# HC upholds conviction of ex-Clerk of DC Budgam Office in trap case

#### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Justice Sanjay Dhar of the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh on Monday upheld the conviction of Ghulam Mehdi Pandit, a former Clerk in the Deputy Commissioner's Office, Budgam, who was found guilty of demanding and accepting a bribe. The judgment dated September 26, 2018 by the Special Judge Anticorruption, Kashmir, convicting the appellant under Section 5(1) read with 5(2) of the J&K Prevention of Corruption Act and Section 161 of the RPC, was affirmed. The trial court had sentenced the appellant to one year of simple imprisonment and a fine of Rs 15,000 for the corruption charges. He was further sentenced to six months' simple imprisonment and a fine of Rs 2,500 under Section 161 RPC. Both sentences were ordered to run concurrently.

The case originated from a written complaint filed on April 2, 2007, by Mohammad Ramzan Bhat before the Vigilance Organization, Kashmir (VOK). Bhat alleged that the accused, Ghulam Mehdi Pandit, was demanding Rs 5,000 as bribe for processing a file related to a pathway to the complainant's residence near Srinagar Airport.

The complainant, unwilling to pay the bribe, had managed to arrange Rs 3,000 and sought action against the accused. Acting on the complaint, the VOK registered FIR No. 21/2007 and laid a trap during which the accused was caught red-handed while accepting the bribe. During the trial, the accused attempted to raise a plea of alibi, claiming he was not present at the time of the incident. However, Justice Dhar noted that this plea was raised only during the accused's statement under Section 342 of the J&K Cr.P.C., and not earlier during the crossexamination of prosecution witnesses. The High Court termed the alibi a clear afterthought and upheld the trial court's rejection of the claim. Justice Dhar concluded that the judgment of the trial court was well-reasoned and based on sound appreciation of evidence. Accordingly, the appeal was dismissed, and the conviction and sentence were upheld.

The Court directed that the appellant's bail and surety bonds stand cancelled. He must surrender before the trial court within three weeks, failing which coercive measures shall be initiated to secure his presence. Upon surrender, he will be sent to jail to serve the remaining sentence.

# DB quashes BOPEE order cancelling admission of petitioner in course of MDS

#### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: A Division Bench of the High Court of Jammu & Kashmir and Ladakh, comprising Chief Justice Arun Palli and Justice Rajnesh Oswal, quashed Order No. 090-JKBOPEE of 2024 dated 31.08.2024, which had cancelled the admission of petitioner Sakhavat Ali to the MDS course at Government Dental College and Hospital, Srinagar. The Court directed that the petitioner be allowed to continue the course. Sakhavat Ali had filed the petition seeking quashment of the said order and a direction to permit him to continue his MDS studies despite the cancellation of his admission by the J&K BOPEE. The cancellation was based on his alleged failure to submit his BDS Degree and Migration Certificate. However, the petitioner relied on a provisional certificate and a Rajasthan High Court order dated March 22, 2023, which directed the Dental Council of India to provisionally register him and others, with the matter still pending adjudication. The Division Bench observed that J&K BOPEE had not challenged the authenticity of the provisional certificate, BDS Degree, or Migration Certificate submitted by the petitioner. As per BOPEE's own

notification dated July 11, 2024, candidates were provisionally allowed to participate in counseling and submit deficient documents at the time of admission, failing which their admission could be cancelled

The petitioner was granted time by the Court to obtain and submit his documents, and he complied by submitting the BDS Degree and Migration Certificate on December 12, 2024. However, BOPEE rejected his representation on December 18, 2024 on the grounds of delay and non-submission of the DCI Registration Certificate, which was not the original basis for cancellation. The Court noted that the seat allotted to the petitioner had not been filled since, and the authenticity of documents had not been disputed. It held that cancelling admission solely due to procedural delays, especially when the litigation over qualification is still pending, was not justified. Balancing interests, the Division Bench quashed the cancellation order and allowed the petitioner to continue the MDS course. However, it clarified that if the Rajasthan High Court ultimately rules against the validity of his BDS qualification, his MDS qualification will be rendered void in law.

# Petitioners be promoted as Dy Conservator of Forest: CAT

#### **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: A petition came to be filed by three individuals seeking directions to promote them as Deputy Conservator of Forest retrospectively with all the consequential benefits. Adv. Aditya Sharma appeared on behalf of the Applicants submitted that the case of the Petitioner is securely covered by the Clause II of the J&K Forest Recruitment Rules, wherein it has been categorically provided that those who had served as Rangers not less than 16 years are to be promoted from in service Assistant Conservator of Forest. It was further submitted that the applicants were due to be promoted as Deputy Conservator of Forest with effect from December 1, 2008, June 1, 2008 and April 1, 2008 respectively but the respondents have deliberately and intentionally did not promoted the petitioners rather rejected their case on the ground that they must serve 6 Years as AIF then only could have been considered.

A Bench of Central Administrative Tribunal Comprising Rajinder Singh Dogra and Ram Mohan Johri, after hearing the counsel for the Petitioner Adv Aditya Sharma and after going through the record, held that it transpired that when the applicants were retired they were Assistant Conservatory of Forest and they were entitled to the next higher post of Deputy Conservator of Forest as per clause II of the J&K Forest Recruitment Rules.

Earlier petitioners approached the High court and the court directed the respondent to consider the case of the petitioner, but respondents rejected the same on the ground that they had not rendered 6 years as AIF thus cannot be considered and ignored the clause II of the recruit-

Central administrative tribunal allowed the petition of the applicants and directed the respondent to promote the applicants to eh post of Deputy Conservator of forest w.e.f December 1, 2008, June, 1, 2008 and April 1, 2008 respectively with all the consequential benefits including the pensionary benefits and the entire exercise must be completed by the respondents within a period of three months from the date of service of this order.

# Court awards life-imprisonment to two HM terrorists

## **STATE TIMES NEWS**

JAMMU: Principal Sessions Judge Ramban, Deepak Sethi, on Monday awarded life imprisonment to Mohd. Mumtaz and Farooq Ahmed, an alleged terrorists of the banned outfit Hizbul Mujahideen (HM), who had been facing trial for over 22 vears. The case dates back to December 17, 2003, when police in Gool received crediinformation that unknown terrorists had abducted and killed one Mushtaq Ahmed, son of Sadar Din of Gagarsullah Daram, Gool, at gunpoint. His body was found outside his house. It was also reported that the terrorists had abducted three other individuals-Zaheer Ahmed. Hafizullah, and Mohd Yaseen-with the intention to kill them.

An FIR (No. 88/2003) was registered under Sections 121-A, 120-B, 302, 364 of the RPC and Section 7/27 of the Arms Act. Upon investi-

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gation, charges were proved against several individuals, including Mohd. Mumtaz. son of Haleem Gujjar, resident of Hara Gool, Farooq Ahmed, son of Abdul Rehman Beig, and others identified as members of the HM outfit. The accused had absconded after committing the crime, prompting the prosecution to file a challan

under Section 512 Cr.P.C. While delivering the judgment, Judge Deepak Sethi observed that although the nature of the crime was grave, certain mitigating factors needed considerationsuch as the convicts' surrender, intention to reintegrate into society, and their family responsibilities. The Court concluded that the case did not fall within the 'rarest of rare' category warranting

capital punishment. Accordingly, the Court sentenced both Mohd. Mumtaz and Farooq Ahmed to life imprisonment under Section 302 RPC. In addition, they were awarded 10 years of imprisonment under Section 364 RPC. Both sentences are to run concurrently and will be effective from the date of their arrest.



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Up to 15:00 hrs. on dates shown against each and opening of tender thereafter at 15:00 hrs on same date. The detailed e-tender notice is available on Northern ailway web site i.e. www.nr.indianrailways.gov.in and tender document is available on www.ireps.gov.in

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#### Government of Jammu and Kashmir Directorate of Sheep Husbandry Jammu Rail Head Complex, Jammu-180012

Operating of Waiting List of Stock Assistant (District CadreRamban) in J&K Sheep Husbandry (Subordinate) Service - Appointment thereof.

Reference:

 No. JKSSB-Scry/L4/2024-03(E-7508166) dated 17-04-2025 of J&K Services Selection Board. ii. No. JKSSB-Scry/L4/2024-03(E-7508166) dated 30-04-2025 of

J&K Services Selection Board. ii. Letter No. ASHF-SH0NGAZ/49/2024(7538639) dated 30-05-2025

of Agriculture Production Department J&K. ORDER NO. 319- SHDJ of 2025

**DATED 19-07-2025** 

In continuation to this Directorate's Order No. 285-SHDJ of 2025 dated 30-06-2025, Order No. 293-SHDJ of 2025 dated 08-07-2025 & Order No. 311-SHDJ of 2025 dated 15-07-2025 and pursuant to the selection made by the

Jammu and Kashmir Services Selection Board duly recommended by the Administrative Department of Agriculture Production Department J&K and consequent upon receipt of satisfactory Character & Antecedents report from the Criminal Investigation Department J&K, sanction is hereby accorded to the temporary appointment of below mentioned candidateas Stock Assistant in District Cadre Ramban, in Jammu and Kashmir Sheep Husbandry (Subordinate) Service in the Pay Level-4 (25500-81100), notionally with effect from 30-06-2025 and on regular basis, prospectively: -

S.	Name of the	Father's	Address	Selection	District	
No.	Candidate	Name		Category	Cadre	
1	Mubashir Ahmad Harray		86, Tangmohalla, Mantrigam, 0, 0, Bandipora, Bandipora, 193502	ST	Ramban	

The notional appointment shall be for the purpose of determination of seniority only and shall not confer any monetary benefit to the candidate.

The appointee shall report in the Directorate of Sheep Husbandry, Rail Head Complex, Jammu within a period of 21 days from the date of issuance of this order, failing which he shall forego his right of appointment and the same shall be deemed to have been cancelled ab-initio without any further notice in terms of Circular No. 08-JK(GAD) of 2019 dated 04-12-2019 issued by the General Administration Department.

The appointee shall be allowed to join only on production of the following documents/certificates, in original, to be verified subsequently: -

- 1. Academic/Qualification Certificates.
- 2. Matriculation/Date of Birth Certificate. Health Certificate from the concerned Chief Medical Officer of
- the District.
- Domicile Certificate issued by the Competent Authority. 5. Valid relevant Category Certificate.
- The appointment of the candidate shall further be subject to the

following conditions: a. That the appointee shall give an undertaking in the shape of an Affidavit duly attested by the Judicial Magistrate 1st Class to the

effect that if on verification, genuineness of the qualification and date of birth certificates produced by the appointee are found fake/forged, the appointment of the appointee shall be deemed to have been cancelled ab-initio and legal action as warranted under rules shall be initiated against the candidate. That if the candidate has taken loan for self-employment from

- DIC/Employment Department, to be ascertained from the District Industries Center (DIC) and District Employment & Counseling Center of the domicile District, he shall relinquish the proprietorship of unit/enterprises and also stakes, if any, in such self-employment unit/enterprise before joining the Government service. He shall be required to repay the entire loan liability in suitable EMIs to be worked out by the DDO concerned from his salary. DDO concerned shall obtain an affidavit from the concerned appointee regarding both relinquishments of proprietorship and stakes, if any, in such a self-employment unit/enterprise and recovery to be made and also personally monitor its recovery.
- The salary of the appointee shall not be drawn and disbursed to him unless satisfactory reports in respect of genuineness of Qualification/Date of Birth/Relevant Category Certificate, is received from the concerned Authorities/Agency.
- The appointee shall be on probation for a period of two years. The appointment of the candidate shall be governed by the "New Pension Scheme" as notified vide SRO-400 of 2009 dated 24-12-
- The inter-se-seniority of the appointee in the J&K Sheep Husbandry (Subordinate) Service shall be determined as per the J&K Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules,
- The appointment of the candidate shall be subject to outcome of writ petition(s), if any, pending adjudication before any Competent Court of Law. Sd/-

No. DSHJ-ESTTONG/5/2022/6095-6103 Dated:19-07-2025 (Dr. Syed Moin-ul-Haq), DIP/J-3702/25 Director

Dated:- 21/07/2025

IN THE COURT OF 1ST ADDL. DISTRICT JUDGE, JAMMU Date of Institution: 25.01.2016 Date of Order: 24.10.2024

VERSUS Sandeep Kumar S/o Balbir Partap R/o A/P H. No. 194, Ward No.3, Peer Mitha Jammu, 2. Vikas Gupta S/o Janak Raj Gupta R/o H. No.320, Jawahar Nagar, Priy Darshani Lane Talab Tillo, Jammu, 3. Rajesh Kumar S/o Moti Ram R/o Near Diwa

reweries Bohri, Jammu. In the matter of: - Civil suit for recovery of Rs. 2,49,844 /- along with interest @ CORAM: R. S. Jasrotia UID NO.00079

### NOTICE

Whereas the above titled suit for grant of recovery is sub judice before this court wherein the next date of hearing is fixed on 24.07.2025.
Whereas this court is satisfied that Service of defendants named above who are/ is service is not possible by ordinary mode. Therefore through the medium of

his proclamation the above named defendants are hereby informed and called u o appear before this Court in person or through duly authorized counsel to answe all material question pertaining to the suit on the next date of hearing if the date ixed for hearing is declared as Public holiday the matter be taken up on the nex Take notice that in case the above named defendants ) FAILS TO APPEAR

BEFORE THIS COURT on the next date of hearing the matter will be heard an determined in their absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this court today on 21.07.2025.

R. S. Jasroti No:- 175/ISTADDJ Dated: 21.07-2025 1st Addl. District Judge Jamm



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