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1.	\	KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL, PESHAWAR.
		Service Appeal No. 845/2012
		Muhammad Suleman Versus the Provincial Police Officer KPK, Peshawar etc.
		<u>JUDGMENT</u>
	09.09.2015	PIR BAKHSH SHAH, MEMBER Appellant with
		counsel (Mr. Muhammad Asif Yousafzai, Advocate) and
		Government Pleader (Mr. Muhammad Jan) for the
		respondents present.
		2. The appellant was discharged from service or
		08.12.2004 on the ground of willful absence. He file
		departmental appeal which was rejected on 06.4.2005. H
		filed another appeal before the Chief Minister of th
		province which was forwarded to the Police Departmen
		for decision. This appeal was also rejected by the appellat
	14///	authority vide his order dated 18.6.2012, hence this appearance.
		under Section 4 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Servic
		Tribunal Act, 1974.
<i>V</i> .	r	3. Arguments heard and record perused.
		4. From perusal of the record it was found the
		being a habitual absentee, the penalty of discharge from
		service was imposed on the appellant as he was o
		probation. Though the penalty of discharge is no

mentioned in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Civil Servant

Removal from Service (Special Power) Ordinance, 2000 but in fact penalty equates to the penalty of removal from service. After discharge/removal of the appellant from service vide impugned order dated 08.12.2004, it is evident that his first departmental appeal was rejected on 6.4.2005, Whereafter he slept on the case and did not come to this Tribunal timely. His subsequent second appeal is not provided in the law and its purpose was only to re-live the dead matter. The appeal being hopelessly time barred is liable to dismissal; the same is, therefore, dismissed. There is no order as to costs. File be consigned to the record.

<u>ANNOUNCED</u> 09.9.2015.

(ABDUL LATIF) MEMBER (PIR BAKHSH SHAH) MEMBER 16.6.2014

Counsel for the appellant and Mr. Muhammad Jan, GP with Muhammad Zaman, Inspector for the respondents present. The learned judicial member is on leave, therefore, case to come up for arguments on 20.10.2014.

MEMBER

20.10.2014

Appellant in person and Mr. Muhammad Adeel Butt, AAG for the respondents present. Due to incomplete Bench, case is adjourned to 27.02.2015 for arguments.

MEMBER

27.2.2015

Counsel for the appellant and Mr. Ziaullah, GP with Imtiaz Khan, DSP (Legal) for the respondents present. Counsel for the appellant requested for adjournment. To come up for arguments on 08.9.2015.

MEMBER

MEMBER

07/2013.

Counsel for the appellant and Mr. Muhammad Jan, GP for the respondents present. In pursuance of Promulgation of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal (Amendment) Act 2013, the Tribunal is incomplete. To come up for the same on 18.9.2013.

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18.9.2013

Appellant with counsel and Muhammad Jan, GP for the respondents present. Counsel for the appellant needs time to file rejoinder. To come up for rejoinder on 4,12.2013

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Counsel for the appellant and Mr. Muhammad Jan, GP with Imtiaz Gul, DSP (Legal) for the respondents present. Rejoinder received. Copy handed over to the learned GP. To come up for arguments on 5.3.2014.

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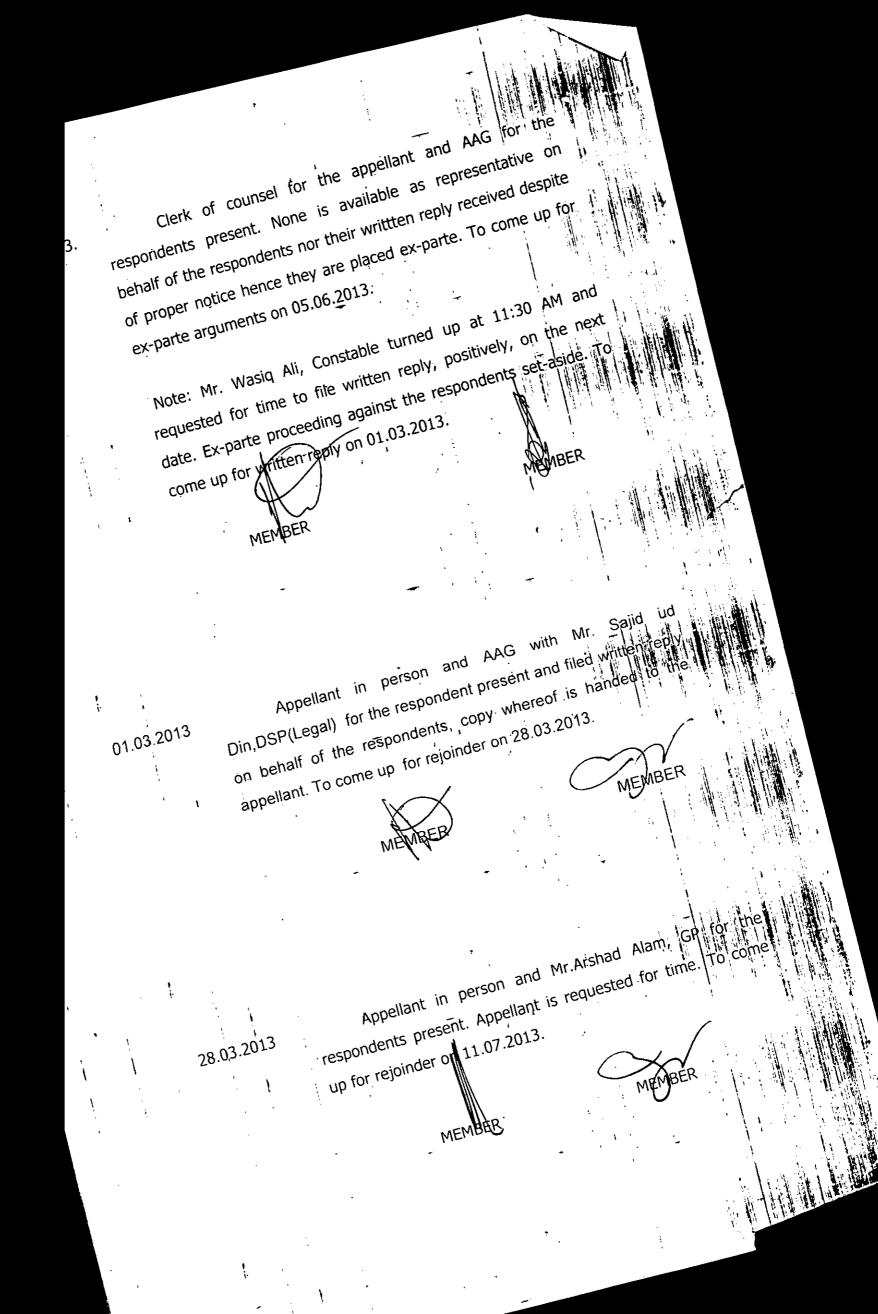
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.3.2014

Counsel for the appellant and Mr. Muhammad Jan, GP with Muhammad Ibrahim, Inspector (Legal) for the respondents present. Counsel for the appellant needs time. To come up for arguments on 16.6.2014.

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Arbellant debasited Maces fea & Seweity Ms. 188/2 Bana Beeight attached with file Counsel for the appellant present and heard. the appellant has not been treated in accordance we impugned discharge order dated 8.12.2004 is against the the word discharge is no where mentioned in any law inquiry has been conducted and the appellant has been countered under RSO 20 he has been punished under Police Rules 1934 which is also the law/rules. The absence period has been treated as leave we pay which means the authority has condoned the absence period there remained no ground for punishment. Points raised no consideration. The appeal is admitted to regular hearing, subject all legal objections. The appellant is directed to deposit the security amount and process fee within 10 days. Thereafter, notice be issued to the respondents. Case adjourned to 21.1.2013 for submission of written reply.

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2.11.2012

This case be put before the Final Bench \_\_\_\_ for further

proceedings.

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Coursel for the appellant present and organisted for adjournment. Case adjournment to 4-10-20/2 for P-H.

Member.

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Counsel for the appellant present and reguested for adjournment. Case adjournment to 2-11-2012 for P-H.

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# Form - A

# FORM OF ORDER SHEET

Court of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal, Peshawar

Case No. 845/12

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2	? <b>.</b>	/	-8-2012	The case is entrusted to Primary Bench for Preliminary Hearing, to be put up there on $12-9-2012$ .
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The appeal of Mr.Muhammad Suleman Ex-Constable received today i.e. on 18/07/2012 is incomplete on the following scores which is returned to the counsel for the appellant for completion and resubmission within 15 days:-

- 1- Appeal may be got signed by the appellant:
- 2- Copy of rejection order of departmental appeal is not attached with the appeal which may be placed on it.

NO. 798 /S.T.
Dt. 19/07/2012

REGISTRAN SERVICE TRIBUNAL KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA PESHAWAR.

#### M. ASIF YOUSAFZAI ADV. PESH.

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## BEFORE THE KPK SERVICE TRIBUNAL PESHAWAR.

APPEAL NO. 845 /2012.

Mohammad Suleman.

VS

Police Deptt:

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APPELLANT

**MOHAMMAD SULEMAN** 

THROUGH:

M.ASIF YOUSAFZAI

ADVOCATE.

#### BEFORE THE KPK SERVICE TRIBUNAL PESHAWAR.

APPEAL NO. 845 /2012.

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Mohammad Suleman Ex-Constable NO.1121,

Police Lines Kohat.....Appellant.

#### **VERSUS**

- 1- The provincial police Officer KPK Peshawar.
- 2- The D.I.G Kohat region Kohat.
- -3- The DPO Kohat......Respondents

APPEAL UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE KPK SERVICE TRIBUNAL ACT 1974 AGAINST THE ORDER DATED. 8.12.2004 WHERE BY THE APPELLANT WAS DISCHARGE FROM SERVICE UNDER POLICE RULES 12:21 OF 1934 AND AGAINST THE ORDER DATED. 18.6.2012 WHEREBY THE APPEAL/REVIEW OF THE APPELLANT WAS FILED FOR NO GOOD GROUNDS.

PRAYER:

That on acceptance of this appeal the impugned order may be setaside being illegal, void ab-initio and the appellant may be reinstated with all back benefits. Any other remedy which this august Tribunal deems fit that may also be awarded in favour of appellant.

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- 1- That the appellant joined the police force in the year 2002 and completed his initial trainings successfully.
- 2- That on 3.12.2003 the appellant suddenly fell ill due to which he rushed to the nearest DHQ hospital at KDA and remained under treatment there for some period.

- 3- That the appellant was charge sheeted under RSO-2000 for his absence from duty which was caused due to above mentioned illness. Copies of the charge sheet and statement of allegations are attached as annexure A & B.
- 4- That after recovery from illness the appellant reported for duty but in his absence one sided inquiry was conducted in which the appellant was not participated. However, the appellant provided full proofs of his illness to the officer concerned while reported for duty on 24.12.2003. Copy of report if attached as Annexure C
- 5- That on 11.8.2004 show cause notice was served upon the appellant which was properly replied by the appellant in time. Copy of show cause notice is attached as Annexure D.
- 6- That on 8.12.2004 the appellant was discharged from service under P.R 12.21 of 1934 by treating the appellant's absence period as leave without pay. Copy of the order is attached as Annexure E.
- 7- That the appellant filed mercy petition for his reinstatement before the DIG Kohat Region but the same was never responded back to appellant. The appellant again filed appeal/review petition before the chief executive of the province which was forwarded to the concerned authority. The DPO Kohat also filed his comments to the said petition but the same now filed by the authority on 18.6.2012. Copies of the petition and comments of DPO are attached as Annexure F & G.
- 8- That now the appellant comes to this august tribunal on the following grounds amongst the other.

#### **GROUNDS:**

- A- That the order dated. 8.1.2004 and order dated 18.6.2012 are against the law, rules, norms of justice and material on record, therefore, not tenable.
- B- That the appellant has been condemned unheard and no chance of personal hearing was provided to the appellant which is against the principles of natural Justice.

- C- That no regular inquiry was conducted against the appellant and neither the appellant was associated with the inquiry proceedings nor he was given any chance of cross examination.
- D- That the appellant was charge sheeted under RSO-2000 while the punishment was given to appellant under Police Rules 1934 which is against the spirit of law and rules. Thus the impugned order of discharge from service is void ab-initio.
- E- That the absence period has already been treated as leave without pay which means the authority has condoned the absence period and there remained no grounds for punishment.
- F- That even the appeal/mercy petition has not been responded which is also violation of the section 24-a of the General Clauses Act.
- G- That the appellant has not been treated according to law and rules.
- H- That the appellant seeks permission to advance other grounds and proofs at the time of hearing.

It is therefore most humbly prayed that the appeal of the appellant may be accepted as prayed for.

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MOHAMMAD SULEN

THROUGH:

M.ASIF YOUSAFZAI

ADVOCATE.

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### **CHARGE SHF**

WHEREAS, I am satisfied tha Removal from Service (Special Power) ordinance

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AND WHEREAS, I am of the view that the allegations if established would call for Major punishment as defined in Rules 3 (I) (e) of the aforesaid ordinance.

NOW, THEREFORE, as required 6 of the aforesaid ordinance 2000, I, Dr. Ishtiaq Ahmed Marwat District Police Officer, Kohat hereby charge you CONST: MUHAMMAD SULEMAN NO. 1121 on the basis of the statement of allegations attached to this Charge Sheet.

AND I hereby direct you further under the Rules 6 of the said ordinance 2000 to put in a written defence within 15 days of the receipt of this Charge Sheet as to why you should not be served with one or may punishment including removal as defined order Rules 3 (I) (e) ordinance 2000 and also stating at the same time as to whether you desire to be heard in person or not.

AND, in case your reply is not received within the prescribed period without sufficient cause, it shall be presumed that you have no defence to offer.

(DR. ISHTIAQ AHMED MARWAT) PSP DISTRICT POLICE OFFICER,

KUHA

No. 4316/PA Dt. 23.9.04

ATTESTED

#### DISCULINARY ACTION

B (5)

I, ISHTIAQ AHMAD MARWAT District Police Officer, Kohat as competent authority am of the opinion that you Const: Muhammad Suleman Mo has rendered himself liable to be proceeded against as he committed the following acts/omissions within the meaning of section 3 of the NWFP Removal from Service (Special Power) Ordinance 2000.

## STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS

while posted at Police Lines, Kohat absented yourself from govt: duty with effect from 18.7.04 To 28.7.04 and From 18.8.2004 till todate without any leave or prior permission from your senior officers which speaks of your in-efficiency, lack of interest in the discharge of your official duties and gross mis-conduct on your part.

For the purpose of scrutinizing the conduct of the said accused with reference to the above allegation an enquiry Officer mentioned below is \_\_\_\_inted U/S 3 of the Ordinance.

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DSP LEGAL, KOHAT.



The Enquiry Officer shall, in accordance with the provision of the Ordinance provide reasonable opportunity of hearing to the accused record its finding and make within twenty five days of the receipt of this order recommendation as to punishment or other appropriate action against the accused.

The accused and a well conversant representative of the department shall join the proceedings on the date time and place fixed by the Enquiry Officer.

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## SHOW CAUSE NOTICE



WHEREAS, You Constable Muhammad Suleman No. 1121 while posted at Police Lines, Kohat absented yourself from govt: duty for 21 days with effect from 18.7.2004 To 28.7.2004 without any leave or prior permission from your senior officers, which speaks your in-efficiency and lack of interest in the discharge of your official duties.

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Constable Mulanmont Suliman No. 1121 was charge to the fact that while posted at Police Lines keight has deliberately absented himself from Government Duty for the following period without any leave or permission from competent authority:

- 1. From 18/07/2004 to 28/07/26 (1)
- 2 From 18/08/2004 to 07/19/5061.
- 3. From 27/10/2004 to 30/10/2004
- 4. From 15/11/2004 to 20/11/2004.

The defaulter Constable is a habitual absence, unwilling worker and not taking interest in the discharge of Government Duties and a malingerer type of Police Officials showing inefficiency on his part. The defaulter Constable was enlisted as recruit constable on 10/02/2003. Since then, he has absented himself on thirteen occasions while performing duty at Police Lines. Inspite of repeated warnings/punishments he did not improve his conduct and is also not likely to become a good Police Officer. During his short period of service he earned the following punishments:

1. Bad Entries 13
2. Fine of Rs. 450
3. Leave without Pay 20 days
4. Censure Two Occasions

Show Cause Notice issued to him for his negligent behaviour and habitual absentee under Rule: 1975. The defaulter Constable could not rebut allegation

levelled against him thus his reply to the Show Cause Notice was found unsatisfactory.

Keeping in view the above facts, it is considered view of the undersigned that he is not fit to be retained in Police Department. As the length of his service is less than three years therefore, he is discharged from service under chapter – 12 Rules – 21 with immediate effect and the period of absence mentioned above is treated as leave without pay.

ORDER ANNOUNCED

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PR. ISHTIAQ AHMED MARWAT) PSP DISTRICT POLICE OFFICER.

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S.P. Legal Kohat.

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Date 4-4-12 بخدمت جناب امير حيدرخان موتى وزيراعلى صوبه خيبر يختونخوا 5688 جناب عالی! سائل حسب زیل عرض رسال ہے۔ یہ کہ سائل مجکنہ پولیس میں سال 2002-02-01 میں بھرتی ہواتھا (آرڈر کا بی لف ہے)۔ يه كه سائل تقريبا تين سال نوكري پرفائز ر بااور جانفشانی سے اپنی ڈیوٹی سرانجام دے رہاتھا۔ یه که دوران نوکری سائل برقان مے موذی مرض میں مبتلا ہوااور سائل کوہسپتال میں داخل کردیا گیا۔ یہ کہ سائل نے بیاری کے متعلق محکمہ والوں کے پاس روز نامچہ میں بھی اطلاع کروائی تھی۔ یہ کہ سائل جب دوبارہ صحت یاب ہوااور واپس این متعلقہ محکمہ کے یاس گیااور سائل نے اپنی بیماری کے متعلق میڈیکل سرمیفیکیٹ ساتھ لے گیا، کین سائل کو بغیر قانونی و تکمانہ <u>دچہ کے نو کری سے برخاس</u>ے نے کردیا گیا۔ یہ کہ سائل نے اس سلسلے میں اپنے متعلقہ محکمہ میں اپل بھی گزاری تھی لیکن وہ بھی افسران بالانے نامنظور کی ( آرڈر کا بی لف درخواست ہے)۔ يدكه سائل اب چوتكد بروز گار باور بروز گاران كى فرندگى اسركرر ما ب،اس كمرتو ده بشكائى كدور ميل سائل كاكونى ذر بعد معاش ندہے اور سائل اپنے گھر کا واحدز ربعہ معاش ہے اور گھر کی ذمہ داری اور کفالت بھی سائل پر عائد ہے۔ یرکیآپ صاحب سے اپنی نوکری پردوبارہ نظر ٹانی برائے بحالی بذریعہ درخواست استدعا کرتا ہے۔ بِمائل اورسائل کی فیملی تا حیات آب جناب اور آکیے اہل وعیال کا دعا گواور مشکورر ہے گا۔ نوازش ہوگی ململ العارض Minister for Revenue & Estate سالقه كالشيبل نمبر 1121 ATTESTE

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From:

The District Police Officer, Kohat.

To:

The Provincial Police Officer, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

Peshawar.

No 5888

/DSP/ Legal dated Kohat the  $\frac{\sqrt[6]{6}}{6}$ /2012.

Subject:

APPLICATION FOR RE-INSTATEMENT IN SERVICE.

Memo:

Kindly refer to your office Memo: No. 1227/Legal dated

07.04.2012.

It is submitted that Ex-Constable Muhammad Suliman No. 1121 while posted in Police Lines Kohat, deliberately absented himself from official duty for the following period without any leave or permission from the competent authority:-

- 1. 18.07.2004 to 28.07.2004.
- 2. 18.08 2004 to 07.10.2004.
- 3. 27.10.2004 to 30.10.2004.
- 4. 15.11.2004 to 20.11.2004.

Show Cause Notice was issued to him under Police rules 1975. Reply to the show cause notice was found unsatisfactory, therefore, the competent authority discharged him from service under the Police Rules 12-21 with immediate effect vide OB No. 1304 dated 08.12.2004.

Aggrieved from the order, the Ex Constable Muhammad Suliman has moved the enclosed application for re-instatement in service to which comments are submitted as under:

#### Preliminary Objections:

- a. That the application is legally defective.
- b. That the petitioner moved mercy petition before the Deputy Inspector General of Police, Kohat Region, Kohat which was filed vide Memo No. 846/EC dated 06.04.2005.
- c. That the order of discharge has attained finality.
- d. That the petition is badly time barred.
- e. That under the rules no provision for mercy petition has been provided.
- f. That the petition is not maintainable.

#### Parawise Comments: --

- Correct.
- 2. Incorrect. During short geriod of his service the petitioner earned thirteen bad entries, fixed Rs. 460/- leave without pay for twenty days and awarded censure on two occasions.
- 3. Incorrect. The petitioner failed to substantiate his claim in reply to the show cause notice.

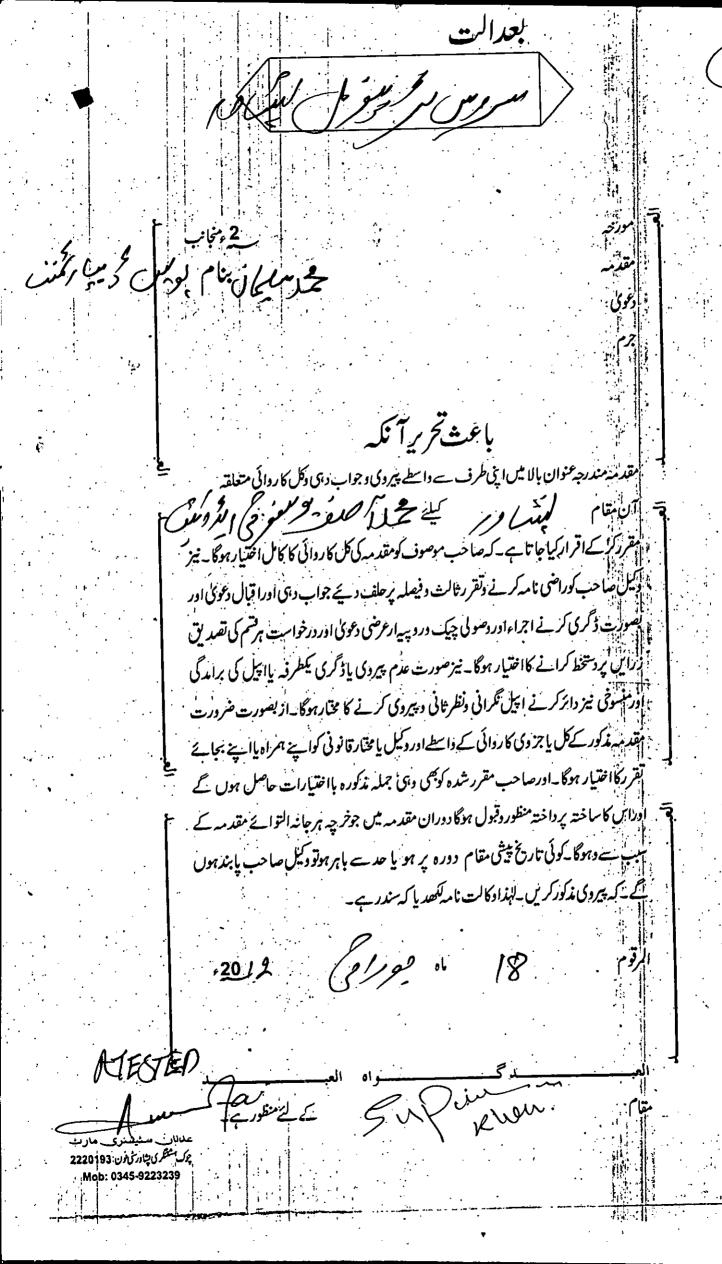


- 4. Incorrect. The petitioner has not reported anything about his alleged sickness in the daily diary.
- 5. Incorrect. The department was having no information regarding the alleged sickness of the applicant nor he got referred himself to the hospital for medical treatment. The department therefore, was having cogent reason to discharge him on the ground of inefficiency and habitual absentee.
- 6. Incorrect. The petitioner did not move proper departmental appeal however, he-moved a mercy petition before the Deputy Inspector General of Police, Kohat Region, Kohat which was filed vide Memo No. 846/EC dated 06.04.2005.
- 7. Not relevant, hence no comments.
- 8. Request of the applicant for re-instatement in service is neither legal nor covered by approves.

In view of the above, application/petition moved by the applicant ex-constable Muhammad Sulaiman being time barred, legally defective and not covered by any law/rules deserves to be filed please. His service record alongwith parawise comments are submitted as directed please.

DISTRICT POLICE OFFICER,





# BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA, SERVICE TRIBUNAL PESHAWAR.

Appeal No. 845/2012

Muhammad Suliman Ex-constable No. 1121 ...... Appellant.

#### VERSUS

- 1. Provincial Police Officer, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 2. Deputy Inspector General of Police, Kohat Region, Kohat.

# REPLY/PARAWISE COMMENTS ON BEHALF OF RESPONDENTS Respectfully Sheweth:-

Reply/Parawise comments to the appellant filed by ex-constable.

Muhammad Suliman are as under:-

Facts arising from the appeal are that the appellant Muhammad Suliman who was enrolled as constable on 10.02.2002 while posted in Police Lines Kohat absented himself from duty without leave or permission w.e.f 18.07.2004 to 28.07.2004 and 18.08.2004 till conclusion of the departmental proceedings against him. The competent authority initiated departmental proceedings and vide order dated 07.12.2004 he was discharged from service under Chapter 12 Rule 21 of the Police Rules as the appellant was having less then three years service in the Police Department. The appellant thereafter moved a mercy petition to the respondent No. 2 which was filed vide Memo No. 846/EC dated 06.04.2005. Subsequently in the year 2012 he submitted another application for re-instatement in service to the Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, which was sent to the respondent No. 1 for consideration, however, the same vide Memo No. 2080/Legal dated 18.06.2012 was filed being time barred.

The appellant has filed appeal to this Hon: Tribunal to which reply/parawise comments are submitted as under:-

#### Preliminary Objections:-

- a. That the appeal is badly time barred.
- b. That the appellant has got no cause of action.
- c. That the appellant has not exhausted the appellate forum, hence in absence of the final order the appeal is legally defective and is not entertain able.
- d. That the order dated 07.12.2004 has attained finality, hence the appellant is barred from moving appeal.

#### Parawise Comments:-

- 1. Correct.
- 2. Incorrect. The Police Department was having no information about the alleged sickness of the appellant.
- 3. Incorrect. The Police Department was having no knowledge about the alleged sickness of the appellant and in addition the department was not supposed to wait for indefinite period for the appellant to resume his charge, hence the department was left no other option except to issue charge sheet against the appellant.
- 4. This para is misleading and misconceived because the appellant thereafter had again absented himself from duty from 18.07.2004 to 28.07.2004, 18.08.2004 to 07.10.2004, 27.10.2004 to 30.10.2004 and 15.11.2004 to 20.11.2004. During short service of less then three years the appellant earned 13 bad entries, fined to rupees 460/-, leave without pay 20 days and censure on two occasions. The service record of the appellant reflects that he was not interested in service.
- 5. Pertains to record.
- 6. Correct.
- 7. This para is misleading because Memo No. 846/EC dated 06.04.2005 reflects that copy regarding filling of his mercy petition was sent at his home address for information. (Copy enclosed). Moreover, this para shows that the appellant has never preferred proper departmental appeal.
- 8. This para pertains to facts.

#### Grounds: -

- a. Incorrect. That orders dated 08.12.2004 and as well as 18.06.2012 are quite in accordance with law, rules, material on record and justice. The punishment order has attained finality hence it cannot be called in question.
- b. Incorrect. He was afforded opportunity to defend himself by the competent authority but he fail to rebut the allegation against him.
- c. Incorrect. Under Chapter 12 Rule 21 of the Police Rules no enquiry is required, however, in order to meet the ends of justice show cause notice containing allegation of absence was issue to him but he failed to justify his absence.

- d. This para is incorrect and misleading, the appellant was awarded punishment under Chapter 12 Rule 21 of the Police Rules.
- e. Incorrect. Treating absence period as leave without pay does not amount to condonation of the absence period.
- f. Incorrect. Result of the mercy petition was accordingly conveyed by the respondent No. 2 to the appellant as is reflected in Memo No. 846/EC dated 06.04.2005.
- g. Incorrect. The appellant has been strictly treated in accordance with law, rules, merits and justice.
- h. Not relevant, hence no comments.

#### <u>Prayers.</u>

It is therefore, prayed that the appeal is badly time barred, the appellate forum of the department has not been exhausted, no illegality or irregularity has been pinpointed and the appeal being not maintainable may be dismissed with cost.

Provincial Police Officer, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar

(Respondent No. 1)

Dy: Inspector General of-Police, Kohat Region, Kohat (Respondent No. 2)

District Police Officer, Kohat

(Respondent No. 3)

Telephone No.9260112. 1 - 1 - 7/4 - NUS. The Dy: Inspector General of Police, From := Kohat Region, Kohat. The District Police Officer, Kohat. /EC. Dated Kohat the MERCY PETITION. Subject :-MEMORANDUM. Please refer to your office Memo: No. 1473/DSP/Legal dated 5.3.2005. The mercy petition of Ex: Constable Suliman Khan No. 1121 of your District has been examined and filed by the Region Police Chief. His Service Roll and Fauji Missal, received with your above quoted reference is returned herewith for record. ENd - STRALL Q FIMISSIL For Dy: Inspector General of Police, & Kohat Region, Kohat. No. 847 Copy to Ex: Constable Suliman Khan No. 1121 son of Gula Khan Afridi Sector-4 K.D.A, Kohat for information.

For Dy: Inspector General of Police, Kohat Region, Kohat.

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#### ORDER

Constable Muhammad Suliman No. 1121 was charge to the fact that while posted at Police Lines Kohat has deliberately absented himself from Government Duty for the following period without any leave or permission from competent authority: - •

- From 18/07/2004 to 28/07/2004.
- From 18/08/2004 to 07/10/2004
- From 27/10/2004 to 30/10/2004.
- From 15/11/2004 to 20/11/2004

The defaulter Constable is a habitual absentee, unwilling worker and not taking interest in the discharge of Government Duties and a malingerer type of Police Officials showing inefficiency on his part. The defaulter Constable was enlisted as recruit constable on 10/02/2002. Since then, he has absented himself on thirteen occasions while performing duty at Police Lines. Inspite of repeated warnings/ punishments he did not improve his conduct and is also not likely to become a good Police Officer. During his short period of service he earned the following punishments:-

Ί. Bad Entries 13 Fine of Rs. 460 3. Leave without Pay 20 days 4 Censure Two Occasions

Show Cause Notice issued to him for his negligent behaviour and habitual absentee under Rules 1975. The defaulter Constable could not rebut allegation levelled against him thus his reply to the Show Cause Notice was found unsatisfactory.

Keeping in view the above facts, it is considered view of the undersigned that he is not fit to be retained in Police Department. As the length of his service is less than three years therefore, he is discharged from service under chapter -.12 Rules - 21 with immediate effect and the period of absence mentioned above is treated as leave without pay.

#### ORDER ANNOUNCED

07/12/2004

Deled 8/12/2 wy (DR. ISHTIAQ AHMED MARWAT) PSP

# BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA, SERVICE TRIBUNAL, PESHAWAR.

Service Appeal No. 845\_/2012

Mr.Muhammad Suleman V/S Police Department.

### **REJOINDER ON BEHALF OF APPELLANT**

#### **RESPECTFULLY SHEWETH:**

#### **Preliminary Objections:**

(A-D) All objections raised by the respondents are incorrect. Rather the respondents are estopped to raise any objection due to their own conduct.

#### **FACTS:**

- 1 Admitted correct by the respondents, so no comments.
- Partially correct, But the appellant has noted his attendance in Roznamcha on 24.2.2003 and during performance of his duty he became sick and went to K.D.A Hospital and provided full proof of his illness to the officer concerned.
- 3 Incorrect as in Para-2 above.
- 4 Incorrect. Not replied accordingly.
- The record has already been attached with the Appeal as Annexure-D.
- 6 Admitted, hence no comments.
- Incorrect. The appellant did proper departmental appeal by filing an appeal for his reinstatement before the DIG Kohat Region but not responded.
- 8 Legal.

#### **GROUNDS:**

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**AFFIDAVIT** 

- A) Incorrect. The order dated 8.12.2004 as well as 18.6.2012 are not accordance with the law as the appellant was terminated by one side inquiry.
- B) Incorrect. The appellant was terminated by simply show cause notice and one side inquiry in absence of appellant by not giving opportunity to defence.
- C) Incorrect. The appellant has sight to defend himself but not given proper opportunity to defend himself and terminated by one side inquiry.
- D) Incorrect. The appellant was not treated according to law.
- E) Incorrect, while Para-E of the ground of Appeal is correct.
- F) Incorrect. Mercy petition has been responded acceding to law and in the Memo No.846/EC; dated 06.04.2005 no proper direction has been given.
- G) Incorrect. The appellant has not been treated according to law and rules by terminating him by simply one side inquiry and not given proper forum for his defence.
- H) Not replied according to Para-H of the Ground of the appeal.

It is, therefore, most humbly prayed that the appeal of appellant may kindly be accepted as prayed for.

APPELLANT
Muhammad Suleman

Through:

( M. ASIF YOUSAFZAI ) ADVOCATE, PESHAWAR.

It is affirmed and declared that the contents of rejoinder are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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2011 SCMR 6767

[Supreme Court of Pakistan]

Present: Iftikhar Muhammad Chaudhty, C.J. Raja Fayyaz Ahmed and Ch. Ijaz Ahmed, JJ

RAJA KHAN---Petitioner

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Versus

MANAGER (OPERATION) FAISALABAD ELECTRIC SUPPLY COMPANY (WAPDA) and others---Respondents

Civil Petition No. 636 of 2009, decided on 21st May, 2009.

(Against the judgment dated 11-2-2009 passed by the Federal Service Tribunal, Islamabad, in Appeal No. 445(R) CE of 2005).

# (a) Removal from Service (Special Powers) Ordinance (XVII of 2000)---

of first departmental appeal for being time barred—Dismissal of second departmental appeal as not competent—Dismissal of appeal by Service Tribunal on merits as well as its being time barred—Walidity—Petitioner had filed appeal before Tribunal without fulfilling mandator requirement of S. And Service Tribunals Act, 1973 in regard to limitation—Court could not compromise on limitation—Petitioner during four years of service had been punished for unauthorized absence as many as eight times—Petitioner by his subsequent conduct had accepted punishment of compulsory retirement by getting his pension claim and monthly pension regularly—Supreme Court refused to grant leave to appeal in circumstances.

Haji Ghulam Rasul's case PLD 1971 SC 376; Mst. Amina Begum's case PLD 1978 SC 220 and Nawab Syed Raunaq Ali's case PLD 1973 SC 236 rel.

#### (b) Constitution of Pakistan---

----Art. 212(3)---Service Tribunal, finding of---Validity---Such finding being finding of fact would not call for interference by Supreme Court.

Ch. Muhammad Azim's case 1991 SCMR 255 rel.

#### (c) Constitution of Pakistan---

---Art. 212(3)---Concurrent findings of fact by Appellate Authority and Service Tribunal---Validity---Supreme Court would not interfere with such findings.

Iftikhar Ahmed Malik's case 2005 SCMR 806 rel.

(d) Service Tribunals Act (LXX of 1973)---

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4---Departmental appeal being time-barred---Effect---Appeal before Service Tribunal would not be appetent.

Chariman PIA and others v. Nasim Malik PLD 1990 SC 951; Muhammad Aslam v. WAPDA and others 2007 SCMR 513 and Government of Pakistan through Secretary, Establishment Division v. Bashir Ahmad Khan PLD 1985 SC 309 rel.

#### (e) Limitation---

---Appeal, if required to be dismissed for being time-barred, then its merits need to be discussed.

Khan Sahib Sher Muhammad Mir's case 1987 SCMR 92 rel.

#### (f) Constitution of Pakistan---

---Art. 212(3)---Constitutional jurisdiction under Art. 212(3) of the Constitution---Discretionary in character.

#### (g) Constitution of Pakistan---

---Arts. 185(3) & 212(3)---Grant of leave to, appeal by Supreme Court---Discretionary.

Ghulam Qadir Khan's case 1986 SCMR 1386 rel.

#### (h) Constitution of Pakistan---

----Arts. 199 & 212(3)---Void order---Constitutional jurisdiction of High Court and Supreme Court---Scope---Such jurisdiction might be refused, if same was meant to enable petitioner to circumvent provisions of law of limitation or if he was stopped by his conduct from challenging order.

Muhammad Ismail's case 1983 SCMR 168; Abdur Rashid's case 1969 SCMR 141 and Wali Muhammad's case PLD 1974 SC 106 rel.

Haider Hussain, Advocate Supreme Court and M.S. Khattak, Advocate-on-Record for Petitioner.

Nemo for Respondents.

#### **ORDER**

CH. IJAZ AHMED, J.---Raja Khan, petitioner, seeks leave to appeal against the impugned judgment dated 11-2-2009 whereby the learned Federal Service Tribunal, Islamabad, dismissed his appeal on merits as well as time-barred.

2. Detailed facts have already been mentioned in the impugned judgment. However, necessary facts out of which the present petition arises are that petitioner was appointed as Chowkidar with the respondents establishment from April, 1985. Show cause notice dated 23-2-2004 under section 5(4) of the Removal from Service (Special Powers) Ordinance, 2002 along with statement of allegations was served upon the petitioner containing the following charges:--

- (1) Whereas you Mr. Raja Khan, Chowkidar PESCO (WAPDA) Jhang Circle Jhang are charged with misconduct as per statement of allegations attached.
- (2) And whereas on the basis of documentary evidence available, it is not considered necessary to have formal inquiry against you and that proceedings are being initiated under section 5(4) of the Removal from Service (Special Powers) Ordinance 2002 which might entail imposition of a major penalty of dismissal from service as specified in section 3 of the said ordinance.
- (3) Now, therefore, you are required to show cause within 15 days from the date of receipt of this notice as to why the proposed action should not be taken against you.
- (4) If no response is received from you within the time stipulated above, it would be presumed that either you have no defence to offer and/or you have willfully declined to do so. The case shall then be decided on 'ex parte' without further reference.

Whereas you Mr. Raja Khan, Chowkidar, PESCO Jhang Circle Jhang are charged with gross misconduct, inefficiency, corruption and mal practices for the following charges and other relevant circumstances.

As per report of Mr. Shahzad Nasir, Telephone Attendant and Mr. Ghulam Abbas Bhatti Telephone Attendant PESCO Jhang Circle Jhang. You are absent from duty w.e.f 6-2-2004 to 17-2-2004 without intimation/prior permission/sanction leave from the Circle Superintendent/Technical Officer/and by the undersigned.

If any mishap/incident create in Circle office, who are responsible. You are already so many times directed to present in the office after closing hours but you have failed in official duties."

Petitioner submitted reply to the show cause notice and admitted that he was' absent from duty on account of illness. The competent authority after providing him personal hearing awarded major penalty of compulsory retirement from service w.e.f. 31-3-2004 vide order dated 29-3-2004. Petitioner being aggrieved filed departmental appeal on 6-4-2004 before the appellate authority who dismissed the same as time barred vide order dated 10-11-2004. Thereafter the petitioner filed another appeal before the Managing Director Power on 8-12-2004 which was dismissed vide order dated 4-2-2005 on the ground that there is no provision of second appeal "further appeal" under the rules. Petitioner being aggrieved filed Appeal No. 445(R)CS/2005 in the Federal Service Tribunal, Islamabad, on 12-4-2005 which was dismissed vide impugned judgment dated 11-2-2009. Hence the present petition.

- 3. Learned counsel for the petitioner submits that the impugned order of dismissal of the petitioner dated 29-3-2004 was passed by incompetent authority, therefore, the same was corum non judice and without lawful authority. He further urges that impugned order of the department was void, therefore, no limitation would run against such type of order. It can be agitated at any time and could be ignored being a void order. Learned Service Tribunal had not adverted to this aspect of the case, therefore, the impugned judgment was passed by the learned Service Tribunal without application of mind.
- 4. We have given our anxious consideration to the contentions of the learned counsel of the petitioner and perused the record. It is an admitted fact that show cause notice was served upon the petitioner under the provisions of Removal from Service (Special Powers) Ordinance, 2002 wherein it is specifically provided under the provisions of the Ordinance that petitioner has to file departmental appeal within

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the prescribed period of 15 days. The order of compulsory retirement was passed by the competent authority on 29-3-2004. The petitioner filed departmental appeal on 6-4-2004 which was dismissed as time barred on 10-11-2004. Thereafter the petitioner filed second appeal before the Managing Director on 8-12-2004 which was also dismissed on 4-2-2005 in the following terms:--

"It is to inform you that your appeal under reference does not merit consideration as there is no provision of second appeal "further appeal" under the rules."

5. The learned Service Tribunal had rightly come to the conclusion that appellate authority was justified to dismiss his appeal as time-barred and second appeal was also dismissed with cogent reasons on account of non availability of any provision under the rules to file second appeal to higher authority after dismissal of the first appeal. We have also re-examined the material on record with the assistance of the learned counsel of the petitioner. We do not find any infirmity or illegality with regard to the conclusion arrived at by the learned Service Tribunal with regard to the finding mentioned in para 7 of the impugned judgment. It is settled principle of law that finding of service tribunal having findings of fact would not call for interference by this Court as law laid down by this Court in Ch. Muhammad Azim case (1991 SCMR 255). Even otherwise this Court does not interfere with the concurrent findings of fact arrived at by the departmental authorities and learned service Tribunal while exercising the power under Article 212(3) of the Constitution. See Iftikhar Ahmed Malik case (2005 SCMR 806). It is settled proposition of law that when an appeal of the employee was time barred before the appellate authority then the appeal before the Tribunal was also not competent in view of the various pronouncements of this Court. See Chairman PIA and others v. Nasim Malik (PLD 1990 SC 951) and Muhammad Aslam v. WAPDA and others (2007 SCMR 513). The question of law with regard to the representation has already been decided by this Court in Government of Pakistan through Secretary, Establishment Division v. Bashir Ahmad Khan (PLD 1985 SC 309). The relevant observation is as follows:--

"He challenged his first compulsory retirement through a review application filed on 23rd of October, 1974, which was decided on 3-6-1975. This was the final order passed on review. It could be challenged within 30 days, before die Tribunal under section 4 of the Service Tribunals Act. If the appellant chose not to file an appeal but only to repeat a representation before the same authority who had decided the review, that by itself would not give him another cause of action to file an appeal under section 4. The period spent in making the representation this second or any other representation after the decision of the review application, could not be excluded as of right in counting the period of limitation......The review petition filed by the respondent in that behalf was decided on 13-6-1978. Instead of filing an appeal before the Tribunal under section 4 within 30 days of this final order passed on review, he made another representation which caused further delay. The period consumed during the processing of the subsequent representation could not be excluded as of right. And there being no condonation on any good ground by the Tribunal, the appeal filed on 14-1-1979, was clearly time barred and should have been dismissed accordingly."

6. The appeal of the petitioner before Service Tribunal is incompetent under section 4(1)(b) of the Service Tribunal Act, 1973. Since the petitioner has filed appeal before the Service Tribunal without fulfilling the mandatory requirement of section 4 in regard to limitation and court cannot compromise on the limitation. See:--

Muhammad's case (1998 SCMR 1354)

Messrs Raja Industries' case (1998 SCMR 307)

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#### Mst. Sirajun-Munira's case (1998 SCMR 785)

- 7. It is admitted fact that appeal is obviously time barred and it has been held by this Court in Khan Sahib Slier Muhammad Mir's case (1987 SCMR 92) that when an appeal is required to be dismissed on limitation, its merits need not be discussed. Inspite of the aforesaid law laid down by this Court the learned Service Tribunal has considered the case on merits and the appeal was also dismissed on merits. It is pertinent to mention here that the competent" authority awarded penalty of compulsory retirement vide order dated 29-3-2004. The petitioner had accepted the punishment awarded by the respondents due to his conduct on the basis of subsequent events as the petitioner applied for payment of his pensionary benefit to the respondents. Petitioner got settled his pension claim within three months after his retirement and received Rs.155,733 as well as monthly pension. He also received his monthly pension regularly. Petitioner preferred appeal before the Service Tribunal on 12-4-2005. This fact was also noted in the impugned judgment in para 10. Even on merits the learned Service Tribunal was justified to dismiss his appeal on the well known principal of "approbate and reprobate." See Haji Ghualm Rasul's case (PLD 1971 SC 376). The learned Service Tribunal was justified to dismiss his appeal on the well known principle of estoppel keeping in view subsequent events. See Mst. Amina Begum's case (PLD 1978 SC 220).
- 8. The conduct of the petitioner has been highlighted by the Service Tribunal in para 10 of the impugned judgment which is reproduced herein below:

"We have seen placed on the record a, number of documents which indicate the service record of the appellant. From 1989 to 27-3-2003, the appellant has been punished for unauthorized absence as many as eight time The punishment included censure, stoppage of one annual increment for one year (1983), reduction to three lower stage in time scale for a period of three years (1990), stoppage of one annual increment for one year (1993) and stoppage of annual increment for one year (1995)."

9. It is settled principle of law that constitutional jurisdiction under Article 212(3) is discretionary in character. It is settled law that grant of leave to appeal is discretionary. See Ghulam Qadir Khan's case (1986 SCMR 1386). It is also settled law that constitutional jurisdiction against void order may be refused if it was meant to enable petitioner to circumvent provisions of law of limitation or if he was estopped by his conduct from challenging of order. See:--

Muhammad Ismail's case (1983 SCMR 168)

Abdur Rashid's case (1969 SCMR 141)

Wali Muhammad case (PLD 1974 SC 106)

- 10. Keeping in view the conduct of the petitioner mentioned herein above in para 10 of the impugned judgment we are not inclined to exercise our discretion in favour of the petitioner on the well known maxim that he who seeks equity must come with clean hands as law laid down by this Court in Nawab Syed Raunaq Ali's case (PLD 1973 SC 236).
- 11. In view of what has been discussed above we do not find any infirmity or illegality in the impugned judgment. Even otherwise the learned counsel has failed to raise any question of public importance in the present case as contemplated under Article 212(3) of the Constitution. The petition has no merit and the

## KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL PESHAWAR

No. /407 /ST

Dated 14 / 9 / 2015

То

The DPO, Kohat.

Subject: -

Judgement

I am directed to forward herewith certified copy of Judgement dated 9.9.2015 passed by this Tribunal on subject for strict compliance.

Encl: As above

FOREGISTRAR

KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL

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