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Subject: Cancellation of selection/recommendation of Mr. Ab. Mateen Tantray for the post of Assistant Professor, Physics in Higher Education Department.

Notice

Dated: 12.06.2026

Whereas, Higher Education Department vide letter No. HED-Gaz/85/2022-04 dated 13.4.2022, referred 01 posts (OM-01) of Assistant Professor, Physics to the J&K Public Service Commission for selection of suitable candidates;

Whereas, these posts were notified vide advertisement Notification No. 06-PSC(DR-P) of 2023 dated 01.03.2023;

Whereas, subsequently, the Higher Education Department vide letter No. HE-Gaz/85/2022-04 dated 24.3.2023, referred again 28 posts (OM-13, SC=03, ST=03, ALC/IB=01, SLC=01, RBA=03, PSP=01 & EWS-03) of Assistant Professor (Physics) to the J & K PSC for selection of suitable candidates;

Whereas, these posts were notified vide advertisement Notification No. 17-PSC(DR-P) of 2023 dated 15.05.2023;

Whereas, the common written test of both notifications was conducted on 05.11.2023. The result of the written test was declared vide Notification No. PSC/Exam/S/2024/08 dated 01.04.2024;

Whereas, the interview/viva voce of candidates was conducted on 12th and 13th of August, 2024, with the assistance of expert from out side of the UT;

Whereas, the provisional select list for the post of A.P Physics was notified/published vide notification No. 29-PSC(DR-S) of 2024 dated 14.8.2024. The provisional selection list, also provided for inviting objections, if any, against the provisional selection select to be submitted within five days; and,

Whereas, 06 objections/ representations were received from aggrieved candidates against the provisional select list, out of which 05 representation were disposed off vide notice dated 01.10.2024. However, the representation received against one of the selected candidate and pertaining to the crediting of score for research publication(s) was examined and referred to the experts for opinion; and

Whereas, after examination of the representation and later counter representation, revised provisional select list was issued vide Notification No: 41-PSC(DR-S) of 2024 Dated: Dated: 23.12.2024 and subsequently

revised recommendations came to be issued vide Letter No: PSC/DR-HE/AP-Physics/2023 Dated: 24.12.2024 involving few changes in it restricted to OM Category; and

Whereas, a complaint was subsequently received alleging besides other things that one of the research papers for which Mr. Ab. Mateen Tantray awarded credit score under the component "Research Publications" was published after the prescribed cut-off date applicable to the selection process; and

Whereas, the matter was examined in the Commission and prima facie it was found factual and accordingly show cause notice Dated: 02.05.2025 was issued upon Mr. Ab. Mateen Tantray, affording him an opportunity to explain his position; and

Whereas, Mr. Ab. Mateen Tantray submitted his reply dated 30.05.2025, inter alia, contending that the research paper in question had been accepted for publication on 10.06.2023, i.e., prior to the cut-off date, and therefore deserved consideration for award of marks; and

Whereas, the reply submitted by Mr. Ab. Mateen Tantray, the records available on file, and the relevant provisions of the J&K Public Service Commission (Business & Procedure) Rules, 2021, as amended from time to time, have been carefully examined;

Whereas, Rule 45(i)(III)(i) of the J&K Public Service Commission (Business & Procedure) Rules, 2021 specifically provides that:

".....The research papers must have been published not later than the cut-off date for determination of eligibility."

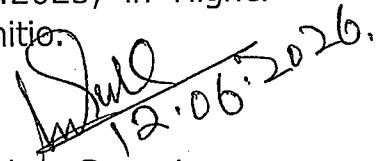
Whereas, the research paper titled "*Effect of Chromium (Cr)-Doping on Electrochemical Performance of Microwave Synthesized Hematite Nano Sheets for Super Capacitor Applications*" was published on 24.06.2023, whereas the applicable cut-off date was 16.06.2023;

Whereas, the Rules unequivocally require publication of the research paper by or before the cut-off date and do not provide for consideration of the date of acceptance for publication in lieu of the date of publication;

Whereas, the matter was placed with the Commission and Commission in its Meeting Dated:23.04.2026 in its decision at agenda item no 13.3 stated that the date of acceptance whether conditional or otherwise, has no relevance in the present matter in view of the explicit rule position. Consequently, the Commission decided to deduct 0.50 points awarded to Mr. Ab. Mateen Tantray under the head "Special Attribute" and accordingly his total merit shall be deemed to have been 55.77 points instead of revised 56.27 points; and

Whereas, after deducting 0.50 points, Mr. Ab. Mateen Tantray, having score is 55.77, which is below the cut of merit under OM category.

In view of above position, the selection/recommendation of Mr. Ab. Mateen Tantray S/o Gh. Nabi Tantray, R/o 164 Lona Pora Hef/Chitragam, for the post of Assistant Professor, Physics, in pursuance of Notification No. 17-PSC(DR-P) of 2023 dated 15.05.2023, in Higher Education Department is hereby cancelled/withdrawn ab initio.


12.06.2026.

Under Secretary
J&K, Public Service Commission

No:PSC/DR/AP Physics/HED /2023(7708597)

Dated: 12.06.2026

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2. I/C website.