



Government of Jammu & Kashmir
Housing & Urban Development Department
Civil Secretariat, Jammu/Srinagar.

Subject: Departmental proceedings against Shri Syed Aijaz Manzoor, the then I/C Executive Officer, Municipal Committee, Magam (presently under suspension) - imposition of penalty thereof.

Government Order No. 127 -JK(HUD) of 2023

Dated: 08 -08-2023

Whereas, a news went viral on 13.08.2022, on social media regarding alleged insult of National Flag at Municipal Committee, Magam. After taking immediate cognizance, Deputy Director (Adm), Urban Local Bodies, Kashmir was instructed by the Director, Urban Local Bodies, Kashmir to visit the Municipal Committee, Magam to enquire into the matter;

Whereas, a team lead by Deputy Director (Adm), Urban Local Bodies Kashmir visited Municipal Committee, Magam on same day at around 4.30 PM and found that two Hoopers parked in the premises and on verification;

Whereas, it was found that the said Hoopers were carrying National Flags for distribution in connection with Har Ghar Tiranga Programme;

Whereas, Shri Syed Aijaz Manzoor, the then Executive Officer, Municipal Committee, Magam during his posting, committed grave misconduct which is unbecoming of a public servant and in violation of Jammu and Kashmir Employees (Conduct) Rules, 1971;

Whereas, Shri Syed Aijaz Manzoor, the then Executive Officer, Municipal Committee Magam was placed under suspension vide No. 75 of 2022 Dated 13.08.2022 issued by Sub-Divisional Magistrate Beerwah (Budgam) and ordered an enquiry through the Tehsildar concerned.

Whereas, the action taken by Sub-Divisional Magistrate Beerwah (Budgam) has been confirmed by this department vide letter No. HUD-LSG0ULBK/74/2022 (C.No. 246867) dated 20.09.2022;

Whereas, the case was examined in the department and vide letter No. HUD-LSG0ULBK/74/2022 (C.No. 246867) dated 06.10.2022, Memorandum, Article of Charges, and Statement of Imputation were served upon the delinquent namely Shri Syed Aijaz Manzoor, the then Executive Officer, Municipal Committee, Magam who was directed to submit the written statement of defense, within 21 days after the receipt of these charges;

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Whereas, Shri Syed Aijaz Manzoor, submitted the statement of defense on 28.10.2022 and the same was examined in the department and accordingly, the Vice Chairman, Srinagar Development Authority was appointed as Inquiry Officer in the matter;

Whereas, the findings of the Inquiry Officer conveyed vide letter No. SDA/VC/37 Dated: 06.07.2023 clearly stated negligence on the part of Shri Syed Aijaz Manzoor, the then Executive Officer, Municipal Committee, Magam in discharge of his official duty concerning the upkeep/distribution/hoisting of National Flags at Municipal Committee, Magam. The discharge of duty was held in the violation of the provisions of the Flag Code of India, 2002;

Whereas, the matter has been examined in light of the aforesaid and in terms of the provisions of the Jammu and Kashmir (Classification, Control, and Appeal) Rules, 1956, and the Competent Authority has approved imposition of penalty for withholding of two increments;

Now, therefore, the sanction is hereby accorded to the levy of penalty i.e. "withholding of two increments" in terms of Rule-30(iii) of Jammu and Kashmir, Civil Services (Classification, Control, and Appeal) Rules, 1956 on Shri Syed Aijaz Manzoor, the then Executive Officer, Municipal Committee, Magam (presently under suspension) for his negligence in discharge of his official duty concerning the upkeep/ distribution/ hoisting of National Flag.

By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-

(Prashant Goyal)

Principal Secretary to the Government
Housing & Urban Development Department

Dated: .08.2023

No: HUD-LSG0ULBK/74/2022 (C.No. 246867)

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1. Joint Secretary (Jammu, Kashmir & Ladakh), Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.
2. Commissioner/ Secretary to the Government, General Administration Department for information.
3. Deputy Commissioner, Budgam.
4. Director, Urban Local Bodies, Kashmir.
5. Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to Lieutenant Governor, J&K
6. Private Secretary to the Chief Secretary, J&K,
7. Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to the Government, Housing & Urban Development Department.
8. Concerned.
9. I/C Website, H&UDD.
10. Government Order file/Stock file.

(Thannaji Bhat)

Under Secretary to the Government
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08.08.2023