

7th Nov. 2023

1. Learned counsel for the petitioner present. Mr. Habib Anwar, Additional Advocate General alongwith Mr. Hashmat Khan, Superintendent for the respondents present.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner produced copies of office orders and letters from the District Accounts Officers Dir Lower, Bannu, Lakki Marwat and Malakand. He further submitted that according to the office order dated 05.10.2023, issued by the DAO Malakand, he has directed the entire staff not to entertain any kind of arrears claim submitted by any DDOs in District

Government due to financial crises, to which, the learned AAG produced copies of two notifications, one of 25.07.2023 and in continuation of the above, another of 16.02.2023, wherein the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Finance Department, directed payment of arrears of the conveyance allowance to the employees of Education Department accumulated due to stoppage of said allowance during (summer & winter) vacation be paid on monthly basis, instead of one time payment of arrears in lump sum in the corresponding months equal to the months of deduction. The representative of the Finance Department stated that the Finance Department has not directed any of the Accounts Office to withhold the conveyance allowance, once granted by the Tribunal, Supreme Court and the Finance Department itself. This contention may be correct but the letters produced by the learned counsel show that the Finance Department has either not allocated budget in the relevant account head or has not punched in the SAP System. Therefore, Secretary Finance is directed to take up the issue with the Accountant General Office as well as all the District Accounts Officers of the Province and to resolve it by the next date. To come up on 21.11.2023 before S.B. P.P given to the parties.


(Kalim Arshad Khan)
Chairman