



Government of Jammu and Kashmir
ARI and Trainings Department
Civil Secretariat, J&K

- Subject: Appointment of "Driver" in the ARI & Trainings Department, Divisional Cadre Kashmir, advertised by the JKSSB vide Notification No. 05 of 2020 dated 24.12.2020, under Item No.164.
- Reference: (i) J&K Service Selection Board's recommendation letter No. JKSSB/Scry/7/2023-03 (E-7259835) dated 11.01.2024.
- (ii) General Administration Department's U.O No. GAD-CORD/84/2024 dated 25.07.2024.
- (iii) Satisfactory character and antecedents report received from the Special Director General, CID, J&K vide Form No. 109545 dated 03.08.2024.

Government Order No. 43-JK (ARI &Trgs) of 2024
Dated: 20.11.2024

Whereas, the Department vide letter No. ARI/SP/14/2024 dated 29.09.2020 referred necessary indents to the Jammu and Kashmir, Service Selection Board for recruitment/selection of various posts including the post of driver (01); and

Whereas, In the meantime, the Department of erstwhile Stationery & Office Supplies, J&K has been winded up vide Government Order No. 15-JK (ARI & Trgs) of 2022 dated 27.06.2022 pursuant to the Administrative Council Decision No. 78/6/2022 dated 08.06.2022; and

Whereas, the Jammu and Kashmir Service Selection Board vide letter No. JKSSB-Scry/7/2023-03 (E-7259835) dated 11.01.2024 had forwarded the necessary select list along-with recommendation for selection of appointment of Driver; and

Whereas, As per the said select list, Sh. Hilal Ahmad Badyari, S/o Mehraj-ud-Din Badyari R/o House No. 71, Ward No. 04, Hallmulla, Bijebhehera, Anantnag was selected as Driver under OM category under item No. 164, Kashmir Division; and


Whereas, formal appointment orders could not be issued due to the winding up of the Department of Stationery & Office Supplies, J&K and accordingly, the matter was taken up with the General Administration Department for necessary advice/suggestion. In turn, the General Administration Department has returned the file vide U.O No. GAD-MTGORBIV/38/2024-09-GAD (E-7407274) dated 06.03.2024 with the following suggestions:

"Returned: *The matter has been examined in the department and it has been observed that the ARI & Trainings Department ought to have withdrawn the indent from JKSSB immediately as a sequel to Government Order No. 15-JK (ARI & Trgs) of 2022 dated 27.06.2022 whereunder Directorate of Stationery and Office Supplies, J&K has been winded-up. However, in order to rectify the oversight made by the ARI & Trainings Department and to provide the candidate with the opportunity he has earned through the defined regular process of recruitment conducted by JKSSB, the department is advised to consider appointment of Mr. Hilal Ahmad Badyari, S/o Mehraj ud Din Badyari R/o House No. 71 Ward No. 04, Hallmulla, Bijebehera, Anantnag against the post of Driver under OM category recommended by the Services Selection Board conveyed vide No. JKSSB-PLAN/25/2022-03 dated 10.03.2023, against an available vacant post under direct recruitment quota in any other subordinate office of the Administrative Department, with the prior approval of the competent authority".*

Whereas, the Department vide letter No. ARI-Gen/2/2024-01 dated 15.03.2024 taken up the matter with Government Press Jammu/Srinagar and requested to provide the details of the posts of Driver in Direct Recruitment Quota in their office which may be vacant and are not referred to the recruiting agencies and is free from all encumbrances for considering the appointment of the selected/recommended candidate, in case no post of Driver is vacant, the post in identical pay scale may be identified; and

Whereas, both the General Managers have intimated this department that no post of Driver is available either at Ranbir Government Press, Jammu or Government Press, Srinagar. However, General Manager, Government Press, Srinagar vide letter No. GPS/Estt/358/24 dated 26.03.2024 has identified one post of Assistant Operator in the Identical Pay Level -2 (19900-63200) and not been referred to any agency; and

Whereas, the matter has again taken up with the General Administration Department vide OM No. ARI-Gen/2/2024-01 (7394124) dated 12.04.2024 with the request to allow the department to consider appointment of the selected candidate as Assistant Operator in the Pay Level-2 (19900-63200) on exceptional grounds, as by and large the incumbent meets the laid down eligibility criteria; and

**Whereas,** the General Administration Department vide OM No. GAD-MTG0RBIV/38/2024 dated 03rd May, 2024, has returned the Departmental proposal and advised as under:

".... and to convey that the department may consider the creation of one post of Driver in Government press Srinagar by corresponding abolition of one available vacant post of Assistant Operator, after seeking concurrence of Finance Department. Consequent the said action, the Department may submit a coordination proposal for consideration of the competent authority for appointment of the Mr.

