

Government of Jammu and Kashmir Public Works (R&B) Department Civil Secretariat, Srinagar

Subject:

Initiation of Regular Departmental Action against S/Shri Ajit Singh, the then Executive Engineer, R&B Division Kupwara, presently Executive Engineer R&B Division, Uri and Abdul Rasheed Dar, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, R&B Sub Division Trehgam Kupwara, at present attached with office of Chief Engineer R&B Department, Kashmir.

Government order No: 23 4-PW(R&B) of 2020 D a t e d: 20-08-2020

Whereas, the General Administration Department vide O.M No. GAD(Vig)18-RDA/2017 dated 17.03.2017 forwarded a copy of letter No. VO-BK-JSC-14/2014-3103-04 dated 21.02.2017 of Vigilance organization (now Anti Corruption Bureau) along with allied documents viz. draft Article of Charges, Statement of Imputations, Gist of Evidence etc for Initiation of Regular Departmental Action against Shri Ajit Singh, then Executive Engineer, R&B Division Kupwara, presently Executive Engineer R&B Division, Uri and Abdul Rasheed Dar, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, R&B Sub Division Trehgam Kupwara, in terms of J&K Civil Services (Classification Control & Appeal) Rules, 1956.

Whereas, vide letter No.PW(R&B) HRM/16/2017-Vig. dated 18.05.2017, Article of charges, Statement of imputation and Gist of evidences were served to the accused engineers through the Chief Engineer, Public Works(R&B) Department, Kashmir. In response, the delinquent Officer/official submitted replies of article of charges to this department for further action.

Whereas, vide Government Order No.461-PW(R&B) of 2019 dated 23.10.2019, Sh. Mufti Imran Shah, I/c Superintending Engineer, PW(R&B) Circle Anantnag-Kulgam was appointed an enquiry Officer for conducting an enquiry in respect of allegations levelled against the accused officer/Official.

Whereas, vide letter No.7409 dated 03.01.2020, the inquiry officer submitted his enquiry report which indicates as below:

"that due to given circumstances Shri Ajit Singh, then Executive Engineer R&B Division Kupwara and Shri Abdul Rashid Dar, then AEE, R&B Sub Division Trehgam and Kupwara, have got the aforementioned works executed on extension of contract basis which needs to be dealt leniently, however the officers/officials need to be warned to be more careful and to observe all codal formalities/prescribed norms in dealing with official matters under all circumstances in future."

Whereas, the case was also referred to the Development Commissioner (Works) for expert comments who has conveyed as below:-

"The ACB in their report has communicated that there has been violation of Codal procedures i.e. execution of works on extension basis as per the direction of the then Hon'ble Minister of Law and local Hon'ble MLA. During the spot check by ACB, the work has been found to be executed in good condition and



as per the measurements recorded and no loss to exchequer has surfaced.

Therefore, in view of the spot check by ACB, and also the comments of inquiry Officer, it is recommended to take a lenient view and close the instant RDA against the officers, however with a strict warning to be issued to said officers to remain vigilant and careful in future."

Now, therefore, in view of the above and upholding the recommendations of the Development Commissioner (Works) (enquiry Officer), the charges levelled against Shri Ajit Singh, the then Executive Engineer, R&B Division Kupwara, presently Executive Engineer R&B Division, Uri and Abdul Rasheed Dar, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, R&B Sub Division Trehgam Kupwara are hereby dropped and case is closed. However strict warning is hereby issued to the said Engineers to remain vigilant and careful in future while performing official duties. They shall adhere to the rules and regulations of the Department in vogue in letter and spirit.

By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-(Shailendra Kumar) IAS Principal Secretary to the Government

No: PW(R&B) HRM/16/2019-Vig

Dated: 2008.2020

Copy to the:-

- 1.Commissioner/Secretary to the Government, General Administration Department. This is with the reference to his O.M No. GAD(Vig)18-RDA/2017 dated 17.03.2017
- 2. Joint Secretary (J&K) Ministry of Home Affairs Government of India.
- 3. Development Commissioner (Works), PW(R&B) Department.
- 4. Director, Anti Corruption Bureau, J&K, Srinagar.
- 5. Director Archaeology & Archives, J&K Srinagar.
- 6. Chief Engineer, R&B, Kashmir.
- 7. Director Finance, PW(R&B) Department.
- 8. OSD to Advisor (B) to Hon'ble Governor, J&K.
- 9.Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to Government, Public Works (R&B)
 Department
- 10. Government Order file/Stock file.

11. I/c Website

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