



Government of Jammu & Kashmir
SCHOOL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
Civil Secretariat, Jammu/ Srinagar

Subject: Complaint against Mr. Mohammad Abdullah Rather, the then ZEO Verinag, Anantnag (now retired) - closure of case thereof.

Reference: Letter No. CEO/A/IMW/22355-56/17, dated 14.10.2017, received from Chief Education Officer, Anantnag (Inquiry Officer).

Government Order No: 113 - Edu of 2018

Dated: 02.02.2018

WHEREAS, one Mr. Abdul Rashid Lone filed a complaint before the State Vigilance Commission (SVC) against Mr. Mohammad Abdullah Rather, the then ZEO, Verinag District Anantnag alleging therein that the said officer is running a private educational institute in the name & style of 'Moral High Education Institute, Dialgam,' in violation of rules and regulations. In support of his allegations, he has annexed photocopies of partnership and lease deeds; and

WHEREAS, the SVC forwarded the complaint *vide* letter No.SVC/Comp-519/2014, dated 31.03.2015, to the Directorate of School Education, Kashmir, and the Directorate of School Education, Kashmir, *vide* letter DSEK/IMW/11/2015/952, No. 29.07.2015, forwarded the same to the School Education Department, Civil Secretariat, for taking further necessary action in terms of extant rules; and

WHEREAS, the Administrative Department examined the complaint lodged by the aforesaid complainant and as per preliminary enquiry conducted by the then Principal HSS Salia, Anantnag (ADVO), who furnished his findings to the Department which found that the ex-ZEO, Verinag, Anantnag, was running a private educational institute on partnership basis. On the basis of the findings of the preliminary enquiry, the Administrative Department *vide* O.M No. Edu/Gaz-III/43/2015, dated 26.02.2016, served a Memorandum, along with Article of Charges and Statement of Imputations, upon the charged officer to explain his position; and

WHEREAS, the charged officer submitted his reply to the Article of Charges in which he denied the charges leveled against him. He also mentioned that the complainant had filed a false complaint against him to malign his image and reputation in the society; and

WHEREAS, the case has been further examined in the Administrative Department on the basis of the reply furnished by the charged officer and it was felt necessary to conduct a full-fledged enquiry into the charges leveled against the officer and accordingly *vide* Government Order No. 638-Edu of 2017, dated 12.09.2017, Mr. G. R. Shah, the then Chief Education Officer, Anantnag, was appointed as Inquiry Officer to enquire into the charges leveled against the officer in terms of Rule 33 of J&K Civil Service (CCA) Rules, 1956; and

WHEREAS, Mr. G. R. Shah, Inquiry Officer, *vide* letter No. CEO/A/IMW/22355-56/17, dated 14.10.2017, submitted his findings/ report to the Administrative Department in which he has stated that subject of complaint has retired on superannuation on 20.09.2016 and his relation with his employer has extinguished. He has

further stated that the complainant is now no longer interested in carrying forward the proceedings in the instant case;

AND WHEREAS, the report of the Inquiry Officer has been examined in the Department and it has been decided to accept the enquiry report and drop the charges leveled against Mr. Mohammad Abdullah Rather, the then ZEO Verinag, Anantnag as he has already retired from Government Service and also the fact that the complainant is not interested to carry forward the proceedings in the instant case.

NOW, therefore, it is ordered that the charges leveled against Mr. Mohammad Abdullah Rather, the then ZEO, Verinag, Anantnag (*now retired*) are hereby dropped and departmental proceeding initiated against him treated to have been closed *ab initio*.

By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-

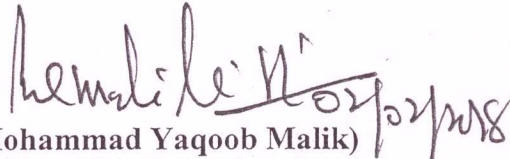
(Farooq Ahmad Shah)IAS
Secretary to the Government
School Education Department

No.Edu/GAZ-III/43/2015

Dated: 02.02.2018

Copy to the:-

1. Director, School Education, Kashmir. *He is requested kindly to process the pension case of the retired officer.*
2. Chief Education Officer, Anantnag.
3. Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Minister for Education for information of the Hon'ble Minister.
4. Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Minister of State for Education for information of the Hon'ble Minister.
5. Private Secretary to Secretary to the Government, School Education Department.
6. Zonal Education Officer, Verinag, Anantnag.
7. Concerned Officer.
8. Government Order File/Stock file.
9. I/C Website, School Education Department.


(Mohammad Yaqoob Malik)
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