



Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir
Social Welfare Department
Civil Secretariat J&K

Subject: Alleged misconduct of Shri Yudhvir Singh, Juvenile Justice Board, Member, Udhampur.

Ref: MD/ICPS/ADM/05/2018/1374 dated 31.08.2023 from Mission Director, Mission Vatsalya, J&K.

Government Order No. 253-JK(SWD) of 2023
D a t e d: 07.12.2023

Whereas, Shri Yudhvir Singh S/o Mr. Suraj Singh R/o H.No. 856, Jail Road Udhampur was appointed as Member, Juvenile Justice Board in District Udhampur vide S.O No. 206 dated 13.04.2023;

Whereas, as reported by the Mission Director, Mission Vatsalya J&K vide letter No. MS/SC/76/2022/1052-1057 dated 19.07.2023, Shri Yudhvir Singh was deputed to Mohali to attend the Induction Training Programme organized by National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development w.e.f 3rd July, 2023 to 15 July 2023;

Whereas, it came to fore that during the said training at Mohali, Shri Yudhvir Singh was irregular in attending class sessions and on visit to his room he was found in inebriated condition and unable to respond to the visiting team of the above said institute;

Whereas, Shri Yudhvir Singh has also worked as Member, Child Welfare Committee, Udhampur, prior to his appointment as Member, JJB and during the said period, the Member was served explanation for his immoral and unethical misconduct. However, the department took lenient view by serving warning being a first time offence;

Whereas, it has come to the fore that the Member attended the office till 24.06.2023 after which he has remained un-authorizedly absent from his duties i.e. more than 5 months;

Whereas, the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 stresses upon the care and protection of Children in Conflict by catering to their basic needs through proper care, protection, development, treatment and social re-integration and rehabilitation through processes provided, and institutions and bodies established with in the Act;

Whereas, Shri Yudhvir Singh, Member Juvenile Justice Board has failed to maintain absolute honesty and integrity in discharging his duties and thus acted in a manner unbecoming of a member of the board;

Whereas, sub-section 7(ii) & (iv) of Section 4 of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2020 states that the appointment of any member of the Board, except the Principal Magistrate, may be terminated after holding an inquiry if he:

(ii) fails to attend the proceedings of the Board consecutively for three months without any valid reason

(iv) becomes ineligible under sub-section (4) during his term as a member.

Whereas, Sub-Section 4 (iv) of Section 4 of the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2020 provides that no person shall be eligible for selection as a member of the Board, if he - " has ever indulged in child abuse or employment of child labour or any other violation of human rights or immoral act.";

Whereas, Shri Yudhvir Singh was accordingly provided with an opportunity of being heard by Mission Director, Mission Vatsalya, J&K vide letter No. MS/SC/76/2022/1590-1596 dated 06.10.2023 and the reply so submitted by him was examined and found unsatisfactory/unjustified and devoid of merit;

Whereas, MD, Mission Vatsalya, J&K has further recommended for termination of the services of Shri Yudhvir Singh Member, JJB as the official being irresponsible towards his duties cannot be allowed to work in institutes where issue as sensitive as children in conflict with law and children in need of care and protection is dealt with



and where vulnerable children including girl children including POSCO cases visit.

Now, therefore, keeping in view of above, it is ordered that in terms of sub-section 7 (ii) & (iv) of Section 4 of The Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015, the services of Shri Yudhvir Singh as Member, Juvenile Justice Board, District Udhampur are hereby terminated with immediate effect.

By Order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-

Sheetal Nanda, IAS
Commissioner/Secretary to the Government
Social Welfare Department

No: SWD-ICPS/30/2021

Dated: 07/12/2023

Copy to the:

1. Joint Secretary (J&K), Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.
2. Mission Director, Mission Vatsalya, J&K.
3. District Social Welfare Officer, Udhampur.
4. Concerned.
5. Pvt Secretary to the Commissioner/Secretary to the Government, Social Welfare Deptt.
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