

ORDER 22.02.2024

Learned counsel for the petitioner present. Mr. Ghulam Shabir, Assistant Secretary alongwith Mr. Habib Anwar, Additional Advocate General for the respondents present. Arguments on application for restoration of Service Appeal bearing No. 1729/2023 heard and record perused.

Application in hand has been submitted on 12.02.2024 for restoration of Service Appeal No. 1729/2023, which was dismissed in default on 16.01.2024. Although the application for restoration of appeal has not been submitted within time, however, law favours adjudication on merit by avoiding technicalities. In the interest of justice, the application in hand is allowed and Service Appeal No. 1729/2023 is restored to its original number subject to payment of cost of Rs. 3000/-. To come up for preliminary hearing on 17.04.2024 before the S.B. Parcha Peshi given to the parties.

<u>ANNOUNCED</u> 22.02.2024

(Salah-ud-Din) Member (J)

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