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Clerk of learned counsel for the appellant present. Mr. Naseer-Ud-Din Shah, Assistant Advocate General for the respondents present.

Today there is nobody present on behalf of the respondents nor did they submit written reply/comments. The time provided in Rule-12 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal Rules, 1974 for filing reply is seven days before the date fixed but despite providing opportunity the respondents have not filed the comments. They are thus placed ex-parte and their right to file reply stands struck off. To come up for arguments on 11.05.2023 before D.B.

> (Kalim Arshad Khan) Chairman