# BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL

# SERVICE APPEAL No. 312/2024

Syed Wajid Ali Shah, Senior Scale Stenographer BPS-16, Budget & Accounts Cell, Climate Change, Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

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The Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa through Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar & others......Respondents.

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SYED WAJID ALI SHAH, SENIOR SCALE STENOGRAPHER BPS-16, BUDGET & ACCOUNTS CELL, CLIMATE CHANGE, FORESTRY, ENVIORNMENT & WILDLIFE DEPARMTENT, KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA

...... APPELLANT

### VERSUS

- 1. The Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa through Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 2. The Secretary Forestry, Environment& Wildlife Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 3. The Secretary Finance Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

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# JOINT PARAWISE COMMENTS ON BEHALF OF RESPONDENT NO. 2 & 3

# **Respectfully Sheweth**

# **Preliminary objections**

- 1. That the appellant has no locus standi to file the instant Appeal.
- 2. That the appeal is not maintainable in its present form.
- 3. That the appellant is not an aggrieved person to file the instant appeal.
- 4. The instant appeal is barred by law and time.

# FACTS

- Incorrect, initially the appellant was appointed as Stenographer BS-12 in the Forest Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa in 1987 (Flag-A), which is an attached formation of Climate Change, Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department and later, absorbed in the Budget & Accounts Cell of Climate Change, Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department on 8<sup>th</sup> September, 1999 (Flag-B). On the recommendations of DPC, the appellant was granted selection grade in BPS-15 w.e.f 9<sup>th</sup> September, 1999 vide order dated 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2001 at Flag-C.
- 2. Pertains to the record, hence no comments.
- 3. Correct to the extent of Federal Government decision and that too was after his promotion. Moreover, decision made by the Government of Pakistan Finance Division as outlined in their memorandum dated 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2012 (Flag-D) was adopted by the Provincial Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2014 (Flag-E) thereby allowed one premature increment in the pay scales of the higher post in fixation of pay on promotion within the same pay scales, with immediate effect rather than being applied retrospectively.
- 4. As explained and elaborated in paragraph 3 above.

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- 5. Incorrect and misleading, hence denied. The appellant was granted Selection Grade BS-15 w.e.f 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2009 and later, <u>promoted within the same scale from Junior Scale Stenographer / Selection Grade BS-15 to Senior Scale Stenographer BS-15</u>, on <u>29<sup>th</sup> January, 2008</u>. Upon Promotion, he received one advance increment as next stage in accordance with the rules. However, when the appellant submitted application on 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 for premature increment w.e.f 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2014 based on his 2008 promotion within the same scale, the Respondent No. 02 department "Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department" consulted the Finance Department (Flag-F), which advised that premature increment was not admissible since his promotion occurred prior to the issuance / effectiveness of Finance Department's policy letter dated 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2014 (Flag-G). Hence his departmental appeal was rightly rejected being not covered under the policy ibid.
- 6. Incorrect as elaborated in paragraphs 3 & 5 above, hence the appellant has no cause of action to file the instant appeal.
- 7. As explained in paragraph 6 above.

### **GROUNDS**

- A. Incorrect and misleading, hence denied. The appellant's case for premature increment w.e.f 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2014 based on his 2008 promotion within the same scale, being not covered under the Finance Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa policy dated 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2014 was rejected as already explained in detail in Para 5 of the facts above.
- B. Incorrect. The appellant was treated strictly in accordance with the rules as evident from Para 5 of the facts above.
- C. Incorrect. His case was dealt in accordance with the rules / policy without any discrimination.
- D. Incorrect. The factual / legal position has been explained in Paras 3 & 5 of the facts above.
- E. Incorrect as explained Paras 3 & 5 of the facts above.
- F. Incorrect. The appellant was treated fairly and his case was decided as per the rules, without any bias as explained in Paras 3 & 5 of the facts above.
- G. Incorrect. As elaborated and explained in Paras 3 & 5 of the facts above.
- H. Any additional ground by the appellant will be responded accordingly.

In view of the above, it is humbly prayed that the instant service appeal being devoid of merit may kindly be dismissed, please.

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- 4. Personal file of the concerned.

Government of NWFP Forestry, Fisheries & W/Life Department

Dated: Peshawar the 08/09/1999

### ORDER

NO.SO (FT.II)/AD/I-150/99: The Competent Authority is pleased to order the transfer of Mr. Wajid Ali Shah, Stenographer-II, Territorial / Conservation Region of Forest Department, presently working in the office of Secretary Forestry, Fisheries and Wildlife Department, NWFP and absorb him against the existing vacancy in the B&A Cell of Forestry, Fisheries and Wildlife Department with immediate effect in the public interest.

Since the official is a permanent employee of the NWFP Forest Department, therefore his lien and other service matters will be governed by the rules in vogue.

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Secretary to Govt: of NWFP,

Dated Pesh: the 08/09/1999

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- The Chief Conservator of Forests, S/F, NWFP, Peshawar. He is requested to kindly transfer/send his ACRs to this department, at an early date, The Chief Conservator of Forests, T/C NWFP, Peshawar.
- Director B&A, Forest Department,
- The PD/CF, Forest Management Centre, Peshawar. He is requested to kindly 4. transfer/send his Service Book/LPC to this department for record. The PS to Secretary to Govt: of NWFP FFWD: .
- 6. The Officials concerned.

7. Mr.Wajid Ali Shah, Stenograper-II.

8. Office Order File.

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GOVERNMENT OF NWFP FORESTRY, FISHEIRES & WALFE EPARTMENT.

Dated Peshawar the November 24, 2001.

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NO.SO(G/A)FFWD/1-499/2001. The competent authority, on the recommendations of the Departmental Promotion Committee is pleased to allow grant of Selection, Grade in BPS 15 to Mr. S.Wajid Ali Shah, Stenographer, (BPS-12), Budget and Accounts Cell, FFW Department with effect from 09-09-1999.

> SECRETARY TO GOVT OF NWF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND W/LIFE DEPARTMENT.

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- 4. The official concerned.
- 5. Officer order file.

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Dated Pesh: 29,01;2008.

<u>ORDER</u>

NO.SO(Estt)/Envt/1-8/2K5: On the recommendation of Departmental Promotion Committee, the Competent Authority is pleased to promote Syed Wajid Ali Shah, Junior RS-12)) of Directorate of Budget & Accounts, Department to the rank of Senior Scale Stenographer (BPS-15), on regular, basis, with

immediate effect.

SECRETARY TO GOVT: OF NWFP ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 29.01.2008.

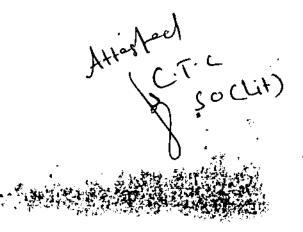
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT - GRANT OF PREMATURE INCREMENT ON PROMOTION WITHIN THE SAME SCALE

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• "we allow the appeals by setting aside the impugned judgment dated 46-05-1997: holding the the case of the appellants is not affected by circular dated 26-08-1993.

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### Government of Pakistan Finance Division (Regulation Wing)

No. F 11(30)R-2/2010-1150

Islamabad 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2012

### **OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

# Subject. <u>GRANT OF PREMATURE INCREMENT ON PROMOTION WITHIN</u> THE SAME SCALE.

The undersigned is directed to say that vide Finance Division's O.M No.  $F.2(8){\{1(1)\}/80 \text{ dated } 1711.1991, \text{ it was inter-alia, decided to allow next stage equal to one increment on fixation of pay all the cases where a Government Servant already drawing pay in a pay scale by the virtue of selection grade or otherwise holding a lower post in the pay scale is promoted to a higher post falling in the same scale.$ 

The pay fixation procedure contained in paras (iii) and (vii) of the Annexure to the Auditor General of Pakistan (Regulation), Islamabad U.O NO. A750/93/Reg.1/14/C/87-KW dated 25.05.1998 provides as under:

- iii) "The Natural pay scales however, provide a uniform and simple formula for fixation of pay i.e. on promotion from a lower post to a higher post, where the fixation under formal rules goes on increase of pay equal to or less than one full increment of pay scale of the higher post, pay will be fixed by allowing the benefits of one premature increment in the pay scale of the higher post. х х х х х х х х х х x х х х х x х х х x
- vii) "As such, in the situations under discussion for the purpose of fixation of pay, the civil servants concerned would be treated as having been promoted to the post carrying the same pay scale and their pay fixed according to the formula discussed in (iii) above."

3. The above said benefits of premature increment within the same scale was withdrawn vide Auditor General of Pakistan letter No. 164/R-I/10C/87XW/267 dated 26.08.1996, which was challenged by the affectees in the court of law. The Supreme Court of Pakistan Islamabad passed Judgment dated 22.01.2001 on Civil Appeal No. 1371 to 1392 of 1997 filled by Mr. Saeed Ahmad and others against a common judgment dated 15.05.1997 passed by the FST Lahore in Appeals No. 28(1) A9(c) of 1997, as under;-

"we allow the appeals by setting aside the impugned judgment dated 15.05.1997 holding it the case of the appellants is not affected by circular dated 26.08.1997."

4. The above orders of the honorable Supreme Court of Pakistan have already been implemented to the extent of the appellants.

5. In pursuance of the judgment of the Supreme Court of Pakistan in Mr. Hameed Akhtar Niazi case (1996 SCMR 1185), it has been decided that the benefits of judgment of the Supreme Court of Pakistan mentioned above may be extended in all other similar cases to the non-litigating employees. Accordingly, in partial modification of Finance Division's O.M. referred to at para-1 above, it has been decided to allow one premature increment in the pay scale of the higher post in fixation of pay on promotion within the same scales.

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(IRSHAD AHMED) Section Officer (R-2)

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NO. FD (SOSR 1) 2-123/2014 Dated Peshawar the 21" February, 2014

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12. 13. The Accountant General, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar

#### Subject: GRANT OF PREMATURE INCREMENT ON PROMOTION WITHIN THE SAME SCALE.

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I am directed to refer to the subject noted above and to say that under Rule 10 (2) of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Civil Services Pay Revision Rules - 1978, one advance increment is admissible to the Civil Servants, at the time of their promotion to higher posts, who are already drawing pay in the basic pay scales of the higher post.

Now, in pursuance to the Government of Pakistan, Finance Division. 2. Islamabad Office Memorandum No.F 11(30)R-2/2010-1150 dated 5th November, 2012, (copy enclosed), the competent authority is pleased to allow one premature increment in the pay scales of the higher post in fixation of pay on promotion within the same pay scale in all cases of promotion to higher posts carrying the same basic pay scales, meaning thereby that one advance increment as next stage and another as a premature increment will be admissible in such cases of promotion.

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These orders will be effective from the date of its issuance.

Yours faithfully,

Jella L (RAZAULLAH KHAN)

Addl: Secretary (Regulation)

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# Endst: No .FD (SOSR-1) 2-123 /2014

# Dated 21st Feb, 2014

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- All the District Comptroller of Accounts in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. 2
- The Director, Local Fund Audit, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar 3
- The Director, FMIU, Finance Department 4.
- The Treasury Officer, Peshawar. 5.
- The Secretary, Board of Revenue, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. 6
- All the District & Agency Accounts Officers in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa / FATA 7.
- All the Section Officers / Budget Officers in Finance Department, Khyber 8.
- Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar,
- The Private Secretary to Senior Minister for Finance, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. 9.
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Deputy Secretary (Reg-II)



GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA FORESTRY, ENVIRONMENT & WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT

> • No.B&A/GAD/P-File/ 5 66 ス Dated Peshawar the <u>1.3</u>\_/04.2021

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

Subject:-

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# REQUEST FOR GRANT OF PRE-MATURE INCREMENT ON PROMOTION WITHIN THE SAME SCALE.

I am directed to refer to the application of Syed Wajid Ali Shah Senior Scale Stenographer (BPS-16) of this office dated 11/03/2021 on the subject noted above, (copy enclosed).

Syed Wajid Ali Shah Junior Scale Stenographer (BPS-12), was allowed Selection Grade (BPS-15) w.e.f 09-09-1999 (copy enclosed), • later on, he was promoted in the same scale from Junior Scale Stenographer/Selection Grade (BPS-15) to Senior Scale Stenographer (BPS-15) on 29/01/2008 and allowed one advance increment as next stage (copy enclosed). However, <u>a pre-mature</u>

Syed Wajid Ali Shah, Senior Scale Stenographer (BPS-15) has requested for allowing a Pre-mature increment being same scale promotion in light of Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Finance Department (Regulation Wing) letter No.FD/(SOSR-I)2-123//2014 dated 21/2/2014 alongwith its enclosures (copies enclosed).

It is requested that this office may kindly be advised as to whether the benefit of pre-mature increment can be allowed to him w.e.f. 21.02.2014 on the said promotion case or otherwise.

An early action is requested please.

BUDGET & ACCOUNTS OFFICER ÏĽ

Endst: No.B&A/GAD/P-File/ Sco.3

Dated Peshawar the 13 /04.2021

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Copy forwarded for information to Syed Wajid Ali Shah S/Scale Stenographer of the office of Director B&A FE&W Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Peshawar for information.

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The Worthy Director, Budget & Accounts Cell, Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department, Peshawar.

Subject: R/Sir, REQUEST FOR GRANT OF PREMATURE INCREMENT ON PROMOTION WITHIN THE SAME SCALE

I have the honour to submit that the Govt: of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Finance Department (Regulation Wing) vide letter No. FD (SOSR-1) 2-123 / 2014 dated 21.02.2014 along-with its enclosures, whereas one premature increment of the higher post on promotion within the same scale has been allowed to those employees, who have been promoted within the same scale vide (Annex-I).

It is pertinent to mention here that, I had allowed **Selection Grade** as Senior Scale Stenographer from BPS-12 to **BPS-15** w.e.f. 09.09.1999 vide Govt: of NWFP (Now Khyber Pakhtunkhwa), Forestry, Fisheries & Wildlife Department Order No.SO(G/A)FFWD/I499/2001

dated 24.11.2001 at (Annex-II), Later on, promoted in the same scale to BPS-15 vide Order No.SO(Estt)/Envt/I-3/2K5/149-54 dated 29.01.2008 vide (Annex-III).

Sir, the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Finance Department referred in his above quoted letter, the Government of Pakistan Finance Division O&M No.F.11(30)R-2/2010-1150 dated 05.11.2012, wherein, mentioned in para-5, "the judgment of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of Pakistan in Mr. Hameed Akhtar Niazi case (1996 SCMR 1185), the benefit of judgment of the Supreme Court of Pakistan mentioned above "<u>may be extended in all other similar cases to</u> <u>the non-litigating employees accordingly</u>" vide (Annex-II), therefore, the above decision being a Hon'ble Supreme Court of Pakistan order's are implemented to all those Government servants in the whole country, who have been promoted within the same pay scale.

It is to mention here that the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Finance Department stated in his above cited letter in para-02, wherein it has been clearly mentioned that "one advance increment as next stage and another as a premature increment will be admissible in such cases of promotion". The undersigned has also been granted one advance increment as next stage, but <u>another as a premature increment has not been granted so far.</u>

It is, therefore requested that keeping in view the above, I may kindly be allowed/granted one premature increment w.e.f. 21.02.2014 in light of the above orders vide (Annex-I), please.

Thanks sir, Yours Obediently Dated: 11/03/3021 /ajid Ali-Shah) PAYSSS (BPS-16) K-C Keçlit



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# GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA FINANCE DEPARTMENT

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NO. FD (SOSR-1) 2-123/2021(S.Wajid Åli Shaij) Dated Peshawar the: 23-04-2021

The Budget & Accounts Officer, Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department, Peshawar.

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E - REQUEST FOR GRANT OF PREMATURE INCREMENT ON PROMOTION WITHIN THE SAME SCALE.

Please refer to your letter No.B&A/GAD/P-File/5002 dated 13-,04-2021 on the subject noted above and state that the official concerned was promoted within the same scale on 29-01-2008 and accordingly he was granted one advance increment as next stage as per his entitlement at that time.

2. Moroever, premature increment is not admissible to him on the ground that his promotion had taken place prior to issuance) effectiveness of Finance Department's policy letter No.FD (SØSR-1)2-123/2014 dated 21-02-2014.

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...... APPELLANT

### VERSUS

- 1. The Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa through Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- The Secretary Forestry, Environment& Wildlife Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 3. The Secretary Finance Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.

...... RESPONDENTS

### JOINT PARAWISE COMMENTS ON BEHALF OF RESPONDENT NO. 2 & 3

### **Respectfully Sheweth**

#### Preliminary objections

- 1. That the appellant has no locus standi to file the instant Appeal.
- 2. That the appeal is not maintainable in its present form.
- 3. That the appellant is not an aggrieved person to file the instant appeal.
- 4. The instant appeal is barred by law and time.

#### <u>FACTS</u>

- Incorrect, initially the appellant was appointed as Stenographer BS-12 in the Forest Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa in 1987 (Flag-A), which is an attached formation of Climate Change, Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department and later, absorbed in the Budget & Accounts Cell of Climate Change, Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department on 8<sup>th</sup> September, 1999 (Flag-B). On the recommendations of DPC, the appellant was granted selection grade in BPS-15 w.e.f 9<sup>th</sup> September, 1999 vide order dated 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2001 at Flag-C.
- 2. Pertains to record, hence no comments.
- 3. Correct. However, the decision made by the Government of Pakistan Finance Division as outlined in their memorandum dated S<sup>th</sup> November, 2012 (Flag-D) was implemented by the Provincial Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2014 (Flag-E) thereby allowed one premature increment in the pay scales of the higher post in fixation of pay on promotion within the same pay scale in all cases of promotion to higher posts carrying the same basic pay scales, with immediate effect rather than being applied retrospectively.
- 4. As explained and elaborated in paragraph 3 above.

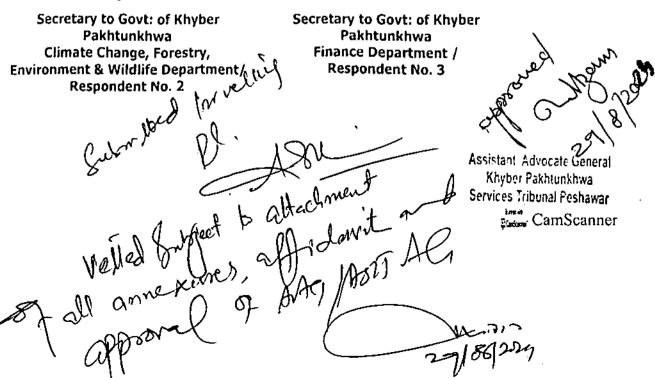
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- 5. Incorrect and misleading, hence denied. The appellant was granted Selection Grade BS-15 w.e.f 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2009 and later, promoted within the same scale from Junior Scale Stenographer / Selection Grade BS-15 to Senior Scale Stenographer BS-15, on 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2008. Upon Promotion, he received one advance increment as next stage in accordance with the rules. However, when the appellant submitted application on 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2021 for premature increment w.e.f 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2014 based on his 2008 promotion within the same scale, the Respondent No. 02 department "Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department" consulted the Finance Department (Flag-F), which advised that premature increment was not admissible since his promotion occurred prior to the issuance / effectiveness of Finance Department's policy letter dated 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2014 (Flag-G). Hence his departmental appeal was rightly rejected being not covered under the policy Ibid.
- Incorrect as elaborated in paragraphs 3 & 5 above, hence the appellant has no cause of action to file the instant appeal.
- 7. As explained in paragraph 6 above.

### GROUNDS

- A. Incorrect and misleading, hence denied. The appellant's case for premature increment w.e.f 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2014 based on his 2008 promotion within the same scale, being not covered under the Finance Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa policy dated 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2014 was rejected as already explained in detail in Para 5 of the facts above.
- B. Incorrect. The appellant was treated strictly in accordance with the rules as evident from Para 5 of the facts above.
- C. Incorrect. His case was dealt in accordance with the rules / policy without any discrimination.
- D. Incorrect. The factual / legal position has been explained in Paras 3 & 5 of the facts above.
- E. Incorrect as explained Paras 3 & 5 of the facts above.
- F. Incorrect. The appellant was treated fairly and his case was decided as per the rules, without any bias as explained in Paras 3 & 5 of the facts above.
- G. Incorrect. As elaborated and explained in Paras 3 & 5 of the facts above.
- H. No comments.

In view of the above, it is humbly prayed that the instant service appeal being devoid of merit may kindly be dismissed, please.



# <u>BEFORE THE KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA SERVICE TRIBUNAL PESHAWAR</u>

# SERVICE APPEAL No. 312/2024

Syed Wajid Ali Shah, Senior Scale Stenographer BPS-16, Budget & Accounts Cell, Climate Change, Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

VERSUS

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# PARAWISE COMMENTS ON BEHALF OF RESPONDENTS NO. 2 & 3

# <u>AFFIDAVIT</u>

I, Shahid Zaman, Secretary to Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Climate Change, Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department solemnly affirm and declare on oath that the contents of enclosed parawise comments alongwith relevant attached documents are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. Nothing has been concealed from this Hon'ble Court.

DEPONENT

U Secretary to Govt. of Nhyber Pakhtunkhwa, Climate Change, Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department



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GOVERNMENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA CLIMATE CHANGE, FORESTRY, ENVIRONMENT & WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT (LITIGATION SECTION) (091-9212103)

### **AUTHORITY LETTER**

NO. SO(Lit:)/CCFE&WD/2-990/2024/Waji Ali Shah:- Mr. Zia Ullah, Section Officer (Litigation), Climate Change, Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department bearing C.N.I.C No. <u>15602-6263246-3</u> and Cell No. <u>0312-9888383</u> is hereby authorized to appear in the Peshawar High Court, Peshawar to file reply / comments, attend the Court on every hearing in Service Appeal No. 312/2024 titled "Syed Wajid Ali Shah v/s Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa & others" on behalf of Secretary to Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Climate Change, Forestry Environment & Wildlife Department till final decision of the Court.

He is also authorized to file written reply, produce record and record evidence on his behalf, if any, required in the Court mentioned above.

Secretary to Govt: of Knyber Pakhtunkhwa Climate Change, Forestry, Environment & Wildlife Department

MENT OF KHYBER PAKHTUNKHWA FINANCE DEPARTMENT

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Dated Peshawar; the 24th July, 2024

NOTIFICATION

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In supersession of this Department's notification of even no, dated No.SO(A)/FD/1-16/2024. 29 11.2022, the following powers of approval/sanction are hereby delegated to the officers of Finance Department, with immediate effect, in the best public interest.

### 1. SPECIAL SECRETARY (ADMN, REVENUE & REGULATION).

- Posting/transfer of BS-18 officers within the Department and Directorate of Treasuries & r. Accounts and Local Fund Audit, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- Sanction of Leave salary and encashment of leave in lieu of LPR to officers within the Ð., Department and Directorate of Treasuries & Accounts and Local Fund Audit, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa,
- GP Fund and Benevolent Fund cases of the employees of Finance Department, Directorate of HI. Treasuries & Accounts and Local Fund Audit, Khyber Pakhlunkhwa
- iv. Condonation of service period for 10 years qualifying service for pension.
- Sanction of all kinds of leave, except casual leave to the officers of Finance Department, Directorate of Treasurles & Accounts and Local Fund Audit, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa from (BS-17 to BS-19).
- vi. Departmental Promotion Committee meetings of attached formations of Finance Department. However, its minutes will be approved by Secretary Finance.
- SSRC meetings however, its minutes will be approved by Secretary Finance. vii
- viii. Signing of Para-wise comments in court cases, on behalf of Secretary Finance.
- ix. Transfer of funds to Local Governments/TMAs upto Rs.50.000 million.
- Sanction of investigation of arrears claim of Pay & Allowances including TA. х.
- xi. Sanction of Pension/family pension cases of the employees of Finance Department.
- xii, Sanction of all kinds of interest free loan in r/o the employees of Finance Department and its attached formations.
- xin. Adjustment of electricity dues of all departments against electricity duty and at source deductions made by Federal Government.
- xiv. Grant of all types of study leave.
- xv. Sanction of Ph.D. & M.Phil, allowance.

# 2. SPECIAL SECRETARY (BUDGET).

- Release of lunds on account of death compensation (Shubada Package) in respect of civil I. servants/ civilian.
- Release of funds approved on summary by Competent Authority/forum upto Rs, 100,000 million. ii.
- Foreign Exchange Budgel. ñł.
- Release of funds for utilities from block allocation. w
- Release of withheld Budget upto Rs.5.000 million under all objects. ٧.
- Approval of Re-appropriation of funds upto Rs.50.000 million (Current & Dev. expenditure). vi.
- Creation of OSD posts in Establishment Department for the period beyond 03 months. vii.
- viii. Advance payment under ADP schemes, upto Rs.100.000 million. However, the cases of advance payment to donor agencies and other agencies / organizations shall be approved by Secretary Finance.
- ix. Revival and release of the donor's fund credited to Account-1 upto Rs.200.000 million surrendered by departments.
- Approval for Re-imbursement of Medical charges upto Rs. 1.000 million, x
- Release of funds on account of encashment of leave in lieu of LPR. xi.
- xii. Release of Pension Commutation upto Rs 300,000 million.
- xiii. Release of funds on account of Investigation of arrears claim of Pay & Allowances including TA, after sanctioning thereof by the Regulation Wing of Finance Department.
- xiv. Approval of revenue clearance of all ADP projects, PC-Is, upto Rs.600.000 million.
- xv. Release of PSDP budget, after confirmation from Ways & Means Section of Finance Department,
- xvi. Additional funds for utilities upto Rs.50.000 million.



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# ADDITIONAL SECRETARY (REGULATION).

- Attendance of meetings with KPOGCL I
- Sanction of investigation of arroars clatms and pension contribution in respect of civil servants. HÎ.
- Advice/sanction of notified Allowances in respect of civil servants. 'ní iv –
- Grant of extension in deputation cases
- Grant of additional charge allowance. V. .
- vi, Approval of draft letter to Administrative Departments in respect of upgradation cases in light of approved documents by the competent authority.
- Authentication of Audit Copies in light of approval of the competent authority. vii –
- viil. Signing of para-wise comments on behalf of Secretary Finance pertaining to Service Tribunals cases

#### DEPUTY SECRETARY (BUDGET). 7.

- ł. Release of funds from block allocation for Medical Re-impurcement Charges upto Rs.0.100 million,
- ü, Creation of OSD posts of Establishment Department up to one month.
- tii. Release of funds on account of death compensation cases except shuhada package in respect of deceased civil servants upto BPS-05
- Creation of Supernumerary post in Police Department (upto 50 posts). iv.
- Release of withheld lunds on account of leave salary / encashment in lieu of LPR of all ٧. departments upto Rs.0.500 million
- vi. Release of additional funds for Pay and Allowances upto Rs.5.000 million.
- vii Representation of Finance Department in the meetings of F&PC and Syndicate of all Universities as well as Board of Governors and Board of Directors of all relevant Autonomous, Semi-Autonomous Bodies & Institutions

### SECRETARY FINANCE

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- 1. All Budget/Section Officers, Finance Department.
- 2. PS to Advisor to the Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa for Finance.
- 3. PS to Secretary, Finance Department.
- 4. PS to Special Secretary (A&R), Finance Department.
- 5. PS to Special Secretary (Budget), Finance Department.
- 6. PA to Director (FMIU), Finance Department.
- 7. PAs to All Additional Secretaries, Finance Department.
- 8. PAs to All Deputy Secretaries, Finance Department.
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