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Subject O A NO. 61/1400/2024, titled Waseem Raja Vs. J&K PSC & others.

Order No. 216JKPSC of 2025
Dated 23.10.2025

Whereas, Hr. Education Department vide letter No. HE/Coll/Coord/Apptt/A P/2021 dated 05.7.2021 and No. HED-Gaz/85/2022-04 dated 13.4.2022, referred 12 posts (OM-06, RBA-02, SC-01, ST01, EWS=01 & ALC-01) of Assistant Professor, Music / Music (Instrument/Vocal) to the J&K Public Service Commission for selection of suitable candidates.

Whereas, these posts were notified vide advertisement Notification No. 06-PSC(DR-P) of 2023 dated 01.03.2023.

Whereas, the Hr. Education Department vide letter No. HE-Gaz/85/2022-04 dated 24.3.2023, referred 03 posts (OM-01, SC-01 & PSP-01) of Assistant Professor (Music) to the PSC for selection of suitable candidates. These posts were notified vide advertisement Notification No. 17-PSC(DR-P) of 2023 dated 15.05.2023.

Whereas, the written test was conducted on 05.11 2023. The result of the written test was declared vide Notification No. PSC/Exam/S/2024/08 dated 01.4.2024.

Whereas, interview/viva voce of candidates was conducted on 6th & 7th of August, 2024, with the assistance of experts from out side of the UT.

Whereas, after conducting the interview process, the selection notification for the post of A.P Music(Instrument/Vocal) was notified/published vide notification No. 25-PSC(DR-S) of 2024 dated 08.08.2024, with a stipulation that the selection is provisional and objections if any, may be submitted to the Commission within five days for examination and disposal. No claim, whatsoever, shall be entertained after five days from the date of issuance of Notification.

Whereas, the petitioner (Waseem Raja) had applied for the post in pursuance of above notifications, and short listed under Notification No. 06-PSC(DR-P) of 2023 dated 01.03.2023. He participated in the interview and got 59.67 points in aggregate (Written test=46.67, Viva-voce=09.00, Special Attributes/Papers=02.00, NET-02, total=59.67), could not make the grade in the selection zone.

Whereas, in response to the provisional selection list, the petitioner has represented before the J&K PSC with a submission that he applied for the post of A.P Music in both the Notifications viz 17-PSC(DR-P) of 2023 and 06-PSC(DR-P) of 2023, but was shortlisted for interview in Notification No. 06-PSC(DR-P) of 2023. He further alleged that only 04 candidates have been shortlisted in Notification No. 17-PSC(DR-P) of 2023, which is against the J&K PSC (Business & Procedure) Rules, 2021, as amended up to date. As such, he requested for considering his candidature under notification No. 17-PSC(DR-P) of 2023.

Whereas, the request of the petitioner was examined and disposed of vide notice dated 17.09.2024, as reproduced below:-

As per records, against 01 post, under OM, in Notification No. 17-PSC(DR-P) of 2023 dated 15.05.2023, 04 candidates were shortlisted from OM category, while as the 5th candidate, whose main category was RBA had applied as OM/RBA, as such shortlisted under OM category. Thus the ratio of 1:5 has very much been followed"

Whereas, after disposal of the representations, the recommendation was sent to the Hr. Education Department vide letter No. PSC/DR-HE/AP-Music/2023 dated 27.09.2024, for further course of action.

Whereas, the candidate approached the Honble Central Administrative Tribunal and the Hon'ble Tribunal vide order dated 16.10.2024, passed detailed order, the operative portion of which is reproduced below:-

"In the meanwhile, respondents to consider and dispose of the representation filed on 09.8.2024 which is annexure A-9 page 74 of the OA., preferably within the notice period by passing a speaking order in consonance with rules of natural justice."

Whereas, the plea raised by the applicant is similar to one raised previously and stands disposed off vide notification Dated: 17.09.2024 and the prescribed ratio of 1:5 has been duly maintained. The candidate did not possess the merit where he could have been shortlisted against Notification No 17-PSC(DR-P) of 2023 dated 15.05.2023 nor did he make to the Select List against Notification No. 06-PSC(DR-P) of 2023 dated 01.03.2023, owing to his inferior merit; and,

Whereas, another plea of the candidate is that he should have been awarded 3points, 2 for NET and 1 for SET; and,

Whereas, as per the Rule 45 of the J&K Public Service Commission (Business & Procedure) Rule, 2021, 03 points are awarded to JRF, 02 points for NET and 01 point for SET/SLET; and,

Whereas, in case where the candidate has qualified both SET as well as NET, the Commission awards points to only one Eligibility Test having higher points, which in the present case is NET. As such 2 points were awarded to the applicant and no discrepancy has been made.

Now, therefore, the claim of the applicant/petitioner is considered and found devoid of any merit, hence rejected, on the grounds detailed here-in-above.

Bashir Ahmad Dar
(Bashir Ahmad Dar) JKAS

Secretary

J&K Public Service Commission

No.PSC/DR-HE/Asstt. Prof/2023(7723437)

Dated: 23.10.2025

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