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Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal Peshawar

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- 5. Conservator of Forests Malakand Forest Circle West at Timergara.
- 6. Divisional Forest Officer Lower Dir at Timergara.

Respondents.

<u>Para wise comments on behalf of respondent No.01 to 06.</u> Respectfully sheweth,

That the respondents submit as under:-

Preliminary objections.

- a. That the appellant has no cause of action or locus standi to file the instant appeal, as such the same is liable to be dismissed.
- b. That the appeal is not maintainable in its present form.
- c. That the appellant has come to the tribunal with malafide intention.
- d. That the appellant has been estopped by his own conduct to file the appeal.
- e. That the appeal is barred by law and limitation.

ON FACTS:-

- 1. Related to record. At Gopalam forest check post there is joint Check point comprising of Police and Forest Department. However, the appellant has not submitted anything in writing for demand of barrier from the high-ups.
- 2. In-correct. Hence denied. The appellant, during his personal hearing in the office of respondent No.06, has stated that he was unaware about the truck and has not crossed Gopalam Forest Check Post. (Annexed-A).
- 3. In-Correct. Hence denied. The Conservator of Forests Malakand Forest Circle West at Timergara just advised the respondent No.06 to take action against the officials involved in timber smuggling under the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa E&D Rules, 2011. Consequently, an inquiry was conducted through DFO Patrol Squad, Malakand West Forest Circle, Timergara (Inquiry Officer) wherein the charges were leveled against the Appellant. Therefore, following the prescribed procedure under the ibid rules, a major penalty of compulsory retirement from service was imposed upon the appellant. (Annexed-B & C).

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- H. In-Correct. Hence denied. As already explained in Para No. II referred above. Furthermore, the vehicle in question loaded with illegal timber was apprehended by the Patrol Squad party at Shammardin as is evident from the content of Damage Report (Copy Annexed-E). Besides, there is no mention about the information conveyed by the appellant.
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- J. In-Correct. Hence denied. Actually the illegal timber was apprehended by Patrol Squad Party on receipt of information as clearly mentioned in the Damage Report issued against Forest Offender. Furthermore, the SDFO Timergara has also stated that the information was conveyed by DFO Lower Dir as stated before enquiry officer (Annexed-F) hence the illegal timber has crossed Gopalam Check Post with the active connivance of the appellant.

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(Respondent No.03)

Conservator of Forests,

Malakand Forest Circle West,

At Timergara.

(Respondent No.05)

Secretary to Government of Knyl Pakhtunkhwa,

Climate Change Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department Peshawar.

(Respondent No.02)

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Malakand Forest Region-III, Saidu Sharif Swat.

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Divisional Forest Officer, Lower Dir Forest Division,

Timergara

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AFFIDAVIT

I, Sharif Ullah (Sub Divisional Forest Officer BPS-17) S/O Ghani Rahman R/O Maira, P.O Kabal, Kotlai, Tehsil Kabal District Swat, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare on oath that contents of the instant Para Wise Comments are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and nothing has been concealed from this Hon'ble court.

Deponent

CNIC: 15604-035 296-1

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Τo,

Lower Dir Forest Division,

The Divisional Forest Officer, At Timergara.

Subject:

SMUGGLING OF TIMBER EXPLANATION- THEREOF

Memo:

As already directed vide this office letter No.6149-51/G&L dated, 02/06/2022, No.6366-68/E dated 08/06/2022 and No.6501-02/E dated 17/06/2022 to initiate proper inquiry against the staff under E&D Rules 2011, but you are calling explanation resultantly wastage of time, stemna and office stationery. Therefore you are once again directed to conduct proper inquiry against the staff under intimation to this office immediately failing which the matter will be reported against you accordingly.

MALAKAND WEST FOREST CIRCLE

Divisional Lower Dir Forest Division Timergara

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ENQUIRY REPORT OF MR. RAEES KHAN FOREST GUARD AND ZUBAIR SHAH FOREST GUARD OF LOWER DIR FOREST DIVISION REGARDING SMUGGLING OF TIMBER IN OIL TANKER

READ WITH:

- ➤ DFO Lower Dir office order No.14 Dated: 21-07-2022 (Annexure-I)
- ➤ SDFO Timergara office letter No, 59/T Dated 03-06-2022 (Annexure-II)
- ➤ DFO Lower Dir office letter No, 81-82/G Dated 07-07-2022 (Annexure-III)
- ➤ Charge Sheet & Memo of Allegations issued to Mr. Raees Khan Forest Guard & Zubair Shah Forest Guard. (Annexure-IV)
- ➤ Reply of Mr. Raees Khan Forest Guard and Zubair Shah Forest Guard Dated 31-07-2022 (Annexure-V)
- ➤ Personal Hearing of Mr. Raees Khan and Zubair Shah Forest Guard Dated 19-08-2022 (Annexure-VI)
- > Statement of Mr. Zakirullah Forest Guard I/C Shamardin Forest Check Post Dated 03-08-2022 (Annexure-VII)
- Personal Hearing of Mr. Muqaidullah SDFO Timergara Dated 30-08-2022. (Annexure-VIII)
- ➤ Damage Report issued by the staff Dated 31-05-2022 (Annexure-IX)

BRIEF HISTORY OF THE CASE:

An oil tanker loaded with 43 No, Deodar scants =172 cft timber was apprehended by the staff of Shamardin forest Check post, which crossed Sherpalam Forest Check Post unchecked/unattended by the concerned field staff. The competent authority issued the following allegations/Charge Sheet to the accused officials, detail of which are as under,

- i. That besides repeated directives /instructions regarding control of illegal movement of forest produce through proper checking of each and every vehicle crossing Forest Check Posts, especially at the time of sunrise and sunset, but you failed to do so, As on 31-05-2022 a Hino Oil Tanker bearing hand writing registration No, C-2605 loaded with illicit timber of 43 No's of Deodar Scants of various size = 172cft apprehended by the staff of Shamardin Forest Check Post.
- ii. Being Forest Guard it is your prime responsibility to keep the barrier closed and stop each and every vehicle for checking, but you did not perform your duty as per your job

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description which shows your inefficiency in performing your duty and the vehicle crossed the check post un-checked.

That explanation was called by SDFO Timergara vide his letter No. 58-60/T Deted 03-06-2022 with the direction to explain your position within 03(Three) days followed by this office letter No. 81-82/G Dated 07-07-2022.

- iv. That you failed to submit your reply with in time.
- v. That the above situation clearly speaks your active involvement with timber smugglers.

For the purpose of enquiry against the accused with reference to the above allegations, the enquiry was entrusted to undersigned under Rule -10(i) (a) of the Rules ibid.

Discussion:

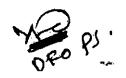
The accused officials submitted their reply to the charge sheet and Memo of Allegations already served to them by DFO Lower Dir.

As per reply of Mr. Zubair Shah Forest Guard that there is no barrier in Gopalam Forest Check post, we only try to stop the suspected vehicles but some vehicles may pass /cross check post without checking at a high speed. Moreover, he was on leave that day. Raees khan forest guard was performing duty on check post. He tried to stop oil tanker for the purpose of checking but driver of oil tanker did not stop and cross the check post. Mr. Raees Khan Forest Guard then immediately phone call to I/C of Sherpalam forest check post for checking of oil tanker, therefore, on their information oil tanker loaded with illicit timber was apprehended by the staff of Shamardin forest check post.

As per reply of Mr. Raees khan Forest Guard, on that day he was on duty at Gopalam forest check post, he tried to stop oil tanker for the purpose of checking but it didn't stop and cross forest check post, he then immediately inform staff of Sherpalam forest check post to check this suspected oil tanker. Therefore, on his information staff of Sherpalam forest check post apprehended oil tanker loaded with illicit timber.

As per statement given by Zakirullah forest guard I/C of Shamardin forest check post that they have apprehended oil tanker on information given by Mr. Raees khan forest guard on that day.

During the course of personal hearing Dated 19-08-2022 of Mr. Zubair Shah forest guard that he was on leave that day, as he has taken leave verbally from the concerned SDFO Timergara and no written application was given to him.



barrier in Gopalam Forest Check Post and sometimes vehicles pass/cross this forest check post without checking. More over on that day he has tried to stop oil tanker on that day but it didn't stop, therefore, he then immediately phone call to staff of Shamarddin forest check post check this suspected oil tanker and therefore, they have apprehended oil tanker loaded with illicit timber on his information.

As per personal hearing of Mr. Muqaidullah I/C SDFO Timergara stated that its true that there is no barrier in Gopalam forest check post but police forest check post is also situated on the same place they can check the vehicles very smoothly there. Moreover, in his personal hearing he accept that the oil tanker loaded with illicit timber was apprehended at Shamardin forest check post in the presence of Divisional Squad Party. He also told that Damage report on this offence was issued by squad party. During the course of personal hearing he stated that they have apprehended the oil tanker on the information given by DFO Lower Dir.

Conclusion:

In view of above discussions it was concluded that the staff of Gopalam forest check post has not checked the oil tanker and let timber smugglers to cross forest check post. As per report of the SDFO Timergara information of Oil Tanker was received to them from DFO Lower Dir. As explanation has been called by SDFO Timergara from both accused official, it reveals that no any leave was granted to Mr. Zubair shah Forest Guard.

Findings:

From the above discussions it was crystal clear from the statement of SDFO Timergara, that adjacent police check post is situated there, where they can easily checked each and every suspected vehicles. They were either absent on the check post or involved in the illegal transportation of timber which have crossed forest check post without any hindrance /restrictions. So, charges of Inefficiency and misconduct prove on both officials.

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<u>Affidavit</u>

I, MR.SHAH KHALID do hereby solemnly affirm and state on oath that the contents of this reply/comments are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, nothing material has been concealed from this Honorable Tribunal.

Identified by Addit: Advocate General Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Service Tribunal.

Deponent, Mr. SHAH KHALID Divisional Forest Officer, Lower Dir Forest Division, Timergara

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As recommended by Conservator of Forests, Malakand West Forest Circle vide his letter No.5411/G&L, dated 29/4/2019, Bandagal and Timergara Forest Check Posts are hereby abolished and establishment of new forest check post at Gopalam area is hereby ordered in the interest of public service with immediate effect.

Sd/-(MUHAMMAD RIAZ)
CHIEF CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS
MALAKAND FOREST REGION (REGION-III)
SAIDU SHARIF SWAT.

No. 12-13 GB,

Copy forwarded to the:-

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- E. In-Correct. Hence denied. As already explained in Para No. II referred above.
- F. In-Correct. Hence denied. The illegal timber through oil tanker was procured from Dir Kohistan whereas, disciplinary action against the staff posted on various check post right from Sheringal to Gopalam have already been proceeded under E&D Rules, 2011. Hence all the staff has active connivance with the timber smugglers.
- G. In-Correct. The enquiry officer finalized the enquiry after fulfillment of all the codal formalities on the subject.
- H. In-Correct. Hence denied. As already explained in Para No. II referred above. Furthermore, the vehicle in question loaded with illegal timber was apprehended by the Patrol Squad party at Shammardin as is evident from the content of Damage Report Copy Annexed-E). Besides, there is no mention about the information conveyed by the appellapt.
- I. In-Correct. Hence denied. The enquiry conducted by the DFO Patrol Squad is based on fact and there is no bias seems in accordance with the E&D Rules, 2011.
- J. In-Correct. Hence denied. Actually the illegal timber was apprehended by Patrol Squad Party on receipt of information as clearly mentioned in the Damage Report issued against Forest Offender. Furthermore, the SDFO Timergara has also stated that the information was conveyed by DFO Lower Dir as stated before enquiry officer (Annexed-F) hence the illegal timber was crossed Gopalam Check Post with the active connivance of the appellant.
- K. In-Correct. Hence denied. As already explained in Para No. II, J & H referred above. Keeping in view the truck was apprehended by the Patrol Squad Party at Shammardin and there is no mention the information conveyed by the appellant on record.
- L. In-Correct. Hence denied. As already explained in Para No. II, H & J referred above.

Personal Hearing? SDFU Timorgara Dated = 30-08. ن مناسد . الحريم ميك المناء المان عان مارساء الم ک وج سے میں ایک میں ایک اس ری سنطوی الله است او است می و ور یه اور ماریال ویکن ایسان با ما ماه این به م نے آگے اس میں پرسٹ کو اطلاع ری ہی نې ررست يې دل ميکاليا الله بالمراث الما المح (3) مقاعم (3) ردیج آبور ایج کرد تحروران ميك إدست والول نے مارای رو کی سال یہ وي بال و رسام المراد المراد وارق مي شامي هي . و عامد الم و مع رورت سوار و الول ما الشو كما به با معروبان بقبک او مٹ والول نے (سرو کیا ہے) ود مج ربورٹ سکوا ڈ یاری نے اسرو کی ہے۔ M. M.Ja E. Minhs

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