

**GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR
JAL SHAKTI DEPARTMENT
CIVIL SECRETARIAT, JAMMU/ SRINAGAR**

Subject:- Reinstatement of Shri Sanjay Singh Bhalwal, the then I/c AEE, Jal Shakti Sub-Division, Surankote.

Government Order No. 270-JK (JSD) of 2023

Dated:- 09.11.2023

Whereas, Deputy Commissioner, Poonch vide communication No. DCP/PA/1504-08 dated 29.06.2022 intimated that as per the report of the Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (PHE) Poonch, Shri Sanjay Singh Bhalwal, I/c AEE, Jal Shakti (PHE) Sub Division Surankote frequently exhibit signs of intoxication during office hours. This behavior has raised concerns regarding his dedication to his duties. Furthermore, a show cause notice had been issued by Executive Engineer Jal Shakti vide No. PHEP/2248-51 dated 27.06.2022 against him regarding delay in submission of DPR's of JJM as well as the estimates of balance components of various schemes under NRDWP, NAWARD and Languishing projects; and

Whereas, Deputy Commissioner, Poonch vide Order No. DCP/PA/1783-87 dated 18.07.2022 has placed Shri Sanjay Singh Bhalwal, I/c AEE under suspension with the direction to report in the office of Executive Engineer, Jal Shakti Poonch; and

Whereas, the case has been examined in the department and vide letter dated 02.01.2023, Deputy Commissioner, Poonch/SE Hydraulic Circle, Poonch were requested to furnish draft article of charges; and

Whereas, the Deputy Commissioner, Poonch vide No. DCP/PA/6051-52 dated 09-01-2023 has intimated that Executive Engineer Jal Shakti (I&FC) Division Poonch has conducted inquiry into the matter vide No. IFCP/4061 dated 02-01-2023 and submitted detailed report in the matter with the following recommendations:-

"In view of the facts and the circumstances mentioned above and keeping in view statement of the public representatives, contractors and employees, the undersigned is of opinion that a chance may be given to Shri Sanjay Singh Bhalwal I/c AEE to improve his working and show his performance. As such it is recommended that the suspension order dated 18.07.2022 may be revoked with a warning to the officer to perform his legitimate duties to the satisfaction of his superiors and any further complaint received therein with regard to consuming liquor/alcohol during the duty hours or not attending the phone calls of his officers/colleagues or the general public shall be viewed seriously and stern disciplinary action shall be initiated beside revoking this relief."

Whereas, Deputy Commissioner, Poonch has requested this department to take a lenient view and allow his office to revoke the suspension order of Sh. Sanjay Singh Balwal, I/c AEE, Jal Shakti Sub-Division, Surnakote with a warning to remain careful in future; and

Whereas, the Deputy Commissioner Poonch was again requested to furnish the draft article of charges, statement of imputation and gist of evidence vide letter dated 15.02.2023. Accordingly, vide letter dated 17.02.2023, Deputy Commissioner Poonch has furnished the draft article of charges, statement of imputation and gist of evidence, which were examined in the department and after examining the case, vide this department's memorandum dated 13.03.2023, the article of charges, statement of imputation etc were served to Mr. Sanjay Singh Bhalwal through Chief Engineer, PHE Jammu with the direction to furnish his written statement within 15 days; and

Whereas, in response, Mr. Sanjay Singh Bhalwal, the then I/c AEE PHE Sub-Division Surankote has furnished his reply alongwith the relevant documents which was examined and, the same was forwarded to the concerned Chief Engineer for his comments/recommendations vide this department's letter dated 02.05.2023 followed by reminder dated 04.09.2023; and

Whereas, concerned Chief Engineer vide his letter No.PHEJ/GE/9774 dated 25.09.2023 has stated that a committee in this regard was constituted by the Superintending Engineer concerned vide office letter No. SEP/Hyd/964-66 dated 24.08.2023 comprising of 05 No. of officers/officials and the Committee has recommended dropping of all the charges leveled against the charged officer. The concerned Chief Engineer has recommended that the suspension of the charged officer namely Mr. Sanjay Singh Bhalwal, I/c AEE may be revoked with a strict warning to him for further duties.

Whereas, the reply submitted by the charged officer alongwith comments/recommendation of the concerned Chief Engineer was placed before the competent authority and the competent authority has decided to re-instate the charged officer, and to take suitable action against him for misconduct;

Now, therefore, it is hereby ordered that Shri Sanjay Singh Bhalwal, I/c Assistant Executive Engineer placed under suspension by the Deputy Commissioner, Poonch vide his Order No. DCP/PA/1783-87 dated 18.07.2022 is reinstated with immediate effect. However, a minor penalty of "Censure" is imposed upon the officer for his misconduct, in terms of Rule 30(i) of J&K Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules 1956.

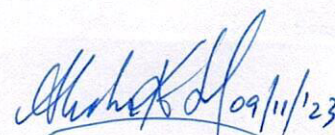
By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-
(Shaleen Kabra) IAS
Financial Commissioner (Additional Chief Secretary)
Jal Shakti Department

No. JSD-GS06/40/2022-A-JSD (CC.No223057)
Copy to the:

Dated:- 09.11.2023

1. Joint Secretary (J&K), Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi.
2. Commissioner/Secretary to the Government, General Administration Department.
3. Deputy Commissioner, Poonch.
4. Director, Archives, Archaeology and Museums, J&K.
5. Director Finance, Jal Shakti Department.
6. All Chief Engineers.
7. OSD to Advisor (B) to the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor.
8. Concerned officer.
9. Private Secretary to the Financial Commissioner (Additional Chief Secretary), Jal Shakti Department.
10. I/c Website, Jal Shakti Department.
11. Govt. order file/ Stock file.


(Akshar Kotwal) JKAS
Under Secretary to the Government
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