



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

Subject:- Acceptance of Degree in Civil Engineering acquired by Er. Mubark Ahmad Wani, Junior Engineer (Civil) and inclusion of his name in the seniority list of Degree holders Junior Engineers (Civil).

NOTICE INVITING OBJECTIONS

Whereas, the department has received the case of Mr. Mubark Ahmad Wani, Junior Engineer (Civil) for acceptance of his Degree and inclusion of his name in the seniority list of Degree Holders Junior Engineers (Civil) whose particulars are as under:-

S.No	Name of Junior Engineer	Date of Enrolement	Date of Appointment	Name of University	Date of passing
01	Er. Mubark Ahmad Wani Junior Engineer Civil	June 2006	16.02.2008	Chhatrapati Shahu Ji Maharaj University (CSJMU), Kanpur	31.12.2014

Whereas, as per provisions of J&K Engineering (Subordinate) Service Recruitment Rules, 1997 notified vide SRO-180 dated 26.05.1997, a Junior Engineer diploma holder after acquiring Degree in relevant branch of Engineering is to be treated as Degree holder for the purpose of seniority from the date of completion/ passing of Degree.

Whereas, Schedule-II "A" of said SRO provides the minimum qualification for recruitment against the post of JE as "Bachelor of Engineering/ AMIE Section A&B/ 3 years diploma in Civil & Mechanical Engineering from recognized Institute".

Whereas, the above named candidate has acquired Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech) in Civil Engineering (Lateral entry) from Chhatrapati Shahu Ji Maharaj University (CSJMU), Kanpur and claimed for acceptance of said Degree and inclusion of his name in the relevant seniority list of JE (Civil).

Whereas, as per list of Approved Universities as on 25.01.2023 available on the official website of UGC, the name of Chhatrapati Shahu Ji Maharaj University (CSJMU), Kanpur is figuring in the list of Universities which are recognized/ approved by UGC. Further, the issue of equivalence/ validity of Degrees was taken up with the AICTE for clarifications, in response to which the AICTE vide communication dated 17.03.2021 has furnished specific clarifications and relevant extract of which is reproduced as under:-

"In this regard, AICTE has issued a circular F.No.13-56/ PC/ ODL-Mode/ AICTE/ 2020 recognition of certification awarded by Professional Bodies/ Institutions dated 23.11.2020, which is self explanatory. The professional societies recognized by MHRD upto 31.05.2013 were permitted to conduct section A&B exams and treated equivalent to degree upto 31.05.2013 only."

Whereas, the relevant extract of Circular No.F.No.13-56/ PC/ ODL-Mode/ AICTE/ 2020 dated 23.11.2020 issued by the AICTE is reproduced as under:-

".....Thus all those students who were enrolled with these Institutions as per the above MHRD OM with permanent recognition upto 31.05.2013 stand recognized and public notice was issued on 31.10.2017 accordingly. However, AICTE recognition is not course specific and this is only the endorsement of the decision of MHRD in this regard. Hon'ble Supreme Court in its judgement dated 13.08.2019 in the case MA No.2367 of 2018 in Civil Appeal No.17922 of 2017; Institution of Mechanical Engineers V/s State of Punjab & Ors has endorsed the decision of MHRD and AICTE Public Notice issued in 2017."

Whereas, the relevant extract of Public Notice issued by the AICTE on 31.10.2017 is reproduced as under:-



"..... Accordingly, the Council in its 52nd Emergent Meeting held on August 3, 2017 decided to recognize equivalence for all purposes including Higher Education & Employment to Technical Courses conducted by various Professional Bodies/ Institutions which were duly recognized by MHRD with permanent recognition upto 31st May 2013. Thus all those students who were enrolled with these institutions with permanent recognition upto 31.05.2013, stand recognized."

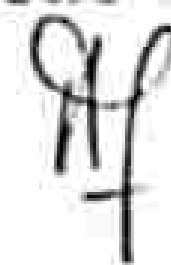
Whereas, as per available documents, the above named applicant was enrolled/ registered for the degree course in June 2006 i.e prior to 31.05.2013 and his case falls within the ambit of above criteria/ clarifications issued by the AICTE.

Whereas, after examination of the case the Degree/ marks certificates of the above named Engineer were forwarded to the concerned University vide this department's letter dated 23.01.2023 for verify/authenticate the genuineness of the Degree acquired by the said Engineer. In response the concerned University vide their communication No. CSJMU/Secret (Verification)/ 2023/ 21/02 dated 13.02.2023 has furnished the verification of the degree certificate acquired by him.

Whereas, the above named Junior Engineer has also produced undertaking in the shape of Affidavit dully attested by the Judicial Magistrate affirming therein that in case any information about his degree is found fraudulent bogus at any time during service, the same shall be deemed to be cancelled ab-initio and action as warranted under rules shall be initiated against him in terms of J&K Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) rules 1956.

Whereas, on further examining of the case, it has been observed that there is a case to accept his Degree from the date of passing of his Degree and include his name at appropriate place in the relevant seniority list of Degree Holders Junior Engineers (Civil) as and when the same are notified afresh and also exclusion of his name from the relevant seniority list of Junior Engineers Diploma holders (Civil).

Now, therefore, before acceptance of the Degree acquired by the above named Junior Engineer from the date of passing and also inclusion of his name at appropriate place in the relevant seniority list of Degree holders Junior Engineers (Civil), objections are invited from the



members of the cadre who are likely to be affected due to decision of the department which should reach in the Administrative Department through concerned Chief Engineer/s by Post or by e-mail to compwd@rediffmail.com within a period of 21 days from the date of issuance/ publication of the notice. No claim, whatsoever, shall be entertained after expiry of stipulated time period.



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