

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR SCHOOL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

J&K, CIVIL SECRETARIAT.

Subject: -

Assignment of charge of Look-after of Chief Education Officers and equivalent.

Government Order No. 16-JK (Edu) of 2023 Dated: 11-01-2023

Whereas, the Department of School Education initiated the process of filling of vacant posts of Chief Education Officers & Equivalent in terms of J&K School Education (Gazetted) Services Recruitment Rules notified vide SRO-481 dated 30.12.2010, wherein the method of recruitment for the Chief Education Officer & Equivalent is as under:

"100% by the selection from class II category E(i.e.Principal, HSS/Senior Lecturer (HoD DIET)/Deputy Chief Education Officer/District Education Planning Officer) with at least 5 years substantive service in that class possessing Master Degree with B.Ed)".

Whereas, on the basis of eligibility, seniority and in relevance to the recruitment rules the department assigned the look after charge of Chief Education Officer & equivalent to six Principals vide Government Order No. 2187-JK(Edu) of 2022 dated 14.12.2022 purely on temporary basis,

Whereas, Mr. Ali Mohd. Khan, was one of the Principal who was also figuring in the said order and was assigned the look after charge of post of CEO, Bandipora;

Whereas, it has been found that Mr. Ali Mohd. Khan has acquired the Moalim-e-Urdu degree from Jamia Urdu, Aligarh which does not figure in the list of recognized universities by UGC as available on its website;

Whereas, University of Jammu vide communication No. F.Acd/III/22/2520 dated 20.07.2022 has informed that as per the list of the Universities in the Country maintained by the University Grants Commission, Jamia Urdu, Aligrah does not exist in the list and as such is not recognized by University of Jammu.

Whereas, Deputy Registrar (Academics) University of Jammu vide communication No. F.Acd/III/22/2520 dated 20.07.2022 has also intimated that the matter w.r.t the equivalence of the Moalim-e-Urdu Degree awarded by the Jamia Urdu Aligarh with the B.Ed degree awarded by the State Universities of Jammu and Kashmir was placed before the Academic Council in its meeting held on 26.05.2017 vide resolution No.3.16.2 and it was resolved as under:-

that the matter w.r.t. the equivalence of the Moalim-e-Urdu Degree awarded by the Jamia Urdu, Aligarh with the B.Ed Degree awarded by the State Universities of Jammu and Kashmir, be not accepted.

Whereas, upon the direction of the Hon'ble Court in SWP No. 1910/2016 titled Mohd. Azam and others Vs State of J&K and others, a similar issue with regard to the validity of the degree, viz., Moalim-e-Urdu awarded by Jamia Urdu, Aligrah was considered by the Department and while examining the issue, it was found that Jamia Urdu, Aligarh is not a recognized institution with UGC, as such is not competent to award the degree/ viz., Moalim-e-Urdu. Based upon the said fact, the case of the petitioners in SWP No. 1910/2016, titled Mohd. Azam and others Vs State of J&K and others, for promotion from Teachers to Masters was rejected by passing a reasoned order vide order No. DSEJ/legal/23697- 708 dated 28.12.2022.

Now, therefore, in view of the above, the look after charge of the post of Chief Education Officer, Bandipora assigned to Mr. Ali Mohd. Khan, Principal, vide Government Order No. 2187- JK(Edu) of 2022 dated 14.12.2022, is hereby withdrawn *ab-initio* and the said officer shall report to his previous place of posting for further duties.

By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-(Alok Kumar), IRS Principal Secretary to the Government

No: - Edu-Gaz/7/2021/01

Dated:- 11.01.2023

Copy to the:-

- 1. Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir.
- 2. Joint Secretary, J&K, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.
- 3. Director School Education, Jammu/Kashmir.
- 4. OSD to Advisor (B) to the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, J&K UT.
- 5. Chief Education Officers concerned
- Concerned for information and compliance.
- 7. Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to Government, School Education Department.
- 8. I/c Website.
- 9. Government Order file(w.2.s.c).

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