instated in service from the date of dismissal from service However, the period of absence and the intervening period from service are treated as extra ordinary leave without pay.

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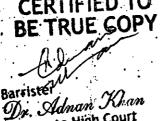
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This order shall dispose of the departmental appeal lodged by, Ex-Constable Jamshid Ali No.7838/4904 of FRP Malakand Range Swat against the order of SP FRP Malakand Range Swat.

Ex-Constable Jamshid Ali No.7838/4904 was enlisted as Constable on 26.09.2007; He while posted to Platoon No.86 Dir lower absented himself from his lawful duty w.e.f 28.09.2008 till his removal from service. He was issued charge sheet and statement of allegations vide SP Malakand Range Swat office No.750/EC dated 16.12.2008. Thus issued Final Show Cause Notice vide Endst: No.895/EC dated 03.01.2009 and the defaulter Constable was recommended for removal from service by the Enquiry committee. The defaulter Constable Jamshid Ali No.7838/4904 was removed from service vide SP Malakand Range Swat Office OB No.76 dated 12,05.2008.

He was heard in person. Keeping in view his poor family background, I take a lenient view and the order regarding award of punishment i.e. removal from service is here by set aside. Ex- Constable Jamshid Ali No.7838/4904 of FRP Malakand Range Swat is here by re-instated in service with immediate effect. However the period of absence and the intervening period from service are treated as extra ordinary leave without pay.

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This order is hereby passed to dispose of departmental appeal under Rule 11- of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Police Rules 1975, submitted by Ex-Constable Imran. KhanNo. 4279 of FRP Malakand Range, against the order of the SP, FRP/Kohat Range, in which the applicant was removed from service.

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Ex-Constable Imran KhanNo.4279 of FRP Malakand Range was enlisted on 13-01-2004. He while posted to platoon No.72 Gul Kadda district Swat, absented himself from lawful duty w.e.f. 06.10.2008 till to the date his removal from service i.e. 21-02-2009 without any leave or prior permission of the competent authority for the period of 04 months and 14

He was issued charge sheet along with summary of allegations vide SP FRP Malakand Range Swat Order Endst: No.775/EC, dated 16-12-2008, but neither he reported for duty nor submitted reply to the charge sheet in the stipulated period. He was also issued Urdu parwana to resume his duty but he failed to submit reply in the response of the same within stipulated period, therefore the defaulter Constable was recommended for removal from service by the enquiry Committee.

After completion of the enquiry the enquiry committee submitted the findings wherein recommending him for major punishment. In the light of recommendation of enquiry Committee he was removal from service vide office order Endst: No.312/EC. dated 21-

02-2009. The enquiry file of the applicant was perused and found that the applicant has not dealt with proper departmental proceedings as he was not participated with the enquiry proceedings while he was dismissed from service with slipshod manner.

He was also heard in person, during the course of hearing he advanced cogent reasons in his defense his plea was found plausible and satisfactory.

Keeping in view the above and as well as his poor family back ground it, take a lenient view, he (Ex-Constable Imran KhanNo.4279 of FRP Malakand Range) is hereby reinstated in service from the date of removal from service. However, the period of absence and oB/OUI/ECI the intervening period from service are treated as extra ordinary leave without pay.

Order announced.

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<u>ORDER</u>

This order shall dispose of the departmental appeal lodged by, Ex- Constable Muhammad Shahid No.4890 of FRP Malakand Range Swat, against the order of SP FRP Malakand Range Swat.

Ex-Constable Muhammad Shahid No.4890 was enlisted as Constable in Police Department on 26.07.2007. He while posted to FRP Lines Timergara District Dir Lower platoon No.86 absented himself from his lawful duty w.e.f.1.09.2008 till his removal form service. He was issued charge sheet and statements of allegation vide Endst: No. 648/EC, dated 30.10.2008, thus issued Final Show Cause Notice vide Endst: No.886/EC, dated 3.01.2009. The Constable was recommended for removal form service by the enquiry committee.

In the light of the recommendation of the enquiry committee and material available on the record the defaulter Constable Muhammad Shahid No.4890 was removed from service vide SP FRP Malakand Range Swat Endst: No.239, dated 21.02.200**9**. Like some other personnel to the force the appellant also absented himself due to uncertain and tense situation in Malakand division especially at swat District. As the appellant is a trained Constable therefore in the best interest of the state he was recommended by SP FRP Malakand Range Swat for re-instatement in service.

He was heard in person. Keeping in view his poor family background, I take a lenient view and the order regarding award of punishment i.e. removal from service is here by set aside. Ex- Constable Muhammad Shahid No.4890 of FRP Malakand Range Swat is here by reinstated in service from with immediate effect. However the period of absence and the intervening period from service are treated as extra ordinary leave without pay.

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Barrister Dr. Adnan Khan Advocate High Court other orders placed on record vide which similarly placed employees removed from service on the allegations of wilful absence during the insurgency period were reinstated in service by the Commandant, FRP Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar while the intervening period of absence from service was treated as extra-ordinary leave without pay. Learned counsel for the appellant argued that the appellant is also entitled to similar treatment as laid down by the august Supreme Court of Pakistan in case of Hameed Akhtar Niazi reported as 1996-SCMR-1185 and Tara Chand reported as 2005-SCMR-499.

5. Learned Senior Government Pleader has argued that it is not ascertainable from record that the case and grievances of the appellant are similar to those who were reinstated in service by the Commandant FRP. That in the absence of any such record it cannot be ascertained that the appellant is entitled to treatment, similar in nature and extended to the said civil servants.

6. We have heard arguments of learned counsel for the parties and perused the record.

7. The Commandant FRP vide orders referred to above had reinstated ex-constables including Khailur Rahman, Bashir Khan, Arshad Iqbal, Basir Khan and similar others vide orders referred to above. We are not in a position to ascertain from the record that the case of the appellant is similar to the afore-stated constables who were reinstated in service despite their absence during the period of insurgency and militancy. In such a situation we are left with no option but to accept the present appeal, set aside the impugned orders and direct

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that the appellate authority shall examine the case of the appellant with the cases of those constables who were reinstated in service by the Commandant FRP and in case the appellant is found entitled to similar treatment as extended to the said constables then the said authority shall also extend the same treatment to the present appellant. The appellant shall be afforded opportunity of hearing during the proceedings which shall be conducted and concluded within a period of 2 months from the date of receipt of this judgment. Parties are left to bear their own costs. File be consigned to the record room. Self M. Azina Khan Afridi, Chrismian Chrismian Christ Sevet Mind Hakson Men ber monneed 02.01.2017 Certified t be V. copy Bate of Prosentation of Application 10-01-2017 NUTEDOT OF WORKS /600 \_10= Copying Fee---Urgent NEASS of Corryles 10 -0/-< C Jme . e <u>(۲۹۹۹) میکاری</u> ۲۰۰۰ (۲۹۹۹) **CERTIFIED TO** TRUE COPY BE Barrister Dr. Adnan Khan Advocate High Court

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## OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL POLICE OFFICER, MALAKAND REGION AT SAIDU SHARIF SWAT

### ORDER:

The following Ex-Police officers of the Districts as noted against each were called in Orderly Room on 29/08/2017, in connection with their applications for reinstatement in Service and heard them in person. Their applications are hereby filed being time barred:-

S. No	Name and No	District	
1.	Ex-Constable Said Ali No. 1187	Buner	
, 2. V	Ex-Constable Bakht Amin No. 871	Swat	
3.	Ex-Constable Hazrat Ali No. 458	Dir Lower	
4. V	Ex-Constable Muhammad Rahman No. 639	Swat	
5	Ex-Constable Aziz Sultan No. <b>9</b> 84	Dir Lower	r
6.	Ex-SPF Naik Muhammad No. 868	Swat	

(AKHTĂR HAYAT KH Regional Police Officer, Malakand, at Saido Sharif Swat "Nagi"" ഷ

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Dated <u>30-08-12017.</u>

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Copy to District Police Officers, Swat, Buner and Dir Lower for information and with the directions to inform the applicants accordingly, please.

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# BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL PESHAWAR

# Service Appeal No.26/2018

Bakht Amin s/o Umar Khan, Ex-Constable No.871 Swat Police r/o Haroon Abad Odigram, Teshil Babozai, District Swat.

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## Parawise comments on behalf of Respondents.

#### Respectfully shewith: Preliminarily objection:-

- 1. That the service appeal is time barred.
- 2. That the service appeal is not maintainable in its present form.
- 3. The instant appeal is bad due to mis-joinder and non-joinder of necessary parties.
- 4. That the appellant is estopped due to his own conduct.
- 5. That the appellant has concealed material facts from this Honorable Tribunal.
- 6. That the appellant has got no cause of action and locus standi to prefer the instant appeal.
- 7. The appellant has not come to this Tribunal with clean hands.

#### ON FACTS

- Para No.01 regarding enlistment in Police Department and subsequent posting pertains to record, hence need no comments
- Incorrect. Being member of disciplined force every police official/officer is under obligation to perform his duties with zeal, zest and devotion irrespective of harsh, tense and calm environment, hence stance of the appellant is not tenable in the eye of Law.
- 3. Incorrect. Plea of the appellant regarding continued performance of his duties is not plausible because he was duty bound to do so. Moreover, the appellant admitted himself in a categorical manner that he could not perform his duties for a certain period but the fact regarding his absence

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was not mentioned as he was proceeded abroad which had been established during the enquiry proceedings.

4. Incorrect. The appellant while posted at Police Station Matta absented himself from lawful duty vide DD No.09 dated 17/08/2008 whereupon a proper departmental enquiry was initiated during the course of which the appellant was summoned time and again to join enquiry proceeding for defending himself but to no avail he was proceeded abroad and in this regard proper verification was carried out through elders of the locality. Hence the appellant was awarded punishment of dismissal from service by the competent authority.

5. Incorrect. The application/presentation of the appellant was thoroughly considered by the appellate authority which was filed on sound reasons.

6. Incorrect. Each and every case has its own facts and circumstances and fate of one case has no effects on others

7. Para already explained, hence needs no comments.

8. Para already explained, hence needs no comments.

9. Incorrect. The appellant in order to give legal cover to the issue of limitation propounded this story which has no legal footing to stand on.

10. That appeal of the appellant is liable to be dismissed on the following grounds amongst the others.

#### GROUNDS

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- A. Incorrect. Order passed by the competent authority is in consonance with Law, rules and material available on record, therefore liable to be maintained.
- B. Incorrect. The appellant was proceeded departmentally and enquiry was initiated during the course of which appellant was summoned time and again to defend himself but he did not bother to do so as he was proceeded abroad, hence plea of the appellant is not tenable in the eye of Law.
- C. Incorrect. As explained earlier he bitterly failed to join enquiry proceedings as report his arrival, hence after fulfillment of codal

formalities the punishment order was passed which does commensurate with the gravity of misconduct of appellant.

D. Para explained earlier, hence needs no comments.

- E. Incorrect. Each and every case has its own facts and circumstances and fate of one case has no effect on the other, therefore stance of the appellant is not plausible.
- F. Para already explained in the preceding Para, hence needs no comments.
- G. Incorrect. As discussed earlier the appellant had been awarded appropriate punishment after taking into consideration each and every aspect of the case, hence liable to be maintained.
- H. That respondents also seek permission of this honorable Tribunal to adduce additional grounds at the time of arguments.

#### PRAYER .-

In view of the above comments of answering respondents, it is prayed that instant appeal may be dismissed with cost.

Provincial Police-officer, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar (Respondent No.1)

Regional Police Officer,

Malakand Region at Saidu Sharif/Swat (Respondent No.2)

District Police Officer, Swat. (Respondent No.3)

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## AFFIDAVIT

We, the above respondents do hereby solemnly affirm and declare on oath that the accompanying Para-wise comments submitted in reply to above cited service appeal are correct to the best of our knowledge and nothing has been concealed from this Honorable

Tribunal.

Provincial Police officer, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar

(Respondent No.1)

(Respondents)

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#### AUTHORITY LETTER

We, the above respondents do hereby authorize Mr. Khawas Khan SI Legal Swat to appear in the Service Tribunal on our behalf on each date fixed in connection with titled Service Appeal and do whatever is needed.

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Service Appeal No. 368 of 2016

Fayaz Ali S/O Sardar Ali (Ex-Constable No. 914), R/O Village and Tehsil Charbagh, District Swat

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# APPEAL UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL ACT, 1974 AGAINST THE ORDER OF DISMISSAL FROM SERVICE AND IMPOSITION OF MAXIMUM PENALTY

PRAYER:

On acceptance of this Appeal, the impugned order O.B. No. 42 dated 11/03/2015 may be set aside and the appellant be restored as Constable in Swat Police.

Respectfully Sheweth:

1. That the appellant was appointed as constable in the Police Department in 2007. At the time of dismissal from service, the appellant was performing his duties at Police Station Mingora District Swat.

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# BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL CAMP COURT SWAT. Service Appeal No. 368/2016 Date of Institution... 05.04.2016 Date of decision... 02.01.2018

Fayaz Ali son of Sardar Ali (Ex-Constable No. 914) R/O Village and Tehsil Charbagh District Swat. (Appellant)

<u>Versus</u>

Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa through Provincial Police Officer Peshawar and 3 others. (Respondents)

Barrister Adnan Khan, Advocate

MR. Kabir Ullah Khattak Addl. Advocate General

### MR. NIAZ MUHAMMAD KHAN, .... MR. MUHAMMAD HAMID MUGHAL,

#### CHAIRMAN MEMBER

For respondents.

For appellant.

#### JUDGMENT

NIAZ MUHAMMAD KHAN, CHAIRMAN: - Arguments of the learned

counsel for the parties heard and record perused.

FACTS:

2. The appellant was removed from service on 11.3.2015 due to his absenc, against which he filed an application for reinstatement to the concerned authority which was rejected on 25.6.2015 and thereafter, the appellant filed an appeal to the Regional Police Officer on 7.7.2015 which was again rejected on 4.3.2016 and thereafter he filed the present service appeal on 05.04.2016.

**ARGUMENTS** 

3. The learned counsel for the appellant argued that the impugned order has been given retrospective effect which is a void order and no limitation shall run against void order, which cannot be sustained in the eyes of law.

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On the other hand, the learned AAG argued that the present appeal is time barred as the departmental appeal was also time barred. That there was no provision for the reinstatement application to the same authority. That the limitation would run from the impugned order dated 11.3.2015 for the purpose of departmental appeal. That the departmental appeal was filed almost four years after the original order. That all the

codal formalities were fulfilled.

# CONCLUSION

Without adverting to the merits of the case, the very order of removal from service has been given retrospective effect which is a void order. No limitation shall run against void order. This Tribunal in a number of cases has decided this issue on the basis

of judgment reported as 1985-SCMR-1178.

As a sequel to above discussion void order cannot be sustained in the eyes of law and no limitation shall run against void order. Hence this appeal is accepted and the 6. appellant is reinstated in service The department is however, at liberty to hold denovo proceedings within a period of ninety days from the date of receipt of this judgment. The issue of back benefits shall be subject to final outcome of denovo proceedings and if no denovo proceedings are initiated then the absence period may be treated as leave of the kind due. Parties are left to bear their own costs. File be consigned to the record room.

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#### [Supreme Court of Pakistan]

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Civil Appeals Nos. 108, 698,699,701 to 712, 849 to 861, 951 to 967, 971 to 975 and 1012 to 1017 of 2000, decided on 11th June, 2001.

(On appeal from the judgments of the N.-W.F.P. Service Tribunal, Peshawar dated 24-9-1998 passed in Appeal No.340/96, dated 26-1-2000 passed in Appeals Nos.348 and 349/98, dated 2-3-2000 passed in Appeals Nos.692 to 695 and 697 to 703 of 1998, dated 5-1-2000 passed in Appeal No.2740 of 1997, dated 7-2-2000 passed in Appeals Nos. 16, 20, 21, 42 to 51 of 1999, dated 18-1-2000 passed in Appeals Nos.261 to 265, 267 to 272, 274, 276 to 279 and 281 of 1999 and dated 8-3-2000 passed in Appeals Nos.420, 421, 425, 427, 433 and 434 of 1999).

#### (a) North-West Frontier Province Civil Servants Act (XVIII of 1973)---

--S. 2(1)(e)---Qanun-e-Shahadat (10 of 1984); Art.114---Constitution of Pakistan (1973), Art. 212(3)---Claim of civil servants to graded pay from date of initial appointment---Service Tribunal accepted appeals of civil servants holding them entitled to get graded pay from date of their appointments and arrears of pay from date of filing of departmental appeals---Validity---Civil servants were appointed on fixed pay basis as they did not possess basic qualifications at that time---Civil servants never raised any objection with regard to their fixed pay when they were employed or till the time they were awarded graded pay on acquiring requisite qualification---Having once accepted fixed pay for lack of requisite qualifications, civil servants were estopped by their conduct to claim graded pay from date of their initial appointments and they could not be allowed to contend set after a considerable long time---Supreme Court allowed the department's appeals.

Muhammad Riasat SET (Science) and others v. The Secretary of Education, Government of N.-W.F.P., Peshawar and 2 others 1997 SCMR 1626; Province of Sindh through the Secretary, Education Department, Karachi and 2 others v. Ghulam Rasul and 35 others 1976 SCMR 297 and N.-W.F.P. Government through Secretary Education, Peshawar and others v. Muhammad Qavi Khan 1996 SCMR 1011 ref.

#### (b) North-West Frontier Province Service Tribunals Act (I of 1974)---

----S. 4---Constitution of Pakistan (1973), Art. 212(3)---Limitation--Condonation of delay---Contention was that respondents' appeals filed before Service Tribunal were liable to be dismissed being hopelessly time-barred--Supreme Court condoned the delay, which was in some cases more than ten years, in the interest of justice and in view of the similarity of point involved, in other cases.

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Imtiaz Ali, Addl. A.-G., N.-W.F.P. for Appellants (in C.As. Nos. 108, 698, 699 and 701 to 712, 849 to 861, 951 to 967 and 1012 to 1017 of 2000).

Jan Muhammad Khan, Advocate-on-Record for Appellants (in C.As. Nos.971 to 975 of 2000).

Jan Muhammad, Advocate-on-Record for Respondents (in C.As. Nos. 701 to 711 of 2000).

Fatch Muhammad Khan, Advocate-on-Record for Respondents (in C.As. Nos. 108, 698 and 699 of 2000).

Khushdil Khan, Advocate Supreme Court for Respondents (in C.As. Nos.849 to 861 of 2000).

Muhammad Asif, Advocate Supreme Court for Respondents (in C.As. Nos. 951 to 967 of 2000).

Imtiaz Ali, Addl. A.-G., N.-W.F.P. for Respondents (in C.As. Nos. 971 to 975 of 2000).

Muhammad Asif, Advocate Supreme Court for Respondents (in C.As. Nos., 1012 to 1017 of 2000).

Respondent in-person (in C.A. No.712 of 2000).

Date of hearing: 11th June, 2001.

#### JUDGMENT

**MIAN MUHAMAMD AJMAL, J.**---By this common judgment we propose to dispose of Civil Appeals Nos. 108, 698, 699, 701 to 712, 849 to 861, 951 to 967, 971 to 975 and 1012 to 1017 of 2000 as they involve identical questions of law and facts.

#### Facts of C.A. No. 108 of 2000.

Malik Aman respondent was appointed as S.V. untrained Teacher on fixed pay by the Divisional Director of Education (Schools), Peshawar vide order dated 15-10-1980. He was allowed graded pay w.e.f. 1-8-1988 vide order dated 31-10-1988 after he passed C.T. examination. He also passed M.A. examination from University of Peshawar in 1992. He filed departmental appeal on 16-1-1996 for grant of running pay and other benefits claiming that he was entitled to graded pay from the date of his appointment. His departmental appeal was not responded within the statutory period, as such, he filed Appeal No.340 of 1996 before the N.-W.F.P. Service Tribunal, Peshawar (hereinafter to be called the Tribunals), which was allowed vide impugned judgment dated 24-9-1998, the respondent was declared entitled to the graded pay w.e.f 15-10-1980 i.e. 'the date of his appointment and he was also held entitled to the arrears from the date of his departmental appeal. Feeling aggrieved the appellants/department preferred C.P. 256-P/98, wherein leave was granted by this Court on 16-3-2000 as under:--

"Mr. Imtiaz Ali, learned Addl. A.G. N.-W.F.P., in support of this petition contended with reference to the case of Muhammad Riasat S.E.T. (Science) and others v. The Secretary Education, Government of N.-W.F.P. Peshawar and 2 others (1997 SCMR 1626) that besides the service appeal being hopelessly time-barred, the learned Tribunal has erred to grant relief to the respondent ignoring the law laid down by this Court in the case of Muhammad Riasat (supra) 4

(1997 SCMR 1626) that the civil servants were entitled to graded pay with effect from the date of obtaining basic qualification prescribed for the post he is holding and not from the date of appointment when he was not possessed of such prescribed qualification.

In the case of Muhammad Riasat (supra), this Court has held that the civil servants who had accepted the terms and conditions initially offered to them wherein they were entitled to a fixed pay of the scale without any increment and since he had attained the basic qualification from a specific date, he would be entitled to the graded pay with effect from the date he had acquired the basic qualification (in that case of B.Ed Examination) and not from the date of initial appointment on temporary basis.

Leave to appeal is granted to consider whether the learned Service Tribunal was not justified to follow the law laid down by this Court on the subject in the case of Muhammad Riasat (supra) (1997 SCMR 1626). "

Almost same is the position in connected Civil Appeals Nos.698, 699, 701 to 712, 849 to 864, 951 to 967 and 1012 to 1017 of 2000.

In Appeals Nos.971 to 975/2000, the appeals of the private appellants before the Tribunal were accepted as under:--

"On factual side, the appellants have got sufficient teaching experience at their credit. According to the authority of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of Pakistan 1976 SCMR page 297, no distinction can be made between a trained and untrained teacher with regard to the graded pay. Moreover, according to the Hon'ble Supreme Court of Pakistan, if an employee is made to work against a particular post, he is entitled to all the monetary benefits' attached therewith. The question of graded pay has been thoroughly thrashed by this Tribunal and the judgments have been upheld by the Supreme Court, of Pakistan. The reply of the respondent-department has got no cogent objection except the trained and untrained. If a person has qualified the basic requirement for a post from a certain date, he is fully entitled for the award of graded pay from the date of qualification and in other cases; the person holding the post is entitled to the pay of the post and not fixed pay. A civil servant who is made to work against a particular post is fully entitled to all the benefits attached to that post. So with these observations, the appeals in hand as well as the connected 10 appeals are accepted as prayed for, with no arrears and no advance increments. No order as to costs. File be consigned to the record."

Feeling aggrieved, the appellants challenged the, above decision of the 3J Tribunal before this Court through Petitions for Leave to Appeals Nos.301-P to 305-P of 2000, wherein leave was granted as under:--

"This order will dispose of C.Ps. 301-P to 305-P/2000. All these civil petitions call in question the legality of the order of the learned Service Tribunal whereby on the one hand they had been held entitled to graded pay from the date of induction in service as prayed for in the petition and on the other they were not given arrears and advance increments from the said date.

Learned counsel for the petitioners stated that this is contradictory order itself, because what was given on one hand has been taken on the other. He stressed that the petitioner should have been given all the benefits of graded pay from the date of joining the service. He referred to C.P. 170-P/2000 to C.P. 180-P/2000 and submitted that leave has been granted in the above cases on the same points. We also grant leave in these petitions to consider the above submission and also for the reasons given in the leave granting order of the other connected petitions."

Civil Appeals Nos.703 to 705 and 712 of 2000 are barred by time by 16 days and 92 days, respectively.

2. Learned Additional Advocate General contended that the appeals of the respondents were hopelessly time-barred from the date of their appointments as they approached the Tribunal after the lapse of long time, in some cases it is more than ten years, therefore, their appeals were liable to be dismissed on this score alone. He submitted that when they were employed in service they were untrained and did not possess the requisite qualifications for the posts, therefore, they were appointed on fixed pay as reflected in their letters of appointment. They on acceptance of the terms and conditions of their employment joined the service. They were granted graded pay after they acquired the requisite qualifications. They were estopped by their conduct to claim graded pay from the date of their initial appointment as they had accepted the terms and conditions of service when they were initially appointed. He urged that respondents were rightly given graded pay on acquiring the requisite qualifications for the post held by them. Reliance was placed on the case of Muhammad Riasat, SET (Science) and others v. The Secretary of Education, N.-W.F.P. Peshawar and 2 others (1997 SCMR 1626), wherein it has been laid down that the teachers were entitled to graded pay with effect from the date they attained basic qualification for the post and not from the date of initial appointment on temporary basis.

3. On the other hand, learned counsel for the appellants in C.As. 971 to 975 and respondents in other appeals, contended that no doubt respective appellants and the respondents were untrained teachers till they acquired the requisite qualification, whereupon they were allowed graded pay from the date they qualified the training course, however, they served as teachers and discharged full duties like trained teachers, as such, they were entitled to running pay alongwith annual increments and other service benefits. Reliance was placed on Province of Sindh through the Secretary, Education Department, Karachi and .2 others v. Ghulam Rasul and 35 others (1976 SCMR 297) and N.-W.F.P. Government through Secretary Education, Peshawar and others v. Muhammad Qavi Khan (1996 SCMR 1011)

4. In the interest of justice and similarity of the point involved in all the cases, the delay in filing Civil Appeals Nos.703 to 705 and 712 of 2000 is condoned.

5. After hearing the learned counsel for the parties and going through the record of the case, we are inclined to follow the law laid down in Muhammad Riasat's case, supra as the learned Bench, after examining the divergent decisions rendered in C.P. 204-P, 205-P of 1991 and C.P 288-P of 1993 (1996 SCMR 1011) and relying on page 1005 placitum H given in Federation of Pakistan v. Shahzada Shahpur Jan and others (1986 SCMR 991), held as under:--

"that in the circumstances of these cases the petitioners in all these petitions had accepted the terms and conditions initially offered to them wherein they were held entitled to a fixed pay of the scale without any increment. Since they have attained the basic qualification from a specific date, they are entitled to the graded pay with effect from the date they had passed their B.Ed. Examination and not from the date of initial appointment on temporary basis. The learned Service Tribunal was, therefore, correct to hold that the petitioners were not entitled to the graded pay with effect from the date of their appointment and that they could claim the graded pay with effect from passing their B.Ed. Examination. This finding of the learned Tribunal does not suffer from any infirmity of the kind warranting our interference under Article 212(3) of. the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973."

It is an admitted fact that the respondents at the time of their initial appointment did not possess the basic qualification for the post and they accepted the terms and conditions of their service whereby they were employed on fixed pay. They never raised any objection with regard to their fixed pay

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when they were employed or till the time they were awarded graded pay on acquiring the requisite qualification. Once the respondents had accepted the fixed pay for the lack of requisite qualification, they were estopped by their conduct to claim graded pay from the date of their initial appointment and they cannot be allowed to take a turn after a considerable long time to say that they were entitled to the graded pay from the date of their initial appointment though they were not qualified for the same.

6. Consequently, we allow appeals filed by the department and dismiss that of the private appellants i.e. C.As. 971 to 975/2000. In C.A. 962/2000 C as the respondent has not acquired the requisite qualification so far, therefore, the impugned judgment to his extent is set aside and he is declared to be not entitled to the graded pay. No order as to costs.

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Order accordingly.