



ORDER

No.SO(Estt.)10-29/2005. WHEREAS, **Majida Butt, ex-Headmistress (BS-18)** Government Special Education Centre, Wahga Town, Lahore filed appeal against the order dated 11.03.2021 passed by the Secretary Special Education / Competent Authority whereby penalty of "recovery of embezzled amount equal to Rs.559,009/- from the pay @ 10% per month" was imposed upon the petitioner on the charges of corruption, embezzlement and inefficiency under **PEEDA Act, 2006**.

2. **AND WHEREAS**, comments on appeal of the petitioner were obtained from the Administrative Department. **Mr. Tahir Yousaf**, Secretary (Archives), S&GAD was appointed as Hearing Officer to afford on opportunity of personal hearing to the petitioner and submit a detailed report to arrive at a definitive decision.

3. **AND WHEREAS**, the Secretary (Archives), S&GAD after affording personal hearing to the petitioner in the presence of Departmental Representative of Special Education Department submitted report of hearing proceedings stating therein that the petitioner reiterated points raised in her appeal and contended that the impugned order dated 11.03.2021 passed by the Secretary Special Education was based on wrong information, therefore, the same may be set-aside. The Departmental Representative stated that Additional Secretary, Special Education Department paid a surprised visit to Govt. Special Education Centre, Wahga Town, Lahore on 21.09.2015 and found grave irregularities regarding financial matters of tenure of the petitioner. Disciplinary proceedings were initiated against the petitioner by constituting a committee comprising of Mrs. Lubna Azhar, Principal (BS-18), Govt. Training College for the Teachers of Blind, Lahore and Mr. Salah-ud-Din Hashmi, Section Officer (General), Special Education Department. Meanwhile, the petitioner was promoted to BS-18, therefore, Ms. Nargis Tahira, Principal (BS-19), Govt. Defective Hearing School, Swan Camp, Rawalpindi was appointed as Convener of the Enquiry Committee. Later, the Convener of the Enquiry Committee suffered from brain tumor and she was replaced with Mrs. Samina Nasir, Principal (BS-19), Govt. Deaf and Defective Hearing Model School, Rajgarh, Lahore. The Enquiry Committee while submitting the enquiry report concluded that the charges stood proved against the petitioner and recommended imposition of the impugned penalty. The Secretary Special Education after affording personal hearing and observing all codal formalities, imposed the impugned penalty upon the petitioner. The Departmental Representative further stated that appeal of the petitioner was liable to be rejected. The Hearing Officer observed that the petitioner could not produce any material to prove herself innocent. She could not substantiate her stance.

4. **AND WHEREAS**, after examining the record / material available in the case file, considering appeal of the petitioner and report of hearing proceedings of the Hearing Officer, I am of the view that the petitioner could not substantiate her view point. She failed to rebut the stance of the department. The Secretary Special Education had rightly imposed the impugned penalty upon the petitioner on proven charges of corruption, embezzlement and inefficiency.

5. **NOW THEREFORE**, under the circumstances, I, **Kamran Ali Afzal**, Chief Secretary, Punjab in exercise of powers conferred upon me under Section 16 of the PEEDA Act, 2006, do hereby **reject** the appeal of **Majida Butt**, being devoid of merit and not covered under the law / rules.

(KAMRAN ALI AFZAL)
CHIEF SECRETARY, PUNJAB


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SECRETARY SPECIAL EDUCATION

No. & Date Even.

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1. Deputy Secretary (Service Matters) to Chief Secretary, Punjab.
2. Accountant General, Punjab, Lahore.
3. Director General, Directorate General of Special Education, Punjab, Lahore.
4. District Education Officer (Special Education), Lahore.
5. Petitioner concerned / Ms. Majida Butt, Headmistress (Retired/BS-18) Vice Principal, National Special Education Centre, Johar Town, Lahore, resident House No. 593, Muhallah Block No. 2 Town Ship, Sector D-1, Lahore.
6. PS to Secretary Special Education Department.
7. PS to Additional Secretary Special Education Department.
8. Master File


SECTION OFFICER (ESTT.)