

# Service Appeal No.830/2022

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Ex-Constable Mursaleen No.3912 of CCP Peshawar...... Appellant.

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#### REPLY BY RESPONDENTS NO. 1, 2&3.

Respectfully Sheweth:-

Khyber Pakhtukhwa Service Tribunal BLARY No. 987/

Dated 13-12-2023

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# PRELIMINARY OBJECTIONS:-

1. That the appeal is badly barred by law & limitation.

- 2. That the appeal is bad for mis-joinder and non-joinder of necessary and proper parties.
- 3. That the appellant has not come to Hon'ble Tribunal with clean hands.
- 4. That the appellant has no cause of action and locus standi to file the instant appeal.
- 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 Hon'ble Tribunal.
- 7. That the appeal is not maintainable being devoid of any merit.

#### **REPLY ON FACTS:-**

- 1. Pertains to record. Furthermore, as per record the appellant is a habitual absentee being lack of interest in his lawful duty. The appellant earned 31 bad entries and 12 Minor, 01 major punishment in his credit on the charges of willful absence from duty on different occasions during his short service. Worth mentioning, that appellant was previously dismissed from service on the ground of absence, later on, he was reinstated into service. (Copy of list is annexed as A).
- 2. Incorrect. The appellant while posted at PS Town absented himself from his lawful duty w.e.f 30.07.2019 till date of dismissal i.e. 09.01.2020 (total 05 months and 09 days) without leave/permission from the competent authority. After fulfilling codal formalities, the charges leveled against him were proved; hence he was awarded major punishment of dismissal from service vide OB No. 119 dated 09.01.2020 under Police Rules 1975 (amended 2014).(copy of punishment order is annexed as B)
- 3. Incorrect. Proper charge sheet with statement of allegations was issued vide No.239 dated 23.05.2023 to him. SDPO Hayatabad was appointed as Enquiry Officer. During the course of enquiry, the appellant was called time and again through written parwanas, but he did not bother to attend the enquiry proceedings. The enquiry officer has finalized the enquiry and submitted his findings report vide No.170/E/Steno dated 17.10.2019. After receipt of the findings, Final Show Cause Notice was issued vide No.1970/PA/SP/Cantt: dated 23.10.2019 and delivered on his home address which was received by himself, but failed to appear and defend himself. (Copy of Charge sheet, statement of allegations, Enquiry report, parwana & FSCN are annexed as C, D, E, F and G).



- 4. Incorrect. The appellant filed time barred departmental appeal, which was thoroughly processed and an ample opportunity of hearing was provided to the appellant by appellate authority but the appellant failed to defend himself with plausible/justifiable grounds, hence his appeal was rejected/filed vide No.845-50/PA dated 16.07.2020 on the grounds of facts and limitation. The appellant then preferred revision petition before the Revision Board, which after due consideration was also filed/rejected vide No. 1300/21 dated 24.03.2021 on the same grounds.
- 5. That appeal of the appellant being devoid of merits and limitation may be dismissed on the following grounds.

#### **REPLY ON GROUNDS:-**

- A. Incorrect. The punishment orders passed by the competent authority are just legal, lawful and according to norms of natural justice hence, liable to be upheld.
- B. Incorrect. The appellant was provided full opportunity of defense/ personal hearing, but he failed to prove his innocence and no violation of the Article 10 A of Constitution of Pakistan 1973 has been done by the replying respondents.
- C. Incorrect. Para already explained in the facts. The appellant is a habitual absentee and deliberately absented from his lawful duty without any leave /permission. The appellant being not interested in his official duty remained continuously absent from lawful duty for long period without any leave.
- D. Incorrect. Being member of a disciplined force, the appellant was well aware about the proceedings. However he deliberately absented from his lawful duty without any leave or permission. Therefore, the punishment order was passed by competent authority in pursuance of his long absence from official duty, which is not tolerable in the disciplined force.
- E. Incorrect. Regular inquiry was conducted against him and thereafter he was issued final show cause notice and sent him at his home address through local police which was received by the appellant personally, but he deliberately avoided to appear/submit his written reply. Hence after fulfilling all the codal formalities, he was awarded the major punishment of dismissal from service under rules ibid.
- F. Incorrect. The appellant was treated as per Rules ibid and proper departmental enquiry was conducted against him. The punishment order passed by the competent authority is in accordance with law/rules.
- G. Incorrect. The whole enquiry proceedings were initiated purely on merit and in accordance with law/rules. The appellant called time and again to appear, but he failed to appear and defend himself, hence the punishment order passed by the competent authority is just legal and has been passed in accordance with law/rules.
- H. Incorrect. Para already explained in the proceeding paras. Further, he was issued final show cause notice which was received by appellant but failed to appear before the competent authority.
- I. Para already explained in the preceding paras.
- J. Incorrect. Charge sheet with statement of allegations was issued to appellant. Regular inquiry was conducted and thereafter he was issued a final show cause notice, besides, given proper

opportunity of personal hearing and defense, but he failed to defend himself, hence after fulfilling all the codal formalities he was awarded the Major punishment of dismissal from service under rules ibid.

- K. Incorrect. The appellant was provided the opportunities of defense, but he willfully avoided to join the enquiry proceedings. The appellant was habitual absentee, hence proper departmental enquiry was conducted against him. The charges of deliberate absence were proved against him. Therefore, the punishment order was passed by competent authority in pursuance of his long absence period which is not tolerable in the disciplined force.
  - L. Respondents also seek permission of this Honorable Tribunal to raise additional grounds at the time of arguments.

#### Prayers:-

Keeping in view the above stated facts & reasons it is, most humbly prayed that the appeal of the appellant being devoid of merits and limitation, may kindly be dismissed with costs please.

(Waqas Rafiq)PSP uperintendent of Police, Cantt, Peshawar. (Respondent No.01)

(Syed Ashfaq Anwar)PSP Capital City Police Officer, Peshawar. (Respondent No.2)

(Dr. Muhammad Akhtar Abbas)PSP

DIG/Legal, CPO

For Inspector General of Police, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar. (Respondent No.03)



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#### AFFIDAVIT.

We respondents No. 1, 2 & 3 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 Hon'ble Tribunal. It is further stated on oath that in this appeal, the answering respondents have neither been placed ex-parte nor their defense have been struck off.

(Waqas Rafiq)PSP Superintendent of Police, Cantt, Peshawar, (Respondent No.01)

(Syed Ashfaq Anwar)PSP Capital City Police Officer, Peshawar. (Respondent No.2)

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#### **AUTHORITY.**

I, Capital City Police Officer, Peshawar, hereby authorize <u>Mr.Inam Ullah</u> DSP legal of Capital City Police, Peshawar to attend the Hon'ble Court and submit written reply, statement and affidavit required for the defense of above service appeal on behalf of respondent department.

Superintendent of Police, Cantt, Peshawar. (Respondent No.01)

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-(Syed-Ashfaq Anwar)PSP Capital City Police Officer, Peshawar. (Respondent No.2)

(Dr. Muhammad Akhtar Abbas)PSP

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For Inspector General of Police, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

(Respondent No.03)

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Name of Official

MURSALIN GUL No.3912S/OWAHID GUL

R/O Nagai P.S DaudzaiDistt: Peshawar

2. Date of Birth

08.04.1978

3. Date of enlistment

26.07.2001

4. Education

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Recruit

5. Courses Passed

17 years, 02 months & 19 days.

7. Good Entries

Nil

8. Punishment (previous)

Total qualifying service

# Bad Entries (L.W.O Pay, E/Drill & Warning)

- 1. 05 days leave without pay vide OB No.1746 dt: 16.06.2004
- 2. 02 days leave without pay vide OB No.310 dt: 20.01.2004
- 3. 03 days leave without pay vide OB No.1432 dt: 17.05.2004
- 4. 03 days leave without pay vide OB No.3168 dt: 02.11.2004
- 5. 03 days leave without pay vide OB No.1467 dt: 25.04.2005
- 6. 01 day leave without pay vide OB No.2619 dt: 03.07.2005
- 7. 01 day leave without pay vide OB No.3480 dt: 10.11.2005
- 8. 06 days leave without pay vide OB No.3423 dt: 31.10.2005
- 9. 02 days leave without pay vide OB No.236 dt: 28.01.2006
- 10. 05 days leave without pay vide OB No.329 dt: 07.02.2006
- 11. 02 days leave without pay vide OB No.419 dt: 31.03.2006
- 12. 02 days leave without pay vide OB No.418 dt: 31.03.2006
- 13. 05 days leave without pay vide OB No.1126 dt: 24.04.2006
- 14. 04 days leave without pay vide OB No.1870 dt: 24.07.2006
- 15. 07 days leave without pay vide OB No.1896 dt: 26.07.2006
- 16. 02 days leave without pay vide OB No.2209 dt: 24.08.2006 17. 04 days leave without pay vide OB No.1651 dt: 27.06.2006
- 18. 02 days leave without pay vide OB No.1829 dt: 19.07.2006
- 19. 01 day leave without pay vide OB No.198 dt: 01.03.2006
- 20. 03 days leave without pay vide OB No.3130 dt: 05.11.2007
- 21, 10 days leave without pay vide OB No.448 dt: 12.02.2009
- 22. 37 days leave without pay & Fine Rs.1000/- vide OB No.17 dt: 03.01.2011
- 23. 11 days warning be careful in future vide OB No.2387 dt: 25.06.2011
- 24, 28 days leave without pay vide OB No.2686 dt: 01.09.2014
- 25. 06 days leave without pay vide OB No.3223 dt: 16.09.2013
- 26. 03 days leave without pay vide OB No.3169 dt: 11.09.2013
- 27. 02 days E/drill vide OB No.4240 dt: 10.11.2015
- 28. 01 day E/drill vide OB No.3248 dt: 20.09.2016
- 29. 02 days E/drill vide OB No.2190 dt: 26.05.2017
- 30, 02 days E/drill vide OB No.3696 dt: 30.11.2018
- 31, 02 days E/drill vide OB No.4036 dt: 27,12,2018

#### Minor Punishment

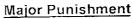
- 01. 23 days absence period treated stoppage of one year increment without cumulative effect vide OB No.3038 dt: 07.10.2008
- 02. 13 days without pay & censured vide OB No.1146 dt: 02.04.2010
- 03. Censured vide OB No.2764 dt: 09.08.2010
- 04, 05 days Censured & warning be careful in future vide OB No.873 dt: 17.03.2014
- 05. 23 days leave without pay vide OB No.1767 dt: 05.05.2015
- 06. 60 days leave without pay & stoppage of 02 years annual increment without commulative effect vide OB No.4502 dt: 15.12.2015
- 07. 02 days Quarter Guard vide OB No.1476 dt: 20.04.2016
- 08. 05 days Quarter Guard vide OB No.1699 dt: 05.05.2016
- 09. 32 days leave without pay & stoppage of one year annual increment without cumulative effect vide OB No.2501 dt: 22.06.2017
- 10. Censured vide OB No.402 dt: 29.01.2018
- 11. Stoppage of 01 year annual increment without cumulative effect & 49 days leave without pay vide OB No.1150 dt: 02.04.2019
- 12. Censured & 18 days leave without pay vide OB No.1915 dt: 14.06.2019

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Dismiss Form Service on the charged of absence total (02 months & 11 days) and the period he remained absent from is treated as leave without pay vide OB No 2067 dated 21.06.2018 by SP HQrs Peshawar. And the dismissed order by the appellant is set aside and the major punishment is converted to stoppage of 03 annual increments without cumulative effect. The period of absence is treated as leave without pay vide OB No.3122 dated 15.10.2018 by CCPO Peshawar.

# 09. Punishment (Current)

 Awarded major punishment of dismissed from service on the charges of absence w.e.f 30.07.2019 to till date vide OB No.119 dated 09.01.2020 by SP/Cantt: Peshawar.

#### 10. Leave Account

Total leave at his credit

824 days

Availed leaves
Balance
699 Days

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This office order will dispose off the departmental proceedings against Constable Mursaleen No. 3912 who while posted to Police Station Town, absented himself from his lawful duty with effect from 30.07.2019 to till date.

Under Police Rules 1975 (amended 2014) proper charge sheet alongwith summary of allegation were issued against Constable Mursaleen No. 3912 and SDPO Hayatabad was appointed as enquiry officer to scrutinize the conduct of Constable Mursaleen No. 3912.

The enquiry officer submitted finding and recommended the Constable Mursaleen No. 3912 for major punishment after issuing final show cause notice as he did not join the enquiry proceedings. Hence, he was issued final show cause notice, and sent to the alleged constable through his home address. He received final show cause notice but did not submit reply nor appear before the undersigned within specified period. This shows his lack of interest in official duty and shows negligence. He is continuously absent from duty, neither joined enquiry/proceedings nor appeared before the undersigned.

Keeping in view of the above and recommendation of Enquiry Officer; I, Tassawar Iqbal (PSP), SP Cantt, Peshawar being a competent authority, agreed with the recommendation of the enquiry officer. Therefore, under Police Disciplinary Rules 1975, Constable Mursaleen No. 3912 is hereby awarded major punishment of dismissal from service, with immediate effect.

Copy for information and necessary action to the:-

- 1. The Sr: Superintendent of Police, Operation, Peshawar.
- 2. The Superintendent of Police Headquarter: Peshawar.
- 3. SDPO Hayatabad enquiry officer.
- 4. Pay Officer.
- 5. 'CRC,
- 6. OAS! branch.
- 7. Pauji Missal branch with enquiry file for record.
- 8. Official concerned.

# CHARGE SHEET

I, Superintendent of Police, Cantt:, Capital City Police Peshawar, as a competent authority, hereby, charge that <u>FC Mursalin No. 2912</u> of Capital City Police Peshawar with the following allegations.

"You FC Mursalin No. 2912 while posted to PS Town remained absent from lawful duty w.e.f 30.07.2019 to till date without permission from your senior. This amounts to gross misconduct on your part and against the discipline of the force."

You are, therefore, required to submit your written defence within seven days of the receipt of this charge sheet to the Enquiry Officer committee, as the case may be.

Your written defence, if any, should reach the Enquiry Officer/Committee within the specified period, failing which it shall be presumed that have no defence to put in and in that case ex-parte action shall follow against you.

Intimate whether you desire to be heard in person.

A statement of allegation is enclosed.

MUHAMMAD ASHPAC SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE CANTT, PESHAWAR

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#### DISCIPLINARY ACTION

I, Superintendent of Police, Cantt:, Capital City Police Peshawar as a competent authority, am of the opinion that FC Mursalin No. 1912 has rendered him-self liable to be proceeded against under the provision of Police Disciplinary Rules-1975.

# STATEMENT OF ALLEGATION

"That FC Mursalin No. 3912 while posted to Police Station Town remained absent from his lawful duty w.e.f 30.07.2019 to till date. This amounts to gross misconduct on his part and against the discipline of the force.

For the purpose of scrutinizing the conduct of said accused with reference to the above allegations an enquiry is ordered and Side William is appointed as Enquiry Officer.

The Enquiry Officer shall, in accordance with the provisions of the Ordinance, provide reasonable opportunity of hearing to the accused officer, record his finding within 30 days of the receipt of this order, make recommendations as to punishment or other appropriate action against the accused.

The accused shall join the proceeding on the date time and place fixed by 3. the Enquiry Officer.

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 $\frac{23}{5}$  /E/PA, dated Peshawar the  $\frac{23}{5}$ 

SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, CANTI PESHAWAR

/2019.

HA is directed to finalize the aforementioned departmental proceeding within stipulated period under the provision of Police Rules-1975.

2. Official concerned







# ASSIST: SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE,

HAYATABAD SUB-DIVISION, PESHAWAR. No. 170 /E/Steno, dated Pesh: the 17 / 10 /2019.

Τo

The Superintendent of Police, Cantt, Peshawar.

Subject;

# DEPARTMENTAL ENQUIRY

Please refer to your office Endt: No.239/E/PA, dated 23.09.2019 pertaining to departmental enquiry against FC Mursalin No. 2912. 3612

Short facts are that accused Constable Mursalin No. 2912 while posted at police station Town, Peshawar remained absent from lawful duty w.e.f 30.07.2019 to till date without approval and prior permission from the competent officer.

The accused Constable could not submit his reply within stipulated period despite the fact that he was summoned three times to join the enquiry proceedings. It amounts to abdication of official duty and shows lack of interest on the part of accused constable Mursalin No. 2912.

In the light of above circumstances, I recommend that the Constable Mursalin No. 2912 be awarded suitable punishment after issuing final show cause notice.

All relevant documents are attached herewith.

Submitted for further approval please.

HASSAN JAHANGIR (PSP)

Enquiry Officer, Assist: Superintendent of Police,

Hayatabad: Sub-Division,

Peshawar.

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# OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, HAYATABAD: SUB-DIVISION, PESHAWAR.

No. // / /PA, dated Pesh: the <u>02-1/0</u> /2019.

o: MAST -

Subject:

**SUMMON** 

Memo:

It is to state that this office is conducting enquiry against Yell 2912 for which his statement is required to finalize the enquiry proceedings.

It is, therefore, requested to inform the said official to attend this office on Office of 19 //66 and his signature/thump expression ought to be sent to this office. In case of non-compliance MASI will be responsible.

P.A to ASP Hayatabad. Peshawar.

OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE, HAYATABAD: SUB-DIVISION, PESHAWAR.

No. 170 /PA, dated Pesh: the 99/ 10 /2019.

·To:

MASI Town

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Subject:

SUMMON

Memo:

It is to state that this office is conducting enquiry against Mursulm 2912 for which his statement is required to finalize the enquiry proceedings.

It is, therefore, requested to inform the said official to attend this office on <a href="https://doi.org/11.10.2019">11.10.2019</a> at <a href="https://doi.org/11.10.2019">11.10.2019</a> at <a href="https://doi.org/11.10.2019</a> at <a href="https://doi.org/11.10.2019</a> at <a href="https://doi.org/11.10.2019</a> at <a href="https://doi.org/11.10.2019</a> at <a href="https://doi.org/11.10.2019">11.10.2019</a> at <a href="https://doi.org/11.10.2019</a> at <a href="https://doi.org/11.10.2019">11.10.2019</a> at <a href="https://doi.org/11.10.2019</a> at <a href="https://doi.org/11.10.2019">11.10.2019</a> at <a href="https://doi.org/11.10.2019</a> at <a href="https://doi.org/11.10.2019">11.10.2019</a> at <a href="https://doi.org/11.10.2019</a> at <a

P.A to ASP Hayatabad. Peshawar.

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# FINAL SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

I Superintendent of Police, Cantt, Capital City Police, Peshawar as competent authority, under the provision of Police Disciplinary Rules 1975 do hereby serve you **FC Mursalin No. 3912** of Capital City Police, Peshawar as follows

- 1 (i) That consequent upon the completion of enquiry conducted against you by the enquiry officer for which you were given opportunity of hearing.
- (ii) On going through the findings and recommendation of the enquiry Officer, the material on record and other connected papers produced before the E.O.

I am satisfied that you have committed the following acts/omissions specified in Police Disciplinary Rules 1975 of the said Ordinance.

"That you FC Mursalin No. 3912 while posted at PS Town, Peshawar were absented from 30.07.2019 to till date without taking permission or leave. This act amounts to gross misconduct on your part and against the discipline of the force"

- 2. As a result thereof, I, as competent authority, have tentatively decided to impose upon you the penalty of major punishment under Police Disciplinary Rules 1975 for absence willfully performing duty away from place of posting.
- 3. You are, therefore, required to show cause as to why the aforesaid penalty should not be imposed upon you and also intimate whether you desire to be heard in person.
- 4. If no reply to this notice is received within 7 days of its delivery, in normal course of circumstances, it shall, be presumed that you have no defence to put in and in that case as ex-parte action be taken against you.
- 5. The copy of the finding of the enquiry officer is enclosed.

(MOHAMMAD ASHEAQ)
SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE
CANTT: PESHAWAR

No. 1970 /PA, SP/Cantt: dated Peshawar the 13/10 /2019.

Copy to official concerned

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