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F.No.DE 3(65)/DRC/E-III/TGT/Punjabi /Female/2025/ 498-502

Dated: 18/05/2026

ORDER

Cancellation Of Candidature For The Post Of TGT (Punjabi) F Post Code-810/24

Whereas, Ms. Sukhdeep Kaur, Roll No.- 248101113000650, was nominated for appointment to the post of TGT (Punjabi)F under Post Code 810/24 in accordance with the vacancy Advertisement No. 02/2024;

And whereas, during scrutiny of documents at the primary stage of document verification/e-dossier examination, vide which discrepancies were noticed in r/o Date of Birth declared by the candidate in the academic records submitted by her.

And whereas, it was observed from the available records that:

i. The Date of Birth declared by the candidate in the online application form/admit card was recorded as 15.02.1987.

ii. The Date of Birth reflected in the matriculation certificate available at the time of submission of the application/e-dossier was 15.02.1984; and

iii. Subsequently, during the later stage document verification, the candidate produce a re-issued certificate reflecting another Date of Birth i.e. 20.08.1984, supported by a civil court decree/order;

And whereas, to follow the due course of verification, the candidate was asked for the following deficiency and was issued deficiency memo dated 10/03/2026 for seeking clarification/documents in this regard:

a. Discrepancy in Date of Birth/over-age issue

and

b. Mismatch of signatures on the e-dossier and attendance sheet.

And whereas, in response thereto, the candidate submitted certain documents including a re-issued matriculation certificate, notary/e-stamp documents and copy of civil court judgment/order, however, no satisfactory clarification/document was furnished regarding the signature mismatch issue.

And whereas, for healthy and unbiased examination and appointment thereby, the matter was referred to the Legal Branch for comprehensive examination of civil court judgment/order and legal concurrence and the Legal Branch responded with the remarks that ***"the civil court decree permitting change of Date of Birth operates inter se the parties concerned and does not govern the recruitment conditions nor dilute the binding terms and conditions of the advertisement"***.

And whereas, the Legal Branch further observed/opinioned that the Date of Birth declared in the online application form was not in consonance with the academic record available at the time of submission of the application and that allowing reliance upon subsequently altered/re-issued records would be contrary to the explicit terms and conditions of the advertisement.

And whereas, in accordance with the term & condition of vacancy advertisement wherein Clause 9 of Advertisement No. 02/2024 stipulates that ***"educational qualification, age, experience and other eligibility conditions for the post shall be determined as on the prescribed cut-off date"***.

And whereas, the advertisement specifically provides that:



"Before submission of the online application, candidates must check and ensure that they have filled correct details in each field of the online application form. Once online application form is submitted, no request for changing/correction/modification (including change of category) will be entertained or allowed under any circumstances. Candidates will be responsible for any mistake in the data of application form."

And whereas, the advertisement further also stipulates that *"candidates furnishing false information or suppressing material information are liable to disqualification/rejection of candidature"*.

And whereas, Since the service laws mandates that Date of Birth recorded in the matriculation/secondary school certificate at the relevant time is treated as final proof of age for recruitment purposes and subsequent alteration/change cannot ordinarily be permitted after submission of application or after declaration of result.

And whereas, reference in this regard taken from Frequently Asked Questions/Instructions (UPSC/DSSSB at public portal) issued by recruiting agencies including UPSC/DSSSB also provide that:

"The Commission/Board does not allow change of Date of Birth that has been furnished by a candidate and recorded by the Commission/Board on any ground whatsoever."

And whereas, the Hon'ble Supreme Court in various judgments has consistently held that alteration/change in Date of Birth cannot be claimed as a matter of right and such changes are permissible only strictly in accordance with applicable statutory rules/service provisions. (Reference: *Karnataka Rural Infrastructure Development Ltd. v. T.P. Nataraja (2021) 12 SCC 27, Bharat Coking Coal Ltd. v. Shyam Kishore Singh (2020) 3 SCC 411, General Manager, M/s Barsua Iron Ore Mines v. Vice President, United Mines Mazdoor Union (2024)*)

And whereas, in the present case, the candidate furnished inconsistent and contradictory Date of Birth particulars at different stages of the recruitment process and the Date of Birth declared in the online application form was not supported by the academic record available at the relevant time.

And whereas, reliance upon subsequently altered/re-issued records after declaration of result and during the course of recruitment cannot override/supersede the explicit terms and conditions of Advertisement No. 02/2024 and the applicable recruitment norms.

Now, therefore, after due consideration of the facts and circumstances of the case, applicable recruitment rules, terms and conditions of Advertisement No. 02/2024, records available on file and legal observations, it is hereby evident that the candidature of Ms. SukhdeepKaur, Roll No. 248101113000650, for the post of TGT (Punjabi)F under Post Code 810/24 is not sustainable and is liable to be rejected/cancelled upon furnishing inconsistent/incorrect material particulars regarding Date of Birth and failure to establish eligibility in accordance with prescribed recruitment conditions.

Accordingly, the candidature of Ms. SukhdeepKaur for the aforesaid post is hereby cancelled/rejected with immediate effect. The case (e-dossier of the said candidate) may also be referred/forwarded to the recruitment agency (DSSSB) for taking further next due action against the candidate as deemed fit relevant rules in this regard in r/o furnishing false/incorrect/contradictory information by the candidate.

"No claim for appointment, if so, made at any later stage on the basis of any ground by any candidate will be entertained by the department, in future."

This issues with the prior approval of the Competent Authority.

Dy. Director, Education
E-III, DRC
dated 18/05/2024

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