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Subject: Charge-sheet against Mr. Rajeshwar Singh Jasrotia, IFS, for manipulation of ACRs – Inquiry thereof

Govt. Order No. 214 – FST of 2014
Dated : 07 . 07 . 2014

Whereas, a complaint was received in the Forest (Administrative) Department against Mr. Rajeshwar Singh Jasrotia, IFS, regarding manipulation of Annual Confidential Report (ACR) for the period 1989-90 by way of photocopying his ACR for the year 1988-89; and

Whereas, a copy of the ACRs for the year 1988-89 and 1989-90 was forwarded to Mr. Jagdish Kishwan, IFS, the then Principal Chief Conservators of Forests, who was the "Reporting Officer" in case of both these ACRs, in the capacity of the then Deputy Conservators of Forests, Forest Research Division, Jammu, for certifying the genuineness of these ACRs; and

Whereas, Mr. Kishwan stated that the over-all grading that he gave to the officer for the two years were different and not "outstanding" for each year and suggested that the original ACRs of the officer for the years in question may be scrutinized to confirm the genuineness of the matter; and

Whereas, on the basis of the report furnished by Mr. Jagdish Kishwan vide No. PCCF/PS/APRs/72/09 dated 29.12.2009, charge-sheet was served upon Mr. RS Jasrotia through Chief Conservator of Forests, Jammu, vide letter No. FST/Ser/44/2013 dated 20.08.2013 to which Mr. Jasrotia submitted his response; and

Whereas, subsequently vide Govt. Order No. 156-FST of 2014 dated 13.05.2014, Mr. Deepak Khanna, IFS, APCCF was appointed as Inquiry officer in terms of Rule 8 of All India Service (Discipline & Appeal) Rules, 1969 to enquire into the allegations of manipulation of ACRs by Mr. RS Jasrotia; and

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Whereas, the Inquiry Officer furnished his report vide No. PCCF/Estt/G/F-1345/2162 dated 12.06.2014 concluding therein that the position which emerged after scrutiny of the relevant records and pleadings made by RS Jasrotia, it was not possible to maintain the Articles of charge outlined in the Charge-sheet; and

Whereas; the Inquiry Officer accordingly recommended that the charges against Mr. RS Jasrotia regarding manipulation of ACRs for the year 1988-89 and 1989-90 may be dropped; and

Whereas, the Inquiry report submitted by Mr. Deepak Khanna, IFS, APCCF, has been examined and was accepted by the competent authority;

Now, therefore, the charges framed against Mr. Rajeshwar Singh Jasrotia, IFS, are hereby dropped and the case against him closed.

By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-
(Muhammad Afzal) IAS
Secretary to Government
Department of Forest, Environment & Ecology

No. FST/Ser/44/2014 **Dated: 07 . 07 . 2014**

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1) **Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, J&K, Srinagar.**
2) **Mr. RS Jasrotia, IFS, CF Projects.**
3) **OSD with Hon'ble Minister for Forests.**
4) **Private Secretary to Secretary to Government, Department of Forest, Environment & Ecology.**
5) **P.A. to Special Secretary to Government, Department of Forest, Environment & Ecology.**
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