

# No.SOR-III(S&GAD)2-8/2018 GOVERNMENT OF THE PUNJAB SERVICES & GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT (REGULATIONS WING)

Dated Lahore the 29th October, 2019

To

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- 1. The Secretary to Governor of the Punjab.
- 2. The Secretary to Chief Minister, Punjab.
- The Senior Member, Board of Revenue, Punjab.
- 4. The Registrar, Lahore High Court, Lahore.
- All Administrative Secretaries in the Punjab.
- 6. All Commissioners in the Punjab.
- The Chairman, Chief Minister's Inspection Team, Lahore.
- All Heads of Attached Departments in the Punjab.
- All Heads of Autonomous Bodies in the Punjab.
- The Registrar, Punjab Service Tribunal, Lahore.
- 11. The Secretary, office of the Provincial Ombudsman, Punjab, Lahore.
- The Secretary, Punjab Public Service Commission, Lahore.
- 13. All Deputy Commissioners in the Punjab.
- 14. The Secretary, TEVTA, Lahore.

#### SUBJECT:

APPOINTMENTS UNDER RULE 17-A OF THE PUNJAB CIVIL SERVANTS (APPOINTMENT & CONDITIONS OF SERVICE) RULES, 1974 ON REGULAR BASIS – IMPLEMENTATION OF LHC'S JUDGMENT DATED 20.09.2019

Kindly refer to the subject noted above.

- In case of a civil servant who dies while in service or is declared invalidated / incapacitated for further service, one of his unemployed children or widow / wife is to be employed under Rule 17-A of the Punjab Civil Servants (Appointment & Conditions of Service) Rules, 1974, which enunciates as under:-
  - "(i) Given 10 additional marks in the aggregate by the Punjab Public Service Commission or by the relevant Selection Board or Committee provided he/she qualifies in the test / examination and / or interview for posts in BS-6"
  - (ii) Provided a job against posts in BS-1 to 11 in the department / office in which the deceased government servant was working, without observance of formalities prescribed under the rules / procedure, provided such child or the widow / wife is otherwise eligible for the post."
- 3. The issue regarding admissibility of benefit of job under Rule 17-A of the rules ibid on regular basis remained under litigation in courts of law. The Hon'ble Lahore High Court, Lahore while allowing Writ Petition No.51484/2019, has directed the Government as under:-

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"to regularize the services of all the employees who were appointed granting the benefit of Rule 17-A of the Punjab Civil Servants (Appointment & Conditions of Service) Rules, 1974, forthwith irrespective, whether they have completed three / four years' service or not as their contract employment after

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2009 was unlawful obviously, they had to be appointed on regular basis. It is also directed that in future, all the appointments under Rule 17-A ibid shall be made on regular basis."

4 Accordingly, the Chief Minister, Punjab has been pleased to approve that the order of Hon'ble Lahore High Court, Lahore dated 20.09.2019 may be implemented and a circular letter in this regard may be issued to all concerned for compliance.

5. The above instructions may kindly be implemented in letter & spirit.

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Deputy Secretary (Regulations), S&GAD

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 All officers in the S&GAD.

