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## Appeal No.

## 866/2024

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The appeal of Mr. Adnan Khan received today i.e on 12.06.2024 is incomplete on the following score which is returned to the counsel for the appellant for completion and resubmission within 15 days.

1- According to sub-rule-4 of rule-6 of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal rules 1974 respondent no.2 & 4 are un-necessary/improper parties, in light of the rules ibid and on the written direction of the Worthy Chairman the above mentioned respondent number be deleted/struck out from the list of respondent.

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SERVICE TRIBUNAL **KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA** PESHAWAR.

Noor Muhammad Khattak Adv. High Court Khattak.

Resubmitted after Decessory Completion. 3

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## BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL

## <u>Peshawar.</u>

SERVICE APPEAL NO\_\_\_\_\_\_

/ 2024

MR. ADNAN KHAN

V/S

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APPELLANT

**THROUGH:** 

NOOR MUHAMMAD KHATTAK Advocate Supreme Court

## BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL PESHAWAR

SERVICE APPEAL NO\_\_\_\_\_866\_\_/ 2024

Mr. Adnan Khan, Key Punch Operator (BPS-16), Home Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

..... APPELLANT

#### VERSUS

- 1- The Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa through Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar
- 2- The Secretary to Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Home Department, Peshawar.

..... RESPONDENTS

## APPEAL UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL ACT, 1974 AGAINST NOT TAKING ACTION ON THE DEPARTMENTAL APPEAL OF THE APPELLANT FOR ADJUSTMENT AGAINST HIS ORIGINAL POST OF COMPUTER OPERATOR (BPS-16) W.E.F 17/01/2022 WITH ALL BACK BENEFITS.

**PRAYER:** 

That on acceptance of the instant service appeal, the respondents may kindle be directed to adjust the appellant against his original post of Computer Operator (BPS-16) instead of Key Punch Operator (BPS-16) w.e.f 17/01/2022 with all back benefits including seniority. Any other remedy which this august Service Tribunal deems fit that may also be awarded in favor of the appellant.

## R/SHEWETH: ON FACTS:

Brief facts giving rise to the present appeal are as under:

1- That the appellant was initially appointed as Key Punch Operator (BPS-16) in the erstwhile FATA Tribunal on the proper recommendation of the departmental selection committee vide office order dated 08-03-2019. That in pursuance to the 

- 2- That during service, vide office order dated 15-08-2019 the appellant was adjusted against the post of Computer Operator (BPS-16) by the then Registrar FATA Tribunal. Copy of office order dated 15-08-2019 is attached as annexure......**C**
- 4- That astonishingly vide order dated 17-01-2022 the services of the appellant were dismissed on the ground that the appellant the post Kev Punch appointed himself against of Operator/Computer Operator (BPS-16). That feeling aggrieved from the departmental appeal followed by the service appeal before this august Tribunal, the august Tribunal allowed the service appeal of the appellant vide judgment dated 03-03-2022. Copy of the order dated 17-01-2022 and judgment of service tribunal are attached as .....F&G annexure.....
- 6- That the appellant feeling aggrieved from the action of the respondents by adjusting the appellant against the post of Key Punch Operator instead of Computer Operator (BPS-16) filed departmental appeal but no reply has been received so far. Copy of departmental appeal is attached as annexure......**I**

Hence the instant service appeal on the grounds inter-alia as under:

## <u>G R O U N D S</u>

A. That the in action and action of the respondents by not adjusting/reinstating the appellant against his original post of Computer Operator and adjusting the appellant against the post of Key Punch Operator(BPS-16) is against the law, facts and norms of natural justice.

- B. That the respondents have not treated the appellant in accordance with law and rules and such the respondents violated article 4 and 25 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan 1973.
- C. That the action of the respondents is arbitrary and based on clear malafide by not adjusting the appellant against the post of Computer Operator (BPS-16).
- D. That the position of Key Punch Operator has been declared as dying cadre as such the inaction of the respondents by not adjusting the appellant is against the post of Computer Operator will affect the career progression of the appellant which is violative of section 7 of the Civil Servants Act, 1973 read with rule 7 of the Appointment, Promotion & Transfer Rules 1989.
- E. That in the case of adjustment of the appellant against the post of Computer no financial implication is involved as both the posts carries one and same grade i.e. BPS-16.
- F. That the appellant seeks permission to advance other grounds at the time of arguments.

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

Appellant ADNAN KHAN

THROUGH:

NOOR MUHAMMAD KHATTAK ADVOCATE SUPREME COURT

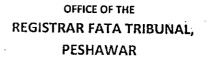
## KHANZAD GUL Advocate High Court

#### **AFFIDAVIT**

I, Mr. Adnan Khan Key Punch Operator cum Computer Operator (BPS-16) Home Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar do hereby solemnly affirm that the contents of this Service Appeal are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and nothing has been concealed from this Honorable Court.

DEPONENT

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#### ORDER

No. R/11/2018-19/ ///O dated: 08.03.2019 On Recommendation of the Departmental Selection Committee, the Competent Authority is pleased to appoint Mr. Adnan Khan S/o Wali Khan against the vacant post of Key Punch Operator BPS-12 (13320-960-42120) in FATA Tribunal at Peshawar under rule 10- sub rule 2 of Civil Servant (Appointment, Promotion and Transfer) Rules 1989 on the following terms and conditions:

#### Terms & conditions;

- 1. He will get pay at the minimum of BPS-12 including usual allowances as admissible under the rules. He will be entitled to annual increment as per existing policy.
- He shall be governed by Civil Servant Act 1973 for purpose of pension or gratuity. In lieu of pension and gratuity, he shall be entitled to receive such amount as would be contributed by him towards General Provident Fund (GPF) along
- with the contributions made by Govt: to his account in the said fund, in prescribed manner.
- 3. In case, he wishes to resign at any time, 14 days notice will be necessary and he had thereof, 14 days pay will be forfeited.
- He shall produce medical fitness certificate from Medical Superintendent/ Civil Surgeon before joining duties as required under the rule.
- 5. He has to join duties at his own expenses.
- 6. If he accepts the post on these conditions, he should report for duties within 14 days of the receipt of this order.

#### Copy to;

- 01. The Accountant General Pakistan Revenues Sub Office, Peshawar,
- 02. Ps to ACS FATA, Peshawar.
  - 03. PS to Secretary Law & Order FATA, Peshawar.
  - 04. PS to Secretary Finance FATA, Peshawar.
  - 05. Personal File.
  - 06. Official Concerned.

REGISTRAR FATA TRIBUNAL

REGISTRAR FATA TRIBUNAL 16.8.2018.

#### Subject:- ARRIVAL REPORT.

In Compliance with this Department Order bearing No. R/13/2019-20/1563 dated 16.08.2019 Mr. Adnan Khan S/O Wali Khan Personal Assistant (BPS-16) is hereby submit my arrival report for duty today i.e. 16.08.2019 (Morning).

Dated 16.08.2019

A MA Adnan Khan

Adnan Khan Personal Assistant (BPS-16)

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OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR FATA TRIBUNAL, PESHAWAR

#### OFFICE ORDER:-

No. R/13/2019-20/1563 dated 15:08.2019 the Competent authority is pleased to adjust Mr. Adnan Khan S/o Wali Khan Computer Operator (BPS-16) against the vacant post of Personal Assistant (BPS-16) on regular basis with immediate effect.

#### Terms & conditions:-

- 1. He will get pay at the minimum of (BPS-16) including usual allowances as admissible under rules. He will be entitled to annual increment as per existing policy.
- He shall be governed by Civil Servant Act 1973 for purpose of pension or gratuity. In lieu of pension and gratuity, he shall be entitled to receive such amount as would be contributed by him towards General Provident Fund (GPF) along with the contributions made by Govt: to his account in the said fund, in prescribed manner.
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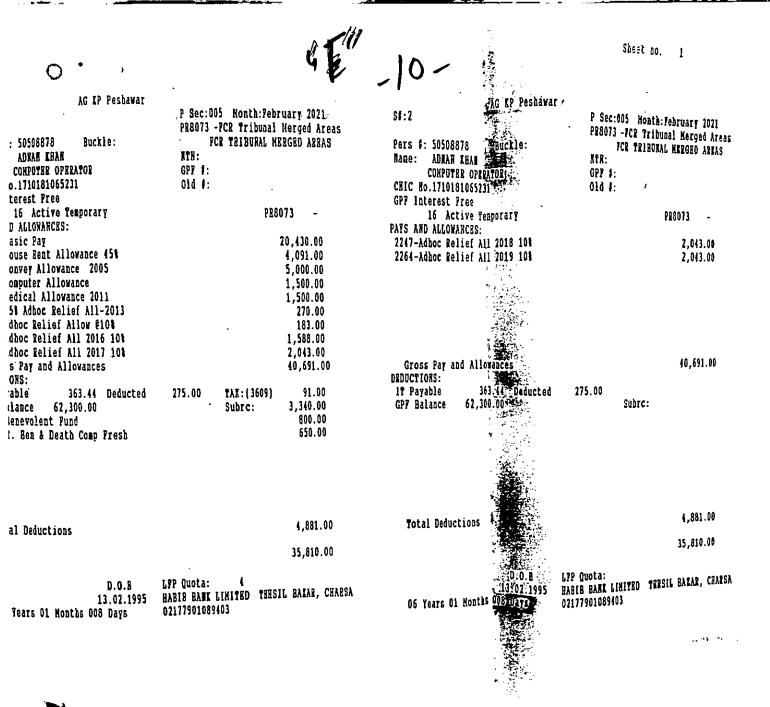
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#### **Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa** Accountant General Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar Monthly Salary Statement (May-2021)



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#### Personal Information of Mr ADNAN KHAN d/w/s of WALI KHAN/

Personnel Number: 50508878 Date of Birth: 13.02.1995

CNIC: 1710181065231 Entry into Govt. Service: 22.01.2015

NTN:						
Length of	Service: 06	Years	04 ]	Months	011	Days

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<b>Employment Category: Ac</b>	tive Temporary			
Designation: COMPUTER	OPERATOR .	80877270-GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKH		
DDO Code: PR8073-FCR				
Payroll Section: 005	GPF Section: 002	Cash Center:		
GPF A/C No:	Interest Applied: No	<b>GPF Balance:</b>	72,320.00	ىق -
Vendor Number: - Pay and Allowances:	Pay scale: BPS For - 2017.	Pay Scale Type: Civil BPS	S: 16 Pay S	age: 1
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0001	Basic Pay	20,430.00	1001 House Rent Allowance 45%	4,091.00
1210	Convey Allowance 2005	5,000.00	1500 Computer Allowance	1,500.00
1974	Medical Allowance 2011	1,500.00	2148 15% Adhoc Relief All-2013	270.00
2199	Adhoc Relief Allow @10%	183.00	2211 Adhoc Relief All 2016 10%	1,588.00
	Adhoc Relief All 2017 10%	2,043.00	2247 Adhoc Relief All 2018 10%	2,043.00
2264	Adhoc Relief All 2019 10%	2,043.00		0.00

#### **Deductions - General**

	Wage type	Amount		Wage type	Amount
3016	GPF Subscription	-3,340.00	3501	Benevolent Fund	-1,500.00
	R. Ben & Death Comp Fresh	-650.00	3609	Income Tax	-91.00

#### **Deductions - Loans and Advances**

Loan	Descri	ption	Principa	l amount	Deduct	tion	Balance
Deductions - Inco Payable: 63		ed till MAY-2021:	548.00	Exempted	: 0.34-	Recoverable:	90.64
Gross Pay (Rs.):	40,691.00	Deductions: (Rs.):	-5,581.00	i	Net Pay: (Rs.)	: 35,110.0	0

Payee Name: ADNAN KHAN Account Number: 02177901089403

Bank Details: HABIB BANK LIMITED, 220217 TEHSIL BAZAR, CHARSADDA. TEHSIL BAZAR, CHARSADDA., CHARSADDA

Leaves:	Opening Balance:	Availed:	Earned:	Balance:

Permanent Address:		
City: peshawar	Domicile: -	Housing Status: No Official
Temp. Address:		
City:	Email: adnankhan556123@gmail.com	

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## GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA HOME & TRIBAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT N KHYBER ROAD PESHAWAR

Dated Peshawar 17th January, 2022

#### **ORDER**

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HD/FATA Tribunal/B&A/55/2022 / 248-67 WHEREAS; Mr. Adnan Khan, Key Punch Operator (BPS-16) of Ex-FATA Tribunal was proceeded against under the Rule-4 of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servant (Efficiency & Disciplinary) Rules, 2011, for the charges mentioned in the statement of show cause notice served upon him.

2. AND WHEREAS, the Department gave opportunity of personal hearing to Mr. Adnan Khan, Key Punch Operator (BPS-16), Ex-FATA Tribunal as required under the rules 7(d) Government Servant (Efficiency & Disciplinary) Rules, 2011, AND WHEREAS, Mr. Adnan Khan, Key Punch Operator (BPS-16), Ex-FATA Tribunal was not able to produce any favorable record.

3. NOW, THEREFORE, the Competent Authority has been pleased to impose major. penalty of "Removal from Service" on Mr. Adnan Khan, Key Punch Operator: (BPS-10), Ex- FATA Tribunal under Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (Efficiency & Disciplinary) Rules, 2011, with effect from 11-01-2022.

> -Sd-Secretary to Govt. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Home & Tribal Affairs Department

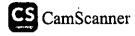
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- 2. Secretary to Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Home & Tribal Affairs Department.
- 3. Secretary to Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Finance Department.
- 4. Secretary to Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Establishment Department.
- 5. Special Secretary-II Home & Tribal Affairs Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 6. Additional Secretary (Judicial) Home & TA's Deptt: Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 7. PSO to Chief Secretary Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 8. PS to Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 9. Account Section Home & TAs Department (NMAs). 10. Official concerned.

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Service Appeal No.774/2022 titled "Reedad Khan-vs-The Chief Secretary, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Sccretariat, Peshawar and others", decided on 03.03.2023 by Division Bench comprising Kalim Arshad Khan, Chairman, and Ms. Rozina Rehman, Member, Judicial, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribmad, Peshawar.

#### KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL, <u>PESHAWAR.</u>

**BEFORE:** 

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#### KALIM ARSHAD KHAN ... CHAIRMAN ROZINA REHMAN ... MEMBER (Judicial)

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#### Service Appeal No.774/2022

Date of presentation of Appeal......11.05.2022 Date of Hearing......03.03.2023 Date of Decision.....03.03.2023

Mr. Reedad Khan, Ex-Chowkidar (BPS-03), Ex-FATA Tribunal, Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Peshawar.

#### <u>Versus</u>

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.
- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

......(Respondents)

#### Service Appeal No.775/2022

Mr. Samiullah, Ex-KPO (BPS-16), Ex-FATA Tribunal, Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Peshawar.

.....Appellant

#### Versus

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.
- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

......(Respondents)

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#### Service Appeal No.776/2022

Date of presentation of Appeal	11:05.2022
Date of Hearing	03.03.2023
Date of Decision	03.03.2023

Mr. Kafil Ahmad, Ex-Assistant (BPS-16), Ex-FATA Tribunal, Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Peshawar.

Appellant

#### <u>Versus</u>

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.
- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

......(Respondents)

## Service Appeal No.777/2022

Date of presentation of Appeal	11.05.2022
Date of Hearing	03.03.2023
Date of Decision	03.03.2023

Mr. Ikram Ullah, Ex-Naib Qasid(BPS-03), Ex-FATA Tribunal, Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Peshawar.

.....Appellant

#### <u>Versus</u>

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.
- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

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Mr. Sadiq Shah, Ex-Driver (BPS-06), Ex-FATA Tribunal, Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Peshawar.

#### <u>Versus</u>

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.
- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

#### Service Appeal No.779/2022

Date of presentation of Appeal11.05.2022	
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Date of Decision03.03.202	\$

Mr. Muhammad Adnan, Ex-Assistant (BPS-16), Ex-FATA Tribunal, Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Peshawar.

.....Appellant

#### Versus .

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.
- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

(Respondents)

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#### Service Appeal No.780/2022

Date of presentation of Appeal......11.05.2022 Date of Hearing......03.03.2023 Date of Decision.....03.03.2023

Mr. Asad Iqbal, Ex-Junior Clerk (BPS-11), Ex-FATA Tribunal, Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Peshawar.

.....Appellant

#### <u>Versus</u>

1. The Chief Secretary, Government Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.

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- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

.....(Respondents)

#### Service Appeal No.781/2022

Date of presentation of Appeal.....11.05.2022 Date of Hearing......03.03.2023 Date of Decision......03.03.2023

Mr. Muhammad Shoaib, Ex-KPO(BPS-16), Ex-FATA Tribunal, Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Peshawar.

......Appellant

#### Versus

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.
- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

.....(Respondents) 

#### Service Appeal No.782/2022

Date of presentation of Appeal.....11.05.2022 Date of Hearing......03.03.2023 Date of Decision.....03.03.2023

Mr. Adnan Khan, Ex-KPO (BPS-16), Ex-FATA Tribunal, Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Peshawar.

......Appellant

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- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.
- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar. .....(Respondents)

Service Appeal No.774/2022 tilled "Reedad Khair-vi-The Chief Secretary, Government of Khyher Pukhtunkhwa. Civil Secretariut, Peshawar and others", decided on 03.03.2023 by Division Bench comprising Kulim Arshad Khan, Chairman, and Ms. Rosina Rehman, Member, Judicial, Khyber Pakhunkhwa Service Tribunal, Peshawar.

#### Service Appeal No.783/2022

Date of presentation of Appeal:	11.05.2022
Date of Hearing	03.03.2023
Date of Decision	03.03.2023

Mr. Muhammad Awais, Ex-Driver (BPS-06), Ex-FATA Tribunal, Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Peshawar.

.....Appellant

#### Versus

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.
- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

(Respondents)

#### Service Appeal No.784/2022

Date of presentation of Appeal	11.05.2022
Date of Hearing	03.03.2023
Date of Decision	03.03.2023

Mr. Nasir Gul, Ex-Naib Qasid(BPS-03), Ex-FATA Tribunal, Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Peshawar.

.....Appellant

#### Versus

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.
- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

......(Respondents)

#### Service Appeal No.802/2022

 Date of presentation of Appeal
 11.05.2022

 Date of Hearing
 03.03.2023

 Date of Decision
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- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

......(Respondents)

#### Service Appeal No.811/2022

Date of presentation of Appeal	20.05.2022
Date of Hearing	03.03.2023
Date of Decision	03.03.2023

Mr. Tahir Khan, S/O Arsala Khan R/o Guldara Chowk, PO Namak Mandi Mohallah Tariq Abad No.2, Kakshal Peshawar, Assistnat/ Moharir, Ex-FATA Tribunal Peshawar. \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* .....Appellant

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2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

.....(Respondents)

#### Service Appeal No.812/2022

Date of presentation of Appeal......20.05.2022 Date of Hearing......03.03.2023 Date of Decision.....03.03.2023

Mr. Ziafat Ullah Khan S/O Naimat Ullah Khan R/o presently Masjid Ibrahim Bara Gate, PO GPO, Nodhiya Payan Peshawar, Driver, Ex-FATA Tribunal, Peshawar. 

...Appellant

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- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Peshawar.
- 3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

.....(Respondents)

#### Service Appeal No.813/2022

Date of presentation of appeal......20.05.2022 Dates of Hearing......03.03.2023 Date of Decision......03.03.2023

Mr. Faheem Shahzad S/O Hidayat Ullah R/O Kotla Mohsin Khan Landi Arbab Mohallah Kasaban Peshawar.

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- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

#### Service Appeal No.814/2022

Date of presentation of Appeal	20.05.2022
Date of Hearing	03.03.2023
Date of Decision	

Mr. Muhammad Shoaib S/O Arsala Khan, R/o Kakshal Pul P.O Kakshal, Mohallah Tariq Abad No.1, Peshawar, Naib Qasid, Ex-FATA Tribunal, Peshawar.

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## 3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

#### Service Appeal No.815/2022

Date of presentation of Appeal	20.05.2022
Date of Hearing	03.03.2023
Date of Decision	03.03.2023
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Mr. Ikram Ullah S/O Rehmat Ali, Junior Clerk, Ex-FATA Tribunal Peshawar.

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#### <u>Versus</u>

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.
- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

#### Service Appeal No.816/2022

Mr. Khair Ul Bashar S/O Sahib Din R/O PO Shah Qabool Awliya House No. 2938, Mohallah Dabgari Bazar Sakhwat Hussain Peshawar, Junior Clerk, Ex-FATA Tribunal Peshawar.

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#### <u>Versus</u>

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.
- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
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Date of presentation of Appeal	20.05.2022
Date of Hearing	03.03.2023
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Mr. Naveed Ahmad S/O Sami Ul Haq R/O Khat Gate, House No. 131, Mohallah Muhammad Khan Sadozai, Peshawar, Naib Qasid, Ex-FATA, Tribunal Peshawar.

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#### Versus

- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.
- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

3. The Secretary Establishment Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

#### Service Appeal No.818/2022

Date of presentation of Appeal	20.05.2022
Date of Hearing	03.03.2023
Date of Decision	03.03.2023

Mr. Bahar Ali S/O Mehmood Khan R/O Guldara Chowk, PO Namak Mandi Mohallah Tariq Abad No.2, Kakshal Peshawar, Chowkidar, Ex-FATA Tribunal Peshawar.

.....Appellant

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- 1. The Chief Secretary, Government Of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar.
- 2. The Secretary Home & Tribal Affairs Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
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#### Present:

#### Noor Muhammad Khattak, Advocate.....

......For the appellants in Service Appeal No.774/2022, 775/2022, 776/2022, 777/2022, 778/2022, 779/2022, 780/2022, 781/2022, 782/2022, 783/2022, 784/2022, 802/2022,

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...For the appellants in Service appeal No.811/2022, 812/2022, 813/2022, 814/2022, 815/2022, 816/2022, 817/2022, 818/2022

#### Muhammad Riaz Khan Paindakhel,

Assistant Advocate General ......For respondents.

APPEALS UNDER SECTION 4 OF THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL ACT, 1974 DATED AGAINST ORDERS IMPUGNED THE PENALTY OF MAJOR WHEREBY 17.01.2022. REMOVAL FROM SERVICE HAS BEEN IMPOSED ON THE APPELLANT AND AGAINST THE IMPUGNED THE RESPONDENTS BY NOT OF INACTION DECIDING THE DEPARTMENTAL APPEAL OF THE APPELLANT WITHIN THE STATUARY PERIOD OF NINETY DAYS.

#### CONSOLIDATED JUDGMENT

KALIM ARSHAD KHAN CHAIRMAN: Through this single

judgment all the above appeals are going to be decided as all are similar,

in nature and almost with the same contentions.

Service Appeal No.774/2022 titled "Readed Khan-vs-The Chief Secretary, Government of Khyber Pakhumkhwa. Civil Secretariut. Peshawar and others", decided on 03.03.2023 by Division Bench comprising Kalim Arshad Khan, Charman, and Ms Razina Relman, Member, Judicial, Khyber Pakhumkhwa Service Tribunal, Peshawar.

2. The appellants were appointed against different posts in the erstwhile FATA Tribunal and after merger of the Federally Administered Tribal Areas with the province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, the employees of the FATA Tribunal including the appellants were transferred to the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Home & Tribal Affairs Department and they were posted against different posts vide Notification No. E&A (HD)2-5/2021 dated 17.06.2021. Vide different covering letters all issued on 25.10.2021, the appellants were served with show cause notices by the Secretary to the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Home Department, Peshawar, containing the following

stereotyped allegations:

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"That consequent upon the findings & recommendations of the Inquiry Committee it has been proved that the recruitment process for selection of 24 employees in EX-FATA Tribunal was unlawful and all 24 appointment orders were issued without I lawful Authority and liable to be cancelled"

It was thus found by the Secretary to the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Home Department, Peshawar, that the appellants had been guilty of "Misconduct" as specified in rule-3 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules, 2011 read with Rule-2, Sub-Rule(I)(vi) "appointed in violation of law and rules".

It is pertinent to mention here that the Inquiry was dispensed with by the Secretary.

The appellants filed their respective replies and vide impugned orders, the Secretary to the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Home Service Appeal No.774/2022 titled "Reedad. Khan-vs-The Chief Secretary, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar and others", decided on 03.03.2023 by Division Bench comprising Kalim Arshad Khan, Chairman, and Ms. Razina Rehman, Member, Judicial, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Terbunal, Peshawar.

Department, Peshawar, removed all the appellants from service. The appellants filed departmental appeals, which were not responded within 90 days compelling the appellants to file these appeals.

On receipt of the appeals and their admission to full hearing, 3. the respondents were summoned. Respondents put appearance and contested the appeals by filing written replies raising therein numerous legal and factual objections. The defense setup was a total denial of the claim of the appellants. It was mainly contended in the replies that the appellants were not aggrieved persons; that a full-fledged enquiry was conducted in the matter to check the credibility and authenticity of the process of advertisement and selection and it was held that the entire process of selection from top to bottom was "coram non judice"; that enquiry was conducted against Mr. Sajjad ur Rehman ex-Registrar, FATA Tribunal under rule 10 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules, 2011 wherein the enquiry report held that the same selection committee was constituted without committee comprised of said lawful authority; that the temporary/contract/daily wages employees of FATA Tribunal who themselves were candidates were/existed no attendance sheet, minutes of the meeting and even the appointment order were found ambiguous; that the said departmental committee unlawfully increased the number of posts from 23 to 24 illegally and issued 24 orders without any recommendations of the legitimate Departmental Selection Committee; . Service Appeul No.774/2022 titled "Reedad Khan-vs-The Chief Secretary, Government of Khyber Pakhunkhwa. Civil Secretariat, Peshawar and others". decided on 03.03.2023 by Division Bench comprising Kalim Arshad Khan, Chairnan, and Ms. Rozina Rehman, Member, Judicial, Klyber Pakhunkhwa Service Tribunal, Peshawar.

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that the enquiry committee termed all the said appointments illegal and without lawful authority and recommended to cancel/withdraw.

4. We have heard learned counsel for the appellants and learned Assistant Advocate General for the respondents.

5. The Learned counsel for the appellants reiterated the facts and grounds detailed in the memo and grounds of the appeals while the learned Assistant Advocate General controverted the same by supporting the impugned orders:

It is undisputed that the appellants were appointed by the Ex-6 FATA Tribunal and they had been performing duties until their removal from service. The allegations against them are that the recruitment process was unlawful and the appointment orders were issued without lawful authority. Not a single document was produced by the respondents in support of these allegations before the Tribunal. All the appellants were the candidates in the process of selection initiated in response to the advertisement in two Urdu dailies "AAJ Peshawar" and "AAYEEN Peshawar". It is worth mentioning that all the appellantshad duly applied for the posts. The appointment orders show that each appointment had been made on the recommendation of the Departmental Selection Committee (DSC). The respondents though alleged that the DSC was unlawful but have not explained as to how that was so? The posts advertised were within the competence of the Registrar under rule 5 of the Federally Administered Tribal Areas Tribunal Administrative, Services, Financial, Account and Audit Rules,

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2015. Therefore, the allegation that the appointment orders were issued by unlawful authority is also not finding favour with us. Regarding the bald allegation that the selection process was also unlawful, there is nothing more said as to how the process was unlawful except that the comprised of temporary/contract/daily wages said committee employees of FATA Tribunal who themselves were candidates, there were/existed no attendance sheet, minutes of the meeting and even the appointment orders were found ambiguous. We find that there are no details of any such employees had been produced before us, nor any order of constitution of the selection committee alleged to be against the law was produced, similarly no details regarding number of posts so much so who was appointed against the 24<sup>th</sup> post alleged to be in excess of the sanctioned posts, nothing is known nor anything in support of the above was placed on the record despite sufficient time given on the request of the Assistant Advocate General. Even today we waited for four long hours but nobody from respondent/department bothered to appear before the Tribunal. It is also undisputed that the appellants were not associated with the enquiry proceedings on the basis of which they were penalized. In the show cause notices, the appellants were also said to be guilty under rule 2, Sub-Rule(I)(vi) of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules, 2011, the said

provision is reproduced as under:

"Rule 2 sub-rule (1) clause (vi) "making appointment or promotion or having been appointed or promoted on extraneous grounds in violation of any law or rules". Service Appeal No.774/2023 titled "Reedad Khan-vs-The Chief Secretary Government of Khyber Pakhtuukhwa, Clvil Secretariat, Peshawar and others", decided on 03.03.2023 by Division Bench comprising Kulun Arshad Khan, Chairman, and Ms. Rozina Rehman, Member, Judicial, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal, Peshawar

7. Nothing has been said or explained in the replies of the respondents or during the arguments regarding the alleged violation of law and rules in the appointments of the appellants. It is also to be observed that if at all there was any illegality, irregularity or wrongdoing found in the appointments of the appellants, which have nowhere been explained nor, as aforesaid, any document produced in that regard, the appointment orders of the appellants have not been cancelled rather the appellants were removed from service.

8. The Registrar (Sajjad-ur-Rehman), of the EX-FATA Tribunal, who had made the appointments of the appellants as competent authority under rule 5 of the Federally Administered Tribal Areas Tribunal Administrative, Services, Financial, Account and Audit Rules, 2015, was removed from service on the basis of the said enquiry. He filed Service Appeal No.2770/2021 before this Tribunal, which was partially accepted on 01.02.2022 and the major penalty of removal from service awarded to him was converted into minor penalty of stoppage of increment for one year. We deem appropriate to reproduce paragraphs

5, 6 & 7 of the said judgment.

"5. Record reveals that the appellant while serving as Registrar Ex-FATA Tribunal was proceeded against on the charges of advertisement of 23 number posts without approval of the competent authority and subsequent selection of candidates in an unlawful manner. Record would suggest that the Ex-FATA Tribunal had its own rules specifically made for Ex-FATA Tribunal, i.e. FATA TRIBUNAL ADMINISTRATIVE, SERVICES, FINANCIAL, ACCOUNTS AND AUDIT RULES, 2015, where appointment authority for making appointments in Ex-FATA Tribunal from BPS-1 to Service Appeal No.774/2022 tuled "Readad Khan-vs-The Chief Secretary, Government of Khyber Pakhlankhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar and others", decluted on 03.03.2023 by Division Bench camprising Kulun Arshad Khan, Chairman, and Ms. Rozina Rehman, Member, Judicial, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal, Peshawar.

14 is registrar, whereas for the posts from BPS-15 to 17 is Chairman of the Tribunal.

On the other hand, the inquiry report placed 6. on record would suggest that before merger of Ex-FATA with the provincial government, Additional Chief Secretary FATA was the appointment authority in respect of Ex-FATA Tribunal and after merger, Home Secretary was the appointing authority for Ex-FATA Tribunal, but such stance of the inquiry officer is neither supported by any documentary proof nor anything is available on record to substantiate the stance of the inquiry officer. The inquiry officer only supported his stance with the contention that earlier process of recruitment was started in April 2015 by the ACS FATA, which could not be completed due to reckless approach of the FATA Secretariat towards the issue. In view of the situation and in presence of the Tribunal Rules, 2015, the Chairman and Registrar were the competent authority for filling in the vacant posts in Ex-FATA Tribunal, hence the first and main allegation regarding appointments made without approval for the competent authority has vanished away and it can be safely inferred that neither ACS FATA nor Home Secretary were competent authority for filling in vacant posts in Ex-FATA Tribunal was either ACS FATA or Home Secretary, but they were unable to produce such documentary proof. The inquiry officer mainly focused on the recruitment process and did not bother to prove that who was appointment authority for Ex-FATA Tribunal, rather the inquiry officer relied upon the practice in vogue in Ex-FATA Secretariat. Subsequent allegations leveled against the appellant are offshoot of the first allegation and once the first allegation was not proved, the subsequent allegation does not hold ground.

"7. We have observed certain irregularities in the recruitment process, which were not so grave to propose major penalty of dismissal from service. Careless portrayed by the appellant was not intentional, hence cannot be considered as an act of negligence which might not strictly fall within the ambit of misconduct but it was only a ground based on which the appellant was awarded major punishment. Element of bad faith and willfulness might bring an act of negligence within the purview of misconduct but lack of proper care and Service Appeal No.774/2022 titled "Reedad Khan-vs-The Chief Secretary. Government of Khyber Pokhumkhva, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar and others", decided on 03.03.2023 by Division Bench comprising Kalim Arshad Khan. Chairman, and Ms. Rozina Rohman. Mumber, Indicial, Khyber Pakhumkhwa Service Tribunal, Peshawar.

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vigilance might not always be willful to make the same as a case of grave negligence inviting severe punishment. Philosophy of punishment was based on the concept of retribution, which might be either through the method of deterrence or reformation. Reliance is placed on 2006 SCMR 60. '

In the judgment it was found that there were some irregularities in the appointments made by the Registrar, that were not so grave rather lack of proper care and vigilance was there which might not be willful to make the same as a case of grave negligence inviting severe punishment. It is nowhere alleged by the respondents in the show cause notices, impugned orders or even in the replies that the appellants were either not qualified or were ineligible for the post against which they had been appointed. There might be irregularities in the process, though not brought on surface by the respondents in any shape, yet for the said alleged irregularities, the appellants could not be made to suffer. Reliance is placed on 1996 SCMR 413 titled "Secretary to Government of NWFP Zakat/Social Welfare Department Peshawar and another versus Sadullah Khan", wherein the august Supreme Court of Pakistan

held as under:

"6. It is disturbing to note that in this case petitioner No.2 had himself been guilty of making irregular appointment on what has been described "purely temporary basis". The petitioners have now turned around and terminated his services due to irregularity and violation of rule 10(2) ibid. The premise, to say the least, is utterly untenable. The case of the petitioners was not that the respondent lacked requisite qualification. The petitioners themselves appointed him on temporary basis in violation of the rules for reasons best known to them. Now they cannot be allowed to take benefit of their lapses in order to terminate

Service Appeal No 774/2022 titled "Readad Khan-vs-The Chief Secretary. Government of Khyber Pakhunkliwa. Civil Secretarka, Peshawar and others", decided on 03.03.2023 by Division Bench comprising Kalun Arshad Khan. Chairman, and Ms. Rozina Relunan, Member, Judicial, Khyber Pakhunkliwa.Service

the services of the respondent merely, because they themselves committed irregularity in have procedure governing the the. violating appointment. In the peculiar circumstances of the case, the learned Tribunal is not shown to have committed any illegality or irregularity in re instating the respondent."

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Wisdom is also derived from 2009 SCMR 412 titled "Faud 9.

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Establishment and others", wherein the august Court found that:

"8. In the present case, petitioner was never promoted but was directly appointed as Director (B-19) after fulfilling the prescribed procedure, therefore, petitioner's reversion to the post of Deputy Director (B-18) is not sustainable. Learned Tribunal dismissed the appeal of petitioner on the ground that his appointment/selection as Director (B-19) was made with legal/procedural infirmities of substantial nature. While mentioning procedural infirmities in petitioner's appointment, learned Tribunal has nowhere pointed out that petitioner was, in any way, at fault, or involved in getting the said appointment or was promoted as Director (B-19). The reversion has been made only after the change in the Government and the departmental head. Prior to it, there is no material on record to substantiate that petitioner was lacking any qualification, experience or was found inefficient or unsuitable. Even in the summary moved by the incumbent Director-General of respondent Bureau he had nowhere mentioned that petitioner was inefficient or unsuitable to the post of Director (B-19) or lacked in qualification, and experience, except pointing out the departmental lapses in said appointment.

9. Admittedly, rules for appointment to the post of Director (B-19) in the respondent Bureau were duly approved by the competent authority; petitioner was called for interview and was selected on the recommendation of Selection Board, which recommendation was approved by the competent authority.

.10. In such-like a situation this Court in the case of

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Federation of Pakistan through Secretary, Establishment Division Islamabad and another v. Gohar Riaz 2004 SCMR 1662 with specific reference of Secretary to the Government of N.-W.F. Zakat/Social Welfare Department Peshawar and another v. Saadulalh Khan 1996 SCMR 413 and Water and Power Development Authority through Chairman WAPDA House, Lahore v. Abbas Ali Malano and another 2004 SCMR 630 held:---

"Even otherwise respondent (employee) could not be punished for any action or omission of petitioners (department). They cannot be allowed to take benefits of their lapses in order to terminate the service of respondent merely because they had themselves committed irregularity by the governing the procedure violating appointment. On this aspect, it would be relevant to refer the case of Secretary to Government of N .-W.F.P. Zakat/Ushr, Social Welfare Department 1996 SCMR 413 wherein this Court has candidly held that department having itself appointed civil servant on temporary basis in violation of rules could not be allowed to take benefit of its lapses in order to terminate services of civil servants merely because it had itself committed irregularity in violating procedure governing such appointment. Similarly in the case of Water Development Authority referred (supra), it has been held by this Court that where authority itself was responsible for making, such appointment, but subsequently took a turn and terminated their services on ground of same having been made in violation of the rules, this Court did not appreciate such conduct, particularly when the appointees fulfilled requisite qualifications."

11. In Muhammad Zahid Iqbal and others v. D.E.O. Mardan and others 2006 SCMR 285 this Court observed that "principle in nutshell and consistently declared by this Court is that once the appointees are qualified to be appointed their services cannot subsequently be terminated on the basis of lapses and irregularities committed by the department itself. Such laxities and irregularities committed by the Government can be ignored by the Courts only, when the appointees lacked the basic eligibilities otherwise not".

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12. On numerous occasions this Court has held that for the irregularities committed by the department itself qua the appointments of the candidate, the appointees cannot be condemned subsequently with the change of Heads of the Department or at other level. Government is an institution in perpetuity and its orders cannot be reversed simply because the Heads have changed. Such act of the departmental authority is all the more unjustified when the candidate is otherwise fully eligible and qualified to hold the job. Abdul Salim v. Government of N.-W.F.P. through Secretary, Department of Education, Secondary, N.-W.F.P. Peshawar and others 2007 PLC (C.S.) 179.

13. It is well-settled principle of law that in case of awarding major penalty, a proper inquiry is to be conducted in accordance with law, where a full opportunity of defence is to be provided to the delinquent officer. Efficiency and Discipline Rules, 1973 clearly stipulate that in case of charge of misconduct, a full-fledged inquiry is to be conducted. This Court in the case of Pakistan International Airlines Corporation through Managing Director, PIAC Head Office, Karachi Airport, Karachi v. Ms. Shaista Naheed 2004 SCMR 316 has held that "in case of award of major penalty, a full-fledged inquiry is to be conducted in terms of Rule 5 of E&D Rules, 1973 and an opportunity of defence and personal hearing is to be provided". Specific reference is made to latest decisions of this Court in cases of Secretary, Kashmir Affairs and Northern Areas Division, Islamabad v. Saeed Akhtar and another PLD 2008 SC 392 and Fazal Ahmad Naseem Gondal v. Registrar, Lahore High Court 2008 SCMR 114.

14. In the facts and circumstances, we find that in this case, neither petitioner was found to be lacking in qualification, experience or in any ineligibility in any manner, nor any fault has been attributed to petitioner, therefore, he cannot be reverted from the post of Director (B-19). Act of sending summary by the Establishment Secretary to the Prime Minister was not in accordance with Rule 6(2) of the Civil Servants (Appointment, Sarvice Appeal No.774/2022 ntled "Reedad Khan-vs-The Chief Secretary, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Civil Secretariat, Peshawar and others", decided on 03.03.2023 by Druston Bench comprising Kaluu Arshad Khan, Chairman, and Ms. Rozina Rehman, Member, Judicial, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Trihunal, Peshawar

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Promotion and Transfer) Rules, 1973 as the himself was the Establishment Secretary appointing authority. The departmental authorities at the time of appointment of the petitioner as Director (B-19) did not commit any irregularity or illegality as has been affirmed by the Establishment Secretary in the summary to the Prime Minister. The power vested in the competent authority should have been exercised by the competent authority itself, fairly and justly. Decision has to be made in the public interest based on policy. It must be exercised by the proper authority and not by some agent or delegatee. It must be exercised without restraint as the public interest may, from time to time require. It must not be fettered or hampered by contracts or other bargains or by self-imposed rules of thumb. So a distinction must be made between following a consistent policy and blindly applying some rigid rule. Secondly discretion must not be abused. In the case of Zahid Akhtar v. Government of Punjab PLD 1995 SC 530 this Court observed that "we need not stress here that a tamed and subservient bureaucracy can neither be helpful to government nor it is expected to inspire public confidence in administration. Good governance is largely dependent on an upright, honest and strong bureaucracy. Therefore, mere submission to the will of superior is not a commendable trait of a bureaucrat. It hardly need to be mention that a Government servant is expected to comply only those orders/directions of superior which are legal and within his competence".

10. In a recent judgment in the case titled "Inspector General of

Police, Quetta and another versus Fida Muhammad and others"

reported as 2022 SCMR 1583, the honourable Court observed that:

"11. The doctrine of vested right upholds and preserves that once a right is coined in one locale, its existence should be recognized everywhere and claims based on vested rights are enforceable under the law for its protection. A vested right by and large is a right that is unqualifiedly secured and does not rest on any particular event or set of circumstances. In fact, it is a right independent of any contingency or Survice Appeal No.774/2022 titled "Reedad Khan-vs-The Chief Secretary, Government of Khyber Pokhumkhwa, Civil Secretariat. Peshawar and others", decided on 03.03.2023 by Division Bench comprising Kalun Arshad Khan, Chairman, and Ms. Rozina Rehman, Member, Judicial, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Trihumal. Peshawar.

eventuality which may arise from a contract, statute or by operation of law. The doctrine of locus poenitentiae sheds light on the power of receding till a decisive step is taken but it is not a principle of law that an order once passed becomes irrevocable and a past and closed transaction. If the order is illegal then perpetual rights cannot be gained on the basis of such an illegal order but in this case, nothing was articulated to allege that the respondents by hook and crook managed their appointments or committed any misrepresentation or fraud or their appointments were made on political consideration or motivation or they were not eligible or not local residents of the district advertised for inviting applications for job. On the contrary, their cases were properly considered and after burdensome exercise, their names were recommended by the Departmental Selection Committee, hence the appointment orders could not be withdrawn or rescinded once it had taken legal effect and created certain rights in favour of the respondents.

The learned Additional Advocate General 12 failed to convince us that if the appointments were made on the recommendations of Departmental Selection Committee then how the respondents can be held responsible or accountable. Neither any action was shown to have been taken against any member of the Departmental Selection Committee, nor against the person who signed and issued the appointment letters on approval of the competent authority. As a matter of fact, some strenuous action should have been taken against such persons first who allegedly violated the rules rather than accusing or blaming the low paid poor employees of downtrodden areas who were appointed after due process in BPS-1 for their livelihood and to support their families. It is really a sorry state of affairs and plight that no action was taken against the top brass who was engaged in the recruitment process but the poor respondents were made the scapegoats. We have already held that the respondents were appointed. after fulfilling codal formalities which created vested rights in their favour that could not have

Survice Appeal No.774/2022 Hiled "Reidad Khan-vs-The Chief Secretary, Covernment of Khyber Pachunkhyva. Civil Secretaria. Peshawar and others", decided on 03.03.2023 by Division Bench comprising Kalun Arshad Khan. Chairman. and Ms. Rozina Rehman, Member, Judicial. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribinal Peshawar.

been withdrawn or cancelled in a perfunctory manner on mere presupposition and or conjecture which is clearly hit by the doctrine of locus poenitentiae that is well acknowledged and embedded in our judicial system."

11. For what has been discussed above, we hold that the appellants have not been treated in accordance with law and thus the impugned orders are not sustainable. On acceptance of all these appeals we set aside the impugned orders and direct reinstatement of all the appellants with back benefits. Costs shall follow the event. Consign.

12. Pronounced in open Court at Peshawar and given under our

hands and the seal of the Tribunal on this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of March, 2023.

KALIM ARSHAD KHAN Chairman

ROZINA REHMAN Momber (Nudicial)

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#### **GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA** HOME & TRIBAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT

#### 091-9214104

Dated Peshawar the May 15, 2023

#### ORDER

NO.E&A (HD)2-5/2023. WHEREAS, the appellants/petitioners of Ex-FATA Tribunal, Peshawar were proceeded against under Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Efficiency and Discipline) Rules, 2011 and after fulfillment of legal and codal formalities the Competent Authority imposed Major Penalty of "REMOVAL FROM SERVICE" upon them vide Order No.HD/FATA Tribunal/B&A/55/2022/184-93, 154-63,205-15,123-32,164-73,252-67,133-42,268-77,143-53,318-27,288-9 &,174-88 dated 17/1/2022.

AND WHEREAS, feeling aggrieved with the said order, the appellants/petitioners filed Service Appeal No.774 to 784 of 2022 in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal.

AND WHEREAS, the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal after adjudication accepted their appeals, set aside the impugned orders and direct reinstatement of all the appellants/petitioners with back benefits vide judgment dated 3rd March 2023.

AND WHEREAS, the Department filed CPLA against the said judgment of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal, which is pending adjudication before the august Supreme Court of Pakistan.

AND NOW THEREFORE, the Competent Authority, in terms of Rule-4(2)(c) (ii) of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Government Servants (Appointment Promotion & Transfer) Rules, 1989, has pleased to order re-instatement alongwith back benefits of the following been appellants/petitioners into Service in compliance to the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Service Tribunal judgment dated 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023 subject to the final decision of the CPLA which is pending adjudication before the Supreme Court of Pakistan:-

- Mr. Reedad Khan Ex-Chowkidar (BPS-03)
   Mr. Samiullah Ex-KPO (BPS-16)
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- Mr. Kafil Ahmad Ex-Assistant (BPS-16) Mr. Kafil Ahmad Ex-Assistant (BPS-16) Mr. Ikram Ullah Ex-Naib Qasid (BPS-03) Mr. Sadiq Shah Ex-Driver (BPS-06) Mr. Muhammad Adnan Ex-Assistant (BPS-16) 6-

7- Mr. Asad lobal Ex-Junior Clerk (BPS-11) 18- Mr. Muhammad Shoalb Ex-KPO (BPS-16)

- 9- Mr. Adnan Khan Ex-KPO (BPS-16)
  - 10-Mr. Muhammad Awais Ex-Driver (BPS-06)
  - 11- Mr. Nasir Gul Ex-Naib Qasid (BPS-03)
  - 12-Mr. Mohsin Nawaz Ex-Stenographer (BPS-16)

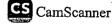
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Home Secretary



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The Secretary to Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Home Department, Peshawar.

Subject:-

#### DEPARTMENTAL APPEAL

#### Respected Sir!

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- 1- That the appellant was initially appointed as Key Punch Operator (BPS-16) in the erstwhile FATA Tribunal on the proper recommendation of the Departmental Selection Committee vide office order dated 08-03-2019.
  - That in pursuance to the appointment order dated 08-03-2019 the appellant submitted his charge report and started performing his duty efficiently and upto the entire satisfaction of his superiors.
- 3- That during service, vide office order dated 15-08-2019 the appellant was adjusted against the post of Computer Operator (BPS-16) by the then Registrar FATA Tribunal.
- 4- That prior to merger of FATA in the Province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa the appellant received salary of Computer Operator (BPS-16) till January 2021.
- 5- That astonishingly vide order dated 17-01-2022 the services of the appellant were dismissed on the ground that the appellant appointed himself against the post of Key Punch Operator/Computer Operator (BPS-16).
- 6- That feeling aggrieved, the appellant filed departmental appeal followed by the Service Appeal before the august Service Tribunal, and the august Tribunal allowed the Service Appeal of the appellant vide judgment dated 03-03-2022.
- 7- That in compliance with the judgment of this august Service Tribunal the department issued reinstatement of the appellant vide order dated 15/03/2023 whereby the appellant was reinstated into service with all back benefits, but as Key Punch Operator (KPO) BPS-16 instead of Computer Operator (BPS-16).
- 8- That the appellant feeling aggrieved from the action of the department by adjusting the appellant against the post of Key Punch Operator instead of Computer Operator (BPS-16) filed the instant departmental appeal before your honor.

That on acceptance of the instant service appeal, the respondents may kindly be directed to adjust the appellant against his original post of Computer Operator(BPS-16) instead of Key Punch Operator(BPS-16) w.e.f 17/01/2022 with all back benefits including seniority.

Dated: 19.02.2024

Adnan Khan,

Key Punch Operator (BPS-16) Home Department,

Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

VAKALATNAMA **BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL,** PESHAWAR. No\_\_\_\_/2024 (APPELLANT) Adnan Khay (PLAINTIFF) (PETITIONER) VERSUS (RESPONDENT) Gout of 14M & other (DEFENDANT) aan Khan I/We la Dø hereby appoint and constitute Noor Mohammad Khattak Advocate Supreme Court to appear, plead, act, compromise, withdraw or refer to arbitration for me/us as my/our Counsel/Advocate in the above noted matter, without any liability for his default and with the authority to engage/appoint any other Advocate Counsel on my/our cost. I/we authorize the said Advocate to deposit, withdraw and receive on my/our behalf all sums and amounts payable or deposited on my/our account in the above noted matter. Dated. / /202 **CLIENT** ACCEPTED NOOR MOHAMMAD KHATTAK ADVOCATE SUPREME COURT WALEED ADNAN UMAR FAROOQ MOHMAND OOD JAN ADVOCATES **OFFICE:** Flat No. (TF) 291-292 3rd Floor, Deans Trade Centre, Peshawar Cantt. (0311 - 9314232)