

BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL, PESHAWAR.

Service Appeal No. 3728/2020

Date of Institution

21.04.2020

Date of Decision

07.09.2021

Ijaz Khan son of Mumtaz Khan, Process Server Senior Civil Judge, Bannu, R/O Bangi Khel, Sorani, P.O. Nizam Bazar, Tehsil & District Bannu.

(Appellant)

VERSUS

District & Sessions Judge, Bannu and one another.

(Respondents)

Present:

MR. INAYAT ULLAH KHAN,

--- For Appellant.

Advocate

MUHAMMAD ADEEL BUTT,

Additional Advocate General

--- For respondents.

AHMAD SULTAN TAREEN

CHAIRMAN

ROZINA REHMAN

--- MEMBER(Judicial)

JUDGEMENT

AHMAD SULTAN TAREEN, CHAIRMAN:-The Appellant, through service appeal described above in the heading, has invoked the jurisdiction of this Tribunal for relief put forth in the prayer as copied below:

"On acceptance of this service appeal, the original impugned orders dated 21.01.2020, 17.02.2020 and final order dated 17.03.2020 may kindly be set aside and the appellant may kindly be awarded back benefits for the intervening period w.e.f 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2019. Any other relief to whom the appellant is found entitled may also be granted."

2. Having no need for detailed discussion of the factual account as given in the memorandum of appeal, suffice to point out that the appellant was dismissed from service with imposition of major penalty which impelled him firstly to seek the relief through departmental appeal and then through Service Appeal No1232/2017 before this Tribunal, having failed to get any



remedy from the departmental appellate forum. The said appeal was decided vide judgment dated 17.10.2019. According to operative part of the said judgment, the appeal was accepted. Consequently, impugned order dated 22.07.2017 was set aside and the appellant was reinstated into service with direction to the respondents to conduct de-novo inquiry strictly in accordance with law and rules within a period of 90 days after receipt of the judgment. The issue of back benefits was made subject to the outcome of de-novo inquiry. According to the order dated 21.01.2020 as annexed with the memorandum of appeal, competent authority as a result of de-novo inquiry in pursuance to judgment of this Tribunal, held him guilty of misconduct and liable to punishment under the rules. Resultantly, the said authority i.e. Senior Civil Judge, Bannu imposed upon the appellant penalty of censure as provided under the Rule-4 (1) (A) (i) of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules, 2011. The Appellant filed departmental appeal to the next higher authority i.e. the District & Sessions Judge, Bannu against the said order. The learned appellate authority dismissed the departmental appeal of the appellant on 17.03.2020. Obviously, being not happy, the appellant invoked the jurisdiction of this Tribunal on the basis of facts and grounds mentioned in his memorandum of appeal.

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3. Learned counsel for appellant argued that the impugned orders are against law, facts and material available on record, hence, not tenable in the eyes of law being in violation of Article 4, Article 10-A, Article 13-A, and Article 25-A of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973. He submitted that the appellant was exonerated from any liability or his involvement in the matter of civil dispute by the PWs whose statements were recorded during the course of regular inquiry. The observation to the

effect that the charge stood established against the appellant being misconceived, without substance and force. Learned counsel submitted that the findings of the Inquiry Officer, Competent Authority and Appellate Authority are the result of misreading or non-reading of the statements of witnesses, hence, not tenable in the eyes of law and the impugned orders are liable to be set at naught alone on this ground. Further submitted that two punishments could not be awarded in intertwined shape for one charge. Lastly, he submitted that the impugned orders are also violative of Section 24-A of General Clauses Act as the competent authority failed to pass a speaking order with sound reasons. Therefore, he requested for setting aside the impugned orders by awarding the back benefits w.e.f 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2019.

- 4. Conversely, learned A.A.G contended that the order of the authority is legal and lawful. He submitted that the involvement of appellant floats on the surface of record and the appellant, being an employee of District Judiciary, should have refrained himself from any act, which may give smell of bad practices by involvement in such act which goes to tarnish the image and impartiality of District Judiciary as a whole as well. Further submitted that there is no ill-will against the appellant. He got involved in practices which made him liable for disciplinary action under the law. Lastly, he while defending the impugn orders, stated that on one hand, the appellant admits that he was penalized with penalty of censure but on the other hand, he is claiming back benefits which makes his conduct doubtful and penalty may be minor or major but the main thing is conviction which the appellant admitted, therefore, requested for dismissal of the instant service appeal.
- 5. We have heard the arguments and perused the record.



6. The case of the appellant in the simplest terms in light of the factual account summed up hereinabove is that he is aggrieved both from the penalty of censure as well as from refusal of respondent No.2 i.e. the Senior Civil Judge, Bannu to grant him the back benefits. The order dated 17.02.2020, about refusal of the said benefits is available on record as annexed with the appeal. It is there in the said order that Mr. Ijaz Khan Process Server was dismissed from his services vide order dated 22.07.2017, for which he filed an appeal before the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal for reinstatement. On acceptance of Appeal No.1232/2017 on 17.10.2019, he was reinstated into service. The issue of back benefits was subjected to outcome of de-novo inquiry. It is further observed vide order dated 17.02.2020 that after conclusion of the de-novo inquiry, minor penalty of censure was imposed upon accused official as he was found guilty of part allegations vide order dated 21.01.2020. It was concluded that the accused official admittedly had not performed his duties during the period under dismissal, therefore, he was not held entitled to any back benefits at the time of final order of imposing penalty of censure.

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7. It is a matter of fact that the appellant was dismissed from service and he was reinstated into service subsequently on the basis of judicial pronouncement in Service Appeal No.1232/2017 decided on 17.10.2019 with liberty to the respondents for conducting of de-novo inquiry. Certainly, the reinstatement of the appellant after setting aside of his dismissal order had become final when the appellant in consequence of the de-novo inquiry was imposed with a minor penalty of censure. It seems that the competent authority was oblivious of the option given in the judgment dated 17.10.2019 of this Tribunal about the issue of back benefits and may be for this reason, the order as to disposal of the de-novo inquiry as impugned in

this appeal is silent about granting or not granting of the back benefits in aftermath of the penalty of censure. The reasons given in order dated 17.02.2020 about rejection of the appellant's application for back benefits are not workable under the facts and law. It is not disputable that the appellant was reinstated after setting aside of his dismissal order. What the law as contained in Sectioon-17 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Civil Servants Act, 1973 says that where a civil servant has, under an order which is later set aside, being dismissed or removed from service or reduced in rank, he shall, on setting aside of such order, be entitled to such arrears of pay as the authority setting aside such order may determine. Having a legal entitlement for back benefits of the arrear of pay for the intervening period between the date of dismissal of appellant from service and the date of his reinstatement into service, the refusal of such benefits for the given period is unjust. Therefore, the appellant is hereby held entitled for the back benefits as indicated hereinbefore and the impugned order dated 17.02.2020 about refusal of said benefits is set aside. However, the penalty of censure is maintained and the appeal to this extent shall be deemed as dismissed. The appeal stands disposed of in the given terms with direction to the respondent No.2 to grant arrears of the pay as back benefits to the appellant. There is no order as to costs. File be consigned to the record room.

ANNOUNCED 07.09.2021

ROZINA REHMAN) MEMBER(J) (AHMAD SULTAN TAREEN) CHAIRMAN <u>Order</u> 07.09.2021

Appellant present through counsel.

Muhammad Adeel Butt, learned Additional Advocate General for respondents present. Arguments heard and record perused.

Vide our judgment of today of this Tribunal placed on file, the appellant is hereby held entitled for the back benefits as indicated hereinbefore and the impugned order dated 17.02.2020 about refusal of said benefits is set aside. However, the penalty of censure is maintained and the appeal to this extent shall be deemed as dismissed. The appeal stands disposed of in the given terms with direction to the respondent No.2 to grant arrears of the pay as back benefits to the appellant. There is no order as to costs. File be consigned to the record room.

Announced. 07.09.2021

(Rozina Rehman) Member (J) (Ahmad Sultan Tareen) Chairman 12.01.2021

Appellant is present in person. Mr. Kabirullah Khattak, Additional Advocate General and Mr. Shafqat Ullah Khan, Superintendent, on behalf of respondents No. 1 & 2, are also present.

Written reply on behalf of respondents not submitted. Representative of the department is seeking further time for submission of written reply/comments. Adjourned to 17.02.2021 on which date file to come up for written reply/comments before S.B.

(MUHAMMAD JAMAL KHAN) MEMBER (JUDICIAL)

17.02.2021

Junior to senior counsel for appellant is present. Mr. Kabirullah Khattak, Additional Advocate General and Mr. Shafqatullah, Superintendent, for the respondents are also present.

Representative of the department submitted written reply/comments on behalf of respondents No. 1 & 2 which is placed on record. Adjourned to 06.05.2021 on which date file to come up for rejoinder and arguments before D.B.

(Muhammad Jamal Khan) Member

06.05.2021

Due to demise of the Worthy Chairman, the Tribunal is non-functional, therefore, case is adjourned to 07.09.2021 for the same as before.

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20.10.2020

Appellant is present in person. Mr. Kabirullah Khattak, Additional Advocate General is also present.

Neither written reply on behalf of respondents submitted nor any representative on behalf of the respondent-department is present, therefore, notices be issued to them for submission of written reply/comments. File to come up for written reply/comments on 23.11.2020 before S.B.

(Muhammad Jamal Khan) Member (Judicial)

23.11.2020

Appellant is present in person. Mr. Kabirullah Khattak, Additional Advocate General for the respondents is also present.

Written reply on behalf of respondents not submitted. Learned Additional Advocate General requests for further time to contact the respondents and furnish written reply/comments on the next date of hearing. Adjourned to 12.01.2021 on which date file to come up for written reply/comments before S.B.

(MUHAMMAD JAMAL KHAN) MEMBER (JUDICIAL) 19.05.2020 Nemo for the appellant. Adjourned. To come up for preliminary hearing on 03.06.2020 before S.B.Notice be issued to the appellant and his counsel.

(M. Amin Khan Kundi) Member (J)

03.06.2020

Nemo for the appellant.

Notices as required on 19.05.2020 seem to have not been issued. Fresh notices be issued to appellant/counsel for the next date of hearing. To come up for preliminary hearing on 12.08.2020 before S.B.

Chairman

12.08.2020.

Counsel for the appellant present.

Contends that initially there were three charges against the appellant, out of which two were withdrawn through the show cause notice. The remaining allegation was regarding role of appellant in jirga between two rival litigating parties and receiving cash amount as well as jewelry weighing nine Tolas. The last mentioned charge was not included in the original complaint nor the enquiry officer found the appellant guilty of the same. Despite, the competent authority imposed impugned penalty of Censure through order dated 21.01.2020. The competent authority, while disentitling the appellant from back benefits, kept under consideration only the fact that the appellant did not perform duty for the period he remained under dismissal. Apart from that no valid reason ever prevailed with the competent authority.

Subject to all just exceptions and in view of available record alongwith arguments of learned counsel, instant appeal is admitted to regular hearing. The appellant is directed to deposit security and process fee within 10 days. Thereafter, notices be issued to the respondents for submission of written reply/comments on 20.10.2020 before S.B.

Chairman

Form- A

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		and put up to the Learned Member for proper order please.
2-		This case is entrusted to S. Bench for preliminary hearing to be
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	11.05.2020	Nemo for the appellant. Adjourn
		preliminary hearing on 19.05.2020 before S.B.
		(Mian Muhammad) Member
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The appeal of Mr. Ijaz Khan son of Mumtaz Khan received today i.e. on 21.04.2020 by Mr. Inayat Ullah Khan, Advocate is incomplete on the following score which is returned to his counsel for completion and resubmission within 15 days.

1- Annexure-A of the appeal is illegible which may be replaced by legible/better one.

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Dated: 03.04.2020

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BEFORE THE PROVINCIAL SERVICE TRIBUNAL, KPK, PESHAWAR.

Khyber Pakhtukhwa Service Tribunal

Diary No. 2521

Date 21-4-2020

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Service Appeal No._____/2020

Ijaz Khan son of Mumtaz Khan

Process Server

Senior Civil Judge, Bannu

R/O Bangi Khel, Sorani, P.O. Nizam Bazar,

Tehsil and District Bannu..... Appellant

Versus

- 1) District and Sessions Judge, Bannu.
- 2) Senior Civil Judge, Bannu...... Respondents

Appeal u/s 4 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal Act, 1974 against the impugned original order 21.01.2020 whereby the penalty of "CENSURE" was imposed upon the appellant in denovo inquiry proceedings against Departmental Appeal dated 06.02.2020 was preferred before the appellate authority which was declined vide order dated 17.03.2020 and the same was communicated to the appellant 30.03.2020, hence the instant appeal is presented before this Hon'ble Tribunal within 30 days stipulated period, which is well within time.

It is pertinent to mention that the appellant also preferred an application dated 23.01.2020 for grant of back

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benefits for the intervening period w.e.f 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2019 but the same was declined vide order dated 17.02.2020 against which departmental appeal dated 26.02.2020 was preferred before the appellate authority but the same was also declined vide single order dated 17.03.2020, which is mentioned in the heading of this Appeal.

Prayer:

On acceptance of this service appeal, the impugned original orders dated 21.01.2020, 17.02.2020 and final order dated 17.03.2020 may kindly be set aside and the appellant may kindly be awarded back benefits for the intervening period w.e.f 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2019.

Any other relief to whom the appellant is found entitled may also be granted.

Respectfully Sheweth;

Brief facts giving rise to the instant appeal are as under:-

1) That the appellant was appointed as Process Server in BPS-3 on 04.11.2003 by order of Senior Civil Judge, Bannu.

(Copy of appointment order is attached as Annex: "A").

- 2) That the appellant has more than 16 years service at his credit so far.
- 3) That the appellant earlier filed service appeal No.1232/2013, against his dismissal order dated

22.07.2017, which was allowed by the Hon'ble Service Tribunal vide judgment dated 17.10.2019 by reinstating him in service with the directions to respondents to conduct denovo inquiry strictly in accordance with law and rules within a period of 90 days after the receipt of this judgment.

It was further observed by the Hon'ble Tribunal that the issue of back benefits shall be subject to the outcome of the denovo inquiry.

(Copy of service appeal No.1232/2013 along with judgment dated 17.10.2019 are attached as Annex: "Sand respectively).

4) That respondent No.2 i.e. Senior Civil Judge, Bannu issued notice No.1034/SCJ dated 09.11.2019 to the appellant seeking his reply regarding complaint No.11706 within 03 days.

(Copy of notice dated 09.11.2019 is attached as Annex: '(a'').

5) That the appellant filed a detailed reply dated 22.11.2019 to the Senior Civil Judge wherein it was contended that the alleged complaint No.11706 is the outcome of malafide, ill-will and the appellant was unnecessarily falsely implicated without having any role in the matter being innocent.

(Copy of reply dated 22.11.2019 is attached as Annex: "E").

That respondent No.2 appointed Kaleem Ullah, Civil Judge-VI, Bannu as Inquiry Officer who served the appellant with vide charge sheet dated Nil for allegations contained therein.

(Copy of charge sheet is attached as Annex: "().

7) That the appellant filed his detailed reply by refuting/ denying all the baseless allegations contained in the charge sheet with sound reasoning with a request to withdraw the proceedings in the best interest of justice by exonerating him from the baseless allegations.

(Copy of reply dated 06.12.2019 is attached as Annex: "(%).

8) That the Inquiry Officer recorded statements of PW-1, PW-2, PW-3 and PW-4 regarding complaint No.11706 whereby opportunity of cross examination was afforded to the appellant.

Ali Khan and PW-2 namely Sher Ayaz Khan also filed an application dated 09.12.2019 regarding complaint No.11706 with a prayer that since Ijaz Khan son of Mumtaz Khan was not involved in the matter of arbitration or acted as Arbitrator/ Agent. The civil dispute was arbitrated by Mufti Hidayatullah Shah and Mufti Rizwan who also pronounced the arbitration award which is also available in written form upon which the parties were agreed.

It is also mentioned in the application that we also requested to withdraw the complaint No.11706 in the Court of Additional Sessions Judge-III, Bannu.

(Copy of application dated 09.12.2019 to withdraw complaint No.11706 is attached as Annex: "H" while statements of PW-1 to 4 are attached as Annex: I to I/3" and copy of Arbitration Award is attached as Annex: "I/4").

9) That an inquiry report dated 17.12.2019 was completed by the Inquiry Officer wherein minor penalty was suggested to be imposed upon the appellant and thereafter the

inquiry report was forwarded to respondent No.2 i.e. Senior Civil Judge, Bannu.

(Copy of inquiry report dated 17.12.2019 is attached as Annex: [7].

10) That after receipt of the inquiry report by respondent No.2, the appellant was served with a final show cause notice No.109/SCJ dated 13.01.2020.

(Copy of final show cause notice dated 13.01.2020 is attached as Annex: "\≠")

11) That the appellant filed his reply dated 14.01.2020 to the respondent No.2 wherein it was categorically stated that from the statements of PWs, it becomes abundantly clear that the appellant neither involved in the arbitration proceedings of a civil dispute nor remained as Jirga member, therefore, he may kindly be exonerated from the allegations as contained in the charge sheet, show cause notice and inquiry report.

(Copy of reply dated 14.01.2020 is attached as Annex: "(a").

12) That respondent No.2 being the competent authority vide order dated 21.01.2020 imposed the minor penalty of "CENSURE" upon the appellant in terms of Rule-4(I)(a)(i) of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules, 2011.

(Copy of impugned order dated 21.01.2020 is attached as Annex: "M").

13) That the appellant feeling aggrieved preferred his departmental appeal dated 06.02.2020 against the impugned original order dated 21.01.2020 before the

appellate authority i.e respondent No.1 but the same was declined vide single order dated 17.03.2020.

(Copy of departmental appeal dated 06.02.2020 along with impugned final order dated 17.03.2020 are attached as Annex: and of

14) That the appellant also preferred an application dated 23.01.2020 to respondent No.1 for award of back benefits for the intervening period w.e.f. 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2019 upon which comments were called from the office of District Accounts Officer, Bannu.

It is pertinent to mention that District Accounts Officer vide letter dated 03.02.2020 addressed to respondent No.2 furnished his reply viz-a-viz grant of back benefits to the appellant. The District Accounts Officer referred to FR-54 which may deal with the issue of back benefit or the case may be referred to Law Department Peshawar for further guidance.

(Copy of application dated 23.01.2020 filed by the appellant for award of back benefit is attached as Annex: while letter dated 25.01.2020 addressed by respondent No.2 to the District Accounts Officer, Bannu seeking guidance is attached as Annex: and reply dated 03.02.2020 furnished by District Accounts Officer is attached as Annex:

15) That respondent No.2 vide order dated 17.02.2020 refused to grant back benefits to the appellant.

(Copy of impugned order dated 17.02.2020 is attached as Annex:

16) That the appellant feeling aggrieved also preferred his departmental appeal dated 26.02.2020 to the Appellate

Authority i.e. respondent No.1 for grant of back benefits, but the same was also declined vide single order dated 17.03.2020.

(Copy of departmental appeal dated 26.02.2020 is attached as Annex: while impugned final order dated 17.03.2020 is already attached is Para No.13).

17) That feeling aggrieved against impugned original order 21.01.2020, 17.02.2020 and final single order dated 17.03.2020 the appellant files this service appeal before this Hon'ble Services Tribunal within the stipulated period of 30 days as per mandate of law.

GROUNDS FOR APPEAL:

- a) That the impugned orders are against the law, facts and material available on record, hence not tenable in the eyes of law which is violative of Article 4, Article 10-A, Article 13 and Article 25 of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
- b) That the appellant was exonerated from any liability or his involvement in the matter of civil dispute by the PWs whom statements were record during course of regular inquiry, hence the observation to the effect that the charge stand established against the appellant being misconceived, without substance and force. The findings of the Inquiry Officer, competent authority and Appellate Authority are the result of misreading or non-reading of the statements of witnesses, hence not tenable in the eyes of law and the impugned orders are liable to be set at naught alone on this ground.

It is pertinent to mention that PW-1 namely Guldar Ali Khan and PW-2 namely Sher Ayaz Khan also filed an application dated 09.12.2019 to withdraw complaint

No.11706 with a categoric statement that the appellant neither involved in the matter of arbitration regarding a civil dispute nor acted as Arbitrator/ Agent, therefore, keeping in view this categoric statement no justification existed on record to base any sort of incriminating findings by the authorities.

- that the malafide of the authorities is evident from the fact that though PW-1 and PW-2 filed an application to withdraw the complaint No.11706 but even then they were adamant to pursue with the baseless proceedings just to penalize the appellant at all cost having no sense at all in the light of established norms of justice, fair play and equity. When the complainant was not interested to pursue the proceedings with regard to complaint No.11706 then whether the same can be conducted on the command of the authorities or otherwise.
- That the impugned orders are also violative of the mandatory provisions of Article 13 of the Constitution of Pakistan, which in essence states that no one can be penalized or vexed twice for the same cause as the appellant was not only dismissed from his service who was reinstated by the judgment of this Hon'ble Tribunal and later-on in denovo proceedings conducted by the Inquiry Officer whereby penalties of CENSURE and declining back benefits to the appellant were imposed upon him in an intertwined shape not sustainable in the eyes of law, which is also violative of a reported judgment 2007 PLC (CS) 1234.

It is pertinent to refer the relevant portion of the said judgment for ready reference of this Hon'ble Tribunal:

"Two punishments could not be awarded in intertwined shape for one charge. Such was

another illegality committed by the Appellate Authority". (2007 PLC (CS), 1234

It was also held in a judgment that;

"It would be unjust to deprive a civil servant of back benefits for the intervening period he remained out of job without any fault on his part. (2011 TD Service (b) Federal Service Tribunal. PLD 1992 SC 207, PLD 1993 SC 200, 2011 PLC (CS) 1665.

It was also held in a landmark judgment reported in 2013 SCMR 752 wherein it was held;

"Back benefits, increments and proforma promotion be granted to a civil servant upon his reinstatement in service"

- e) That the Inquiry Officer in its findings observed that no charges of dealing with stolen vehicle or dealing with counterfeit currency established against the appellant, hence he was exonerated on one hand while he was penalized on the other just on the basis of a complaint No.11706 which was withdrawn with an application dated 09.12.2019 filed by PWs 1 and 2. Hence the impugned orders are liable to be set aside on this ground as well.
- f) That the impugned orders are also violative of section 24-A of General Clauses Act as the competent authority failed to pass a speaking order with sound reasons.
- g) That additional grounds will be raised at the bar with kind permission of this Hon'ble Tribunal.

Keeping in view, what has been stated above, it is, therefore, humbly prayed to allow the instant Service Appeal by setting aside the penalty of **CENSURE** and

denying back benefits to the appellant with the prayer to set aside the impugned original order 21.01.2020, 17.02.2020 and final single order dated 17.03.2020 and the appellant may be awarded back benefits w.e.f. 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2019 in the light of reported judgment 2013 SCMR 752 and 2007 PLC (CS), 1234.

Any other relief, which has not been specifically asked for and to whom the appellant is found entitled may also be granted.

Appellant **Ijaz Khan**

Process Server

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Through

Dated: 03.04.2020

Inayat Ullah Khan Advocate High Court LL. M (U.K)

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I, **Ijaz Khan** son of Mumtaz Khan, Process Server, Senior Civil Judge, Bannu R/O Bangi Khel, Sorani, P.O. Nizam Bazar, Tehsil and District Bannu do hereby affirm and declare on oath that the contents of the application are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and nothing has been concealed from this Hon'ble Tribunal.

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- 2) Senior Civil Judge, Bannu.

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Inayat Ullah Khan Advocate High Court LL.M (U.K)

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OFFICE ORDER

In pursuance of the recommendation of the departmental selection committee, of which the meeting was held in the office of the undersigned for the selection to the posts of Process Servers, Chowkidar, Naib Qasids and Sweeper, the following candidates are hereby appointed against the posts mentioned herein below:-

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S.No. Name of Candidate

- Gul Rehman S/O Akram Khan R/O Muslam Abad Bannu. (S.No.8).
- Sarhad Ali son of Dil Nawaz R/O Mushar Daud Shah Bannu (S.No.70).
- 3- Muhammad Zahoor S/O Allah Dad Khan R/O Musa Khel (S.No.17).
- 4- Ijaz Khan son of Mumtaz Khan Residents Of Bangi Khel Surani, Bannu. (S.No.1).
- 5- Afsar Khan son of Sher Ali Khan R/O Azad Kakki Bannu. (S.No.88).
- 6- Rashid Khan son of Abdul Nawaz Khan R/O Mir Abbas (S.No.96).
- 7- Mumtaz Khan S/O Zarwali Shah R/O Tanchi Bazar Bannu City. (S.No.105).
- 8- Ameenullah son of Muhammad Ghous Ali R/O Lakki Gate, Bannu City (S.No.106).
- 9- Wahid Murad Son of Bismillah Jan R/O Bevoot Bandi Dak Bannu. (S.No.104).
- 10- Saifullah Khan son of Bismillah R/O Seri Banda Khel Bannu (S.No.93).
- 11- Khalil Nawaz Son of Muhammad Nawaz R/O Manja Khel Bannu. (S.No.36).
- 12- Raifullah Khan son of Mir Qad Ayaz Khan Resident of Aimal Khel, Esakki, Bannu. (S.No.115).
- 13- Muhammad Aizal Son of Ahmad Yar Resident Of Jaqid Abad No.1 Bannu City. (S.No.24).
- 14- Adil Khan son of Khan Zaman Resident of Ghorwala Bannu. (S.No.34).



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S.No. Name of Candidate

- Jaiki Minahaka Ibrebia S/C Unor Derez Khen R/O Sukeri Hefizen Bennu.
- 2- Eyed Asguer All Shen 3/0

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 Dhirma Khel, Bannu.

POSTS OF NAIB GASID

S.No. Name of Candinate.

- 1- Irehad Ali Khan son of Abdol Haid Khan nesident of Ghazni Khel Khera, Pannu
- 2- Munammad Sharif Khan son of Gul Janan . Resident of Kot Barara, Bannu.

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S.No. Name of candidate

1- Munir Jacosph S/O Poran Jarg
R/O Muhallah Hussain Abad Banau.

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No. Name of Candidate

1- Jalal Muhammad Ibrahim S/O
Umer Daraz Khan R/O Sukari
Hafizan Bannu.

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2- Syed Asghar Ali Shah S/O
Syed Tibyan Ali Khan resident of
Dhirma Khel, Bannu.

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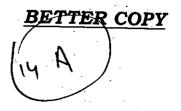
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- 1- Irshad Ali Khan son of Abdul Hamid Khan Resident of Ghazaf Khel, Bannu
- 2- Muhammad Sharif Khan son of Gul Janan Resident of Kot Barara, Bannu.

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No.834-856/SCJ dated Bannu the 04/11/03

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BEFORE THE PROVINCIAL SERVICE TRIBUNAL, KPK, PESHAWAR

Service Appeal No. 1232 /2013

07-11-2017

Iiaz Khan son of Mumtaz Khan

Ex-Process Server

Senior Civil Judge, Bannu

R/O Bangi Khel, Sorani, P.O. Nizam Bazar,

Tehsil and District Bannu...... Appellant

Versus

District and Sessions Judge, Bannu. 1)

Senior Civil Judge, Bannu....... Respondents 2)

> Appeal u/s 4 of the N.W.F.P Service Tribunal Act, 1974 against the impugned order dated 22.07.2017 whereby the learned Senior Civil Judae. Hussain, being the competent authority imposed the major penalty of dismissal from service under Rule4(b) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servant (E&D) Rules, 2011, on charges of corruption and corrupt practices against which departmental appeal dated 27.07.2017 was filed before the Appellate Authority, which has not been responded despite lapse of statutory period of 90 days, hence presents this appeal within 30 days after expiry of 90 days period which is well within time. ATTESTED

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Prayer:

On acceptance of this service appeal, the impugned order dated 22.07.2017 may kindly be set aside and the appellant may please be reinstated in service with all arrears/ consequential back benefits. Any other relief to whom the appellant is found entitled during course of hearing may also be granted.

Respectfully Sheweth;

Brief facts giving rise to the instant appeal are as under:-

- 1) That the appellant was appointed as Process Server in BPS-3 on 04.11.2003 by order of Senior Civil Judge, Bannu. (Copy of appointment order is attached as Annex:
- 2) That the appellant has more than 14 years service at his credit at the time of imposition of major penalty of dismissal from service.
- Sultan Hussain issued memo of allegation vide No.978 dated 22.07.2017 wherein allegation of corruption and corrupt practices were alleged against the appellant and thereafter show cause notice No.977 dated 12.07.2017 was also issued to him by repeating the same allegation as mentioned above in which reply was called from the appellant with further observation as to why the major penalty of removal or dismissal from service as provided in section 4(i)(b)(iii)&(iv) should not be imposed upon you. (Copy of memo of allegation dated 22.07.2017 and show cause notice dated 12.07.2017 are attached as Annexure

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- That the appellant in response to the show cause notice dated 22.07.2017, submitted a detailed reply dated 17.07.2017 before respondent No.2 by refuting the allegation of "corruption and corrupt practices by accepting gratifications, other than legal remuneration and having persistent reputation of being corrupt and living beyond ostensible means of income". (Copy of reply dated 17.07.2017 is attached as Annexure ").
- That the appellant preferred his departmental appeal dated 27.07.2017 against the impugned order dated 22.07.2017 before the appellate authority, which has not been responded despite lapse of statutory period of 90 days, hence files this service appeal before this Hon'ble Services Tribunal within the stipulated period of 30 days as per mandate of law. (Copy of departmental appeal dated 27.07.2017 filed before Appellate Authority is attached as Annexure "E" and impugned order dated 22.07.2017 is attached as Annexure "F".

GROUNDS FOR APPEAL:

That the appellant being aggrieved from the impugned order dated 22.07.2017 referred above, prefers the instant service appeal on the following amongst other grounds for his reinstatement in service with all consequential back benefits/arrears of pay.

a) That the impugned order of respondent No.2 is against the law, facts and material available on record, hence not tenable in the eyes of law and also violative of Article 4 of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

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- b) That the impugned order is also violative of section 24-A of General Clauses Act as the competent authority failed to pass a speaking order with reasons.
- proceedings on the basis of vague and unspecific allegations and inquiry was dispensed with without assigning any reason or cause while making observations that the undersigned is corrupt and ill-reputed. Such remarks should have been avoided in the absence of any supporting material, which could be only collected during holding a regular inquiry.
- the appellant nor a *meaningful opportunity of personal* hearing was afforded to the appellant which is a flagrant violation of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servant (E&D) Rules, 2011 and also offending the well recognized principles of natural justice which by itself sufficient to vitiate the entire proceedings carried out against the appellant at his back.
- charge sheet was served upon the appellant, which is a glaring illegality and bypassing the mandatory procedure given in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servant (E&D) Rules, 2011. It is pertinent to mention that the whole disciplinary process was conducted by respondent No.2 in haste as he served the memo of allegation, show cause notice and passed the impugned dismissal order on the basis of allegations of corruption and corrupt practice which could not be warranted/ sustainable at all within the four corners of law. The competent authority cannot act as complainant/ inquiry officer/ imposing the penalty of dismissal at one and the same time as he was legally

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required to either constitute an inquiry committee or to conduct inquiry through an inquiry officer and thereafter on the basis of the finding of inquiry committee or inquiry officer the proposed penalty could either be confirmed or otherwise.

- That the show cause notice referred f) knowledge and discrete inquiry report. It is pertinent to mention that there is no room/ scope for personal knowledge discrete inquiry report in Pakhtunkhwa Government Servant (E&D) Rules, 2011, therefore, any finding on the basis of such inquiry report or personal knowledge cannot be equated with the standard of proof required to be brought on record viz-a-viz the allegations. It is further stated that whenever there are disputed questions of facts, holding of regular inquiry cannot be dispensed with, as principle of natural justice requires to provide sufficient opportunity of defence and opportunity of cross examination. Nobody can be penalized without adhering to the concept of due process of law, which also offends the mandatory provisions of Article 10-A of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, therefore, the show cause notice and the impugned dismissal order alone is not tenable on this ground.
- That no specific order to the effect to dispense with the regular inquiry passed by the competent authority, therefore, an element of bias could not be ruled out altogether in the given facts and circumstances of the case. Even no reason of dispensing with the regular inquiry mentioned in the show cause notice.
- h) That the competent authority was required under the rules to conduct a regular inquiry through an inquiry officer or inquiry committed which procedure has altogether has been scraped and acted as complainant, inquiry officer and judge by imposing the penalty of dismissal from service in

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a fashion alien to law which functions could not be validly undertaken by the competent authority alone. Hence the entire proceedings from start to the end stand vitiated/void ab-initio.

- That even no mandatory final show cause notice was served upon the appellant before imposition of major penalty hence the impugned order cannot be sustainable alone on this ground as well. It is further stated that under the rules the competent authority could only dispensed with an inquiry proceeding if the accused civil servant is involved to endanger the security of Pakistan or entered into plea-bargain under any law for the time being in force or involved in subversive activities, otherwise, the procedure of regular inquiry cannot be dispensed with hence the referred provision of law in the impugned show cause notice/ order has been misconstrued by the competent authority.
- That no inquiry report as referred to, in the show cause notice or incriminating material which were used against the appellant were provided, which need to be disclosed to him during holding a regular inquiry to explain his position and rebut the same. It is settled law that when a document was relied upon for the purpose of arriving at a certain finding without disclosing the same to the appellant, then any finding on such basis without disclosing to the appellant would be against the norms of justice, fair play/ equity. Thus, the documents relied upon, if any, in one sided/ exparte manner would offend not only the established principles of natural justice but also violating the due process of law which concept deeply embedded in our judicial system to administer justice.

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That no charges have been established in the fact finding k) inquiry conducted by the Hon'ble ADJ-III, Bannu as no incriminating evidence whatsoever has been attached with the show cause notice. It is further stated that fact finding inquiry is not a substitute of a regular inquiry where the opportunity of cross examination is given to the accused civil servant besides that if there is any incriminating material, it is to be provided prior to the initiation of inquiry since no such incriminating documents relating to allegations were provided to the appellant therefore, the process of fact finding inquiry as referred to in the impugned order has been carried out against the norms of justice. It is further stated that whenever there are disputed questions of fact, holding of regular inquiry cannot be dispensed with as principles of natural justice requires to provide sufficient opportunity of defence and opportunity of cross examination. Nobody can be penalized without adhering to the due process of law, which also offends the mandatory provision of Article 10(A) of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, therefore, the show cause notice alone on this ground is not tenable.

That the allegation of dealing with stolen vehicle is false, frivolous and without any substance, no record whatsoever has been annexed with the show cause notice to establish that the appellant has ever been involved in dealing with stolen vehicles. No FIR or any judgment of a competent court of law has been referred, which tentatively indicates that the undersigned, has any nexus with such like business. It is further stated that the charge of dealing with forged currency is also baseless, having no substance at all as nothing incriminating has been brought on record ATTESTED to establish this allegation.

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That the show cause notice and impugned order further m) the recommendation of Anti Corruption Committee Session Division Bannu but ironically no such report was provided to the appellant to exactly know about the nature of allegations and the nature of evidence in support of the allegations, which is once again a flagrant violation of the provisions of Article 10-A of the Constitution of Pakistan and the principles of natural justice, which are part and parcel of all judicial or executive proceedings. The recommendation and the inquiry conducted by the Hon'ble ADJ-III, Bannu is also violative of the rules and regulations regarding initiation of disciplinary proceedings against the employees/ staff of the establishment of Senior Civil Judge, Bannu on the ground that Senior Civil Judge, being the competent authority in this case, then the inquiry need to be referred to a Magistrate/ Civil Judge to conduct a regular inquiry instead of a fact finding inquiry conducted by the Hon'ble ADJ-III, Bannu who is superior in authority than the competent authority, hence all the proceedings carried out on the basis of fact finding inquiry is void ab-initio.

It is settled preposition of law that when a thing requires to be done in a particular manner it had to be done in that manner, otherwise the same would be a nullity in law.

As far as the complaint filed against the appellant to the Peshawar High Court, Peshawar, which was referred to the District and Sessions Judge, Bannu for further proceedings and the same was marked for inquiry to ASJ-III, Bannu and in that inquiry statements were recorded and opportunity of cross examination was provided to me, but nothing was established against the appellant regarding his involvement via-a-viz the allegations.

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Therefore, the show cause notice as referring to the fact finding inquiry having no substance and force at all. Even, the appellant had applied for provision of attested copies of the statement of witnesses, complaint and findings of fact, finding report but no such documents were provided, hence an element of bias could not be ruled out altogether in carrying out the proceedings. It is pertinent to mention that the appellant did not take part in any arbitration proceedings between the parties of the complaint and in , this regard it is stated that it is purely a civil nature matter, which was resolved by the intervention of Ulma-e-Karam of the locality and a decision was pronounced. If there is any apprehension over the decision pronounced by Ulma-e-Karam on the subject matter, the aggrieved parties can still resort to civil court to properly initiate proceedings in the form of civil suit, therefore, to initiate inquiry regarding the involvement appellant in the matter, which is purely civil in nature,

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Note:

That the appellant filed application to the competent authority for provision of the inquiry file along with incriminating evidence but the applications were regretted and no such inquiry report, fact finding inquiry report or other relevant incriminating evidence which had been used were provided to the appellant, hence all the proceedings were conducted at his back. (Copies of applications are attached).

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n) That any other ground will be raised at the par with kind permission of this Hon'ble Tribunal.

Keeping in view, what has been stated above, it is, therefore, humbly requested the impugned order dated 22.07.2017 may kindly be set aside and the appellant may please be reinstated in service with all arrears of pay/consequential back benefits.

Any other relief, which has not been specifically asked for and to whom the appellant is found entitled may also be granted.

Dated: 06.11.2017

Appellant

Ijaz Khan

Ex-Process Server

Through

Inayat Ullah Khan Advocate High Court LL. M (U.K)

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BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL PESHAWAR

Service Appeal No.1232/2017

Date of Institution ... 07.11.2017

Date of Decision ... 17.10.2019

Ijaz Khan S/O Mumtaz Khan, Ex-Process Server, Senior Civil Judge, Bannu, R/O Bangi Khel, Sorani, P.O. Nizam Bazar, Tehsil and District Bannu.

(Appellant)

VERSUS

District and Sessions Judge, Bannu and one other.

(Respondents)

MR. INAYAT ULLAH KHAN,

Advocate

For appellant.

MR. USMAN GHANL

District Attorney

For respondents

MR. AHMAD HASSAN

MR. MUHAMMAD AMIN KHAN KUNDI

MEMBER(Executive)
MEMBER(Judicial)

Service Tribunal, Peshawar

JUDGMENT

AHMAD HASSAN, MEMBER:- Arguments of the learned counsel for the

parties heard and record perused.

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ARGUMENTS.

O2. Learned counsel for the appellant argued that he was appointed as Process Sarver (BPS-3) on 04.11.2003 and has more than fourteen years service at his credit. Through a memo of allegations dated 12.07.2017 some unfounded and frivolous allegations were leveled against him and thereafter, show cause notice dated 12.07.2017 was severed on the appellant to which he replied accordingly. That major penalty of dismissal from service was imposed on him vide impugned order dated 22.07.2017. He filed departmental appeal on 27.07.2017, which remained un-answered, hence, the present service appeal. Under the rules in case



major penalty is to be awarded to a civil servant regular enquiry should be conducted. Though show cause notice was served on him but reasons for dispensing with regular enquiry were not mentioned in it and as such relevant provision of E&D Rules was violated. He was not treated according to Article-4 and 10-A of the Constitution 1973. Moreover, the appellant was not confronted with a single piece of evidence and his previous conduct was made basis for the present punishment. The allegations were vague and evasive. No one can be punished on the basis of discrete enquiry or source report. He relied on case law reported as 2009 SCMR 339, 2004 SCMR 294, 2004 PLC(C.S) 959, 2012 TD (Services) 391, 2009 SCMR 329, 2011 PLC (C.S) 387, 1997 SCMR 1543 and 2007 SCMR 1726.

O3. Learned District Attorney argued that the appellant had a tainted service record and was previously awarded punishment on similar allegations. An application containing allegations leveled by some private person was forwarded from the Peshawar High Court to the District and Sessions Judge, Bannu wherein conduct of the appellant was vividly explained. First of all a fact finding enquiry was conducted in which allegations leveled against the appellant were proved and thereafter show cause notice was served on him. As allegations against the appellant had been proved so there was no need of conducting formal enquiry. Major penalty of dismissal from service was awarded to him after observance of all codal formalities.

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CONCLUSION

order was issued on the strength of show cause notice dated 12:07.2017 served on

the appellant. Perusal of the show cause notice revealed that certain findings/recommendations of the anti-corruption committee and preliminary enquiry conducted by the respondents was the foundation stone of the said notice. It is quite strange that these allegations 'were vague," evasive, inconclusive and unspecified. Moreover, as laid down in Sub-Rule-(b) of Rule-5 of E&D Rules 2011. If the competent authority decides to dispense with regular enquiry then reasons will have to be recorded in writing which was not done in this case. Moreover, major penalty was awarded to the appellant on the basis of show cuase notice and the same goes against countless judgments of superior courts followed by this Tribunal that in case major penalty is to be awarded then regular enquiry should invariably be conducted (2004 SCMR 294). The dictum contained in 2009 SCMR 339 can also be attracted in the case in hand. ATTESTEL

Moreover, his previous conduct was made a basis for award of punishment ()5.in the present case. Needless to mention that the previous conduct for which an appellant has already been penalized could not be made a ground for penalty/punishment, as it amounts to double jeopardy and goes against Article 13 of the 1973 Constitution (2004 PLC (C.S) 959). Furthermore, superior courts also held that no one can be punished on the basis of discrete enquiry/information and source report (2011 PLC (C.S) 387). In these circumstances we are of the view that the appellant was not treated according to law and rules and in order to ensure proper dispensation of justice there is a need for proper enquiry against the appellant under E&D Rules 2011. He should not only be fully associated with the proceedings but also provided proper opportunity of defense, as enshrined in Article-4 and 10(A) of the Constitution of 1973.

O6. As a sequel to the above, the present appeal is accepted, impugned order dated 22.07.2017 is set aside and the appellant is reinstated in to service. The respondents are directed to conduct de-novo enquiry strictly in accordance with law and rules within a period of 90 days after the date of receipt of this judgment. The issue of back benefits shall be subject to the outcome of the de-novo enquiry. Parties are left to bear their own costs. File be consigned to the record room.

(ANMAD HASSAN) Member

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Annex 10 (30) OFFICE OF THE SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE, BANNU



OFF: 0928-9270195 FAX: 0928-9270195 scjbannu@gmail.com

NO. 1034 / SCJ

DATED AT BANNU THE

/11/2019

To.

Mr. Muhammad Ijaz, Process Server.

Subject:

NOTICE

Whereas as per complaint No, 11706 communicated vide Peshawar High Court, Peshawar letter No. 3529/HRC, dated 02.06.2017, inquiry was initiated on the direction of Hon'ble District & Sessions Judge, Bannu. In this regard Special Report of learned ASJ-III/Chairman Anti-Corruption Committee was sent to the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu. After inquiry proceedings, Show Cause notice and memo of allegations were issued to you vide this office order No. 977 & 978, . dated 12.07.2017 respectively, and you were directed to submit reply, for which your reply received on 17.07.2017. The Inquiry was dispensed with and Final Show Cause Notice was issued to you. The allegations/charges leveled against you were proved and major penalty of dismissal of service was imposed upon you vide this office order bearing Endst: No. 996-1000/SCJ, dated 22.07.2017. You filed a departmental appeal before Hon'ble District & Sessions Judge, Bannu on 22.07.2017, in which the proceedings were not completed within stipulated period and remained un-answered. You filed an appeal for reinstatement before Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal Peshawar vide Service Appeal No. 1232/2017, dated 07.11.2017, and your appeal has been accepted on 17/10/2019. After acceptance of appeal by Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal Peshawar dated 17.10.2019, your services are reinstated with the direction to conduct de-novo inquiry strictly in accordance with law and rules.

In view of complaint No.11706, your explanation has already been called and Show Cause notice dated 12.07.2017 was issued. Your reply to the show cause notice is available on the file. Therefore, you are served with Show Cause Notice already communicated to you to explain whether you rely on the reply already submitted or would like to submit fresh reply. Your written reply should reach to this office within 3 days positively.

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Office of Senior Civil Judge No. TV Bunnu Bannu

Subject:

REPLY TO THE SHOW CAUSE NOTICE NO.1034/SCJ DATED 09.11.2019

Reference to your show cause notice No.<u>1034/SCI dated</u> <u>09.11.2019</u>, the reply is hereby submitted by explaining my position viz-a-viz the alleged allegations contained therein.

With utmost regard it is submitted that Senior Civil Judge namely Sultan Hussain served me with an earlier show cause notice No.977 dated 12.07.2017 containing therein the allegation of "corruption and corrupt practices by accepting gratifications, other than legal remuneration and having persistent reputation of being corrupt".

Now through the instant notice as referred to in the heading of this reply the allegation to the effect that complaint No.11706 communicated vide Peshawar High Court, Peshawar letter No.3529/HRC, dated 02.06.2017 has been reiterated against which the undersigned previously submitted a detailed reply dated 17.07.2017 wherein all the baseless, concocted and unsubstantiated allegations were denied with sound reasoning therefore the previous reply may kindly be considered as part and parcel of this reply.

It is once again stated that the previous allegations to the effect that the undersigned was involved in dealing with stolen vehicles and forged currency notes are self negated and rebutted from the official record existed in the office of Senior Civil Judge and to this effect a report was already submitted which indicates that from the alleged allegation of dealing with stolen vehicles was dismissed by the

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inquiry officer Naeem Ullah Jadoon, CJ-III Bannu by exonerating the undersigned vide report dated 25.04.2016.

It is pertinent to mention that the same report also indicates that the undersigned was Honorably Acquitted vide judgment dated 13.12.2011 from case FIR No. 430 dated 06.07.2010 U/S 489-B PPC registered at P.S Jangal Khel Kohat.

Now reverting back to the complaint No.11706 communicated to the Peshawar High Court, it is most humbly submitted that the fresh notice dated 09.11.2019 refer to the fact finding inquiry conducted by ASJ-III/ Chairman Anti Corruption Committee and thereafter a special report was sent to the office of senior Civil Judge Bannu but no regular inquiry was conducted as was required under the E&D Rules 2011, it is settled law that whenever there are disputed allegations of corruption and corrupt practices then no regular inquiry can be dispensed with nor any punishment can be passed on the basis of merely issuing a show cause notice therefore the previous departmental proceedings initiated against me were set aside by a judgment of Honorable Provincial Service Tribunal Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar and the case was referred back to departmental hierarchy for conducting de-novo inquiry.

It is once again stated that the alleged allegations as contained in complaint No.11706, nothing was established against me regarding my involvement viz-a-viz the allegations. Therefore the show cause notice as referring to the fact finding inquiry and special report having no force and substance at all.

It is important to mention that I did not take part in any arbitration proceedings between the parties of the complaint and in this regard it is stated that it was purely a civil nature matter, which was resolved through intervention of the Ulama e Karam of the locality and the decision was pronounced that the same dispute was amicably resolved.

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(Copy of decision of Ulama e Karam is attached with the instant reply).

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Process Server

Senior Civil Judge, Bannu

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Mr. Ijaz Khan, Process Server, SCJ, Bannu.

Subject:

CHARGE SHEET

I, KALEEM ULLAH, Civil Judge-VI, Bannu, as Inquiry Officer, hereby charge you, Mr. Ijaz Khan, Process Server of the establishment of Senior Civil Judge, Bannu as follows:

That you, while posted as Process Server, committed the following irregularities:

- (i) That the as per complaint No. 11706 of Mr.Gul Dar Ali Khan etc communicated to Hon'ble Peshawar High Court, Peshawar vide letter No. 3529/HRC, dated 02.06.2017, you were involved in corruption and corrupt practices having persistent reputation of being corrupt, being involved in dealing with stolen vehicles, forged currency notes and living beyond your ostensible means of income.
- (ii) That you have been guilty of corruption and corrupt practices by getting involved in malpractices leading to gabbing of gratifications, other than legal remuneration, from the litigants by misusing your official position and under the colour of your of office.
- (iii) That your conduct has been pre judicial to the good order and service discipline and your bearing and demeanors are highly unbecoming of a Civil Servant and a Gentleman, thereby earning bad name for the institution.
- 2. By reason of the above, you appear to be guilty of misconduct under rule 3 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency and Discipline) Rules, 2011 and have rendered yourself liable to all or any of the penalties specified in rule 4 of the rules ibid.
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- 4. Intimate whether you desire to be heard in person or through counsel of your choice.

5. A statement of allegations is enclosed.

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Office of Civil Judge-VI/ Inquiry Officer, Bannu

09/12/2019

Subject:

REPLY TO THE CHARGE SHEET NO.NIL DATED 26/11/2019.

Reference your charge sheet No. Nil dated 26 /11/2019, the reply is hereby submitted by explaining my position viz-a-viz the allegation contained therein.

With utmost regard it is submitted that your good-self has served me with a charge sheet containing therein the allegation of "corruption and corrupt practices by accepting gratifications, other than legal remuneration and having persistent reputation of being corrupt". Besides the above allegations it is also alleged that as per complaint No.11706 one Mr.Gul Dar Ali Khan etc communicated to the Flon'ble Peshawar High Court, Peshawar vide letter No.3529/HCC dated 02.06.2017 and it is further alleged in the charge sheet that the undersigned is involved in dealing with stolen vehicles, forged currency notes, hence living beyond my ostensible means of income. It is further alleged that the undersigned's conduct is pre-judicial to good order and service discipline.

It is stated that your good-self has initiated the inquiry proceedings on the basis of vague and unspecific allegations without assigning any reason or cause, while making observations that the undersigned is corrupt and ill-reputed. Such remarks should have been avoided in the absence of any supporting material, which could be only collected during holding a regular inquiry.

Now through the instant charge sheet as referred to in the heading of this reply, the allegation to the effect that complaint No.11706 communicated vide Peshawar High Court, Peshawar letter No.3529/HRC, dated 02.06.2017 has been reiterated against which the undersigned previously submitted a detailed reply dated 17.07.2017 wherein all the baseless, concocted and unsubstantiated allegations were denied with sound reasoning therefore the

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previous reply may kindly be considered as part and parcel of this reply.

It is once again stated that the previous allegations to the effect that the undersigned was involved in dealing with stolen vehicles and forged currency Notes are self negated and rebutted from the official record existed in the office of Senior Civil Judge and to this effect a report was already submitted which indicates that from the alleged allegation of dealing with stolen vehicles was dismissed by the inquiry officer Naeem Ullah Jadoon, CJ-III Bannu by exonerating the undersigned vide report dated 25.04.2016.

It is pertinent to mention that the same report also indicates that the undersigned was Honorably acquitted vide judgment dated 13.12.2011 from case FIR No. 430 dated 06.07.2010 U/S 489-B PPC registered at P.S Jungle Khel Kohat.

Now reverting back to the complaint No.11706 communicated to the Peshawar High Court, Peshawar, it is most humbly submitted that the fresh notice dated 09.11.2019 and this charge sheet refer to the fact finding inquiry conducted by ASJ-III/ Chairman Anti Corruption Committee and thereafter a special report was sent to the office of senior Civil Judge Bannu but no regular inquiry was conducted as was required under the E&D Rules 2011, it is settled law that whenever there are disputed allegations of corruption and corrupt practices then no regular inquiry can be dispensed with nor any punishment can be passed on the basis of merely issuing a show cause notice therefore the previous departmental proceedings initiated against me were set aside by a judgment of Honorable Provincial Service Tribunal Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar and the case was referred back to departmental hierarchy for conducting denovo inquiry.

It is once again stated that the alleged allegations as contained in complaint No.11706, nothing was established against meATTESTED regarding my involvement viz-a-viz the allegations. Therefore the 3 1 JAN 2021



charge sheet and earlier show causes notices referring to the fact finding inquiry and special report having no force and substance at all.

It is important to mention that I did not take part in any arbitration proceedings between the parties of the complaint and in this regard, it is stated that it was purely a civil nature matter, which was resolved through intervention of the Ulama-e-Karam of the locality, hence the decision was pronounced and the same dispute was amicably resolved.

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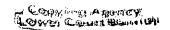
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Accused official present.

The instant inquiry was marked to the undersigned by the Learned Senior Civil Judge Bannu. Statement of allegation already issued to the accused and previous fact finding inquiry was also attached. On receiving the instant inquiry the undersigned issued notices to the accused and to the complainants. Accused Ijaz appeared and submitted written reply. While not agree with written reply the undersigned issued a charge sheet to the accused, the charge is reproduced as under:

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That you, while posted as Process Server, committed the

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The complainants' party appeared and recorded their statement as PW-1 to PW-3 and statement of superintendent of the Session court is recorded as PW-4.

PW-1 is Guldar Ali, who stated that a civil case was pending in the civil court Bannu and Ijaz Khan accused Alongwith some other persons were nominated as a Jirga Members. 09 Tola of Gold and three lacs rupees was fixed as Zar-e-Zamanat. He also stated that to have received the whole amount and do not want to proceed against the accused. In his cross examination he denied his signature on the complaint filed before august Peshawar High Court Peshawar which is Mark "A" and in this respect stated that Hafeez Ullah has signed the same for him. Moreover, Guldar Ali and Sher Ayaz Khan also submitted an application for withdrawal of their complaint, which is Ex-PW-1/1.

PW-2 is Sher Ayaz Khan, who also stated that to have received back the Zar e Zamanat from the jarga members including Ijaz Khan accused. He also stated that he do not wish to proceed agaist accused facing inquiry.

PW-3 is Hafeez Ullah, who stated that a civil case was pending in the civil court Bannu and Ijaz Khan accused Alongwith some other persons were nominated as a Jirga

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PW-4 is Shafqat Ullah Superintendent District and Session court Bannu, who produced the special report dated 04.07.2017 by Chairman Corruption Committee District Courts Bannu and is Ex-PW-4/1.

Suggestions:

Statements of PW-1, PW-2 and PW-3 make it crystal clear that the accused facing inquiry has stepped into the matter/issue which was already being subjudice before civil court, Bannu. Taken money to the tune of Rs.300,000/- for himself and his other friends on the pretext of doing Jirga. Accused facing inquiry somehow made the complainant party agree to withdraw their complaint through some outside settlement; still he could not be exonerated on this score alone.

Relation of litigants with courts are based on trust and if some official of court endeavours to throw stains of suspicions upon that trust then it must be countered at the very outset. If it is not countered and stopped then it will have disastrous and murderous effects for the harmony of a society.

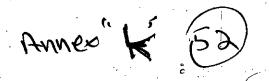
Therefore, keeping in view the above discourse coupled with the mitigating situations created by the concessional statements of complainants, a minor penalty may kindly be imposed upon the accused facing inquiry.

The instant inquiry shall be forwarded to the learned SCJ Bannu for onward proceedings.

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INQUIRY OFFICER
Civil Judge-VI,
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FINAL SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

- l, ABDUL QAYYUM SIDDIQI, Senior Civil Judge, Bannu, Competent authority, within the contemplation of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency and Discipline) Rules, 2011, do hereby serve you, Mr.Ijaz Khan, Process Server as follows:-
 - (i).That consequent upon the completion of inquiry No.02 of the year 2019 conducted against you by the Inquiry Officer your involvement in outside settlement of civil cases/ dispute as Jigra members is proved. Your conduct is found unbecoming of an official of the Court having no sense of responsibility.
 - (ii). On going through the findings and recommendations of the Inquiry Officer, the material on record and other connected papers including your defence before the Inquiry Officer;

AND WHEREAS, I am satisfied that you have committed the following acts which are amenable under rule 3 (b) of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules, 2011.

Guilty of misconduct.

THEREFORE, I, competent authority in view of the said rules above hereby tentatively decide to impose upon you minor penalty of "censure" under rule 4(1)(a)(i) of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules, 2011.

IT IS, THEREFORE, required of you to show cause as to why minor penalty within the said rules above may not be imposed upon you and you are given an opportunity of personal hearing if you so desire in which respect you are also directed to intimate this court.

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YOU, shall submit your reply to the final show cause notice within seven (07) days failing which it shall be presumed that you have no defense to offer and you shall be proceeded against ex-parte.

A copy of the findings of the inquiry officer is enclosed.

Dated: 13.01.2020

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No. 145 /SCJ

Dated At Bannu the _2/__/01/2020

OFFICE ORDER:-

Whereas, Mr.Ijaz Khan, Process Server was proceeded against under the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Covt: Servants (Efficiency and Discipline) Rules 2011 for different charges including his outside involvement in civil cases/ dispute as Jirga member.

And whereas, inquiry was conducted into the allegations and the Inquiry Officer, in his report held that, the charges/allegations is proved on record.

And whereas, Final Show Cause Notice was issued to Mr. Ijaz Khan, Process Server of this establishment bearing No. 109, dated 13.01.2020 with proposed penalty and he could not defend the suggested penalty. Therefore, he is held guilty of misconduct and liable to punishment under the rules *ibid*.

Now, therefore, I, Abdul Qayyum Siddiqi, Senior Civil Judge, Bannu, as competent authority impose on the accused / official namely Ijaz Khan, Process Server, the penalty of "censure" as provided under the rule 4(I)(a)(i) of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) rules 2011.

(Abdul Qayyun Siddiqi)
Senior Civil Judge
Bannu

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To

The Honorable District & Sessions Judge Bannu.

Subject:

DEPARTMENTAL APPEAL AGAINST IMPUGNED ORDER DATED 21.01.2020 PASSED BY LEARNED SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE BANNU, WHEREBY MINOR PENALTY OF "CENSURE" WAS IMPOSED UPON THE APPELLANT.

Respectfully Sheweth:-

Brief facts giving rise to this departmental appeal are as under:-

- That the appellant was re-instant in service vide order dated 17.10.2019 passed by the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa 1. directions to Service Tribunal Peshawar with respondents to conduct De-novo enquiry in the matter.
- That the learned Senior Civil Judge Bannu appointed an enquiry officer namely Kaleemullah Civil Judge, VI, Bannu 2. to conduct De-novo enquiry.
- That charge sheet was issued alongwith a final showcause notice which was responded by the appellant by denying the allegations as alleged therein.
- That the enquiry officer recommended for imposition of 4. minor penalty vide order dated: 17.12.2019. (Copy of order is attached).
- That the learned Senior Civil Judge being competent 5. authority imposed the minor penalty of " CENSURE" upon the appellant vide order dated 21.01.2020.

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- 6. That inquiry was conducted on the complaint of Guldar Ali regarding involvement of the appellant as arbitrator in a Civil Dispute and also dealing with stolen vehicles and forged currency notes.
- 7. That it was concluded by the enquiry officer that no allegation of dealing with stolen vehicles established against the appellant or he was found involved in the dealing with forged currency notes.
 - 8. That a complaint No.11706 was filed before the Peshawar High Court Peshawar by one Guldar Ali which was withdrawn by him through an application dated 09.12.2019 wherein as per Para-3 it was mentioned;

"برك ا تجاز خان ولد ممتاز خان بهارا گنا به گار نبیل ب اور ندی ای نے بهارے مابین خالی ایجن کا کر دارا داکیا ب مناز خان بهارا گنا به گار نبیل ب اور ندی ای نے بهارے مقرر بوئے مقے جنہوں نے بهارے الله شاہ مفتی رضوان صاحب مقرر بوئے مقے جنہوں نے بهارے مابین فیصلہ خالتی صادر کی ہے جو کہ تر کر طور بر بھی موجود ہے۔ اور ش بر بھی موجود ہے۔ اور جس بر بم فریقین راضی بیل ازیں ہم نے مور خد 11.06.2017 کو الله - قبل ازیں ہم نے مور خد 14.06.2017 کو الله - مدی کم پلیزے نم بر 11706 والی کرنے کی استدعا کی تھی۔

لہذااستدعاہے کہ جارا کمپلیٹ نمبر 11706 بلامزید کاروائی واپس فرمائی جاوے۔ تا کہ اس سے کی کونا جائز نقصان ند مہنے۔

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That keeping in view the above referred statement of the complainant, he categorically stated that the appellant has no involvement in the arbitration proceedings or acted as arbitrator, therefore, the findings of the learned Senior Civil

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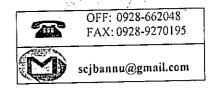
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Hon'ble the District & Sessions Judge,

Bannu.

Subject:

COMMENTS WITH RESPECT TO DEPARTMENTAL APPEAL NO. 02 FILED BY IJAZ KHAN, PROCESS SERVER OF THIS

ESTABLISHMENT

Respected Sir,

The subject Departmental Appeal (copy of appeal annexed with notice) perused. My parawise comments are submitted as under:-

- 1. Para No.1 to 8 of the subject departmental appeal are correct.
- 2. Para No.9 of the complaint is denied. As per evidence and inquiry report, it was found that outside involvement of appellant in civil cases/ dispute as Jirga member is proved. The inquiry officer has suggested imposition of minor penalty. Therefore, in light of evidence, record and while agreeing with the findings of Inquiry Officer, penalty of censure was imposed upon appellant vide order bearing Endst: No. 146-149, dated 21.01.2020.

Comments are submitted as desired, please.

Sincerely Yours,

(Abdul Qayyum \$iddiqi) Senior Civil Judge Bannu

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Judge to the effect that the allegations of involvement of the appellant in a civil dispute as arbitrator has no substance at all, therefore, reached to a conclusion which cannot be justified on the basis of the above candid statement of the complainant Guldar Ali Khan and Sher Ayaz Khan.

Keeping in view what has been stated above it is therefore, humbly prayed that the impugned order dated 21.01.2020 passed by the learned Senior Civil Judge being competent authority in the case of appellant may kindly be set aside, and I may kindly be exonerated from the alleged allegations being innocent and having no involvement in the matter.

Dated: 06.02.2020

Appellant

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THE COURT OF MUNAWAR KHAN DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE/APPELLATE AUTHORITY, BANNU

Departmental Appeal No. 02 of 2020

Date of Institution:

21-02-2020

Date of Decision:

17-03-2020

Ijaz Khan, Process Server, Establishment of Senior Civil Judge,

Bannu.....

...... Appellant

Versus

Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Competent Authority Respondent

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Departmental Appeal No. 12 of 2020

Date of Institution:

06-03-2020

Date of Decision:

17-03-2020

Ijaz Khan, Process Server, Establishment of Senior Civil Judge,

Bannu.....

.... Appellant

Versus

Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Competent Authority Respondent

JUDGMENT

1. This single judgment is meant to dispose of the above cited two departmental appeals, as common question of law & facts is involved therein. Through the former appeal, the appellant has impugned order dated 21.01.2020 passed by the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Competent Authority, whereby, minor penalty of "Censure" was / imposed upon him as contemplated under Rule 4(1)(a)(i) of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline)

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dated 17.02.2020 of the same authority, whereby, his application dated 23.01.2020 for the grant of back benefits w.e.f 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2017, pursuant to his reinstatement in service, was rejected.

Brief facts giving rise to filing these appeals are such that the appellant was serving as Process Server in the establishment of Senior Civil Judge, Bannu, however, on 22.07.2017, he was dismissed from service on the charges of his being involved in corruption & corrupt practices, living beyond his ostensible means of income and misusing his official position as well as having tainted service record, vide order dated 22.07.2017 of the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu, against which, the appellant filed Departmental Appeal which could not be decided within the statutory period, hence, he moved the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal, Peshawar in Service Appeal No.1232/2017, which was accepted with directions to conduct a de novo inquiry within 90 days, however, the matter of back benefits was subjected to the outcome of de novo inquiry vide judgment dated 17.10.2019, thus, the appellant was reinstated into service and after conducting de novo inquiry by Mr. Kaleem Ullah, Civil Judge-VI, Bannu, the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Competent Authority found him guilty of misconduct as defined in the rules ibid, hence, after complying with the codal formalities, imposed upon him a minor penalty of "Censure" as envisaged under Rule 4(1)(a)(i) of the ibid rules vide the impugned order dated 21.01.2020. Hence, the former appeal.

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learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu for grant of back benefits w.e.f 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2017, which application was rejected on the ground that he had not performed duties during the period under dismissal and since he had been penalized, therefore, was not entitled to back benefits vide order dated 17.02.2020. During pendency of the former appeal, the appellant feeling dissatisfied with the order dated 17.02.2020, preferred the latter appeal, thus, both were clubbed by this court vide order dated 06.03.2020, as common question of law & fact was involved therein. Comments of the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Competent Authority were sought, which were accordingly received.

- 4. I have heard the appellant personally in both the appeals and gone through the available record.
- 5. Contention of the appellant Ijaz Khan (Process Server) during personal hearing was that although, a joint complaint No.11706 was filed / submitted against him by Guldar Ali and Sher Ayaz Khan before the Hon'ble Chief Justice, Peshawar High Court, Peshawar, but during *de novo* inquiry proceedings, the same was withdrawn through written application dated 09.12.2019 and in para No.3 of the application, it was specifically and clearly written that he (Ijaz Khan) was not involved in the settlement of dispute between them and the other party and the middlemen in settlement of the dispute were Mufti Hidayat Ullah Shah & Mutti Rizwan. That proceedings against him

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were initiated on the basis of complaint No.11706 and the complainants have withdrawn the said complaint, therefore, the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Authority has passed the impugned order dated 21.01.2020 (imposing minor penalty of "Censure") against law, facts and natural justice. He requested for setting aside the impugned order dated 21.01.2020 and for exonerating him from the charges leveled against him.

- 6. In the latter Departmental Appeal No.12, he requested for setting aside the impugned order dated 17.02.2020 and while accepting his former appeal No.02 of 2020, he be allowed / granted back benefits from 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2017.
- 7. Perusal of case file revealed that a joint complaint No.11706 was submitted against the appellant (Ijaz Khan Process Server) before the Hon'ble Chief Justice, Peshawar High Court, Peshawar by Gul Dar Ali Khan and Sher Ayaz Khan. The said complaint was sent to this office with covering letter No.3529/HRC dated 02.06.2017 with a direction for necessary action and report within 30 days. My learned predecessor in office marked the same to the then learned ASJ-III, Bannu (Chairman, Anti-Corruption Committee, District Judiciary, Bannu) for inquiry and report. The learned ASJ-III, Bannu (Mr. Muhammad Tahir Aurangzeb) submitted report after inquiry with the following words:

"The Process Server Ijaz Khan has misused his official position and he is involved in corruption and corrupt practices thereby

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bringing bad name to the institution. Not only that his service record is tainted, but at the same time there is evidence that he remained involved in handling stolen vehicles, counterfeit currency and is living beyond his ostensible means of income. It is recommended that he be dealt with accordingly"

- 8. Special Report dated 04.07.2020 ExPW-4/1 was submitted by the then learned ASJ-III, Bannu with a request to initiate disciplinary proceedings against the appellant. Pursuance to the Special Report of the learned ASJ-III, Bannu / Chairman Anti-Corruption Committee, the then learned Senior Civil Judge / Competent Authority (Mr. Sultan Hussain) initiated departmental proceedings against the appellant and on conclusion of the departmental proceedings, he dismissed the appellant from service vide order dated 22.07.2017.
- 9. The appellant approached this office in appeal, but due to not deciding of the appeal within 90 days (statutory period), the appellant submitted Service Appeal No.1232/2017 before the Provincial Service Tribunal, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar against the order dated 27.07.2017 of the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Competent Authority.
- 10. The Hon'ble Provincial Service Tribunal, Peshawar was pleased to accept the appeal of the appellant, setting aside the impugned order dated 22.07.2017 reinstating the appellant into service and directed that *de novo* inquiry be conducted within a period of 90 days.

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11. On receipt of the judgment dated 17.10.2019 of the Hon'ble Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal, Peshawar, the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Competent Authority after fulfilling the required legal formalities, appointed Mr. Kaleem Ullah, Civil Judge-VI, Bannu as Inquiry Officer, who conducted the inquiry against the appellant and submitted his report with the following suggestions:

"Suggestions:

Statements of PW-1, PW-2 and PW-3 make it crystal clear that the accused facing inquiry has stepped into the matter/issue which was already being subjudice before civil court, Bannu. Taken money to the tune of Rs.300,000/- for himself and his other friends on the pretext of doing Jirga. Accused facing inquiry somehow made the complainant party agree to withdraw their complaint through some outside settlement; still he could not be exonerated on this score alone.

Relation of litigants with courts are based on trust and if some official of court endeavours to throw stains of suspicions upon that trust then it must be countered at the very outset. If it is not countered and stopped then it will have disastrous and murderous effects for the harmony of a society.

Therefore, keeping in view the above discourse coupled with the mitigating situations created by the concessional statements of complainants, a minor penalty may kindly be imposed upon the accused facing inquiry.

The instant inquiry shall be forwarded to the learned SCJ Barmu for onward proceedings."

- 12. The learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Authority after receipt of findings of the inquiry officer, issued the appellant final show cause notice which the appellant replied.
- 13. The learned Senior Civil Judge / Authority vide order dated 21.01.2020 imposed the minor penalty of "Censure" upon the appellant. It is a fact that the complainants Guldar Ali Khan and Sher

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Ayaz Khan have submitted a complaint No.11706 before the Hon'ble Chief Justice, Peshawar High Court, Peshawar. Serious allegations of receiving money from the litigants have been leveled against the appellant. According to the contents of the said complaint, the appellant himself came to the complainants introducing himself as court staff and took an amount of Rs.4.00.000/- cash and 09 tolas gold ornaments as security and promised that he will settle the dispute between them and the other party whose case was pending before a civil court. The appellant was an active member of the gang which gang used to obtain huge amounts as security from different people.

14. During the inquiry proceedings, Guldar Ali Khan and Sher Ayaz Khan although, have withdrawn the complaint, but they have not denied of filing the said complaint. So, mere withdrawal of the complaint before the inquiry officer is meaningless. By name complaint has been filed against the appellant, the wordings of which are shameful for a staff member of this establishment.

and after success or failure in settling the dispute, the said gang used

District & Sessions Judge-III, Bannu, the appellant was involved in corruption and was living beyond his ostensible means. The then learned Additional District & Sessions Judge-III, Bannu was also a Chairman of Anti-Corruption Committee, District Judiciary, Bannu. His Special Report could not be ignored altogether.

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The learned Senior Civil Judge / Authority keeping in mind all the above noted facts & circumstances of the case of the appellant has extended extraordinary leniency in the matter and has imposed only a minor penalty of "Censure" upon the appellant vide the impugned order dated 21.01.2020. The appellant deserves no further leniency. Appeal in hand has no merits.

17. So far as the latter appeal of the appellant is concerned, the appellant submitted un application before the learned Senior Civil Judge / Authority for the grant of back benefits from 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2017. In para No.3 of the application, the appellant has wrongly written that he was exonerated from the charges during inquiry proceedings. The learned Senior Civil Judge / Authority vide a detail and convincing order has refused awarding of back benefits to the appellant holding that the appellant has been penalized, hence, not entitled for back benefits. The learned Senior Civil Judge / Authority has passed the impugned order dated 17.02.2020 on the principle of no work and no gain. So, this appeal is also groundless. Both these appeals are, therefore, dismissed.

Requisitioned record be sent back with a copy of this order to the quarter concerned.

<u>Announced</u> 17.03.2020

District & Sessions Judge, Bannu / Appellate Authority

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Vide my detailed judgment of today, consisting of 08 pages, separately placed on file, this appeal is dismissed.

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The District Accounts Officer, Bannu

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BACK BENEFITS

Memo.

Mr. Ijaz khan, process server of this establishment was removed from services but on acceptance of his appeal by Khyper Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal. Peshawar, he was again reinstated into services but his back benefits were subjected to the fat of de-novo inquiry vide judgment dated 17.10.2019(Copy attached). Now after conducting de-nov inquiry, the applicant has been awarded minor penalty of "censure" on the recommendation of inquiry officer(Copy of order annexed).

Therefore, it is desired to request you to assist the undersigned as to whether the applicant is entitled to the back benefits or not in the circumstances mentioned above.

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No.DAO/BU/PR-I/Bank / 2019-20/2305

Dated:

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To

The Senior Civil Judge, Bannu

SUBJECT: BACK BENEFITS.

Memo;

Please refer to your office letter No.164/SCJ/dated: 25.01.2020 on the subject noted above.

In this connection, it is, submitted that the subject case may be dealt in light of FR 54 of FR&SR (Copy enclosed for ready reference). If there is any ambiguity, then the case may be referred to law department Government of Khyber Pakhtunhkwa, Peshawar for further guidance, please.

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Petitioner namely Mr. Ijaz Khan, process server submitted an application for back benefits. It be registered.

Opinion be sought from District Accounts Officer, Bannu.

File be put up after receipt of opinion.

(Abdul Qaffum Siddiqi) Senior Civil Judge

Opinion from District Accounts Officer, Bannu vide letter No.DAO/BU/PR-I/Bank/2019-20/2305,dated 03.02.2020 received.

File be put up for perusal on 17-02-2020.

(Abdul Qayyım Siddiqi) Senior Civil Judge

ORDER#3

Petitioner namely Mr. Ijaz Khan, process server in person present.

Briefly stated that the petitioner namely Mr. Ijaz Khan, process server was dismissed from his services vide order dated 22.07.2017, for which the petitioner filed an appeal before Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal Peshawar 1232/201 ATTESTED reinstatement. On acceptance of appeal No. dated 17.10.2019, the petitioner was reinstated into services.



The issue of back benefits was subjected to outcome of the de-novo enquiry. After conclusion of de-novo inquiry, minor penalty of Censure was imposed upon accused/ official as he was found guilty of part allegation vide order No. 145 dated 21.01.2020. Admittedly, the accused/ official has not performed his duties during the period under dismissal. The accused/ official was not held entitled to any back benefits at the time of final order of imposing penalty-of-censure. Since he has been penalized and was not entitled to back benefits.

Therefore, the petition being without merit is rejected. File be consigned.

Announced 17.02.2020

(Abdul Qayyum Siddiqi) Senior Civil Judge Bannu

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The Honorable District & Sessions Judge Bannu.

SUBJECT: DEPARTMENTAL APPEAL AGAINST IMPUGNED WHEREBY 17.02.2020 DATED ORDER APPLICATION DATED 23.01.2020 FOR GRANT OF BACK BENEFIT WAS DISMISSED.

Respectfully Sheweth:-

Brief facts giving rise to this departmental appeal are as under:-

- That the appellant was re-instated in service vide order 1. dated 17.10.2019 passed by the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal Peshawar with directions to respondents to conduct De-novo enquiry in the matter.
- That the learned Senior Civil Judge Bannu appointed an 2. enquiry officer namely Kaleemullah Civil Judge, VI, Bannu to conduct De-novo enquiry.

That charge sheet was issued alongwith a final showcause notice which was responded by the appellant by denying the allegations as alleged therein.

That the enquiry officer recommended for imposition of minor penalty vide order dated: 17.12.2019. (Copy of order is attached).

That the learned Senior Civil Judge being competent 5. authority imposed the minor penalty of " CENSURE" upon the appellant vide order dated 21.01.2020.

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- 6. That inquiry was conducted on the complaint of Guldar Ali regarding involvement of the appellant as arbitrator in a Civil Dispute and also dealing with stolen vehicles and forged currency notes.
- 7. That it was concluded by the enquiry officer that neither allegation of dealing with stolen vehicles established against the appellant nor he was found involved in dealing with forged currency notes.
- 8. That a complaint No.1.1706 was filed before the Peshawar High Court Peshawar by one Guldar Ali which was withdrawn by him through an application dated 09.12.2019 wherein as per Para-3 it was mentioned;

لہذاات مارکہ کے ہمارا کمیلینٹ نمبر11706 بلامزید کاروائی والیس فر مائی جاوے تا کہ اس سے کسی کونا جائز نقصان ندینجے۔

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That keeping in view the above referred statement of the complainant, he categorically stated that the appellant has no involvement in the arbitration proceedings or acted as arbitrator, therefore, the findings of the learned Senior Civil

Judge to the effect that the allegations of involvement of the appellant in a civil dispute as arbitrator has no substance at all, therefore, reached to a conclusion which cannot be justified on the basis of the above candid statement of the complainant Guldar Ali Khan and Sher Ayaz Khan.

- 10. That the competent authority also sought opinion of the District Account Officer Bannu vide letter dated: 25.01.2020, that whether back benefit can be granted to the appellant.
- 11. That the District Account Officer Bannu vide letter dated 03.02.2020 addressed to the Sr. Civil Judge Bannu wherein he referred to FR-54 which may deal with the issue of grant of back benefit with further remarks that if there is any ambiguity, then the case may be referred to law department Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa for further guidance.

It is pertinent to mention that no guidance was obtained by the competent authority from law department to decide the issue of back benefit or any law was specifically quoted which restrains the grant of back benefit to the appellant.

12. That it is pertinent to refer to FR-54 for ready reference;

[F.R 54 Where a Government Servant has been dismissed or removed is reinstated, the revising or appellate authority may grant to him for the period of his absence from duty-\

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(a) If he is honourably acquitted, the full pay to which he would have been entitled if he had not been dismissed or removed and, by an order to be separately recorded, any allowance of which he was in receipt prior to his dismissal removal; or

(b) -----

It is pertinent to mention that the above rule will only be applicable when an FIR is registered against a Civil servant from whom he is acquitted by the court of competent jurisdiction.

Since no FIR has been registered against the appellant only departmental proceedings were conducted on the basis of unfounded allegations and it was categorically held by the inquiry officer that no charges of dealing with stolen vehicle or counterfeit currency established against him, therefore denial of grant of back benefits having no substance and force in the eyes of law.

Even otherwise, competent authority has imposed the penalty of CENSURE upon the appellant against which a separate departmental appeal has been moved before your Honour, therefore, the appellant cannot be penalized or vexed twice for the same cause in terms of the mandate of Article-13 of Constitution of Pakistan, hence the impugned order dated 17.02.2020 restraining back benefits to the appellant is void ab initio liable to be set aside on this ground alone.

Keeping in view what has been stated above it is therefore, humbly prayed that the impugned order dated 17.02.2020 passed by the learned Senior Civil Judge being

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competent authority in the case of appellant may kindly be set aside, and consequently grant back benefits with effect from 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2019 as the appellant during the period when he was removed from service did not gain financially elsewhere.

Dated: 26.02.2020

Appellant

Ijaz Khan S/o Mumtaz Khan Process Sarver in the Court of Senior Civil Judge Bannu

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SERVICE TRIBUNAL, PESHAWAR

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Dated: 0 / 12 /2021

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Ph:- 091-9212281 Fax:- 091-9213262

To

The Senior Civil Judge,
Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa,
Bannu.

Subject:

JUDGMENT IN APPEAL NO. 3728/2020, MR. IJAZ KHAN.

I am directed to forward herewith a certified copy of Judgement dated 07.09.2021 passed by this Tribunal on the above subject for strict compliance.

Encl: As above

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BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL, PESHAWAR

SERVICE APPEAL NO. 3728 / 2020 Ijaz Khan...Vs...District & Sessions Judge, Bannu & others

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- 2. Senior Civil Judge(Admn), Bannu.

....Respondents

Reply on behalf of Respondents No.1 & 2.

Respectfully Sheweth:

PRELIMINARY OBJECTIONS

- 1. That the appeal is not maintainable in its present form.
- 2. That the appeal is bad for mis-joinder and non-joinder of necessary parties.
- 3. That the appellant has not come to this Hon'able Tribunal with clean hands.
- 4. That the appellant has got no cause of action.
- 5. That the appellant is estopped by his own conduct to file the instant appeal.
- 6. That the appellant has concealed the material facts from Honorable Tribunal.

Facts:-

- 1. Para No.1 pertains to record(Copy of order dated 04.11.2003 is annexed as Annex: "A").
- 2. Para No.2 pertains to record(Copy of first page of service book is annexed as Annex: "B".
- 3. Para No.3 pertains to record(Copy of Service Appeal No. 1232/2013 alongwith judgment dated 17.10.2019 are annexed as Annex: "C" and "D" respectively).
- 4. Para No.4 pertains to record(Copy of notice dated 09.11.2019 is annexed as Annex: "E").
- 5. Para No.5 of the appeal is incorrect and the said plea was non-convincing for the reason that in the proceedings under E & D Rules, 2011, charges stood proved against him(Copy of Complaint No. 11706, Fact Finding Inquiry Report and Special Report dated 04.07.2017 are annexed as Annex: "F", "G" & "H" respectively).
- 6. Para No.6 pertains to record(Copy of charge sheet is annexed as Annex: "I").
- 7. Para No.7 is incorrect, because the said reply did not contain convincing reasons. (Copy of charge sheet is already annexed in Para-6 as Annex "I", while the reply is annexed as Annex "I")

- 8. Para No. 8 of the appeal is denied. Most respectfully, it is replied that in view of evidence and inquiry report the involvement of appellant in resolution of civil dispute pending adjudication before competent court was proved, which act of the appellant was found unbecoming of a civil servant and thus was found guilty of misconduct under rule 3(a) of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Govt: Servant (Efficiency and Discipline) Rule, 2011(Copy of inquiry report dated 17.12.2019 is annexed as Annexure "K").
- 9. Para No.9 pertains to record(Copy of inquiry report dated 17.12.2019 is already attached in Para No.8).
- 10. Para No.10 pertains to record(Copy of show cause notice dated 13.01.2020 is annexed as Annex: "L").
- 11. Para No. 11 of the appeal is denied on the grounds already mentioned in para No.08.
- 12. Para No.12 pertains to record(Copy of order dated 21.01.2020 is annexed as Annex: "M").
- 13. Para No.13 pertains to record (Copy of Departmental Appeal dated 06.02.2020 and final order dated 17.03.2020 are annexed as Annex: "N" and "O" respectively).
- 14. Para No. 14 pertains to record. The opinion of District Accounts Officer, Bannu was sought who referred to FR 54 of FR & SR, Vol-I & II, Fundamental Rules. As per referred rules in case of acquittal/ exoneration of an official from the charges, he is entitled to full pay and allowances as contemplated under sub clause (a) of the ibid rule. Whereas under clause (b) of the ibid rule if otherwise, such portion of pay and allowances as the revising or appellant authority may prescribe. Clause (b) is further explained that the period under dismissal or removal will not be treated as period spent on duty unless the revising appellate authority so directs. In this case the period under dismissal of the appellant was not treated as period spent on duty and thus he was not held entitled to back benefits by my learned Predecessor in office under section 54(b) of the FR & SR Rules Vol-I(Copy of application dated 23.01.2020, letter of Respondent No.2 to District Accounts Officer, Bannu dated 25.01.2020 and reply by the District Accounts Officer, Bannu dated 03.02.2020 alongwith combined Set of F.R. & S.R. (Volume I & II) Page No.146 are annexed as Annex: "P" "Q" "R" & "S" respectively).
- 15. Para No.15 pertains to record (Copy of order dated 17.02.2020 is annexed as Annex: "T").
- 16 Para No.16 pertains to record (Copy of departmental appeal dated 26.02.2020 is annexed as Annex: "U" and final order dated 17.03.2020 is already attached in Para No.13).
- 17. Para No. 17 pertains to record of this Hon'ble Service Tribunal Court.

GROUNDS:-

- a. Para No. a is incorrect. The order of the authority is legal and lawful.
- b. Para No. b is also incorrect. The involvement of appellant floats on the surface of record. Appellant being employee of District Judiciary should have refrained himself from any act, which may give smell of bad practices because involvement in such act goes to tarnish the image and impartiality of District Judiciary as a whole as well. The appellant got involved in a dispute which was subjudice before competent court of law and made the judicial process doubtful and unfair in the eye of public.
- c. Para No. c is also incorrect. There is no ill-will against the appellant. He got involved in practices which made him liable for disciplinary action under the law.
- d. Para No. d is also incorrect. Accused was penalized through fair and transparent manner. On the one hand appellant admits that he was penalized with penalty of censure but on the other hand he is claiming back benefits which makes his conduct doubtful. Penalty may be minor or major but the main thing is conviction which the appellant admitted.
- e. Para No. e is incorrect. The appellant was given full opportunity to defend himself but charges stood proved against him. The appellant being local tried to influence the complainant by getting favourable statement from him but the entire proceeding disclosed his involvement in corrupt practices.
- f. Para No. f is incorrect. Impugned orders contained detailed reasoning.
- g. Para No.g is also incorrect, as the appellant was having no ground to agitate, for he can't travel beyond his pleading.

PRAYES:-

It is therefore most humbly prayed that in light of above facts, submission the appeal of the appellant being devoid of merits, legal footing may be dismissed.

(MUHAMMAD JAMIL KHAN)
Senior Civil Judge(Admn)

Bannu

(ASAD HAMEED KHAN)
District & Sessions Judge

Bannu

BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL, PESHAWAR

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.....Respondents

AFFIDAVIT

We respondents No.1 & 2 do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that the contents of the written reply are true and correct to the best of our knowledge and belief and nothing has concealed / kept secret from this Honorable Tribunal.

(MUHAMMAD JAMIL KHAN) Senior Civil Judge(Admn) Bannu

(A\$AD HAMEED KHAN) District & Sessions Judge

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OFFICE OF THE SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE, BANNU.

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BEFORE THE PROVINCIAL SERVICE TRIBUNAL, KPK, PESHAWAR.

Service Appeal No. 17-37 /2013

Khyber, Pakhtukhwa Service Tribound

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07-11-2017

Ijaz Khan son of Mumtaz Khan

Ex-Process Server

Senior Civil Judge, Bannu

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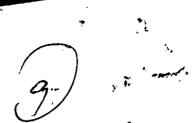
<u>Versus</u>

- 1) District and Sessions Judge, Bannu.

Appeal u/s 4 of the N.W.F.P Service Tribunal Act, 1974 against the impugned order dated 22.07.2017 whereby the Senior Civil Judge, learned Hussain, being the competent authority imposed the major penalty of dismissal from service under Rule4(b) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servant (E&D) Rules, 2011, on charges of corruption and corrupt practices against which departmental appeal dated 27.07.2017 was filed before the Appellate Authority, which has not been responded despite lapse of statutory period of 90 days, hence presents this appeal, within 30 · days after expiry of 90 days period which is well within time.

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BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL PESHAWAR

Service Appeal No.1232/2017

... 07.11.2017 Date of Institution

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R/O Bangi Khel, Sorani, P.O. Nizam Bazar, Tehsil and District Bannu. Ijaz Khan S/O Mumtaz Khan, Ex-Process Server, Senior Civil Judge, Bannu, (Appellant)

<u>VERSUS</u>

(Respondents) District and Sessions Judge, Bannu and one other.

For appellant. MR. INAYAT ULLAH KHAN,

For respondents. Advocate

MR. USMAN GHANI,

MEMBER(Executive) MEMBER(Judicial) District Attorney MR. MUHAMMAD AMIN KHAN KUNDI MR. AHMAD HASSAN

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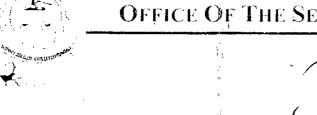
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Learned counsel for the appellant argued that he was appointed as Process ARGUMENTS. Sarver (BPS-3) on 04.11.2003 and has more than fourteen years service at his credit. Through a memo of allegations dated 12.07.2017 some unfounded and 02. frivolous allegations were leveled against him and thereafter, show cause notice dated 12.07.2017 was severed on the appellant to which he replied accordingly That major penalty of dismissal from service was imposed on him vide impugne order dated 22.07.2017. He filed departmental appeal on 27.07.2017. which remained un-answered, hence, the present service appeal. Under the rules in en

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OFFICE OF THE SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE, BANNU



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To.

Mr. Muhammad ljaz. Process Server.

Subject:

NOTICE

Whereas as per complaint No, 11706 communicated vide Peshawar High Court, Peshawar letter No 3529/HRC, dated 02.06:2017, inquiry was initiated on the direction of Hon'ble District & Sessions Judge, Bannu. In this regard Special Report of learned ASJ-III/Chairman Anti-Corruption Committee was sent to the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu. After inquiry proceedings, Show Cause notice and memo of allegations were issued to you vide this office order No. 977 & 978. dated 12.07.2017 respectively, and you were directed to submit Leply, for which your reply received on 17 07.2017. The Inquiry was dispensed with and Final Show Cause Notice was issued to you. The allegations/charges leveled against you were proved and major penalty of dismissal of service was imposed upon you vide this office order bearing. Endst: No. 996-1000/SCJ, dated 22.07.2017, You filed a departmental appear before Hon'ble District & Sessions Judge, Bannu on 22.07.2017, in which the proceedings were not completed within stipulated period and remained un-answered. You filed an appeal for reinstatement before Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal Peshawar vide Service Appeal No. 1232/2017. dated 07 11 2017, and your appeal has been accepted on 17/10/2019. After acceptance of appeal by Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal Peshawar dated 17.10 2019, your services are reinstated with the direction to conduct de-novo inquiry strictly in accordance with law and rules.

In view of complaint No.11706, your explanation has already been called and Show-Cause notice dated 12.07.2017 was issued. Your reply to the show cause notice is available on the file. Therefore, you are served with Show Cause Notice already communicated to you to explain whether you rely on the reply already submitted or would like to submit fresh reply. Your written reply

should reach to this office within 3 days positively.

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From:

The Director I, Human Rights' Cell, Peshawar High Court, Peshawar.

To

The District & Sessions Judge,

Bannu.

Subject:

COMPLAINT (# 11706)

Dear Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of the subject complaint, for necessary action and report in 30 days, to be placed before Hon'ble the Chief Justice, please.

Director I,

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Director I, Human Rights Cell

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REPORT OF THE FACT FINDING INQUIRY

Peshawar High Court Communication No.3529/HRC, dated 02-06-2017 Complaint No. 11706

Mr. Guldar Ali Khan, Sher Ayaz Khan and Hafizullah Khan submitted a complaint to the august Peshawar High Court for redressal of their grievance. The complaint was referred to the learned District & Sessions Judge Bannu for report, which was marked to the undersigned for fact finding inquiry.

In the first instance, complainants were summoned through provided telephone number. One Hafizullah appeared before the undersigned and owned the contents of complaint made to the august Peshawar High Court. There are specific allegations of corrupt practices against Ejaz Khan Process Server of the establishment of learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu. It was alleged that the official, in connivance with some official of the police and some other local middle men, is involved in grabbing money from the litigant public on the pretext of getting them favours in the judicial proceedings. It was also alleged that the above named Process Server Ejaz Khan is misusing his official position and is making the litigant public believe that he matters a lot in the administration of Justice System and that in this way, he grabs money initially in the form of "Guarantee for obeying Jirga verdicts" and subsequently refuses to pay back the money even after Jirga proceedings are concluded.

The allegations against official Ejaz Khan Process Server and other private persons were inquired in depth and the relevant

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characters were summoned and examined in the court. Similarly, the service record of the above mentioned Process Server was also scrutinized. A special report in this context was also obtained from the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu. My findings are as under:--

1. The Process Server Ejaz Khan has misused his official position and he is involved in corruption and corrupt practices thereby bringing bad name to the institution. Not only that his service record is tainted but at the same time there is evidence that he remained involved in handling stolen vehicles, counterfeit currency and is living beyond his ostensible means of income. It is recommended that he be dealt with accordingly.

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So fare as the allegations against the SHO Riaz Khan PS Basia Khel of District Bannu and private persons Naqeebullah Shah (school teacher), Gul Naqeeb Khan and Noor Sardar Khan (school teacher) are concerned, they remained involved in cheating and grabbing money from public through deceitful means. It is, therefore, recommended that if approved, the petition be converted into petition U/Sec: 22-A of the CrPC and its contents may to be looked into judicially by invoking jurisdiction as *Ex Official of Justice of Peace*.

Report is submitted as desired.

(Muhammad Tahir Aurangzeb) Additional Sessions Judge, Bannu

OFFICE OF THE ADDITIONAL DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE-III. BANNU

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Dated <u>64</u> / 07 / 2017

SPECIAL REPORT

While conducting fact finding inquiry on the directions of your good-self pursuant to Peshawar High Court communication No. 3529/HRC dated 02.06.2017 in complaint No. 11706, it came to the surface that Mr. Ijaz Khan, Process Server of the establishment of Senior Civil judge, Bannu is involved in corruption and corrupt practices. During the fact finding inquiry, his service record was also obtained from the Senior Civil Judge, Bannu, which reflects that the official has been involved in dealing with stolen vehicles, forged currency notes and has a persistent reputation of being corrupt on account of living beyond his ostensible means of income.

- 2. As a Chairman of the Anti-Corruption Committee for the para-legal staff, I inquired into the allegations against the official, who was already spotted during the process of integrity profiling. The Anti-Corruption Committee is satisfied that the conduct of the official is not only unbecoming of a civil servant, but at the same time is detrimental to the good order and service discipline. The conduct of the official is not only earning bad name for the institution, but at the same time, he is involved in robbing the vulnerable segments of the society on one pretext or the other, misusing his official position and colour of his office.
- 3. This Special Report is, therefore, being sent to your honour for initiation of disciplinary proceedings against the official. Report of the fact fing inquiry alongwith entire file has already been submitted to your office.

(Muhammad Tahir Aurangzeb)

Additional District & Sessions Judge-III, Bannu/Chairman Anti-Corruption Committee

To the learned District & Sessions Judge, Bannu

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Mr.Ijaz Khan,

Process Server, SCJ, Bannu.

Subject:

CHARGE SHEET

1. KALEEM ULLAH, Civil Judge-VI, Bannu, as Inquiry Officer, hereby charge you, Mr. Ijaz Khan, Process Server of the establishment of Senior Civil Judge, Bannu as follows:

That you, while posted as Process Server, committed the following irregularities:

- (i) That the as per complaint No. 11706 of Mr.Gul Dar Ali Khan etc communicated to Hon'ble Peshawar High Court, Peshawar vide letter No. 3529/HRC, dated 02.06.2017, you were involved in corruption and corrupt practices having persistent reputation of being corrupt, being involved in dealing with stolen vehicles, forged currency notes and living beyond your ostensible means of income.
- (ii) That you have been guilty of corruption and corrupt practices by getting involved in malpractices leading to gabbing of gratifications, other than legal remuneration, from the litigants by misusing your official position and under the colour of your of office.

That your conduct has been pre judicial to the good order and service discipline and your bearing and demeanors are highly unbecoming of a Civil Servant and a Gentleman, thereby earning bad name for the institution.

- 2. By reason of the above, you appear to be guilty of misconduct under rule 3 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency and Discipline) Rules, 2011 and have rendered yourself liable to all or any of the penalties specified in rule 4 of the rules ibid.
- 3. Your written defence, if any, should reach the this court within the specified period, failing which it shall be presumed that you have no defense to put in and in that case ex-parte action shall be taken against you.
- 4. Intimate whether you desire to be heard in person or through counsel of your choice.
- 5. A statement of allegations is enclosed.

(KALEEM ULLAH)
Civil Judge-VI
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To

Office of Senior Civil Judge

Subject:

REPLY TO THE SHOW CAUSE NOTICE NO.1034/SCI DATED 09.11.2019

Reference to your show cause notice No.1034/SCI dated 09.11.2019, the reply is hereby submitted by explaining my position viz-a-viz the alleged allegations contained therein.

With utmost regard it is submitted that Senior Civil Judge namely Sultan Hussain served me with an earlier show cause notice No.977 dated 12.07.2017 containing therein the allegation of "corruption and corrupt practices by accepting gratifications, other than legal remuneration and having persistent reputation of being corrupt".

Now through the instant notice as referred to in the heading of this reply the allegation to the effect that complaint No.11706 communicated vide Peshawar High Court, Peshawar letter No.3529/HRC, dated 02.06.2017 has been reiterated against which the undersigned previously submitted a detailed reply dated 17.07.2017 wherein all the baseless, concocted and unsubstantiated allegations were denied with sound reasoning therefore the previous reply may kindly be considered as part and parcel of this reply

It is once again stated that the previous allegations to the effect that the undersigned was involved in dealing with stolen vehicles and forged currency notes are self negated and rebutted from the official record existed in the office of Senior Civil Judge and to this effect a report was already submitted which indicates that from the alleged allegation of dealing with stolen vehicles was dismissed by the

to the same



inquiry officer Naeem Ullah Jadoon, CJ-III Bannu by exonerating the undersigned vide report dated 25.04.2016.

It is pertinent to mention that the same report also indicates that the undersigned was Honorably Acquitted vide judgment dated 13.12.2011 from case FIR No. 430 dated 06.07.2010 U/S 489-B PPC registered at P.S Jangal Khel Kohat.

Now reverting back to the complaint No.11706 communicated to the Peshawar High Court, it is most humbly submitted that the fresh notice dated 09.11.2019 refer to the fact finding inquiry conducted by ASJ-III/ Chairman Anti Corruption Committee and thereafter a special report was sent to the office of senior Civil Judge Bannu but no regular inquiry was conducted as was required under the E&D Rules 2011, it is settled law that whenever there are disputed allegations of corruption and corrupt practices then no regular inquiry can be dispensed with nor any punishment can be passed on the basis of merely issuing a show cause notice therefore the previous departmental proceedings initiated against me were set aside by a judgment of Honorable Provincial Service Tribunal Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar and the case was referred back to departmental hierarchy for conducting de-novo inquiry.

It is once again stated that the alleged allegations as contained in complaint No.11706, nothing was established against me regarding my involvement viz-a-viz the allegations. Therefore the show cause notice as referring to the fact finding inquiry and special report having no force and substance at all.

It is important to mention that I did not take part in any arbitration proceedings between the parties of the complaint and in this regard it is stated that it was purely a civil nature matter, which was resolved through intervention of the Ulama e Karam of the locality and the decision was pronounced that the same dispute was amicably resolved.

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It is further stated that if there is any apprehension over the decision pronounced by the Ulama e Karam, the deferring parties of the complaint could resort to filing a civil suit before the Court of competent jurisdiction and to resolve the same through Court. No departmental inquiry or disciplinary proceedings regarding my involvement in the matter can be initiated against me which is purely a civil dispute.

It is also important to mention that the complainant Gul Dar Ali and Muhammad Sheraz Khan had already withdrawn the alleged complaint No.11706 preferred to Peshawar High Court on 14.06.17 before Muhammad Tahir Aurangzeb Additional Sessions Judge-III/ Chairman Anti Corruption Committee Bannu.

Both the complainants to this effect recorded their joint statement on 14.06.2017 and stated to the effect that the matter had been resolved through the elders of the locality therefore, the complaint which was made to the Chief Justice Honorable Peshawar High Court Peshawar be withdrawn accordingly.

Copy of application dated 14.06.2017 and joint statement dated 14.06.2017 are attached with this reply for ready reference).

Apart from the above, the SHO Muhammad Riaz P.S Basia Khel Tehsil and District Bannu, Haji Noor Sardar and Gul Naqeeb Khan who were also arrayed as respondents in the complaint No.11706 also made their replies that the issue was resolved through intervention of the elders of the locality and in this regard also stated in his reply that on verbal direction of DPO, both the parties were charged U/S 107/150 that no law and order situation be created and all of them did not indicate the name of undersigned that whether he has played any role in the arbitration proceedings.

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In this backdrop, no proceedings were initiated against the SHO, Haji Noor Sardar, Gul Naqeeb and Naqeebullah Shah.

It is pertinent to mention that keeping in view the afore referred background of the case, it seems that the alleged complaint No. 11706 is the outcome of malafide, ill-will and the undersigned had been unnecessarily falsely implicated without having any role in the matter hence the undersigned being innocent vehemently denies the vague, non specific and unsubstantiated allegations as contained in the previous show cause notice and in the fresh notice, fact finding inquiry and special report, therefore it is earnestly requested that the intended further de-novo proceedings may kindly be withdrawn in the best interest of justice, fair play and equity by exonerating the undersigned.

Ijaz Khan

Process Server

Senior Civil Judge, Bannu

Dated: 32.11.2019

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RESORT

Accused official present.

The instant inquiry was marked to the undersigned by the Learned Senior Civil Judge Bannu. Statement of allegation already issued to the accused and previous fact finding inquiry was also attached. On receiving the instant inquiry the undersigned issued notices to the accused and to the complainants. Accused Ijaz appeared and submitted written reply. While not agree with written reply the undersigned issued a charge sheet to the accused, the charge is reproduced as under:

I. **KALEEM ULLAH**, Civil Judge-VI, Banka, as Inquiry Officer, hereby charge you, Mr. Ijaz Khan, Process Server of the establishment of Senior Civil Judge, Bannu as follows:

That you, while posted as Process Server, committed the following irregularities:

That the as per complaint No. 11706 of Mr.Gul Dar Ali Khan etc communicated to Hon'ble Peshawar High Court, Peshawar vide letter No. 3529/HRC, dated 02.06.2017, you were involved in corruption and corrupt practices having persistent reputation of being corrupt, being involved in dealing with stolen vehicles, forged currency notes and living beyond your ostensible means of income.

That you have been guilty of corruption and corrupt practices by getting involved in malpractices leading to gabbing of gratifications, other than legal remuneration, from the litigants by misusing your official position and under the colour of your of office.

That your conduct has been pre judicial to the good order and service discipline and your bearing and demeanors are highly unbecoming of a Civil Servant and a Gentleman, thereby earning bad name for the institution.

2. By reason of the above, you appear to be guilty of misconduct under rule 3 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

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Alongwith some other persons were nominated as a lirga pending in the civil court Bannu and IJaz Khan accused PW-3 is Hafeez Ullah, who stated that a civil case was

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PW-2 is Shor Ayaz Khan, who also stated that to have

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Khan also submitted an application for withdrawal of their signed the same for him. Moreover, Guldar Ali and Sher Ayaz Mark "A" and in this respect stated that Hafeez Ullah has filed before august Peshawar High Court Peshawar which is cross examination he denied his signature on the complaint amount and do not want to proceed against the accused. In his Xar-e-Namanat. He also stated that to have regained the whole Members, 0.9 Tola of Gold and three facs rupees was fixed as Alongwith some other persons were nominated as a lirga pending in the civil court Bannu and IJaz Khan accused ' PW-l' is Guldar Ali, who stated that a civil case was the Session court is recorded as PW-4.

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> A statement of allegations is enclosed. through counsel of your choice.

Intimate whether you desire to be heard in person or action shall be taken against you.

that you have no defense to put in and in that case ex-parte within the specified period, failing which it shall be presumed Your written defence, if any, should reach the this court specified in rule 4 of the rules ibid.

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by him.

PW-4 is Shafqat Ullah Superintendent District and Session court Bannu, who produced the special report dated

O4.07.2017 by Chairman Corruption Committee District Courts

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Statements of PW-1, PW-2 and PW-3 make it crystal clear that the accused facing inquiry has stepped into the matter/issue which was already being subjudice before civil court, Bannu. Taken money to the tune of Rs.300,000/- for himself and his other friends on the protext of doing lirga. Accused facing inquiry somehow made the complainant party agree to withdraw their complaint through some outside sedilement; still he could not be exonerated on this score alone.

Relation of litigants with courts are based on trust and if some official of court endeavours to throw stains of suspicions upon that trust then it must be countered at the very outset. If it is not countered and stopped then it will have disastrous and

murderous effects for the harmony of a society.

Therefore, keeping in view the above discourse coupled

with the mitigating situations created by the concessional statements of complainants, a minor penalty may kindly be

imposed upon the accused facing inquiry.

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Bannu for onward proceedings.

INQUIRY OFFICER

Civil Judge-VI,

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No. $\frac{\sqrt{9}}{9}$ /SCJ dated at Bannu the $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$ /01/2020



FINAL SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

I, ABDUL QAYYUM SIDDIQI, Senior Civil Judge, Bannu, Competent authority, within the contemplation of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency and Discipline) Rules, 2011, do hereby serve you, Mr.ljaz Khan, Process Server as follows:-

- (i) That consequent upon the completion of inquiry No.02 of the year 2019 conducted against you by the Inquiry Officer your involvement in outside settlement of civil cases/ dispute as Jigra members is proved. Your conduct is found unbecoming of an official of the Court having no sense of responsibility.
- (ii). On going through the findings and recommendations of the Inquiry Officer, the material on record and other connected papers including your defence before the Inquiry Officer;

AND WHEREAS, I am satisfied that you have committed the following all the satisfied that you have committed the following states which are amenable under rule 3 (b) of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules, 2011.

a) Guilty of misconduct.

THEREFORE, I, competent authority in view of the said rules above hereby tentatively decide to impose upon you minor penalty of "censure" under rule 4(I)(a)(i) of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules, 2011.

IT IS, THEREFORE, required of you to show cause as to why minor penalty within the said rules above may not be imposed upon you and you are given an opportunity of personal hearing if you so desire in which respect you are also directed to intimate this court.



YOU, shall submit your reply to the final show cause notice within seven (07) days failing which it shall be presumed that you have no defense to offer and you shall be proceeded against ex-parte.

A copy of the findings of the inquiry officer is enclosed.

Dated: 13.01.2020

ABDUL QAYYUM SIDDIQI Senior Civil Julge Competent

Authority

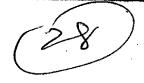
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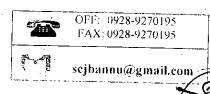
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DISTRICT JUDICIARY KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA OFFICE OF THE SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE, BANNU





No. 145 /SCJ

Dated At Bannu the 21 /01/2020

OFFICE ORDER:-

Whereas, Mr.Ijaz Khan, Process Server was proceeded against under the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Govt: Servants (Efficiency and Discipline) Rules 2011 for different charges including his outside involvement in civil cases/ dispute as Jirga member.

And whereas, inquiry was conducted into the allegations and the Inquiry Officer, in his report held that, the charges/allegations is proved on record.

And whereas, Final Show Cause Notice was issued to Mr. Ijaz Khan, Process Server of this establishment bearing No. 109, dated 13.01.2020 with proposed penalty and he could not defend the suggested penalty. Therefore, he is held guilty of misconduct and liable to punishment under the rules *ibid*.

Now, therefore, I, Abdul Qayyum Siddiqi, Senior Civil Judge, Bannu, as competent authority impose on the accused / official namely Ijaz Khan, Process Server, the penalty of "censure" as provided under the rule 4(I)(a)(i) of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) rules 2011.

Section Judge

(Abdul Qayyun Siddiqi Senior civil Judge Bannu

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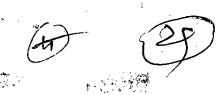
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The Honorable District & Sessions Judge Bannu.

DEPARTMENTAL APPEAL AGAINST IMPUGNED Subject: ORDER DATED 21.01.2020 PASSED BY LEARNED SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE BANNU, WHEREBY MINOR PENALTY OF "CENSURE" WAS IMPOSED UPON THE AF PELLANT.

Respectfully Sheweth:-

Brief facts giving rise to this departmental appeal are as under:-

- That the appellant was re-instant in service vide order dated 17,10.2019 passed by the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa directions to Service Tribunal Peshawar with respondents to conduct De-novo enquiry in the matter.
- That the learned Senior Civil Judge Bannu appointed an 2. enquiry officer namely Kaleemullah Civil Judge, VI, Bannu to conduct De-novo enquiry.
 - That charge sheet was issued alongwith a final showcause notice which was responded by the appellant by denying the allegations as alleged therein.
 - That the enquiry officer recommended for imposition of minor penalty vide order dated: 17.12.2019. (Copy of order is attached).
 - That the learned Senior Civil Judge being competent 5. authority imposed the minor penalty of " CENSURE" upon the appellant vide order dated 21.01.2020.

- That inquiry was conducted on the complaint of Guldar Ali regarding involvement of the appellant as arbitrator in a 6. Civil Dispute and also dealing with stolen vehicles and forged currency notes.
 - That it was concluded by the enquiry officer that no allegation of dealing with stolen vehicles established 7. against the appellant or he was found involved in the dealing with forged currency notes.
 - That a complaint No.11706 was filed before the Peshawar High Court Peshawar by one Guldar Ali which was 8. withdrawn by him through an application dated 09.12.2019 wherein as per Para-3 it was mentioned;

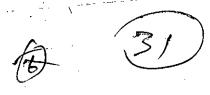
"بيكرا عجاز خان ولدممتاز خان بهارا گنا بهارتيس باورندې اى نے بهارے مايين تا لرشها ايجت كاكروارا واكيا <u>ہے۔ ہمارے ماین ٹالثان مفتی بدایت اللہ ثاہ، مفتی رضوان صاحب مقرر ہوئے تھے۔ جنہوں نے ہمارے</u> <u>ماین فیمله نالتی صادر کی ہے جو کہ تر مطور پر بھی موجود ہے۔ اور شل پر بھی موجود ہے۔ اور جس پر بمفریقین راضی</u> [WW. 12]

لہذااتدعاب كيناراكم پليت نمبر 11706 بلامزيد كاروائي والبي فرمائي جاوے تاكداس سے كى كوناجائز فقصان ندينج

مورخه 09.12.2019

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That keeping in view the above referred statement of the complainant, he categorically stated that the appellant has no involvement in the arbitration proceedings or acted as arbitrator, therefore, the findings of the learned Senior Civil



Judge to the effect that the allegations of involvement of the appellant in a civil dispute as arbitrator has no substance at all, therefore, reached to a conclusion which cannot be justified on the basis of the above candid statement of the complainant Guldar Ali Khan and Sher Ayaz Khan.

Keeping in view what has been stated above it is therefore, humbly prayed that the impugned order dated 21.01.2020 passed by the learned Senior Civil Judge being competent authority in the case of appellant may kindly be set aside, and I may kindly be exonerated from the alleged allegations being innocent and having no involvement in the matter.

Dated: 06.02.2020

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THE COURT OF MUNAWAR KHAN IONS JUDGE/APPELLATE AUTHORITY, BANNU

Departmental Appeal No. 02 of 2020

Date of Institution:

21-02-2020

Date of Decision:

17-03-2020

Ijaz Khan, Process Server, Establishment of Senior Civil Judge,

Bannu....

..... Appellant

Versus

Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Competent Authority Respondent

AND

Departmental Appeal No. 12 of 2020

Date of Institution:

06-03-2020

Date of Decision:

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Bannu....

.... Appellant

Versus

Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Competent Authority Respondent

JUDGMENT :

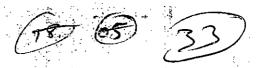
This single judgment is meant to dispose of the above cited two departmental appeals, as common question of law & facts is involved therein. Through the former appeal, the appellant has impugned order dated 21.01.2020 passed by the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Competent Authority, whereby, minor penalty of "Censure" was imposed upon him as contemplated under Rule 4(1)(a)(i) of the Superillenden Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline)

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Rules, 2011, while through the latter appeal, he has impugned order Bani^{iu}

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dated 17.02.2020 of the same authority, whereby, his application dated 23.01.2020 for the grant of back benefits w.e.f 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2017, pursuant to his reinstatement in service, was rejected.

Brief facts giving rise to filing these appeals are such that the appellant was serving as Process Server in the establishment of Senior Civil Judge, Bannu, however, on 22.07.2017, he was dismissed from service on the charges of his being involved in corruption & corrupt practices, living beyond his ostensible means of income and misusing his official position as well as having tainted service record, vide order dated 22.07.2017 of the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu, against which, the appellant filed Departmental Appeal which could not be decided within the statutory period, hence, he moved the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal, Peshawar in Service Appeal No.1232/2017, which was accepted with directions to conduct a de novo inquiry within 90 days, however, the matter of back benefits was subjected to the outcome of de novo inquiry vide judgment dated 17.10.2019, thus, the appellant was reinstated into service and after conducting de novo inquiry by Mr. Kaleem Ullah, Civil Judge-VI, Bannu, the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Competent Authority found him guilty of misconduct as defined in the rules ibid, hence, after complying with the codal formalities, imposed upon him a minor penalty of "Censure" as envisaged under Rule 4(1)(a)(i) of the ibid rules vide the impugned order dated 21.01.2020. Hence, the former appeal.

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- 3. On 23.01.2020, the appellant submitted an application to the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu for grant of back benefits w.e.f 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2017, which application was rejected on the ground that he had not performed duties during the period under dismissal and since he had been penalized, therefore, was not entitled to back benefits vide order dated 17.02.2020. During pendency of the former appeal, the appellant feeling dissatisfied with the order dated 17.02.2020, preferred the latter appeal, thus, both were clubbed by this court vide order dated 06.03.2020, as common question of law & fact was involved therein. Comments of the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Competent Authority were sought, which were accordingly received.
- 4. I have heard the appellant personally in both the appeals and gone through the available record.
- 5. Contention of the appellant Ijaz Khan (Process Server) during personal hearing was that although, a joint complaint No.11706 was filed / submitted against him by Guldar Ali and Sher Ayaz Khan before the Hon'ble Chief Justice, Peshawar High Court, Peshawar, but during de novo inquiry proceedings, the same was withdrawn through written application dated 09.12.2019 and in para No.3 of the application, it was specifically and clearly written that he (Ijaz Khan) was not involved in the settlement of dispute between them and the other party and the middlemen in settlement of the dispute were Mufti Hidayat Ullah Shah & Mufti Rizwan. That proceedings against him

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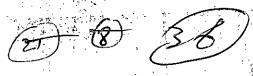


were initiated on the basis of complaint No.11706 and the complainants have withdrawn the said complaint, therefore, the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Authority has passed the impugned order dated 21.01.2020 (imposing iminor penalty of "Censure") against law, facts and natural justice. He requested for setting aside the impugned order dated 21.01.2020 and for exonerating him from the charges leveled against him.

- In the latter Departmental Appeal No.12, he requested for setting aside the impugned order dated 17.02.2020 and while accepting his former appeal No.02 of 2020, he be allowed / granted back benefits from 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2017.
- Perusal of case file revealed that a joint complaint No.11706 was submitted against the appellant (Ijaz Khan Process Server) before the Hon'ble Chief Justice, Peshawar High Court, Peshawar by Gul Dar Ali Khan and Sher Ayaz Khan. The said complaint was sent to this office with covering letter No.3529/HRC dated 02:06.2017 with a direction for necessary action and report within 30 days. My learned predecessor in office marked the same to the then learned ASJ-III, Super Bannu) for inquiry and report. The learned ASJ-III, Bannu (Mr. Muhammad Tahir Auranaus) laving words:

"The Process Server Ijaz Khan has misused his official position and he is involved in corruption and corrupt practices thereby

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bringing bad name to the institution. Not only that his service record is tainted, but at the same time there is evidence that he remained involved in handling stolen vehicles, counterfeit currency and is living beyond his ostensible means of income. It is recommended that he be dealt with accordingly"

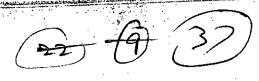
- 8. Special Report dated 04.07.2020 ExPW-4/1 was submitted by the then learned ASJ-III, Bannu with a request to initiate disciplinary proceedings against the appellant. Pursuance to the Special Report of the learned ASJ-III, Bannu / Chairman Anti-Corruption Committee, the then learned Senior Civil Judge / Competent Authority (Mr. Sultan Hussain) initiated departmental proceedings against the appellant and on conclusion of the departmental proceedings, he dismissed the appellant from service vide order dated 22.07.2017.
- 9. The appellant approached this office in appeal, but due to not deciding of the appeal within 90 days (statutory period), the appellant submitted Service Appeal No.1232/2017 before the Provincial Service Tribunal, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar against the order dated 27.07.2017 of the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Competent Authority.

The Hon'ble Provincial Service Tribunal, Peshawar was pleased to accept the appeal of the appellant, setting aside the impugned order dated 22.07.2017 reinstating the appellant into service and directed that *de novo* inquiry be conducted within a period of 90 days.

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On receipt of the judgment_dated 17.10.2019 of the Hon'ble 11. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal, Peshawar, the learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Competent Authority after fulfilling the required legal formalities, appointed Mr. Kaleem Ullah, Civil Judge-VI, Bannu as Inquiry Officer, who conducted the inquiry against the appellant and submitted his report with the following suggestions:

"Suggestions:

Statements of PW-1. PW-2 and PW-3 make it crystal clear that the accused facing inquiry has stepped into the matter/issue which was already being subjudice before civil court, Bannu. Taken money to the tune of Rs.300,000/- for himself and his other friends on the pretext of doing Jirga. Accused facing inquiry somehow made the complainant party agree to withdraw their complaint through some outside settlement; still he could not be exonerated on this score alone.

Relation of litigants with courts are based on trust and if some official of court endeavours to throw stains of suspicions upon that trust then it must be countered at the very outset. If it is not countered and stopped then it will have disastrous and murderous effects for the

harmony of a society.

Therefore, keeping in view the above discourse coupled with the mitigating situations created by the concessional statements of complainants, a minor penalty may kindly be imposed upon the accused facing inquiry.

The instant inquiry shall be forwarded to the learned SCJ Bannu for onward proceedings."

The learned Senior Civil Judge, Bannu / Authority after receipt 12.

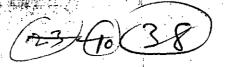
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notice which the appellant replied.

The learned Senior Civil Judge / Authority vide order dated 13. 21.01.2020 imposed the minor penalty of "Censure" upon the appellant. It is a fact that the complainants Guldar Ali Khan and Sher

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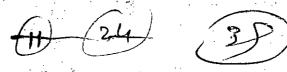


Ayaz Khan have submitted a complaint No.11706 before the Hon'ble Chief Justice, Peshawar High Court, Peshawar Serious allegations of receiving money from the litigants have been leveled against the appellant. According to the contents of the said complaint, the appellant himself came to the complainants introducing himself as court staff and took an amount of Rs.4,00,000/- cash and 09 tolas gold ornaments as security and promised that he will settle the dispute between them and the other party whose case was pending before a civil court. The appellant was an active member of the gang which gang used to obtain huge amounts as security from different people and after success or failure in settling the dispute, the said gang used to misappropriate the amounts.

- 14. During the inquiry proceedings, Guldar Ali Khan and Sher Ayaz Khan although, have withdrawn the complaint, but they have not denied of filing the said complaint. So, mere withdrawal of the complaint before the inquiry officer is meaningless. By name complaint has been filed against the appellant, the wordings of which are shameful for a staff member of this establishment.
- District & Sessions Judge-III, Bannu, the appellant was involved in corruption and was living beyond his ostensible means. The then learned Additional District & Sessions Judge-III, Bannu was also a Chairman of Anti-Corruption Committee, District Judiciary, Bannu. His Special Report could not be ignored altogether.

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- 16. The learned Senior Civil Judge / Authority keeping in mind all the above noted facts & circumstances of the case of the appellant has extended extraordinary lenioncy in the matter and has imposed only a minor penalty of "Censure" upon the appellant vide the impugned order dated 21.01.2020. The appellant deserves no further leniency.
- appellant submitted an application before the learned Senior Civil Judge / Authority for the grant of back benefits from 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2017. In para No.3 of the application, the appellant has wrongly written that he was exonerated from the charges during inquiry proceedings. The learned Senior Civil Judge / Authority vide a detail and convincing order has refused awarding of back benefits to the appellant holding that the appellant has been penalized, hence, not entitled for back benefits. The learned Senior Civil Judge / Authority has passed the impugned order dated 17.02.2020 on the principle of no work and no gain. So, this appeal is also groundless. Both these appeals are, therefore, dismissed.
- 18. Requisitioned record be sent back with a copy of this order to the quarter concerned.

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To:

The District Accounts Officer, Bannu

Subject:

BACK BENEFITS

Memo.

Mr. Ijaz khan, process server of this establishment was removed from services but on acceptance of his appeal by Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal, Peshawar, he was again reinstated into services but his back benefits were subjected to the fat of de-novo inquiry vide judgment dated 17.10.2019(Copy attached). Now after conducting de-nov inquiry, the applicant has been awarded minor penalty of "censure" on the recommendation of inquiry officer(Copy of order annexed).

Therefore, it is desired to request you to assist the undersigned as to whether the applicant is entitled to the back benefits or not in the circumstances mentioned above.

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OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ACCOUNTS OFFICER **BANNU**

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No.DAO/BU/PR-I/Bank / 2019-20/2305

Dated: 03/01/2020

To

The Senior Civil Judge, Bannu.

SUBJECT: <u>BACK BENEFITS.</u>

Memo:

Please refer to your office letter No.164/SCJ/dated: 25.01.2020 on the subject noted above.

In this connection, it is, submitted that the subject case may be dealt in light of FR-54 of FR&SR (Copy enclosed for ready reference). If there is any ambiguity, then the case may be referred to law department Government of Khyber Pakhtunhkwa, Peshawar for further guidance, please.

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servant who has been suspended while on leave, the subsistence granshould be calculated with reference to his leave salary or with reference to his pay. Attention in this connection is invited to F.R. 55, which prohibits grant of leave to Government servants under suspension. Such Government servant, therefore, ceases to be on leave as soon as he placed under suspension, and the subsistence grant in his case also has to be calculated with reference to the pay which was admissible to him on the eve of the commencement of the leave.

These orders take effect from the 1st of December, 1969.

[G.P., M.F., O.M. No. F. 12(32)-R3/70, dated the 14th February, 1970.]

*[F. R. 54. Where a Government Servant has been dismissed or removed is reinstated, the revising or appellate authority may grant to him for the period of his absence from duty -

(a) if he is honourably acquitted, the full pay to which he would have been entitled if he had not been dismissed or removed and, by an order to be separately recorded, any allowance of which he was in receipt prior to his dismissal removal; or

(b) if otherwise, such portion of such pay and supering allowances as the revising or appellate authority may prescribe.

In a case falling under clause (a), the period of absence from duty will be treated as a period spent on duty.

In a case falling under clause (b), it will not be treated as a period spent on duty unless the revising appellate authority so directs.

Explanation. — In this rule, "revising authority" means the "authority" or "authorised Officer" as defined in the Government Servants (Efficiency and Discipline) Rules, 1973, who passes the final order on the case and not the authority who passes an order on appeal.]

*[54-A. If a Government servant, who has been" suspended pending inquiry into his conduct attains the age of superannuation before the completion of inquiry, the disciplinary proceedings against him shall abate and such Government servant shall retire with full pensionary benefits and the period of suspension shall be treated as period spent on duty.]

F.R. 55. Leave may not be granted to a Government servant under suspension.

^{*}F.R. 54 substituted by the S.R.O. 718(I)/93, the 2nd August, 1993, the Gaz. of Pak., Extr., Pt. II, P. No. 1339, dt. August 22, 1993. (Effective from the 30th June, 1993).

F.R. 54-A, inserted by S.R.O. 1143(I)/80, dt. 10th November, 1980, the Gaz. of Pak., Extr., Pt. II, P. No. 2215, dt. November 20, 1980.

IN THE COURT OF ARDUL QAYYUM SIDDIQI SENIOR CIVIL JUDGE, BÁNNI

RDER#1 3.21.2020

Petitioner namely Mr. Ijaz Khan, process server submitted an application for back benefits. It be registered.

Opinion be sought from District Accounts Officer, Bannu.

Fife be put up after receipt of opinion.

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ORDER#2 03.02.2020

Opinion from District Accounts Officer, Bannu vide letter No.DAO/BU/PR-I/Bank/2019-20/2305,dated 03.02.2020 received.

File be put up for perusal on 17-02-2020.

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ORDER#3 17.02.2020

Petitioner namely Mr. Ijaz Khan, process server in person

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present.

Briefly stated that the petitioner namely Mr. Ijaz Khan, process server was dismissed from his services vide order dated 22.07.2017, for which the petitioner filed an appeal before Peshawar for Tribunal Service Pakhtunkhwa Khyber reinstatement. On acceptance of appeal No. 1232/2017, dated 17.10.2019, the petitioner was reinstated into services.



The issue of back benefits was subjected to outcome of the de-novo enquiry. After conclusion of de-novo inquiry, minor penalty of Censure was imposed upon accused/ official as he was found guilty of part allegation vide order No. 145 dated 21.01.2020. Admittedly, the accused/ official has not performed his duties during the period under dismissal. The accused/ official was not held entitled to any back benefits at the time of final order of imposing penalty of censure. Since he has been penalized and was not entitled to back benefits.

Therefore, the petition being without merit is rejected. File be consigned.

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To

The Honorable District & Sessions Judge Bannu.

SUBJECT: DEPARTMENTAL APPEAL AGAINST IMPUGNED
ORDER DATED 17.02.2020 WHEREBY
APPLICATION DATED 23.01.2020 FOR GRANT OF
BACK BENEFIT WAS DISMISSED.

Respectfully Sheweth:-

Brief facts giving rise to this departmental appeal are as under:-

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That the appellant was re-instated in service vide order dated 17. 0.2019 passed by the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal Peshawar with directions to the respondents to conduct De-novo enquiry in the matter.

That the learned Senior Civil Judge Bannu appointed an enquiry officer namely Kaleemullah Civil Judge, VI, Bannu to conduct De-novo enquiry.

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That charge sheet was issued alongwith a final showcause notice which was responded by the appellant by denying the allegations as alleged therein.

That the enquiry officer recommended for imposition of minor penalty vide order dated: 17.12.2019. (Copy of order is attached).

5. That the learned Senior Civil Judge being competent authority imposed the minor penalty of " CENSURE" upon the appellant vide order dated 21.01.2020.

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- 6. That inquiry was conducted on the complaint of Guidar Ali regarding involvement of the appellant as arbitrator in a Civil Dispute and also dealing with stolen vehicles and forged currency notes.
- 7. That it was concluded by the enquiry officer that neither allegation of dealing with stolen vehicles established against the appellant nor he was found involved in dealing with forged currency notes.
- 8. That a complaint No.11706 was filed before the Peshawar High Court Peshawar by one Guldar Ali which was withdrawn by him through an application dated 09.12.2019 wherein as per Para-3 it was mentioned;

"به کدا گاز خان ولد ممتاز خان ہمارا گنا ہمگارٹیس ہے اور نہ بی ای نے ہمارے ما بین ٹا لیٹ یا ایجٹ کا کر دارا داکیا

ہے۔ ہمارے مابین ٹالٹان مفتی ہدایت اللہ شاہ مفتی رضوان صاحب مقرر ہوئے تھے جنہوں نے ہماری اللہ Supe Session مفتی رضوان صاحب مقرر ہوئے تھے جنہوں نے ہماری اللہ Supe Session مابین فیصلہ ٹالٹی صاور کی ہے جو کہ تج ر بطور بر بھی موجود ہے۔ اور جس بر ہم فریقین راضی ملاقت اللہ Sannu میں فیصلہ ٹالٹی صاور کی ہے جو کہ تج ر بطور بر بھی موجود ہے۔ اور شمس کم پلینٹ نمبر 11706 واپس کرنے کی میں ۔ قبل ازیں ہم نے مورخہ 14.06.2017 کو ASJ-III کو ASJ-III کی گئی ۔ است رہ کہ تھی ہمارے کی گئی ۔ است رہ کہ تھی ہمارے کے کہ موجود ہے۔ اور شمس کم پلینٹ نمبر 11706 واپس کرنے کی گئی ۔ است رہ کہ تھی ۔ است رہ کہ تھی ۔ است رہ کہ تھی ہمارے کے کہ سے معرف کے کہ تھی ہمارے کی گئی ۔ است رہ کہ تھی ہمارے کے کہ تعرف کی کے کہ تعرف کے کہ کی کہ تعرف کے کہ تعرف کے

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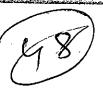
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9. That keeping in view the above referred statement of the complainant, he categorically stated that the appellant has no involvement in the arbitration proceedings or acted as arbitrator, therefore, the findings of the learned Senior Civil





Judge to the effect that the allegations of involvement of the appellant in a civil dispute as arbitrator has no substance at all, therefore, reached to a conclusion which cannot be justified on the basis of the above candid statement of the complainant Guldar Ali Khan and Sher Ayaz Khan.

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10. That the competent authority also sought opinion of the District Account Officer Bannu vide letter dated: 25.01.2020, that whether back benefit can be cranted to the appellant.

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That the District Account Officer Bannu vide letter dated 03.02.2020 addressed to the Sr. Civil Judge Bannu wherein he referred to FR-54 which may deal with the issue of grant of back benefit with further remarks that if there is any ambiguity, then the case may be referred to law department Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa for further guidance.

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It is pertinent to mention that no guidance was obtained by the competent authority from law department to decide the issue of back benefit or any law was specifically quoted which restrains the grant of back benefit to the appellant.

12. That it is pertinent to refer to FR-54 for ready reference;

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(a) If he is honourably acquitted, the full pay to which he would have been entitled if he had not been dismissed or removed and, by an order to be separately recorded, any allowance of which he was in receipt prior to his dismissal removal;

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It is pertinent to mention that the above rule will only be applicable when an FIR is registered against a Civil servant from whom he is acquitted by the court of competent jurisdiction.

Since no FIR has been registered against the appellant only departmental proceedings were conducted on the basis of unfounded allegations and it was categorically held by the inquiry officer that no charges of dealing with stolen vehicle or counterfeit currency established against him, therefore denial of grant of back benefits having no substance and force in the eyes of law.

Even otherwise, competent authority has imposed the penalty of CENSURE upon the appellant against which a separate departmental appeal has been moved before your Honour, therefore, the appellant cannot be penalized or vexed twice for the same cause in terms of the mandate of Article-13 of Constitution of Pakistan, hence the impugned order dated 17.02.2020 restraining back benefits to the appellant is void ab initio liable to be set aside on this ground alone.

Keeping in view what has been stated above it is therefore, humbly prayed that the impugned order dated 17.02.2020 passed by the learned Senior Civil Judge being

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competent authority in the case of appellant may kindly be set aside, and consequently grant back benefits with effect from 22.07.2017 to 17.10.2019 as the appellant during the period when he was removed from service did not gain financially elsewhere.

Dated: 26.02.2020

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DISTRICT JUDICIARY KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE, BANNU

NO. 354 / D&SJ BANNU

DATED AT BANNU THE 15-02-2021

AUTHORITY LETTER

Mr. Shafqat Ullah Khan, Superintendent of this Sessions Division, is hereby nominated as Representative in Service Appeal No. 3728 of 2020, titled "Ijaz Khan Vs District & Sessions Judge, Bannu & another" fixed before the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal, Peshawar for 17.02.2021, on behalf of the respondents No.1 & 2.

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<u>DISTRICT JUDICIARY KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA</u> OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE, BANNU

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DATED AT BANNU THE 12-01-2021

AUTHORITY LETTER

Mr. Shafqart Ullah Khan, Superintendent of this Sessions Division, is hereby authorized to appear as a departmental representative on behalf of undersigned and Senior Civil Judge, Bannu (Respondents No. 01 & 02) in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal, Peshawar in Appeal No. 3728/2020 titled "Ijaz Khan VS District & Sessions Judge, Bannu etc".

District & Sessions Judge