BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SEVICE TRIBUNAL CAMP COURT SWAT

Appeal No. 751-M//2023

......Appellant Ayub Zarin.....

V/S

Secretary Higher Education, Peshawar & others......Respondents

(Reply on behalf of Respondent No. 4 & 5)

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BEFORE SERVICES TRIBUNAL, KHYBER PAKHTUNKHAWA, CAMP COURT SWAT

Appeal No: 751-M of 2023.

The Secretary Higher Education KPK & others......(Respondent)

(Para-wise Reply on behalf of Respondent No:4 & 5)

Preliminary Objections:

- 1) That Appellant has no cause of action and *locus standi*.
- 2) That Appellant has not come to this Court with clean hands.
- 3) That Appellant has concealed material facts from this honorable Court.
- 4) That instant Appeal is badly time bard.
- 5) That Finance Department KPK is competent forum in the instant case which has not been made Respondent in the Appeal.

Respectfully Sheweth:

Para-1 is correct.

Para-2 needs no comments from answering Respondents.

Para-3 relates to Respondents No: 1,2 & 3.

Para -4 is correct.

- Para-5 is correct partially to extent that Respondent No.1 imposed recovery of over-drawn amount of Rs. 625,395/= upon the Appellant. The other facts stated in Paara-5 are incorrect. The monthly Pension and value of commuted portion of Pension of Appellant was required to be calculated on the basis of his actually admissible Basic Pay of BPS-20 i.e. Rs. 127,720/= instead of incorrect and inflated amount of Basic Pay i.e.
- Rs. 132,230/=. The correct position of the matter is elaborated hereunder;
- I. The Appellant, while holding the post of Assistant Professor (B-18) was promoted as Associate Professor (B-19) on 11.06.2013.
- II. The Appellant was drawing Basic Pay @ Rs.47000/=PM as Assistant Professor(B-18) on 10.06.2013. On his promotion to BPS-19 as Associate Professor as on 11.06.2013, the Basic Pay of the Appellant was fixed @ Rs.50200/= under Para 10(1)(i) of the Khyber Pakhtunkhawa Civils Servants Pay Revision Rules,1978.
- **III.** In terms of Rule-7 of Pay Revision Rules, *ibid*, the Appellant was not entitled to Annual Increment as on 1st December, 2013 for having service less than six (6) months in the BPS-

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19 on said date which is a prerequisite condition for grant of annual increment to a civil servant under said Rule.

- IV. While allowing Annual Increments to all other serving, otherwise eligible government employees in the district, through computerized mechanical process, the Annual Increment was also added mistakenly in the basic pay of the Appellant on 1st December, 2013 to which the Appellant was not entitled under rules i.e. Rule 7 of Pay Revision Rules,1978.
- V. Based upon mistake stated in sub-Para-(IV), the Basic Pay of the Appellant remained inflated by one extra increment from 1/12/2013 onward till his retirement forming Last Pay drawn as Rs.132,230/=PM against the legally admissible stage of Rs.127,720/=PM.
- **VI.** The error was pointed out at the time of issuing him Last Pay Certificate (LPC) on the eve of his retirement from service for calculation of pensionery benefits admissible under relevant Rules.
- **VII.** The Respondent No.1, being Pension Sanctioning Authority in respect of Appellant, has rightly worked out over paid amount of Rs. 625,395/= for recovery from the Appellant besides sanctioning him correctly admissible amount of monthly pensions, *as well as*, value of commuted portion of pension, to which the Respondent No.1 is fully competent and responsible under the prevailing Law & Pension Rules.
- VIII. The claim of Appellant for allowing him monthly Pension and value of commuted portion of pension on the basis of exaggerated amount of Basic Pay Rs.132,230/= does not constitute a legitimate demand, hence, denied.

Para-6 pertains to Respondent NO:1.

Para-7, needs no comments from answering Respondent.

GROUNDS:

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- A. Incorrect. The action of Respondents regarding recovery of over-paid amount of public moneys from the Appellant, is fully covered by rules i.e. Rule 1.8(b) of KPK Civil Pension
 Rules, read with, Rules 213,214 & 224 of Central Treasuries
 Rules(CTRs).
- **B. Incorrect**. The Appellant is bound to return, any time, an amount drawn or availed by him during his service which if found inadmissible under rules. Rule 1.8(b) of Civil Pension Rules refer.
- **C. Incorrect**. The payment of one extra increment on 1.12.2013 to which the Appellant was not entitled was a procedural

mechanical mistake and the same may be treated as an *"omission"* and not as *"commission"* which dose not, in any way, confer *bonafide* to the Appellant.

- **D. Incorrect.** Under Rule 1.8(b) of KPK Civil Pension Rules every pensioner is liable to return any of amount(s) draw by him or paid to him during his service which, if found inadmissible to him under the prevailing law/rules, in judicial or departmental proceedings.
- **E. Incorrect.** There arise no need of issuing Show Cause Notice to the Appellant because it was a routine course of scrutiny of pensionary documents by the Pension Sanctioning Authority (Respondent No.1) rather disciplinary proceedings under E&D Rules requiring issuance of Show Cause Notice.
- F. Incorrect. Hence denied.
- **G. Incorrect.** The benefits claimed by the Appellant was the result of a procedural mechanic lapse in the Computer System requiring rectification and same was not a concession to be continued under the shadow of any misinterpretation of rules or statute or any of the orders of the competent authority.

H. Incorrect. Hence denied.

I. Incorrect. Hence denied.

J. Incorrect. Hence denied.

K. Incorrect. Hence denied.

L. Incorrect. Hence denied.

M. Incorrect. Hence denied.

N. Incorrect. Hence denied.

O. Incorrect. Hence denied.

P. Incorrect. Hence denied.

Q. Incorrect. Hence denied.

R. Incorrect. Hence denied.

S. Incorrect. Hence denied.

T. Incorrect. Hence denied.

U. Incorrect. Hence denied.

V. No comments.

PRAYER:

Keeping in view above mentioned facts, it is therefore, humbly been prayed that grievance of the Appellant is not based on legally known facts and nothing else rests on the part of answering Respondents { NO.4 & 5}. Hence, Appeal in hand, having no merit may kindly be dismissed with cost.

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Accountant General Khyber Pakhtunkhaw, Peshawar (Respondent No.5).

ANNEX: The N.W.F.P. Civil Services Pay Revision Rules, 1978 NOTIFICATION. ITS OFFICER 31st May, 1978. Olo A.G. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa No. F. D. S. O. (PRC)/1-2/77.—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 26 of the Morth-West Frontier Province, Civil Servants Act, 1973, the Governor of the North-West Frontier Pro-vince is pleased to make the following rules namely:— THE NORTH-WEST FRONTIER PROVINCE, CIVIL SERVICE PAY REVISION RULES, 1978.

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Provided further that the pay of the fixining civil servants aiready fixed in the Revised National Pay Scales under Letter No: FD (SO) PRC/1-2:77, dated the 16th May, 1977, shall be deemed to have been so fixed under these rules.

(3) The dearness allowance, special dearness allowance and additional dearness allowance referred to in the preceding subrule shall not be admissible to those who draw pay in the Revised National Pay Scales.

(4) No specific orders for crossing of efficiency bar will be necessary if by virtue of the formula given in sub-rule (2). the pay of a civil servant is fixed at a stage beyond the efficiency bar.

(5) The pay of every civil servant covered by this rule shall be fixed both in the scale of his substantive post and the scale of the post held by him in a temporary/officiating capacity or on ad hoc hasis, or if already fixed under Letter No. FD (SO) PRC/1-2, 77, dated 16th May, 1977, shall be deemed to have been first under these rules.

7. Encrements in the Revised National Pay Scales.—The increments in the Revised National Pay Scales shall fail due on 1st day of December, following the completion of at least six months service at a stage in the relevant Revised National Pay Scale.

8. Admissibility of next higher Revised National Pay Scale-(1) A civil zervant holding post in the Revised National Pay Scales I to 15, who has reached the maximum of a Revised National Fay Scale shall be allowed the next higher Revised National Fay he completes one year of such service at the said maximum as counts for increment under these rules, subject to the condition that there is no adverse entry in the Annual Confidential Reports of the civil years. If this condition is not fulfilled, he shall wait at the met Reports without any adverse entry and his move over to the next Reports without any adverse entry and his move over to the next higher Revised National Pay Scale shall take effect from the 1st day higher Revised National Pay Scale shall take effect from the 1st day higher Revised National Pay Scale shall take effect from the 1st day higher Revised National Pay Scale shall take effect from the 1st day fourth such annual confidential report.

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(b) A civil servant holding post in Revised National Pay Scale 16 shall be sligwed to move over only to Revised National Pay Scale 17 and the one holding post in Revised National Pay Scale 17 shall be allowed to move over only to the Revised National Pay Scale 18.

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- 1.7 In any case where pension or gratuity is not admissible under these rules, a competent authority may grant pension which will, not save in most exceptional circumstances, exceed Rs. 100 a month or a gratuity not exceeding the equivalent value of that amount; provided that the general spirit of the rules is observed.
- 1.8 (a) Good conduct is an implied condition of every kind of pension. Government may withhold or withdraw a pension or any part of it if the pensioner be convicted of serious crime or be found to have been guilty of grave misconduct either during or after the completion of his service, provided that before any order to this effect is issued, the procedure regarding imposition of the penalty of removal from service shall be followed.

(b) Government reserve to themselves the right of recovery from the pension of Government pensioner on account of losses found in judicial or departmental proceedings to have been caused to Government by the negligence, or fraud of such Government pensioner during his service, provided that such departmental proceedings shall not be instituted after more than a year from the date of retirement of the Government pensioner.

(c) In case the amount of pension granted to a Government servant be after wards found to be in excess of that to which he is entitled under the rules, he shall be called upon to refund such excess.

•(d) Except with the previous sanction of the Provincial Government, no pensioner shall, within a period of two years from the date of his retirement take part in any election or engaged in political activity of any kind.

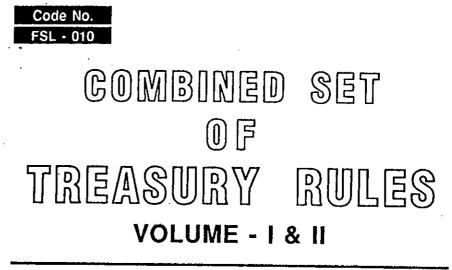
In future all Civil Servants who are under enquiry be excluded from the enquiry proceedings under the E&D Rules after attaining the age of superannuation and they may be allowed full pensionery benefits as provided under the rules. However it has further been decided that if some pecuniary loss caused to the Government is likely to be proved against a Government Servant who superannuates before decision of the case against him, an FIR should be lodged against him for judicial proceedings immediately after the date of superannuation and exclusion of his name from the departmental enquiry.

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of sub-vouchers relating to contingent expenditure shall apply generally to sub-vouchers in respect of other classes of payments, unless they at governed by special departmental regulations or orders of the Govern ment to the contrary.

L Overcharges

212. Subject to such special orders as the Government may issue i any individul case, the responsibility for an overcharge shall rest primarily with the drawer of a bill, and it is only in the event of culpable negligence on the part of the controlling officer or of the Treasury Officer that the ques tion of recovery from either of them may be considered.

Audit Objections and Recoveries

213. Every Government servant must attend promptly to bjections and orders communicated to him by the Accountant General.

214. When an Accountant General disallows a payment as unauthe cised, the disbursing officer is bound not only to recover the amount disallowed without listening to any objection or protest but to refuse to pa it in future till the Accountant General authorises the payment to I resumed; that no warning slip has been received by the Governmen servant against whom the retrenchment has been ordered or that bein received, it has been answered, are facts with which the disbursin officer shall have no concern.

NOTE 1.—If a Government servant from whom a recovery is ordered is transferred to the jurisdiction of another disbursing officer, the order of recovery should be passed on to that dis bursing officer without delay.

NOTE 2.—A disbursing officer must not, when a retrenchment is ordered, enter into an correspondence with either the 'Accountant General or the Government servant concerned; it his duty simply and promptly to carry out the orders he has received, and to leave the person aggrieved to refer the case to the proper authority.

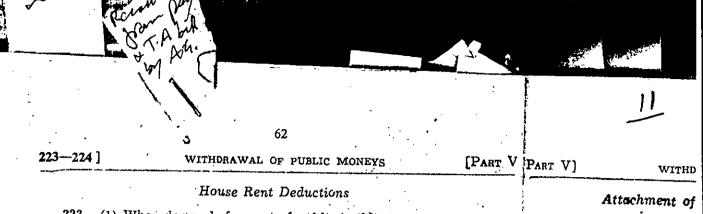
Note 3.—Representations and protests against retrenchments ordered by the Accountan General may not ordinarily be considered by the administrative authorities if submitted later than three months after the date of receipt of the intimation by the aggrieved Government servant This provision does not remove from the disbursing officer the duty of enforcing immediately the recovery of a retrenchment order under this rule.

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WITHDRAWAL OF PUBLIC MONEYS

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223. (1) When demands for rent of public buildings, recoverable from Government servants, are received from the Public Works Divisional Officer or any other authority in charge of such buildings, the Government servants who draw their own pay bills, and heads of offices in the case of non-gazetted Government servants, shall make the necessary deductions as specified in the demands from the next bill in which pay is drawn. After the recovery has been made, one 'copy' of the demand statement which will be rendered in duplicate shall be returned to the authority from which it was received after noting the amounts recovered, the other copy being attached to the bill, from which the recovery has been made. In noting the deductions in the bills, the head of account to be credited and other particulars as given in the demand statement must be shown.

(2) If the rent recoverable from a Government servant is limited to a certain percentage of the emoluments of the Government servant, the particulars of such emoluments shall be noted in the remarks column of the demand statement before its return. Where, after the return' of the demand statement, the emoluments of a Government servant 'are changed retrospectively such changes shall either be shown in the next demand statement or intimated to the authority concerned by a special letter.

(3) Notwithstanding anything contained in this rule;

- (i) the recovery of rents from Government servants of the Federal Government in respect of public buildings belonging to a Province may be made in accordance with such procedure as may be prescribed by the Government of that Province.
- (ii) Heads of Local Administrations and Departments of the Federal Government may, after consultation with the Accountant General prescribe such detailed rules of procedure as may be necessary for recovery of rents of public buildings under their administrative control.

(4) The provisions of this rule apply also to other charges, e.g., additional rent recoverable for furniture, electric, water, heating and sanitary installations, charges for cost of water, electric energy, etc., which may, under the orders of competent authority, be recovered in the same way as, and together with, rents of buildings proper.

Recoveries ordered by an Accountant General,

224. Deductions on account of sums disallowed from pay bills shall be made strictly in accordance with the instructions issued by the Accountant General. The recovery of a sum disallowed from a pay bill travelling allowance bill, from the next payment of a sum disallowed from but sums disallowed from a travelling allowance bill must be recovered in cash from the pay bill when the Government servant concerned does not, within a month, present any travelling allowance bill from which they can be recovered.

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AUTHORITY LETTER

Mr. Syed Tariq Shah, Senior Auditor, (BPS-17) Office of the Accountant General Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar is hereby authorized to attend the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal Peshawar on behalf of this office.

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AFFIDAVIT

I, Syed Tariq Shah, Senior Auditor, Office of the Accountant General Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar do hereby solemnly affirms & declare that the contents of reply submitted on behalf of Respondent No.4 & 5 is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and nothing has been concealed from this honorable Court.

It is further stated on out that in this open the answing respondent have niether been placed to Parter nor This defence have been struck off.

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