

## Government of Jammu and Kashmir **School Education Department** Civil Secretariat, J&K.

Subject:

Complaint against Mr. Rashpal Singh Chouhan, Ex-Chief

Education Officer, Kishtwar- Revocation of suspension thereof.

Reference:

Minutes of the meeting of Suspension Review Committee held

under chairmanship of Administrative Secretary, School

Education Department on 31.05.2024.

## Government Order No. 283-JK(Edu) of 2024 Dated. 29.07.2024

WHEREAS, Mr. Rashpal Singh Chouhan, the then Chief Education Officer, Kishtwar (now retired) was suspended by Deputy Commissioner, Kishtwar vide Order No.DCK/PS/21/838 dated 30.11.2021 on the basis of complaint regarding allegations of issuing transfer orders of Teachers on the last day of his service and the Additional Deputy Commissioner, Kishtwar was asked to conduct an inquiry into the matter;

WHEREAS, the action taken by the Deputy Commissioner, Kishtwar was confirmed by this department vide letter No. PS/Pr. Secy/Edu/2021/14 dated 30.11.2021;

WHEREAS, the Deputy Commissioner, Kishtwar vide letter No. DCK/PS/21/1064 Dated 31.12.2021 has forwarded the enquiry report of ADC, Kishtwar to this department for taking further action;

WHEREAS, on perusal of the inquiry report in the department, the enquiry report was forwarded to the Director, School Education, Jammu for furnishing his comments/recommendation;

WHEREAS, The Director School Education, Jammu vide letter No. DSEJ/22845 dated 28.07.2023 served Memorandum alongwith Article of Charges and Statement of Imputations upon the Ex. Chief Education Officer, Kishtwar and the Ex-Chief Education Officer, Kishtwar submitted reply to the Article of Charges to the Director School Education, Jammu.

WHEREAS, Director School Education, Jammu vide No. DSEJ-11/168/2022-RTI dated 08.09.2023 has recommended that the officer namely Mr. Rashpal Singh, Ex-Chief Education Officer, Kishtwar has superannuated on 30th of November, 2021 and is without pensionary benefits for the last 02 years,



a lenient approach needs to be taken as no indication of corruption during the enquiry by the ADC Kishtwar has been reported;

WHEREAS, the case was placed before the Suspension Review Committee in its meeting held on 31.05.2024 and the Committee decided in the instant case as under:-

- 1. On the basis of inquiry conducted by the Additional Deputy Commissioner, Kishtwar and the recommendations received by the Director School Education, Jammu, the committee recommended that a lenient approach needs to be taken as the officer has retired on superannuation from the active service on 30.11.2021 (Last day of his service) as no indication of corruption has been reported by Additional Deputy Commissioner, Kishtwar. The officer is without any pecuniary/pensionary benefits from last more than two years.
- 2. It was decided that the suspension of the officer be revoked and the officer be reinstated w.e.f 30.11.2021 and his period of suspension be treated as on duty under rules.

NOW, THEREFORE, sanction is hereby accorded to the revocation of suspension of Mr. Rashpal Singh Chouhan, Ex-Chief Education Officer, Kishtwar w.e.f 30.11.2021 i.e. the last day of his service and his period of suspension to be treated as on duty, under rules.

By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-

(Alok Kumar) IRS, Principal Secretary to the Government

Dated: 29.07.2024

No:-Edu-HRM/32/2022-01

Copy to the:-

1. Joint Secretary, J&K, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.

2. Accountant General (A&E), J&K, Jammu.

3. Deputy Commissioner, Kishtwar.

4. Director School Education, Jammu.

5. Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to the Government, School Education Department.

6. Concerned

7. I/c website.

8. Government Order file(w.2.s.c).

(Thannaji Bhat)

Under Secretary to the Government