Government of Jammu and Kashmir, **Home Department**, Civil Secretariat, Jammu

Subject:- Adoption of Date of Birth of Sh. Ghulam Mohammad Lone, Retired Leading Fireman No. 264.

Reference: letter No. DG(F&ES)/Estt/2019/12847 dated 23.12.2019 from Directorate of Fire & Emergency Services, J&K.

Government Order No. 16^{-6} -Home of 2022 Dated: - 2_{0} .06.2022

- 1. Whereas, Director Fire & Emergency Services, J&K vide letter dated 18.04.2017 conveyed to the Home department regarding missing of the 1st page of service book of Sh. Ghulam Mohammad Lone, S/o Sh. Mohd Sultan Lone, Leading Fireman LFM-264 and requested for accord of sanction for adoption of date of birth in terms of Sub Rule 35AA of J&K CSR and administrative opinion in the said matter to deal the case; and
- 2. Whereas, on examination it was found that the 1st page of the Service Book of the said official went missing in 2013 and the Director Fire & Emergency Services, J&K referred the matter to the IGP State Crime Branch for investigation. Subsequently, a photocopy of the 1st page was recovered by the Directorate which revealed the date of the birth of the official, earlier recorded in the service book, as 22.12.1957. Accordingly, the Home Department requested Director, Fire & Emergency Services to seek a final report from the investigating agency in the instant case and to ascertain from J&K Board of School Education about the authenticity of the particulars under Roll No. 1850, Registration No. 6 ALBM-75 and Date of Birth of Sh. Ghulam Mohammad Lone (Leading Fireman) recorded therein; and
- 3. Whereas, the Home department, vide communication dated 24.04.2019 requested Directorate of Fire & Emergency Services J&K, to direct the concerned official to provide the original certificates, etc related to his service career along with a statement indicating the entries recorded into the service book from time to time and reconstruct the service book after due verification; and
- 4. Whereas, in compliance to the instructions of the Home department dated 24.04.2019, Director Fire & Emergency Services J&K, issued Order No. 837(DG F&ES) of 2019 dated 26.07.2019 wherein the 1st page of the service book of the official was reconstructed on the basis of the verification; and
- 5. Whereas, the case of the official was forwarded by Directorate of Fire & Emergency Services to the office of Accountant General, J&K for authorization of pension. The Accountant General, J&K returned the case with the request to

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furnish Administrative sanction for the adoption of date of Birth of the official; and

- 6. Whereas, Director Fire & Emergency Services, J&K, vide communication dated 23.12.2019 requested Home department that necessary sanction may be accorded to the adoption of date of birth of the official as 22.12.1956, as has been established and the excess amount drawn by the official shall be recovered from the pensionary benefits of the official; and
- Whereas, Home Department, vide letter dated 12.02.2020 directed the 7. Directorate of Fire & Emergency Services J&K to conduct a preliminary enquiry into the matter with respect to the recording of incorrect date of birth in the Service Book of the official. The Director, F&ES informed that the Enquiry report reveals that only 9th pass certificate of the official was found to be genuine and the other two certificates viz matriculation and PUC were found to be fake. The verification was conducted in the matter through J&K Board of School Education which established the fact that the actual Date of Birth of the Official is 22.12.1956. The verification carried out in the matter proved that there have been forgery and manipulations with regard to the date of birth of the official, as such, verification with regard to the higher qualification was also got conducted by the Directorate through the Joint Secretary Certificates/Verification (KD), J&K Board of School Education, which revealed that the entry with regard to the passing of 10th Class Examination under Roll No. 25191 in the year 1980 was fake as the same Roll No. belonged to one namely Zaheeda Parveen and not the official in question; and
- 8. Whereas, the Directorate had referred the case to the Crime Branch for investigation and presently the case is challaned before the Hon'ble Court of Chief Judicial Magistrate Srinagar against the accused Ghulam Mohammad Lone (Retd. LFM) for judicial determination; and
- 9. Whereas, the matter was referred to the Department of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs to opine that, "whether department can settle his DOB at this stage as 31.12.1956 keeping in view the fact that case has been challaned in the Hon'ble Court of CJM". The Department of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs has opined as under:-

"The criminal case pending before the Hon'ble Court is w.r.t determination of the offence of cheating and forgery committed by the accused and not for determination of his date of Birth. The department has to take an administrative decision w.r.t the adoption of date of Birth as 31.12.1956 instead of 31.12.1957. As such, the department can settle the issue in light of Article 35-AA(d) of J&K CSR notwithstanding the criminal case pending against the accused retiree before the Hon'ble Court."

 Whereas, on the basis of verification conducted by the Director, Fire & Emergency Services, J&K, through CEO Bandipora and the Jt. Secretary Certificates/ Verification (KD), J&K Board of School Education, the date of birth

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of Sh. Ghulam Mohammad Lone, LFM, No. 264 has been established as 22.12.1956.

Now, therefore, keeping in view the verification conducted by the Director, Fire & Emergency Services, read with the opinion of Department of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs, sanction is hereby accorded to the adoption of date of birth of Sh. Ghulam Mohammad Lone S/o Mohd Sultan Lone LFM No. 264 in terms of Rule 35-AA(d) of J&K CSR, 1956 as 22.12.1956. The date of birth of the official namely Sh. Ghulam Mohammad Lone, shall for the purpose of superannuation and pensionary benefits be treated as 22.12.1956 and the excess pay drawn by Sh. Ghulam Mohammad Lone, LFM-264 shall be recovered from his pensionary benefits.

By order of the Govt. of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-

(Raj Kumar Goyal) IAS, Financial Commissioner/ Additional Chief Secretary (Home)

No. Home/F&ES/ 8/2020/ CC No. 4244

Dated:-20 .06.2022

Copy to the:-

1. Director, Fire and Emergency Services, J&K, Jammu.

- 2. Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, J&K UT.
- 3. Joint Secretary, JKL, Ministry of Home Affairs, GoI, New Delhi.

4. Principal Accountant General, J&K, Jammu.

- 5. Principal Secretary to the Govt., General Administration Department.
- 6. Director, Archives, Archaeology and Museums, J&K, Jammu.

7. Private Secretary to the Chief Secretary.

- 8. Pvt. Secy. to Financial Commissioner (Additional Chief Secretary), Home Department.
- 9. In-charge website, Home Department.

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