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27.02.2017

Counsel for the appellant and Mr. Usman Ghani, Sr.GP alongwith Mr. Sultan Shah, Assistant for respondents present.

Vide our detailed judgment of to-day in the connected service appeal No. 515/2016 titled "Maqbool Hussain-vs- Govt: of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa through Chief Secretary Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar and others", this appeal is also decided as per detailed judgment referred above. File be consigned to the record room.

<u>ANNOUNCED</u> 27 02 2017

> (AUMAD HASSAN) MEMBER

MUHAMMAD AAMIR NAZIR) MEMBER 10.01.2017

Counsel for the appellant and Mir. Ziaullah GP, for respondents present rejoinder is submitted which is placed on file. To come up for arguments on 30.05.2017.

(AHMAD HASSAN) MEMBER (MUHAMMAD AAMIR NAZIR) MEMBER

02.02.2017

As per directions of the Court in appeal of Maqbool Hussain vide order sheet dated 01.02.2017, this appeal may be clubbed with the above mentioned appeal on 27.02.2017. Parties be informed accordingly.

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15.06.2016

Counsel for the appellant present. Learned counsel for the appellant argued that identical appeal No. 443/2016 has already beenm admitted to regular hearing.

In view of the above, the instant appeal is also admitted for regular hearing. Subject to deposit of security and process fee within 10 days, notices be issued to the respondents for written reply/comments for 08.09.2016 before S.B.

Chairman

08.09,2016

Counsel for the appellant and Muhammad Hayat, Assistant Alongwith Addl. AG for respondents present. Written reply submitted. The appeal is assigned to D.B for rejoinder and final hearing on 10.01.2017.

Member

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		Khaled Rehman Advocate may be entered in the Institution Register and put up to the Worthy Chairman for proper order please.
2	29-4-20/6	REGISTRAR This case is entrusted to S. Bench for preliminary
		hearing to be put up thereon 19-5-20/6
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	19.05.2016.	Clerk of counsel for the appellant present. Due to strike of
		the Bar learned counsel for the appellant is not available toda
		before the Court, therefore, case is adjourned for preliminar hearing to 15.6.2016 before S.B.
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BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL PESHAWAR

Service Appeal No. 454 /2016

Versus The Govt. of KPK and others.....Respondents

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BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL PESHAWAR

Service Appeal No. 454 /2016

Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khan

Ex-Junior Clerk/Stationery Clerk,

Versus

1. The Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa through Chief Secretary, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.

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2. The Secretary to Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Establishment Department, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.

3. The Secretary to Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

> Administration Department, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar......Respondents

SERVICE APPEAL UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA **SERVICE TRIBUNALS** ACT, 1974 **AGAINST** THE **IMPUGNED** NOTIFICATION DATED 04.01.2016 ISSUED BY RESPONDENT NO.1 WHEREBY MAJOR PENALTY OF REMOVAL FROM SERVICE WAS IMPOSED UPON THE APPELLANT AGAINST WHICH A REVIEW PETITION WAS PREFERRED TO THE WORTHY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE PROVINCE ON 29.01.2016 BUT THE SAME WAS REJECTED VIDE IMPUGNED APPELLATE ORDER COMMUNICATED THROUGH LETTER DATED 18.04.2016.

PRAYER:

On acceptance of the instant appeal, the impugned Notification dated 04.01.2016 and the impugned appellate order communicated through letter dated 18.04.2016 may graciously be set aside by reinstating the appellant into service with all back benefits.

Respectfully Sheweth,

Facts giving rise to the present appeal are as under:-

1. That the appellant initially joined the service of the Administration Department as Class-IV employee, way back on 01.04.1995 and subsequently on account of his up-to-the-mark performance he was promoted to the post of Daftari and then Junior Clerk in the year 2008. He has served in multiple capacities in the Administration Department for the last 21 years and during this long period not even a single explanation has been called from him let alone the disciplinary action which is the undeniable evidence of the honest, upright and satisfactory performance of the appellant.

- 2. That appellant was posted as Stationery Clerk on 15.07.2013 and remained there as such till 11.11.2014 for a period of 16 months only. On 09.02.2015, appellant was issued a Charge Sheet with Statement of allegations (Annex;-A) containing the charge of corruption/embezzlement/misappropriation of the Govt. funds in collusion with the DDO. Since the charge against the appellant was completely baseless, without any substance, sweeping, uncertain, generalized and non-specific, therefore, the same was denied while explaining his position in his reply (Annex;-B) submitted in response thereof. The reply to the Charge Sheet with Statement of allegations may be considered as a part of this appeal.
- 3. That an inquiry was then conducted in an irregular fashion in deviation of the mandatory provisions of law by the Inquiry Officer who then submitted his report (Annex;-C) on 24.03.2015 after the stipulated period of 30 days and made vague, ambiguous recommendations to the competent authority. The entire report is uncertain and confused with regard to the various roles and quantum of responsibilities of the Officers/officials under inquiry.
- 4. That after the inquiry, the appellant was issued Show Cause Notice on 10.06.2015 (Annex;-D) alleging inefficiency and misconduct. Appellant refuted the allegations by submitting a reply (Annex;-E) whereby he denied the charges and also requested for personal hearing. Reply to the Show Cause Notice may also be taken as an integral part of this appeal.
- 5. That vide impugned Notification dated 04.01.2016 (*Annex*;-F) appellant was imposed upon the major penalty of removal from service along with other Officers/officials, against which appellant then submitted a Review Petition (*Annex*;-G) before the competent authority on 29.01.2016 but the same was rejected vide impugned appellate order communicated vide letter dated 18.04.2016 (*Annex*;-H), hence this appeal inter-alia on the following grounds:-

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Grounds:

- A. That Respondents have not treated appellant in accordance with law, rules and policy on subject and acted in violation of Article 4 of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 and unlawfully issued the impugned Notification/order, which are unjust, unfair and hence not sustainable in the eye of law.
- B. That the appellant remained posted at the Stationery Store as Stationery Clerk only for a period of 16 months and his duties as such were to maintain the purchased stationery items and to issue the same on the direction of the competent authority. During the period none of the high-ups had ever raised any objection on the duties of the appellant as is evident from his personal file. A proper Stock Register was maintained both for the receipt as well as for issuance of the stock which fact has been admitted by the Inquiry Officer in his Inquiry Report and the same position is confirmed from the fact that during the tenure of the appellant all the Sections have received the stationery etc. as per their demands for running their smooth business. Thus the very charge against the appellant was ill-founded and thus not sustainable.
- C. That as per the Standing Order Procedure (SOP), the stationery is purchased by the Purchase Committee with which the appellant had got neither any concern nor was he a member of the such Committee, therefore, the charges of corruption, embezzlement and misappropriation of Government funds in the purchase of such items were irrelevant altogether against the appellant but due to the sweeping charge, the appellant was also framed therein without having any nexus therewith.
- D. That during the inquiry proceedings it has been confirmed that a proper Stock Register was maintained which was taken into possession by the Anti-Corruption Department and at the time of filing the Inquiry Report the said Register still remained in the custody of Anti-Corruption Department. This fact substantiates two aspects of the matter. Firstly that the Register was maintained properly leaving no room for any misappropriation of the Government property and secondly the finding of the Inquiry Officer against the appellant in absence of the Stock Register i.e. Proper maintenance of the Stock Register and Store Keeping was never carried out was altogether misplaced as he was unable to give such finding against the appellant. In such an eventuality the Inquiry Officer was bound to check the Stock Register lying in the custody of the Anti-Corruption Authorities and to verify the truth with regard to the proper maintenance of the Stock Register which he failed to do, hence the charge against the appellant could

not be proved.

- E. That the matter at the same time is subjudice before a criminal Court of law, therefore, before the conclusion of the Trial the imposition of major penalty on the so called inquiry was altogether premature and against the norms of fair-play and justice.
- F. That after submission of the Inquiry Report while keeping in view the discrepancies, grey areas and procedural irregularities in the Report, the Establishment Department proposed minor penalties for all the delinquent officers/officials but the same was returned by the Chief Secretary with observations to justify why minor penalty was even mentioned as an option leave alone its recommendations to the competent authority. In response thereof, the Establishment Department observed that while taking into account the final grant it was not found logical that the accused could have embezzled or misappropriated the entire budget under the heads of the account as the Department did function during that period. However, the worthy Chief Secretary inspite of the observation ibid, of his own proposed the major penalty of dismissal from service which reflects that the Chief Secretary or competent authority had predetermined the imposition of major penalty at all costs without conforming to the legal formalities/requirements/establishment of the charge which is utterly violative of the law, fair dispensation of justice and fair trial as mandated by the Article 10A of the Constitution, 1973. (The detail Summary for the approval of Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa is *Annex*;-I).
- G. That the appellant was given an opportunity of personal hearing by the Secretary Law Department, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (not the competent authority) and inspite of the written and verbal requests no one from the Department attended the personal hearing and provided the complete report of the fact finding inquiry. Thus the worthy Secretary Law Department, after detail discussion and hearing of the appellant and others, submitted his report with the following glaring facts:
 - Contradiction and inconsistencies in the fact finding a) inquiry (where last pages were/are missing), Audit report of the Anti-Corruption Establishment and formal inquiry were highlighted in the tabulated form with conclusion that it could not be determined as to which of the 3 reports are correct and which constituted the basis of

penalty proposed for the petitioner as all these reports contradicted each other.

- b) Last pages of the fact finding inquiry are missing from which it cannot be determined who has conducted the inquiry and who has been held responsible which means that the case has been made without any base.
- c) Charge Sheet is given under Rule-3(c) and Show Cause has been given under Rule-3(a) & (b) of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Civil Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules-2011 which are contradictory to each other.
- d) Either authority may pass orders for denovo inquiry by charge sheeting from top to bottom (sanctioning authorities and Committee members also).

When the matter was returned, the Establishment Department did not agree and proposed the major penalty and consequently the same was imposed upon the appellant without any lawful justification which otherwise means that the appellant was deprived of the opportunity of personal hearing which is an essential requirement under the law and the recommendation of the Secretary Law Department could not be overturned by the Secretary Establishment and for that matter the Chief Secretary as they had nothing to do with the proceedings of personal hearing which is a delegated power by the competent authority and is not controlled by these officers under the law. The report by the Secretary Law Department should have been directly placed before the competent authority i.e. The Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa but the same was frustrated before reaching to the competent authority for malafide reasons which has resulted in utter miscarriage of justice.

- H. That it is also noteworthy that the same Establishment Department is proposing minor penalty at one juncture and then justifying the same in a rational and judicious manner after evaluation of the entire record but at the last stage astoundingly is proposing major penalty in sheer contradiction of his earlier stance without any rhyme or reason which is against the ethics of good governance.
- I. That in the Charge Sheet with Statement of allegations, a rolled-up/non-specific charge of corruption/embezzlement/misappropriation of funds has been thrown on all the officers/officials under inquiry including the appellant, however, the Inquiry Officer has not given specific finding regarding the aforesaid charges against the appellant and for that reason in the Show Cause Notice appellant has

been attributed inefficiency and misconduct instead of the charges incorporated in the Charge Sheet with Statement of allegations which establishes the fact that the charge could not be established/proved but inspite of the same major penalty was imposed in violation of the law.

- J. That an irregular, unlawful inquiry was conducted in utter disregard of the provisions of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Civil Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules-2011 as neither any statement was recorded in presence of the appellant with opportunity of the cross-examining the witness to him nor any documentary evidence was collected in his presence by confronting the appellant therewith and thus the appellant has been prejudiced due to the so called inquiry which is no more than a fact finding inquiry and therefore cannot be based for any punishment muchless major.
- K. That the appellant was also deprived of adducing proper defence by the Inquiry Officer due to the defective procedure adopted in deviation of the law and thus appellant was proceeded against at his back through an ex-parte proceeding which is also against the norms of fair-play, justice and as such violative of Article-10A of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 read with 24A of the General Clauses Act-1897, procedural provisions in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Civil Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules-2011.
- L. That the controversy admittedly was one of disputed questions of facts in which the only alternative was to hold a detailed regular inquiry to unearth the actual facts and to reach to a just, right conclusion but due to irrelevant inquiry not only the appellant was adversely and prejudicially affected but the real facts could not be brought into the notice of the competent authority which has resulted in serious miscarriage of justice.
- M. That by now it is a trite law enunciated by superior for ain the country that where a major penalty is to be imposed then only and only a regular inquiry is to be resorted to but in the case in hand only a fact finding inquiry was relied upon wherein too reliance has been placed upon the earlier fact finding inquiry which is not sustainable under the law.
- N. That the initial Charge Sheet and Statement of allegations were issued under Rule-3(c) of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Civil Servants (Efficiency & Discipline)

 Rules-2011 for the charge of corruption but after the inquiry the Show Cause

Notice was issued to the appellant under Rule-3(a)&(b) of the Rules ibid, containing the charge of inefficiency & misconduct which reflect a clear contradiction as well as establishes the fact that the whole episode was concocted and false one.

- O. That the appellant was also not provided a meaningful opportunity of personal hearing by the competent authority and thus he was condemned unheard which is against the principle of natural justice, therefore, the impugned penalty is void abinitio and nullity in the eye of law.
- P. That the external Audit was conducted in detail by the office of the D.G Audit some two months prior to the instant action and nothing adverse, irregular was pointed out and similarly audit was also done by the Audit Officer of the Anti-Corruption Establishment, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa in detail for about one month, strangely after the registration of the F.I.R. wherein too nothing incriminatory was established against the appellant and it was due to inter-alia these reasons that the appellant was allowed Bail by the court of competent jurisdiction.
- Q. That last pages of the first Fact Finding Inquiry are missing and inspite of the efforts the same could not be located and it appeared that these pages were deliberately hushed up for malafide reasons by those against whom recommendations were made and thus the appellant a low-rank official was singled out in order to safeguard the interest of the high officers who were directly involved or could be involved in the matter which is utter discrimination.
- R. That as per the order of the competent authority and mandate of Rule-11(7) of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Civil Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules-2011, the Inquiry Officer was duty bound to submit the Inquiry Report within a period of 30 days but he failed to abide by the order of the competent authority as well as the law.
- S. That petitioner has rendered about 21 years service wherein not even a single explanation has ever been called from the appellant during this long-drawn service what to speak of initiation of disciplinary proceedings or imposition of even minor penalty. Appellant's entire long service record and his poor financial position after such long period of service are the undeniable evidence to the fact of honest, dedicated performance of his duties.

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T. That appellant would like to offer some other grounds during the course of arguments.

It is, therefore, humbly prayed that the instant appeal may graciously be accepted as prayed for above.

Any other relief as deemed appropriate in the circumstances of case not specifically asked for, may also be granted to appellant.

Through

Khaled Rahman,

Advocate, P Supreme Court of Pakistan

Dated: <u>27</u>/04/2016



GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA FINANCE DEPARTMENT

NO. 1-1/FD/DS (Reg-II)/2015
Dated Pesnawar the February 9th, 2015

To

Annex A"

Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khan (Junior Clerk BS-11), Administration Department, Peshawar.

Subject: -

CHARGE SHEET & STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS IN RESPECT OF Mr. IMTIAZ ALI KHAN (JUNIOR CLERK BS-11), Administration Department, Peshawar.

Reference Establishment Department letter No SOE-II(ED)4(133)2010 Dated February 3, 2015 on the subject cited above:-

You are hereby directed to submit your written reply in response to the allegations levelled against you within 07 days on the receipt of this letter.

2. You are further directed to appear before the Inquiry Officer for personal hearing in the office of Deputy Secretary (Reg-II), Finance Department on **18**th **February 2015 at 10:00 am.**

(IRFANULLAH KHAN)
Deputy Secretary (Reg-II)
Finance Department

Endrst: No. & Date even.

Copy of the above is forwarded to:-

- 1. The Secretary to Govt. Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Administration Department with the request to cepute a departmental representative well conversant with the facts of the case alongwith relevant record to assist the inquiry Officer during the entailing proceedings.
- 2. Section Officer (E-II), Establishment Department.

Deputy Secretary (R-II)



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DISCIPLINARY ACTION

I, Pervez Khattak, Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, as Competen Authority, am of the opinion that Mr. Imtiaz Alli Khan, the then Junior Clerk (BS-11). Administration Department has rendered himself liable to be proceeded against, as he committed the following acts/omissions within the meaning of rule 3 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency and Discipline) Rules, 2011.

STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS

"That in collusion with DDC he was involved in huge corruption, embezzlement and misappropriation of government funds under Heads, Purchase of Machinery & equipments, TA/DA, Stationary, entertainment charges and other charges".

2. For the purpose of inquiry against the said accused with reference to the above allegations, an inquiry officer/inquiry committee, consisting of the following, is constituted under rule 10 (1) (a) of the ibid rules:

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- The inquiry officer/inquiry committee shall, in accordance with the provisions of the ibid rules, provide reasonable opportunity of hearing to the accused, record its findings and make, within thirty days of the receipt of this order, recommendations as to the punishment or other appropriate action against the accused.
- 4. The accused and a well concernant representative of the Department shall join the proceedings on the date, time and place fixed by the inquiry officer/inquiry committee.

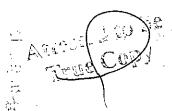
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CHIEF MINISTER

KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA

(COMPETENT AUTHORITY)

Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khan (BS-11), the then Junior Clerk, Administration Department



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The Reverend Inquiry Officer,
Dy; Secretary (Reg-II)
Finance Deptt:
Civil Secretariat, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
Peshawar.

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Subject: REPLY TO CHARGE SHEET WITH STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS COMMUNICATED VIDE LETTER NO.1-1/FD/DS(RG-II)/2015 DATED 09/02/2015.

Respected Sir,

- 1- That I, was serving as Junior Clerk and posted at Stationary Store and remained there for about 15 months. The duties assigned me were only to maintain the purchased stationary items and to issue the same on the directions of the competent authority. I performed the said duty with utmost zeal and efforts as per law and rules.
- 2- That as per standing order procedure the stationary is purchased by the purchase committee, to which the undersigned is neither member nor has any concern with the same. That the after the stationary is purchased by the purchased committee the same is handed over to the stationary clerk on stock register after observing proper handing / taking over.
- 3- That the criminal case was registered, in which I has been arraigned as accused and has been admitted to bail by the Hon'ble High Court, Peshawar. The concerned official of the Anti Corruption department during the course of inquiry has not found any dearth of the

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purchased items handed over to me, rather they have held that there are sufficient / excessive quantity of the stationary, so in this scenario how the corruption was held, when the entire purchase stationary items were found present in the store and no allegations in respect of its issue is there, hence the question of corruption, corrupt practices does not arise and the allegations are without merits.

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- 4- That even I was wrongly charged in the criminal case because the final report submitted by the inquiry officer of the Anti Corruption Department, it has been held that corruption was held in the purchase of stationary items, whereas I have got no concern with the purchase nor I am member of the purchase committee. So no question of corruption by me arises.
- 5- That similarly in the initial inquiry report, reference has been made to the stationary items but it is to my utter surprise that the amount has been mentioned which was expended for the purchase and no meticulous detail of the stationary items is mentioned in the initial inquiry, which suggest that I was accused and dragged on the bases of unfounded, unproved and un-established allegations. (Copy of the initial and final inquiry report is attached herewith for ready reference).
- 6- That the AGPR is annually conducting the audit by scrutinizing the record and the AGPR during my tenure True has resorted to the same and has given its detail report,

the same is worth consideration and can be helpful in delivering justice by substantiating the allegations or negating the same.

- (13)
- 7- That the inquiry officer in his report has not associated me with the inquiry proceedings nor I was given excess to the record which I maintained and hence the inquiry was not correctly and fairly conducted. The income taxes paid on the purchase; the stationary / items available and issued to the respective deptt: were not properly evaluated and appreciated during scrutiny, hence reached to an incorrect conclusion.
- 8- That the criminal case registered on the present subject is yet pending adjudication and the propriety demands that the result of the criminal case be waited for, as the result of the criminal case will be having material bearings on the fate of the allegations, and the chaff can be sifted from the grain. That in case the findings of your good self and the judgment of the Court which will be taking cognizance of the matter overlap each other it will create an embracing situation, hence wait for the result of the criminal case is inevitable.
- 9- That my job as per assignment was to receive the purchase stationary, maintain the store and to issue the same to the respective department as per requirement and law and there is no lexity, perversity was found in the same, hence the allegations are baseless and unfounded.

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10- That various allegations against different persons and different offices have been amalgamated, therefore, the inquiry officer could not bifurcated the allegations and reached to an incorrect conclusion as the inquiry officer by himself was confused in summing up the inquiry.

It is, therefore, most humbly requested that in the light of the above stated facts and scenario I may kindly be exonerated of the allegations and be allowed to continue/resume my duty.

Dated 13/02/2015

Imtiaz Ali Khan
Junior Clerk BS-11
Administration Deptt:
Civil Secretariat,
Peshawar.

Attested to be True Copy INQUIRY REPORT UNDER KHYBER PAIHTUNKHWA GOVERNMENT SERVANTS (EFFICIENCY AND DISCIPLINE) RULES, 2011 AGAINST Mr. Maqbool Hussain (PMS BPS-17), the then Section Officer (Admn), Administration Department, Mr. Abid Hussain (BPS-17), the then Superintendent, Administration Department (Now Transport Department), Mr. Kifayatullah (BPS-16), the then Assistant Administration Department (now Higher Education Department), Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khan (BPS-11), the then Junior Clerk, Administration Department (C/O E-IV Section, Establishment Department).

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1. ORDER OF INQUIRY.

The Competent Authority (Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa) has been pleased to Order Inquiry against the under noted Officers/Officials, vide Section Officer (E-II)(ED)4(133)2010 dated Peshawar the Feb 03/2015.

- 1. Mr. Maqbool Hussain (PMS BPS-17), the then Section Officer (Admn), Administration Department.
- 2. Mr. Abid Hussain (BS-17), the then Superintendent, Administration Department (now Transport Department).
- 3. Mr. Kifayatullah (BS-16), the then Assistant, Administration Department (now Higher Education Department).
- 4. Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khan (BS-11), the then Junior Clerk, Administration Department (C/O E-IV Section, Establishment Department).

The charge sheet and statement of allegations read as under:-

"That being DDO Mr. Maqbool Hussain was involved in huge corruption, embezzlement and misappropriation of government funds under Heads, Purchase of Machinery & equipments, TA/DA, Stationary, entertainment charges and other charges" and the charge sheet for the remaining three officials of Administration Department read as under:-

"That in collusion with DDO you were involved in huge corruption, embezzlement and misappropriation of government funds under Heads, Purchase of Machinery & equipments, TA/DA, Stationary, entertainment charges and other charges".

INTRODUCTION.

Recently the terms "Governance" and "Good Governance" are being increasingly used in development literature. Bad Governance is being increasingly regarded as one of the root causes of all evil with in our societies. It seems pertinent here that we may mention the characteristic features of Good Governance.

There are eight characteristic features of Good Governance. It is participatory, consensus oriented, accountable, transparent, responsive, effective and efficient, equitable and inclusive and follows the rule of law. It assures that

corruption is minimized, the views of minority are taken into account and that the vertices of most vulnerable in society are heard in decision making. It is also responsive to the present and future needs of society.

The classical example of Good Governance in Islamic history is evident from the letter of Ali Ibne Talib, the forth pious caliph which he had written to Malik ibn Al Ashtar, the then appointed Governor of Egypt. Ali's letter to Malik ibn Al Ashtar is a treatise on Good Governance. One of the excerpts of his letter to Malik ibn Al Ashtar is reproduced down below.

"..... thereafter, look into the affairs of your executives, give them appointment after tests and do not appoint them according to partiality or favoritism, because these two things constitute sources of injustice and unfairness. Select from amongst them those who are people of experience and modesty, hailing from virtuous houses, because such persons possess high manners and untarnished honor. They are the least inclined towards greed and always have their eyes on the end of matters. Give them an abundant livelihood (by way of salary) because this gives them the strength to maintain themselves in order and not to have an eye upon the funds in their custody, and it would be an argument against them if they disobeyed your orders or misappropriated your trust. You should also check their activities and have people who report on them who should be truthful and faithful, because your watching their actions secretly will urge them to preserve trust with and to be kind to the people. Be careful of assistants- if any one of them extends his hands to misappropriate and the report of your reporters reaching you confirm it, that should be regarded enough evidence for corporal punishment and recovery what has been misappropriated. Put them in a place of disgrace, black list them with the charge of misappropriation and make them wears the necklace of shame for their offences....."

MODUS OPERENDI.

The undersigned was appointed by the competent authority i.e Honorable Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa to investigate into and conduct a formal inquiry into the statement of allegations against the afore mentioned accused officials.

In order to initiate a formal inquiry, the undersigned intimated in written, to all the accused officials of the Administration Department to submit their written defense under rule 11 of the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Efficiency and Discipline Rules 2011, and for personal hearing along with departmental representative under Rule 15 of the above mentioned Rules. Subsequently, both the accused officials and the departmental representative complied with the written directions. The departmental representative provided all the relevant record of the TA /DA, purchase of machinery and equipments, stationery, entertainment charges, other and miscellaneous charges and cash book for the year 2013-14. The stock register could not be produced by the departmental representative because that was pending with anti-

All the accused officials submitted their written defense to the corruption establishment. allegations. In addition to this, each accused officials was personally heard.

BACK GROUND.

The issue in hand first surfaced when on 30th October 2014 the then Deputy Secretary Administration Department moved a note for Chief Secretary Khyber Pakhtunkhwa bearing title " embezzlement in procurement of goods and negligence in delivery of services".

Subsequently the Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa directed the then Additional Secretary Cabinet to "Please conduct an inquiry and propose clear line of action at the earliest possible". The then Additional Secretary cabinet submitted the inquiry report within three days to Chief Secretary (Report attached with inquiry report sans last two pages).

Based on that report. FIR No 14, dated 11-11-2014 U/S 409/419/420/468/471/ PPC/5(2)PC ACT PS, ACE, PESHAWAR was registered by Anti Corruption Establishment Peshawar against the above mentioned four accused officials of Establishment & Administration Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

In order to get to the root of the issue further deeper, Anti Corruption Establishment conducted an internal audit of the record pertaining to stationary, machinery and equipments, TA/DA, entertainment charges and other miscellaneous charges for the year 2013-14 (A.C.E Peshawar audit report attached with the inquiry report for ready reference). It was just a brief background regarding the issue which was necessary so that the competent authority could have a clear picture and understanding of the inquiry.

INQUIRY REPORT.

The undersigned, after going through the written replies submitted by the accused officials and taking guidance from the two reports i.e the one preliminary report submitted by the then Additional Secretary, Cabinet and internal audit report generated by the anti corruption establishment Peshawar, Wisal Khan, Deputy Director directed the departmental representative Mr. Information Technology to provide all the relevant record under various heads pertaining to year 2013-14. All the record and piles of files were thoroughly checked and scrutinized. All the accused officials were personally heard and questions were put to them regarding the inquiry. After all these processes, certain major findings were deducted which are produced below.

MAJOR FINDINGS.

For the sake of ease and understanding, it's pertinent that each head of account along with findings are to be dilated upon individually.

1. STATIONARY.

A sum of Rs. 26738000/= under head of account A-09601 were earmarked for purchase of stationary for the year 2013-14. After going through the relevant record, vouchers, bills, contract agreement etc following findings were deducted.

- a. The stationary purchase seems to be superfluous for most part. Its was just a spending spree without taking into consideration the rationale behind the purchase of certain items e.g dusters large size were purchased 3000 in numbers, similarly gum sticks, and gum bottles have similar functions but the same were purchased for reasons best known to the management. Similarly different computer toners were purchased on exorbitant prices.
- b. The undersigned also agree with the very much valid findings of the then Additional Secretary, Cabinet when he wrote in one of his findings that steel rulers and USB's were purchased in huge

quantity without any rationale and demand from the concerned quarters.



- c. The undersigned agree with the anti corruption establishment report regarding missing vouchers amounting to Rs. 4101677/= (audit report is attached for ready reference).
- d. Financial non propriety is evident as per GFR.
- e. Anti Corruption Establishment audit report clearly states that no stock register was maintained for stock taking and proper issuance of goods. This casts a shadow of doubt on the whole process.

MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENTS. 2.

Total budget for machinery and equipments under head No During scrutiny of records for machinery and 09601 was Rs.6794000/=. equipments the following findings were recorded.

- Financial irregularity to the tune of Rs. 1200000/= was observed on account of advance payment to the contractor for installation charges of split Air Conditioners. However SO (Admn) later on during personal hearing told the undersigned that the contractor had re deposited the said amount in Government Treasury. This had to be testified by the Administration Department. (the incumbent SO(Admn) during interview vouchsafed to the inquiry officer that an amount of Rs. 1200000/= was submitted by contractor on account of installation charges of split AC's. The same amount is to be deposited in a relevant head of account soon.
- As per GFR, whenever a purchase is made by the Government Department, the same shall be made inclusive of sale tax and income tax at the prescribed rates at source. But during the purchase of AC's, laptops, fax machines, laser printers, heaters, refrigerators, curtains and carpets, the purchase committee ignored the rules and purchased all these items at exorbitant rates without sales and income tax deduction. One example can be quoted here i.e Dell desktops were purchased at Rs.81300/= (each unit) without deduction of sales tax and income tax. After deduction of the said taxes later on its price shooted up to Rs. 95121/= (each unit) and total 20 units were purchased. So a loss of Rs.276420/= was made to Government Treasury. After calculating the total loss of other equipments, it stood at Rs. 3037141/=
- The undersigned endorses the Anti Corruption Establishment audit report with respect to financial loss amounting to Rs. 3483206/= on account of purchase of curtains, carpets, refrigerators, AC's ,that were found missing in the store and at the same time was not taken on the stock register.

3. TA/DA. Total budget under TA head for the year 2013-14 was Rs. 67200000/=. Total utilization against the allocated budget was Rs. 67158330/= this budget was meant for main office, ministers, advisors and Estate office

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accumulatively. After scrutinizing the TA files the following observations were made.

- a. Almost all the TA drawls were made without proper sanction of tour programme by competent authority. This made the whole transaction a dubious one.
- b. Log books entries were made the basis to draw TA/DA. It is again a financial irregularity on one hand and on other hand it legalized the POL consumption and heavy drawls of TA bills.

4. ENTERTAINMENT CHARGES.

Total of Rs. 9200000 under head of account A-06301 were ear marked as entertainment charges during financial years 2013-14. A total of Rs. 9189789 = were utilized against the allocated amount during financial year 2013-14. After scrutinizing the entertainment vouchers, memos, and files the following observations were made.

- a. Almost 90 % of bills were passed in lump sum without menu rates and number of guests entertained. This makes the whole transaction irregular. We cannot ascertain the financial propriety without fulfilling the codal formalities.
- b. After going through the cash memos of various vendors the undersigned observed a particular phenomenon with respect to cash memos of Pak Bakers that a uniform amount is written on every cash memo without items details and the amazing thing was that almost all the cash memo of Pak bakers contained the amount of Rs. 4100, 4500 and 4800 etc. This makes the whole process dubious. It seems that the only motive is to spend the funds without fulfilling the codal formalities.

5. OTHER MICSELLENOUS ITEMS.

After scrutinizing the vouchers and the reconcile statement pertaining to the miscellaneous items, the undersigned observed that:-

- a. A sum of Rs.28997000/= was allocated under the subject head while an expenditure of Rs.33719902 has been shown on the reconciled statement of June 2014. This is again a procedural and financial flaw on the part of both Administration Department and Accountant General office. Peshawar.
- b. Maximum vouchers with supporting cash memos were found irregular on the ground that items purchased were neither recognizable nor readable. This makes the whole process a dubious one.
- c. The undersigned could not found indents/issue register of the items purchased.
- d. The undersigned support the Anti Corruption Establishment, Peshawar audit report pertaining to the audit of other miscellaneous items.

CONCLUSION.

After narrating and analyzing the charges of embezzlement, corruption and misappropriation of Government funds under various heads the following conclusions can be deducted

1. The undersigned has reached the conclusion while checking and scrutinizing all the relevant record pertaining to different heads, that the purchase committee and inspection committee duly constituted by the competent authority did not fulfill its

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responsibilities. Even on most occasions the chairman of the purchase committee was not present which is evident from the attendance sheet of the minutes of the meeting held for various purchases.

Inefficiency and inaptitude is evident on the part of lower 2. staff i.e cashier, caretaker, stationary incharge and Section Officer (Admn). Proper maintenance of stock register and store keeping was never carried out and at the same time the same was never inspected by the inspection committee. These lacunae led to the financial irregularities.

Methodical and procedural flaws were also present in various transactions and it was the duty of Drawing and Disbursing Officer

concerned to fulfill codal formalities.

General Financial Rules in many cases were never adhered to, that's why the whole mess was created.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

After writing down the analysis of major findings and conclusion, the undersigned would fix partial responsibility on the purchase and inspection committee and partial responsibility on the four accused officials of Administration Department. Inquiry report is hereby submitted to the competent authority for appropriate action under rule 4 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Efficiency and Discipline rules 2011.

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CERTIFICATE

It is certified that the above mentioned Inquiry Report consists of pages. Every page is written and signed by the inquiry officer. Additionally, various annexures are also attached with the inquiry report.

Dated 24-03-2015

Mr. Irfan Ullah Khan Wazir (PAS BS-18) Deputy Secretary (Reg-II)/Inquriy Officer Finance Department

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GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA ESTABLISHMENT DEPARTMENT



NO.SOE-II(ED)4(133)/2010 Dated Peshawar the **June 10, 2015**

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Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khan, Junior Clerk (BS-11), C/O Administration Department.

SUBJECT: SHOW CAUSE NOTICE

I am directed to refer to the captioned subject and to enclose Show Cause Notice dated 27.05.2015 (in original) duly signed by the competent authority i.e. Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa with the direction to furnish your written reply within seven days or not more than 15 days of the receipt of this communication.

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ENDST: NO. & DATE EVEN

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i. P.S to Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

ii. P.S to Secretary Establishment, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

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GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA ESTABLISHMENT DEPARTMENT

SHOW CAUSE NOTICE



I, Pervez Khattak, Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa as Competent Authority, under the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules, 2011, do hereby serve you, Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khan (BS-11), the then Junior Clerk, Administration Department as follows:-

- (i) that consequent upon completion of inquiry conducted against you by the inquiry officer for which you were given opportunity of hearing vide communication No.1-1/FD/DS (Reg-II)/2015 dated 09.02.2015; and
- (v) On going through the findings and recommendations of the inquiry officer, the material on record and other connected papers including your defence before the inquiry officer,-

I am satisfied that you have committed the following acts/omissions specified in rule 3 of the said rules:

- a) Inefficiency;
- b) Misconduct;
- 3. You are, thereof, 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 seven days or not more than fifteen days of its delivery, it shall be presumed that you have no defence to put in and in that case an ex-parte action shall be taken against you.
- 5. A copy of the findings of the inquiry officer/inquiry committee is enclosed.

Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khan (BS-11), the then Junior Clerk, Administration Department (c/o E-IV Section Establishment Department). (COMPETENT AUHTORITY)

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Annex E

To.

The Revered /worthy Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar.



REPLY TO THE SHOW CAUSE NOTICE VIDE NO. SOE-II (ED)4 (133)/2010 DATED PESHAWAR THE JUNE 10TH 2015

With great respect;

The reply of Show Cause Notice for your kind consideration and perusal is submitted as under;

1- That I the undersigned is employee in BPS-11 as Junior Clerk and due to the nature of my duty I have got no concerned with purchase of stationary, cash, vouchers and demand as my duty is only to receive the stationary item and maintain the stationary store and issue the same on the direction of competent authority, which I have performed as per law therefore, the question of corruption and corrupt practices do not arises on my part.

That admittedly as per the show cause notice that the Noticee / employee has maintained a proper register in which the entry of receipt and issue have been properly maintained which was taken into possession by the anti corruption department during the raid on the Stationary Store and is still lying with them, and this fact has been admitted by the Inquiry

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Officer who conducted the departmental inquiry. And the same has been mentioned in para three of heading (Modes apprendi) in paragraph No.2 the last 2 line of the inquiry report which are reproduced for ready reference "the stock register could not be produced by the departmental representative because that was pending with Anti Corruption establishment" thus it is clear that proper register was maintained for the purpose of receipt and issue of stationary items. In the absence of examination of the said register or counting the stationary items in the store viz-a-viz the register how the inquiry officer reached to the conclusion by fixing liability and how a firm opinion can be formed and the same require a careful examination and consideration by your good self.

That composite allegations were levelled in the charge sheet and the same were treated by the inquiry officer in the same manner without specification and bifurcation of the role of all the employees and hence due to this mishaps the present noticee is being made sandwich in the present case

4- That keeping in view the nature of duty, responsibility and status the inquiry officer

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should have been inquired into the allegations with segregation approach and meticulously.

That the present noticee has nothing to do with the cash, if any dearth has been found nor with the vouchers or the purchase of stationary items and if any loss or deficiency has been picked by the inquiry officer, I cannot be held responsible for the same as mentioned above as my duty is only to maintain the stationary store to receive and issue the stationary through a stock register and which admittedly have been done by me.

- of any stationary items received by me but no such like allegation is there against me as I am totally innocent and have falsely been dragged in the present case for no fault on my part.
- That the matter is also res-subjudice before
 the competent Court of law and the trial of the
 case the persons found guilty shall be taken to
 task and the law will take its own course.



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It is, therefore, most humbly prayed that on acceptance of this reply the show cause notice

may graciously be discharged and withdrawn and also give me the personal heering chance R.

Dated 13/02/2015

Yours Obediently

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Unior Clerk BS-11
Administration Deptt:
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NMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA STABLISHMENT DEPARTMENT



Dated Peshawar the January 04, 2016

NOTIFICATION

NO.SOE-II(ED)4(133)/2010:-WHEREAS, the following officer/officials of Administration Department were proceeded against under rule 3 of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules, 2011 for the charges mentioned in the Charge Sheet & Statement of Allegations dated 03.02.2015:

1. Mr. Maqbool Hussain, PMS BS-17, then Section Officer (Admn), E&A Department now

2. Mr. Abid Hussain, then Cashier, E&A Department now Superintendent Transport

3. Mr. Kifayatullah, then Caretaker, E&A Department now Assistant, Higher Education

4. Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khan, then Stationery Clerk now Junior Clerk, E&A Department.

AND WHEREAS, Mr. Irfanullah Khan, PAS BS-18 Finance Department, Peshawar was appointed as Inquiry Officer to conduct enquiry against the said accused;

AND WHEREAS, the Inquiry Officer after having examined the charges, evidence on record and explanation of the accused, submitted his report, whereby the charges levelled against the accused stand proved;

NOW THEREFFORE, the competent authority (Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa) after having considered the charges, evidence on record, the explanation of the accused, findings of the Inquiry Officer and personal hearing, and exercising his powers under rule-3 read with rule-14 (5) of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules, 2011 has been pleased to impose the major penalty of "REMOVAL FROM SERVICE" upon the above mentioned officer/officials.

> CHIEF SECRETARY KHYBER PAKTHUNKHWA

ENDST: NO. & DATE EVEN.

A copy is forwarded to:-

1. Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

2. Secretary to Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Administration Department.

,3. Secretary to Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Transport Department. 4. Secretary to Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Higher Education Department.

5. Accountant General, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

6. DD(IT)/SO(Admn)/SO (E-IV)/SO(Secret)/EO, E&A Department.

7. Officer/officials concerned.

8. PS to Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

9. PS to Secretary Establishment.

10. PS to S.S(E)/S.S(Reg:), Establishment Department.

11. PAs to Addl: Secretary (Estt) / Dy. Secretary (Estt), Establishment Department.

13. Personal files.

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The Honorable Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawai

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Subject:

REVIEW PETITION AGAINST THE NOTIFICATION ISSUED VIDE NO SOE-H(ED)4(133)/2010 DATED JANUARY 04, 2016 BY THE ESTABLISHMENT DEPARTMENT REGARDING "REMOVAL FROM SERVICE" OF THE UNDERSIGNED:

Respected Sir,

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With due respect it is submitted that I have been removed from service vide the above subject notification on the charges of "a) Inefficiency; & b) Misconduct;", When I was working as Stationery In-charge in the Establishment & Administration Department Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

(A) In this connection it is submitted as:

- 1. That I was posted as Stationary Clerk vides Notification of Dated15/07/2013 and remained till 11/11/2014, i.e. for Sixteen (16) Months only.
- II. That my Job description was to receive & entered the same stationery in the stock register and to issue to the concerned on the approval of the competent authority.
- III. That in the above mentioned period neither my immediate boss nor the controlling officer have made any complaint regarding my inefficiency or misconduct, this can be seen from my personal file.
- IV. That proper stock register was maintained both for receipt as well as for issue. This is on the face of record and also mentioned in the Inquiry Report by the Inquiry Officer.
- V. That this fact can further be verified from the records that all the sections have got the stationary and allied items as per their demands and the sections are run in smoothly and efficiently in the above mentioned period.
- VI. That the above facts transpires that I have not done any such act, which comes in the meaning of Inefficiency and misconduct under Rule 2 sub Rules (i) and (l) and Rule 3 sub Rules (a) and (b) of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency and Discipline) Rules, 20 under which I was proceeded.

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(B) FACTS ABOUT INQUIRY REPORT:

- 1. That your good self has also ordered an Inquiry in the matter Vide Notification No. SOE-II(ED) 4(133)/2010 dated Feb. 03, 2015 for to probe the irregularities in the purchases, and entertainments.
- II. That the Inquiry Officer in his report on one side only this much has mentioned that "Inefficiency and Inaptitude is evident on the part of lower staff i.e. cashier, care taker and stationary in charge", while on the other side has categorically mentioned that stock register was with the Anti-Corruption Establishment, and he has not checked that stock register. While he was duty bound to check the stock register and then conclude as he has judicial powers under Rule 12 of the rule lbid and sections 193 and 228 of the PPC 1860.
- III. That it is to further clarify that the Inquiry Officer has not explained this inefficiency and inaptitude in his inquiry report.
- IV. That though the Inquiry Officer in his detail inquiry report has mentioned that procedural lapses have been noticed in the purchase of stationary, but even then has not given any specific findings or recommendations against me regarding my inefficiency or misconduct.
- V. That I am to further clarify that purchase is/was not included in my job description.

C. IN ADDITION TO ABOVE FACTS THE FOLLOWING LEGAL REQUIREMENTS UNDER THE E&D RULES 2011 HAVE ALSO BEEN NOT FULLFILLED;

- i) That no proper personal hearing opportunity has been provided to me before imposition of major penalty of "REMOVAL FROM SERVICE", neither by the inquiry officer nor by the Secretary Law nominated by your honor for the purpose.
- ii) That neither the inquiry officer nor the Secretary Law has recommended imposition of any penalty on me i.e. major or minor. Hence in such circumstance imposition of major penalty of "<u>REMOVAL FROM SERVICE</u>", is not only against the prevailing law, but also against the very principles of natural justice and social norms.

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- . That all what has been based for the imposition of major penalty upon me is based on malafidee intentions, as is evident from the record.
- iv) That not a single complaint has been received against me neither from superior nor from any section during my tenure.
- v) That no financial loss has been caused to the Public Exchequers, as I was not associated with the purchase of stationery items.
- vi) That I have 17 years unblemished service record on my credit.
- vii) That even the one-sided inquiry committee has not recommended the imposed major penalty for me.
- 2. Keeping In view the foregoing mentioned facts it is humbly prayed that the imposition of major penalty of "<u>REMOVAL FROM SERVICE</u>" may kindly be reviewed and I may kindly be reinstated into service by set-asiding the Notification issued by Establishment Department vide No.SOE-II(ED)4(133)/2010 dated January 04, 2016 with all back benefits as the said penalty has badly disturbed my poor family including my 80 years old mother and small kids on one side and on the other side it is against the very norm of fair play, natural justice and equity.

3. Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours sincerely,

Dated 29/01/2016

(Imtiaz Ali Khan)
Ex-Junior Clerk
Administration Department

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GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKITUNKHWA ESTABLISHMENT DEPARTMENT



NO.SOE-II(ED)4(133)/2010 Dated Peshawar the **April 18, 2016**:

egistered

Τo

- 1. Mr.Maqbool Hussain. (Ex-PMS BS-17).
- Mr.Abid Hussain,
 (Ex-Superintendent/Cashier)
- 3. Mr.Kifayatullah (Ex-Assistant/Caretaker)
- 4. Mr.Imtiaz Ali Khan, (Ex-Junior Clerk/Stationery Clerk)

Annex "H"

E&A Department

Subject:«

REVIEW PETITION

I am directed to refer to your Review Petitions on the subject noted above and to inform you that after perusal of the relevant record, the Competent Authority has been pleased to uphold the order of penalty and reject the review petitions.

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- 1. Principal Secretary, to Chief Minister, Chief Minister's Secretariat, Peshawa:
- 2. Section Officer (E-IV), Establishment Department.

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No. SO (HRD-II)/ED/1-10/2014 (RTI)/Maqbool Hussain & Others

Dated: Peshawar the 19th January, 2016.

То

Mr. Maqbool Hussain, Ex-Section Officer (Admin), Administration Department & others

SUBJECT: - PROVISION OF DOCUMENTS RELATED TO OUR CASE UNDER RTI ACT, 2013.

Kindly refer to your application dated 15th January, 2016 on the subject and to forward herewith some of the requisite information as requested under Right to Information Act, 2013.

Encls: As above.

Additional Secretary (HRD) / Public Information Officer (P.I.O)

Endst: No & date even.

Copy forwarded to:

- 1. The Chief Information Commissioner, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Right to Information Commission, 7th Floor, Tasneem Plaza, Near Benevolent Fund Building, 6th Saddar Road, Peshawar for information please.
- 2. PA to Additional Secretary (HRD) / Public Information Officer (P.I.O), Establishment Department.

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GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA ESTABLISHMENT DEPARTMENT

NO.SOE-II(ED)4(133)/2010
Dated Peshawar the January 18, 2016

To

The Section Officer (HRD-II), Establishment Department.

SUBJECT: PROVISION OF DOCUMENTS RELATED TO OUR CASE UNDER RTI ACT, 2013.

I am directed to refer to your letter No.SO(HRD-II)/ED/1-10/2014 (RTI)/Maqbool Hussain & others, dated 14.01.2016 on the subject and to enclose herewith the requisite information (duly attested) for further necessary action as desired, please.

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Encl: As above.

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1. Additional Secretary (HRD), Establishment Department.

SECTION OFFICER (E-II)

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GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA ESTABLISHMENT DEPARTMENT



SUMMARY FOR CHIEF MINISTER, KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA

SUBJECT: CASE FIR NO. 14, DATED 11.11.2014 U/S 409/419/420/ 468/471 PPC/5(2) PC ACT PS, ACE, PESHAWAR

Directorate of Anti-Corruption Establishment, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has informed that in the subject FIR for allegations of Corruption and embezzlement of Government funds in the purchase of Machinery & Equipments, TA/DA, Stationery, Entertainment Charges and other Charges, the following officer/officials of Administration Department, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa were arrested on 11.11.2014 and sent to judicial lockup on 14.11.2014 (Annex:I). However, they have been granted bail by the Peshawar High Court on 08.12.2014 (Annex:II).

- i). Mr. Maqbool Hussain, PMS BS-17.
- ii). Mr. Abid Hussain, Supdt: (BS-17).
- iii). Mr. Kifayatullah, Assistant (BS-16).
- iv). Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khan, Junior Clerk (BS-11).
- 2. 194 of Civil Service Regulations (CSR) provides that a Government Servant who has been charged for a criminal offence or debt and is committed to prison shall be considered as under suspension from the date of his arrest. In case such a Government Servant is not arrested or is released on ball, the competent authority may suspend him, by specific order, if the charge against him is connected with his position as Government Servant or is likely to embarrass him in the discharge of his duties or involve moral turpitude. During Suspension period the Government Servant shall be entitled to the subsistence grant as admissible under FR-53 (Annex:III).

3. It may be pointed out that co-accused of the officer i.e. M/S. Abid Hussain, Supdt: (BS-17), Kifayatullah, Assistant (BS-16) and Imtiaz Ali Khan Junior Clerk (BS-11) of Administration Department have already been placed under suspension by the competent authority (Annex:IV).

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Chief Secretary

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- Although issuance of suspension orders are not required in such cases, yet to avoid complications at a later stage, it is proposed that Mr. Maqbool Hussain (PMS BS-17), the then Section Officer (Admn.), Administration Department may be placed formally under suspension w.e.f. 11.11.2014.
- While judicial proceedings are under process till logical conclusion 5. there is no bar to proceed against the accused departmentally (Annex-V).
- The Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (competent authority) is 6. requested to approve initiation of disciplinary proceedings. In terms of proviso of Rule-2(f)(ii) of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules, 2011 read with Rule-4(1)(a) of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Civil Servants (Appointment, Promotion & Transfer) Rules-1989 (Annex-VI) against the officer/officials and sign the Charge Sheets and Statements of Allegations placed at (Annex:VII) and insert name(s) in statement of allegations for appointing as Enquiry Officer/Committee from the panel given below:-
 - Mr. Irfanullah Khan (PAS BS-18), Deputy Secretary, Finance Department.
 - Mr. Azam Jan Khalil (PCS-EG BS-18), Additional Commissioner, Peshawar.
 - Mr. Khalid Ilyas (PMS BS-18), Addl. Secretary, P&D FATA Secretariat.

The proposals contained in Para-4 and 6 ante are submitted for 7. approval of Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, being the competent authority.

Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

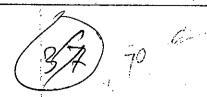
(DR. AKHTAR NAZIR) Secretary Establishment 23 rd January, 2015

Chief Secretary

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SUBJECT: CASE FIR NO. 14, DATED 11.11.2014 U/S 409/419/420/ 468/471 PPC/5(2) PC ACT PS, ACE, PESHAWAR

- 9. As per approval contained in Para-08 ante, Mr. Irfanullah Khan (PAS BS-18), Deputy Secretary, Finance Department was appointed as Inquiry Officer under the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (E&D) Rules 2011 and was required to submit his findings/report within 30 days (Annex-VIII). The Inquiry Officer has submitted the report/findings and concluded as under (Annex-IX):
 - i). While checking and scrutinizing all the relevant record pertaining to different heads, that the purchase committee and inspection committee duly constituted by the competent authority did not fulfill its responsibilities. Even on most occasions the chairman of the purchase committee was not present which is evident from the attendance sheet of the minutes of the meeting held for various purchases.
 - ii). Inefficiency and inaptitude is evident on the part of lower staff i.e. cashier, caretaker, stationary in charge and Section Officer. Proper maintenance of stock register and store keeping was never carried out and at the same time the same was never inspected by the inspection committee. These lacunae led to the financial irregularities.
 - iii). Methodical and procedural flaws were also present in various transactions and it was the duty of Drawing and Disbursing Officer concerned to fulfill codal formalities.
 - iv). General Financial Rules in many cases were never adhered to, that's why the whole mess was created.
- 10. Establishment department has examined the enquiry report and found the following discrepancies therein:
 - (a). Specific findings on quantum of embezzled amount is not known and the Enquiry Officer did not elaborate this aspect in the report except to discuss the allocation of funds under the relevant Heads of Account.
 - (b). Specific role of Purchase Committee and Inspection Committee could not be highlighted by the Enquiry Officer so as to draw conclusion and fix responsibility precisely either on the accused officer(s)/officials or the Committees in question.

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- (c). Precise role of the co-accused officials and individual quantum of amount embezzled has not been probed and elaborated by the Enquiry Officer.
- (d). Conclusion of Enquiry Officer reproduced at Para-9(iv) above is generic and does not indicate specifically which rule(s) of GFR violated.
- 11. Keeping in view the above, either the inquiry report may be remanded back to Enquiry Officer to address the observations raised in Para-10 of the summary OR if the recommendations/findings of the inquiry officer are agreed then the competent authority (Chief Minister) may indicate a penalty from the list of penalties (minor and major) at Annex-X by incorporating one or more penalties in the space left blank in Para-2 of the Show Cause Notices placed at Annex-XI.

12. Para-11/ante is submitted for perusal and orders of the Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

(Dr. Akhtar Hazir)
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Chief Secretary,
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The observations of Establishment & Administration Department 14. raised in Para-10 of the summary and reply/clarification of the Enquiry Officer contained in Annex-XII, are juxtaposed at Annex-XIII.

Keeping in view the procedural requirements/irregularities committed by the Drawing and Disbursing Officer (DDO) and other officials, the competent authority (Chief Minister) may either like to impose a minor penalty of withholding of annual increment for two years commensurate with the charges or indicate a penalty from the list of penalties (minor and major) at Annex-X by incorporating one or more penalties in the space left blank in Para-2 of the Show Cause Notices placed at Annex-XI.

Para-15/ante is submitted for perusal and orders of the Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

> (Dr. Akhtar Nazir) Secretary Establishment May 14, 2015

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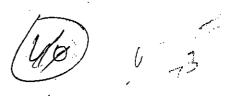
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Reference Para-17.

The inquiry officer couldn't conclude the enquiry with specific findings so far quantum of Irregularities is concerned. The department after examination therefore, referred the report back with observations.

Now the department re-examined the report with Final Grant for financial year 2013-14 and the following position emerged: -

SI. No.	Head of Account	Budget	Expenditure	Quantum of irregularity pointed out by Enquiry Officer
1. 2.	Stationery Machinery & Equipment T.A/D.A Entertainment	Rs.26743800/- Rs.4329200/- Rs.67200000/- Rs.9200000/-	Rs.67167555/- Rs.9189789/-	Rs.67158330/- Rs.9189789/-
5.	Other miscellaneous items	Rs.28997000/	,	eing which was th

- Supporting vouchers are missing which was the responsibility of DDO to have maintained the record . 1) properly.
- Rs.3483206 have been misappropriated as a result of double deduction on account of Sales Tax and Income 2) Tax.
- It is not possible that the entire budget/expenditure has been embezzled particularly when crossed cheques on account of TA/DA are issued by name to the claimants -3) Ministers, Advisors and other officers.
- under. Rs.9189789 of "Entertainment Charges" has been declared as irregular and the responsibility fixed on Sanctioning Authority and 4) DDO.
- The expenditure of Rs.33719902 under "other miscellaneous items" is found to have been irregular and 1) sanctioning Authority & DDO held responsible.

Keeping in view the grey areas left by the Enquiry Officer, while taking into account the "Final grant", it was found not logical that the accused could have embezzled or misr propriated the entire budget under these sector in ment & Heads of account as the department did function during the period as well.

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In order to meet the ends of justice, the Competent Authority may like to order imposition of penalty (list of penalties Annox-X) as defined in rule 4 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules, 2011.

ceeee (Dr. Akhtar Nazir) Secretary Establishment May, 2015

Maesive innegularities have been officer confirmed by the enquiry Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Therefore, it is proposed that

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Chief Minister

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As per approval of the Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa accorded in Para-23 of the summary, the show cause notices duly signed by the Chief Minister were served upon the following accused officer/officials with the direction to furnish the written reply (Annex-XIV).

- Mr. Maqbool Hussain, PMS BS-17.
- Mr. Abid Hussain, Supdt: (BS-17). ii).
- Mr. Kifayatullah, Assistant (BS-16). iii).
- Mr. lmtiaz Ali Khan, Junior Clerk (BS-11).

All the accused officer/officials have submitted their written replies (Annex-XV,XVI,XVII&XVIII), wherein they have denied all the charges and have requested for personal hearing as well as exoneration.

The explanations of all the accused officer/officials are mere repetition of their earlier replies to statement of allegations and charge sheets which have already been 26. examined by the Inquiry Officer and the charges were established against them.

In view of the above the following proposals are submitted: 27:

The Competent Authority (Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa) may like to give an opportunity of personal hearing to the accused officer/officials and pass orders, deemed appropriate.

Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa may treat replies of the accused officer/officials to the show cause notices as sufficient and confirm the penalty of "Dismissal from Service" imposed upon ii. them.

The Competent Authority (Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa) may like

to pass orders on Para-27 ante.

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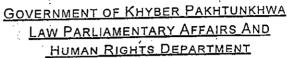
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Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa









Pursuant to orders of the competent authority contained in para-29 of the summary the undersigned gave personal hearing to the following of Establishment and Administration Department Officer/Officials 18.8.2015:-

1. Mr. Maqbool Hussain, PMS

2. Mr. Abid Hussain, Superintendent

3. Mr. Kifayatullah, Assistant

4. Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khan, Junior Clerk

All the accused denied charges leveled against them and 31. departmental representative could not attend proceedings of personal hearing despite written and verbal requests for cross examining the accused. Moreover the benefit of doubt goes to the accused as there is contradiction in all the enquiry reports as shown below:

			•	TEODMAL LOCDARTMENTAL ENG.
S.NO	HEAD OF	PRELIMINARY ENQUIRY REPORT	ANTICORRUPTION ENQUIRY REPORT	FORMAL DEPARTMENTAL ENG:
	ACCOUNT	Amount not shown	Rs.4101677/-	Rs.4101677(figures of
1	Stationery	1	13.41010777	ACE agreed)
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		written in E.R	B 2000504 + D = 42000001/	Rs.3483206/
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5	Other	Rs.31,657,880/- No	Rs.3483206+1249600/-	The Act report supported.
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*Note: a)

In preliminary Enquiry report conducted by Mr. Aziz Khattak the then Additional Secretary (Cabinet) and now Inspector General Prisons, certain pages are missing which have not been provided by Establishment and Administration department till date of personal hearing i.e 18.8.2015.

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Even Establishment Department's examination in para-19 of the summary shows different quantum of irregularities as pointed out by Enquiry Officer as compared to above table.

- The missing pages of preliminary Enquiry report conducted by the then Additional Secretary (Cabinet) has been noted by the Directorate of Anti-Corruption Establishment and Peshawar High Court in its judgment which should be made available to know the guilt or mis-conduct of all concerned across the board.
- 33. The formal/ departmental enquiry report shows the responsibility of Principal Accounting Officer (PAO) i.e Secretary Administration who is sanctioning authority in most of the cases but Enquiry Officer has not fixed responsibility on the accused with specific sanctions granted by sanctioning authority and violation committed by the Drawing and Disbursing Officer (DDO). The enquiry report is generic and in most of head of accounts the enquiry Officer has relied only on the internal audit report/ Enquiry report conducted by Anti Corruption Establishment (ACE) which should not be the case. He should have probed thoroughly each item and thereafter fixed responsibility on all concerned across the board.
 - Even the summary for Chief Minister submitted by Establishment department shows discrepancy e.g Enquiry report as mentioned in para-9 of summary at Annex-IX do not contain replies of the accused to the Charge sheet and statement of allegations but it has been mentioned at para 26 of the summary that explanations of all the accused officer/officials are mere repetition of their earlier replies to the statement of allegations and charge sheets.
 - 35. Under the circumstances justice and fair play demand that denowarming ation enquiry may be conducted in order to fix responsibility on all those who are responsible for this mess. An Enquiry Committee may be ordered so that

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embezzlement in the procurement of goods in Administration Department could be minutely brought to book on the analogy of Mr. Rahim Khan the then Additional Secretary of Administration Department.

On this incomplete enquiry during personal hearing I remained unable to determine the extent of misconduct of the accused (s) and could not recommend minor/major penalty upon accused (s):

Establishment Department may add views en-route, of hegured.

(MUHAMMAD ARIFEEN)

Secretary to Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Law, Parliamentary Affairs & Human Rights Department

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Views of Establishment Department are as under. 38.

- The Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa nominated Secretary Law 39. to hear the accused officer/ officials on his behalf. The authorized officer was, therefore, required to restrict his recommendation to any new evidence presented by the accused, which were not presented earlier. The authorized officer only stated that all the accused denied the charges. The authorized officer concentrated upon the deficiencies of inquiry report and has suggested a denovo inquiry, which will cause further delay & will not bring any fruitful result.
- As far as missing pages of inquiry are concerned, these missing pages have been mysteriously stolen within the department and have directly benefitted the accused officer/ officials. The Chief Secretary has already initiated a fact finding inquiry in this regard.
- The Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa may like to confirm penalty of "Removal from Service" imposed upon the accused officer/ officials or impose any other penalty from the list of penalties is at (Annex-III).

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GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA ESTABLISHMENT DEPARTMENT.

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Reference Para-23 of the Summary:

The Competent Authority has approved to impose major penalty of "DISMISSAL FROM SERVICE" upon the following officer/officials:-

- i. Mr. Maqbool Hussain, PMS BS-17, Section Officer
- ii. Mr. Abid Hussain, Superintendent (BS-17)
- iii. Mr. Kifayatullah, Assistant (BS-16)
- iv. Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khan, Junior Clerk (BS-11)

As desired a draft notification in this regard is placed below duly flagged for approval please.

Section Officer E-II

Secretary (E):

Discussed With SE in presence 199 SE this afternoon. He agreed to issue the show Cause motice as free Sequiement of Rule 14(4) of E4D hules 2011, duly brigned by the Soupetent Authority Can I was a strong free free its it to the free free to the presence of the presence

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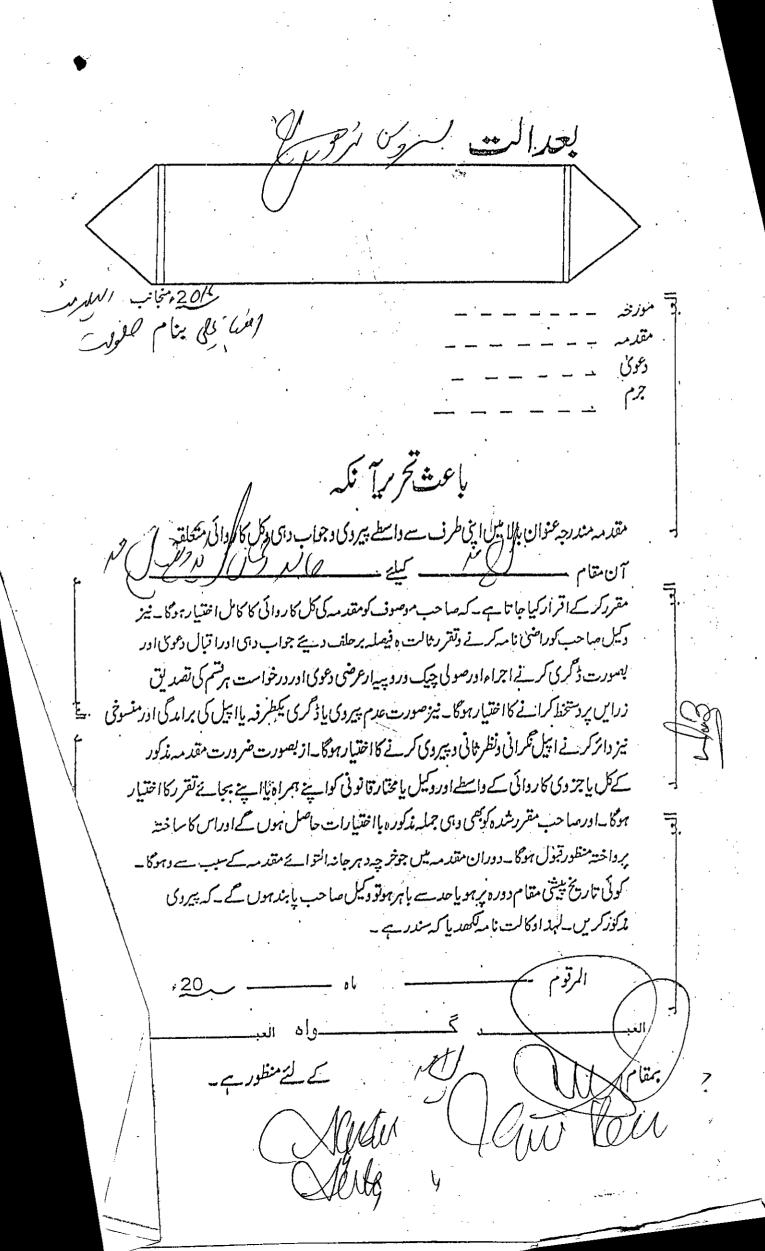
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BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL, PESHAWAR

Service Appeal No. 454/2016

Mr. Imtiaz Ali Khan....



VERSUS

Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa & Others

Respondents

Appellant

PARAWISE COMMENTS FOR/ON BEHALF OF THE RESPONDENTS NO. 1 to 3.

Respectfully Sheweth,

- 1. The appellant has got no cause of action and appeal is also time barred.
- 2. The appellant is estopped by his own conduct.
- 3. The appeal is bad for mis-joinder and non-joinder of necessary parties.
- 4. The appellant has not come to this Hon'ble Tribunal with clean hands.
- 5. The appellant has suppressed and twisted the facts with malafide intention for his own benefit.
- 6. The appeal is badly time barred.

ON FACTS

- 1. Pertains to record.
- 2. **Incorrect:** The irregularities made in the Govt. funds for the years 2013-14 and during that period, the appellant was posted as stationery clerk.
- 3. Incorrect: The inquiry was conducted in true spirit of (E&D) Rules, 2011 after fulfillment of all codal formalities as was required under the rules ibid.
- No comments.
- 5. No comments.

GROUNDS

- A. Incorrect: No Law/ rule was violated as all the procedure was done in accordance with (E&D) Rules, 2011.
- B. Incorrect: The Inquiry Officer in its Inquiry report held that no Stock Register was maintained for Stock taking and proper issuance of goods, which shows his malafide intention.
- C. Incorrect: Though stationery is purchased by the purchase Committee, however it is the Stationery Clerk, who maintained Stock Register, which was done properly and thus irregularities were found, which leads to malafide intention of the appellant.
- D. **Incorrect:** The Inquiry Officer has held that no proper Stock Register was maintained, which casts a shadow of doubts on the whole process.
- E. Incorrect: As evident from circular letter of Establishment Department dated 08.01.1990 that Court and departmental proceedings may start from an identical charges and can run parallel to each other against an accused on the same set of facts and yet may end differently without effecting their validity. Even departmental inquiry can be held subsequently on the same charges of which Govt. servants has been acquitted by a court.



- F. Incorrect: If the charges against an official are proved then inquiry Report alongwith other relevant record is to be placed before the competent authority, who after examing it imposed a penalty either minor or major.
- G. **Incorrect**: Before imposing major penalty "removal from service" the appellant was provided full opportunity of self defence, as was required under (E&D) Rules, 2011.
- H. Incorrect: The impugned order has highly been passed in accordance with Law/Rules on the subject.
- I. Incorrect: The inquiry against the appellant was conducted in accordance with (E&D) Rules, 2011 observing therein all codal formalities as was required under the rules ibid.
- J. Incorrect: As evident from his reply to Charge Sheet/ Statement of Allegation addressed to the Inquiry Officer, which means that the appellant was given full opportunity of self defence including personal hearing and the appellant was failed to prove himself innocent.
- K. Incorrect: As explained above.
- L. Incorrect: Formal Inquiry was conducted against the appellant after fulfillment of all codal formalities, as was required under (E&D) Rules, 2011.
- M. Denied being incorrect. All the codal formalities are fulfilled during the course of inquiry.
- N. **Incorrect**: The appellant was provided full opportunity of personal hearing and was heard in person.
- O. **Incorrect:** As explained above.
- P. Incorrect: Subject to proof.
- Q. Incorrect: The impugned order is rightly passed against the Appellant.
- R. Pertains to record.
- S. No Comments.
- T. The Respondents be allowed to offer the other grounds/record during the course of arguments.

It is, therefore, respectfully prayed that the appeal of the appellant may be dismissed with costs based on presumption and being illegal and malafide.

(Respondents No. 1 to 3)



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KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL, PESHAWAR. JUDICIAL COMPLEX (OLD), KHYBER ROAD, PESHAWAR.

Appeal No
Mr. Jm finz Ali Klau Appellant/Petitioner
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Respondent No.
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WHEREAS an appeal/petition under the provision of the North-West Frontier
Province Service Tribunal Act, 1974, has been presented/registered for consideration, in the above case by the petitioner in this Court and notice has been ordered to issue. You are hereby informed that the said appeal/petition is fixed for hearing before the Tribunal *on
Notice of any alteration in the date fixed for hearing of this appeal/petition will be given to you by registered post. You should inform the Registrar of any change in your address. If you fail to furnish such address your address contained in this notice which the address given in the appeal/petition will be deemed to be your correct address, and further notice posted to this address by registered post will be deemed sufficient for the purpose of this appeal/petition.
Copy of appeal is attached. Copy of appeal has already been sent to you vide this
office Notice Nodateddated
Given under my hand and the seal of this Court, at Peshawar this
Day of
Registrar, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal, Peshawar.

1. The hours of attendance in the court are the same that of the High Court except Sunday and Gazetted Holidays.

2. Always quote Case No. While making any correspondence.

BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL PESHAWAR

Service Appeal No. <u>454</u>/2016

Appellant
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Respondents
NT IN RESPONSE

Respectfully Sheweth,

Preliminary Objections:

Preliminary objections raised by answering respondents are erroneous and frivolous. The appellant has got cause of action to file the instant appeal. Estoppel does not operate against the law. All the necessary parties are added as Respondents. The appeal of the appellant is based on bonafide intention.

Facts:

- 1. Being not replied hence admitted.
- 2. Incorrect. There was/is no proof to evidence the allegation against the appellant. The charge of corruption/embezzlement/ misappropriation of Government fund is mere a false accusation having nothing to do with reality. The appellant was serving as Stationary Clerk and has issued the concerned stationary as per the Stock Register which is properly maintained and has nothing to do with other matters, therefore, the charge against the appellant is misconceived.
- 3. Incorrect. The Rules were violated. The enquiry was not conducted according to the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Civil Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules-2011 inas much as the codal formalities were not conformed.

4&5. Being not replied hence admitted.

Grounds:

- A. Incorrect. The appellant was not treated according to law and Rules which were violated with impunity. Similarly the procedure mandated by the KP Civil Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules-2011 was not followed rendering the whole proceedings as null and void.
- B. Incorrect. The finding of the Enquiry Officer is based on misconception. The appellant performed his duties as Stationary Clerk in accordance with the prescribed procedure. All the documents have been properly maintained.
- C. Misconceived. The stationary has been purchased by the Purchase Committee and appellant was not the member of such Committee. The Stationary was distributed as per the procedure and past practice which has never been objected to by any quarter.
- D. Incorrect hence denied. Proper Stock Register has been maintained. The purchase of the stationary was not the job of the appellant and therefore he cannot be held responsible for that.
- E. Misconceived. If the allegation of the misconduct is solely based upon the criminal charge then the dictates of justice demand that the decision of the competent Court should be awaited because mere allegation does not prove a crime under the law.
- F. Incorrect hence vehemently denied.
- G. Incorrect hence denied. The appellant was not provided a proper opportunity of defence before awarding the major penalty which is against the law.

- H. Incorrect. Impugned order is not according to law and rules on the subject.
- I. Incorrect hence denied. The enquiry was not conducted according to law, hence the punishment imposed upon the appellant is illegal.
- J. Misconceived. Just reply to the Charge Sheet and Statement of allegations by no means can be counted as proper defence unless opportunity of defence is provided to the delinquent official.
- K. Being not replied hence admitted.
- L. Incorrect. No regular enquiry was conducted against the appellant which is the requirement of law.
- M. Incorrect hence denied.
- N. Incorrect. No opportunity of personal hearing was provided to the appellant by the competent authority which is an essential legal requirement.
- O-S. Being not replied hence admitted.
- T. Needs no reply.

It is, therefore, humbly prayed that the reply of answering Respondents may graciously be rejected and the appeal as prayed for may graciously be accepted with costs.

Through

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Khaled Kanman Advocate, Peshawar

Appellant

Dated: 10/01/2017 *Verification*

Verified that the contents of this rejoinder are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and nothing has been concealed from this Hon'ble Tribunal.