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Subject: Filling up of the post of Assistant Professor, Electronics, in Higher Education Department-Disposal of representations thereof.

Reference:- 2nd Extraordinary meeting of the Commission, dated 08.04.2024.

NOTICE

Dated: 8 .04.2024

Whereas, the Higher Education Department, vide letter No. HE/Coll/Coord/Apptt/A.P/2021 dated 05.07.2021 and HED-GAZ/85/2022-04 dated: 13.04.2022, referred three (03) posts (OM: 01, RBA: 01, SC: 01) of Assistant Professor Electronics, to the J&K Public Service Commission, for selection; and,

Whereas, the J&K Public Service Commission, vide Notification No. 06-PSC (DR-P) of 2023 dated: 01.03.2023, advertised the said posts; and,

Whereas, the Higher Education Department, again, vide letter No. HED-GAZ/85/2022-04 dated: 24.03.2023, referred five (05) posts, (OM: 04, ST: 01) of Assistant Professor Electronics to the J&K Public Service Commission for selection; and,

Whereas, the J&K Public Service Commission, vide Notification No. 17-PSC (DR-P) of 2023 dated: 15.05.2023, advertised the said posts; and,

Whereas, the written test was conducted on 27.08.2023 and the result thereof was declared vide Notification No. PSC/Exam/S/2023/74 dated: 03.11.2023. The viva-voce of the candidates was conducted on 7th November, 2023; and,

Whereas, the Commission, vide Notification No. 92-PSC (DR-S) of 2023 dated: 18.11.2023 notified the provisional Select List with a stipulation that the Select List is provisional, subject to objections, if any, to be received within five days; and,

Whereas in response, representations have been received from the following candidates:-

1. Mr. Mubashir Ahmad and others.
2. Mr. Umer Habib
3. Ms. Injela
4. Mr. Lavan Kumar

Whereas, the objections raised in the representations and their consideration is given here-in-under:


S.No.	Name of the representee	Objection	Remarks/disposal
1	1 Mubashir Ahmad and others	2 Applicants have stated that as per the eligibility criteria mentioned in the Notification No. 06-PSC(DR-P) of 2023 dated 01.03.2023 and 17-PSC(DR-P) of 2023 dated 15.05.2023, candidates possessing Master of Science (M.Sc) in Electronics are eligible for the post. However, many of candidates having M.Tech in Electronics and Communication Engineering had also applied for the said posts. As per the prescribed qualification mentioned in the notifications and as per the UGC criteria for selection of A.P in colleges, candidates possessing M.Tech degrees are not eligible for the Assistant Professor position in Higher Education Department. Candidates possessing M. Tech degrees feature in the said list which is clearly violating the guidelines from prescribed qualifications mentioned by UGC and JKPSC. Apart from this JKPSC has repeatedly rejected the candidature of M.Tech. candidates in the past. Moreover, all those degrees which had any conflict regarding equivalence was handled by higher education via its letter issued to JKPSC in 2019 vide letter number HED/GN/Gazetted/Equi/2018 dated 28.05.2019, in this letter there is no mention of any equivalence between M.Sc Electronics and M.Tech. Electronics and Communication Engineering. Apart from this, University of Kashmir and Cluster University Kashmir have clearly mentioned there is no	3 Out of Eight selected candidates, two candidates belonging to SC and ST Category are possessing M.Tech Degrees. As per the office Memorandum bearing No. AB.14017/44/2011-Estt.(RR) dated 5 th September,2013, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Department of Personnel and Training, New Delhi, M.Sc Electronics is equivalent to Bachelor degree in Engineering. Consequently, Master Degree in Engineering (M.Tech) in the said discipline is a superior qualification, as such has been considered relevant to the subject.

		<p>equivalence between M.Sc and M.Tech. electronics and Communication engineering.</p> <p>Moreover, the recently published provisional selection list for the appointment of assistant professor in Govt. College of Engineering and Technology J&K has clearly rejected the candidature of M.Sc Electronics candidates citing the reason as due to invalid qualification.</p> <p>They have requested to kindly look into the issue and make a clear distinction between the science and engineering candidates and reject the candidature of candidates possessing engineering degrees (B.Tech./M.Tech.) degrees which are reflected in the provisional selection list.</p>
02	Umer Habib	<p>The candidate has stated that he had applied for the post of A.P Electronics and hold the B.Sc and M.Sc Electronics. However, surprised to see two B. Tech. graduates from different engineering streams selected for the post. Clearly, these candidates possess qualifications that are not aligned with the requirements of the position. Specifically in the context of teaching B.Sc courses.</p> <p>As per the University Grants Commission (UGC) and All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) guidelines, individuals responsible for teaching undergraduate courses in higher education institutions should possess qualifications that are relevant to the subject matter as the pattern of these two courses is different in many aspects.</p> <p>The applicants has requested to consider rejecting the candidature of individuals whose qualifications do not align with the UGC and AICTE guidelines for teaching B.Sc courses in higher education institutions.</p>

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03	Lavan Kumar	<p>The candidate has stated that some candidates are selected for the post of A.P Electronics under SC/OM category does not possess the relevant qualification i.e Master in Electronics. The selected candidate possesses the M.Tech in Electronics and Communication Engineering which is not equivalent to Masters in Electronics</p> <p>He has requested to re-examine the selection list and provide the justice to the eligible candidates.</p>	
04	Injela	<p>The candidate has stated that she qualified the written test but her candidature status is shown as rejected in the select list and has requested to explain the reason of her rejection and also give her marks breakup.</p>	<p>The candidate has M.Tech. in Communication and Information Technology, which is not the relevant qualification for the post of AP Electronics, as per the method of recruitment prescribed by the Department.</p>

Now, therefore, the representations are disposed off, being devoid of any merit and are, hence, rejected.


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 Secretary

J&K, Public Service Commission

No: PSC/DR-HE/AP Electronics/2023

Dated: 8.04.2024

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