

**LAHORE HIGH COURT, LAHORE**

**NOTIFICATION**

NO. 135/RHC/CJJ, Dated Lahore, the 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2018.

**WHEREAS**, Mr. Abdul Ghaffar Chaudhary, the then Civil Judge, Bahawalnagar was proceeded against under Rule 6(3) of the Punjab Civil Servants (Efficiency & Discipline) Rules, 1999, on the charges of misconduct and willful absence from duty;

**AND WHEREAS**, he submitted an application dated 02.01.2017 for grant of 02-years ex-Pakistan leave without pay w.e.f. 02.01.2017 to 01.01.2019 for getting his treatment from abroad of asthmatic allergy without providing any medical certificate or prescriptions;

**AND WHEREAS**, the District & Sessions Judge, Bahawalnagar vide letters dated 16.01.2017 and 06.04.2017 intimated that he is not performing his duties since 02.01.2017, proceeded abroad without prior approval of the aforesaid ex-Pakistan leave and he is absent from the duty from the said date;

**AND WHEREAS**, his explanation was called for on account of his absence from duty w.e.f. 02.01.2017 without getting leave sanctioned, which amounts to misconduct. Despite repeated efforts, his explanation was not received;

**AND WHEREAS**, the Hon'ble Chief Justice and Judges/Authority, after perusing the above said facts and considering his absence from duty on account of his proceeding abroad, before sanction of ex-Pakistan leave, ordered issuance of show cause notice for imposition of one of the penalties as provided in Rule 4 of the Rules *ibid*, dispensing with regular inquiry as it was a matter of record, while requesting Hon'ble Mr. Justice Shahid Karim to afford personal hearing to the officer on behalf of the Hon'ble Authority;

**AND WHEREAS**, Hon'ble Mr. Justice Shahid Karim directed the officer to appear before his lordship on 30.06.2017 & 22.09.2017 but he opted not to appear, however, he submitted reply to show cause notice through his wife;

**AND WHEREAS**, his lordship, after perusing the reply to show cause notice submitted by the officer, observed that he reiterated his earlier instance taken in the application for ex-Pakistan leave and also submitted that his written reply be treated as sufficient for decision;

**AND WHEREAS**, the officer was transferred from Bahawalnagar and posted at Jaranwala vide this Court's Notification dated 16.03.2018 with the direction to assume charge of his new office on

or before 26.03.2018 but as per report of the District & Sessions Judge, Faisalabad dated 28.03.2018, he did not assume charge till the target date;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Hon'ble Chief Justice and Judges/Authority considering the aforesaid facts, Note on personal hearing, reply to show cause notice and having found the accused officer guilty of the aforesaid charges, hereby **impose** major penalty of **dismissal from service** upon Mr. Abdul Ghaffar Chaudhary, Civil Judge, Bahawalnagar (under transfer to Jaranwala), forthwith.

  
**(BAHADAR ALI KHAN)**  
**REGISTRAR** DAWOD

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