

Government of Jammu and Kashmir

School Education Department

(Human Resource Management Section)
Civil Secretariat, J&K

Subject:

Initiation of RDA against Shri Ashraf Chouhan, then CEO Poonch, Sh. Abdul Hamid Fani, the then CEO Poonch, Shri Nazir Ahmed Danish, the then ZEO Mandi, Shri Mushtaq Ahmed and Nishat Ahmad, Ret Teacher.

Government Order No. 90 - JK (Edu) of 2024. Dated: 25.01.2024.

Whereas, the General Administration Department Vide O.M No. GAD(vig)90-RDA/2016 dated 21.11.2016 had forwarded a copy of letter No. VO-Veri PR-31/2014-13616-17 dated 29.09.2016 along with all the related documents as received from the Vigilance Organization for initiation of RDA against Shri Mohammad Ashraf Chohan, then then CEO Poonch and others in accordance with (J&K CCA) Rules 1956; and

Whereas, after examination, it comes to fore that the allegations were with regard to opening of New Primary School Mangralan, engagement of RET teachers in the said school and other charges; and

Whereas, vide letter No. Edu/Vig/33/2016 dated 09.03.2017, the matter was taken up with the Director School Education Jammu along with all related documents for seeking factual report in the matter; and

Whereas, the Director School Education, Jammu vide No. DSE/MW/V-229/2017/4710-11 dated 18.4.2017, entrusted Shri Charandeep Singh, KAS Joint Director (Jammu/Kathua & Samba) to conduct fresh enquiry into the matter; and

Whereas, the Joint Director (Jammu / Kathua & Samba) vide his No. JSK/J/2017/260-61 dated 08.06.2017 submitted a detailed factual report mentioning there at last para as under:

"New Primary School, Mangralan could not function as per the policies as a result of which the students suffered in due course of time. The authorities could not handle the situation and functioning of the school viz opening, enrollment, construction of school building, serving of MDM, scholarship, and books meant for school children remained a major issue which ultimately resulted in colocation of the school."

Whereas, the report was again analyzed and examined in the Department and it comes to fore that the enquiry officer has not fixed the responsibility of any of the officers/officials and also had submitted the report without any recommendation; and

Whereas, the Director School Education, Jammu has submitted that one of the officers, against whom enquiry was initiated namely Abdul Hamid Fani, the then CEO

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Poonch has requested for conclusion of enquiry in his favour as the school was clubbed by his predecessors by way of Government guidelines being zero/low enrolment and the schools was co-located by his successors by way of Government Order after his transfer; and

Whereas, the Director School Education, Jammu has recommended for dropping of RDA against the said officer with the warning to remain careful in future in dealing with the public affairs in view of holding the post of a responsible senior officer at district level: and

Whereas, the RDA against Late Shri Ashraf Chouhan, then CEO Poonch one of the officer involved in the instant RDA has already been concluded and the deceased stands exonerated vide Government Order No. 199-JK (Edu) of 2023 dated 06.07.2023; and

Whereas, the case has been examined in consultation with legal section of the Department and it has been decided to drop/exonerate the then CEO Poonch, Sh. Abdul Hamid Fani in case verification No. PR-31/2014.

Now, therefore, in light of the aforementioned stated position, Shri Abdul Hamid Fani, the then CEO, Poonch is hereby exonerated from all charges leveled against him in verification No. PR-31/2014 with the warning to remain careful in future in dealing with the public affairs in view of holding the post of a responsible senior officer at district level.

By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-(Dr. Piyush Singla) IAS Administrative Secretary, School Education Department.

Dated: 25.01.2024.

No: Edu-HRM/21/2021-01(22801)

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Commissioner/Secretary to the Government, General Administration Department with the request to confirm Action Taken Report / findings of School Education Department under an intimation to this Department.

Joint Secretary, (J, K & L) Ministry of Home Affairs, Gol. 2.

Director School Education, Jammu with the request to conclude the pending enquiry 3. in respect of Dealing Assistant S. Manmeet Singh, Jr. Assistant working in CEO Office, Poonch in whose case reply to the charge sheet has not been received so far. A charge sheet / statement of imputation be once again served upon him and a fresh inquiry be conducted against the official within a period of 01 month.

4. Chief Education Officer concerned.

5. Concerned Officer.

Director Finance, School Education Department. 6.

Private Secretary to Administrative Secretary, School Education Department for 7. information.

8. Incharge Website.

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

> (Masood Ahmad Wani) Deputy Secretary to the Government.