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

2. The Service Appeal bearing No. 1458/2022 was dismissed in default vide order dated 26<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2023. The petitioner submitted application for attested copy on 16.11.2023 which was delivered to the petitioner on 20.11.2023 hence preferred the instant restoration application on 21.11.2023. The application is within time and learned AAG has got no objection on restoration of appeal. The application for restoration of service appeal is supported by duly sworn affidavit. Law also favours adjudication on merit by avoiding technicalities.

The application in hand is, therefore, accepted and the appeal is restored to its original number. To come up for preliminary hearing on 02.02.2024 before S.B. P.P given to learned counsel for the appellant.

Original record also be requisitioned for the date fixed.

(Muhammad Akbar Khan) Member (E)

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