**IN THE LAHORE HIGH COURT, LAHORE**

**In Re:**

**W.P. No. 11040/2012**

Farhan Mehmood, Computer Operator, Punjab Medical Faculty (Petitioner)

**……….Petitioner**

VERSUS

1. Secretary Health, Government of Punjab
2. Secretary, Punjab Medical Faculty, etc

**……….Respondents**

**REPORT/ PARAWISE COMMENTS ON BELALF OF RESPONDENTS NO. 1 & 2**

**Report**

Respectfully Sheweth;

The Punjab Medical Faculty (PMF) is an autonomous organization established under Medical & Dental Degree Ordinance 1982. It performs its functions through a Governing Body which consists of 11 members which are appointed either by virtue of office and designation or by name by the Government of the Punjab.

The followings are the functions of the Punjab Medical Faculty:

1. Standardize all levels of education for different categories of Allied Health Professionals
2. Recognize and regulate the training institutions
3. Conduct examinations for basic courses of study
4. Confer, award or issue diplomas and certificates

The write petition in reference is about the function No. 2 of the PMF. The PMF has the exclusive jurisdiction for affiliation, registration and recognition of the training institutions imparting basic education in Allied Health Sciences.

1. set standards and scoring criteria for affiliation of training institutions in the Public & Private sectors.
2. Delineate admission criteria including minimum required education, age limit and the other pre-requisites.
3. Perform continuous monitoring over the training institutions and penalized or disaffiliate institutions not adhering to standards.
4. The Governing Body of PMF has constituted some committees from amongst its members for specific purposes and to delineate their terms of reference. One of these committees is Affiliation Committee, the functions of which are :
5. Define criteria and procedures for granting affiliation to institutions of Allied Health Sciences Education
6. Undertake scrutiny of applications for affiliation and short list them for inspection
7. Constitute inspection teams and approve their tour plan
8. Grant affiliation, or otherwise, in the light of the inspection reports
9. Approve disaffiliation of an institution in case of violation of affiliation criteria
10. Decide upon technical and administrative issues pertaining to affiliated institutions
11. Consider such other matters as the president of the faculty may think necessary to refer to it

Appeals against the decisions of the Affiliation Committee are made before the Governing Body.

**Parawise Comments**

1. Matter of Record
2. Correct
3. The institute (Shahabal Paramedical Institute) was granted conditional extension in affiliation on 28.10.2013 **(Annex-A)**.
4. The affiliation criteria was reviewed in 2013 and all the affiliated institutes including Shahabal Paramedical Institute which were already affiliated, were directed to prepare according to the revised affiliation criteria and apply again for continuation of affiliation **(Annex-B)**.
5. Matter of Record
6. The Petitioner’s Institute was inspected on 26.09.2013 and the inspection team did not recommend it for continuation of affiliation. However, in pursuance of the decision of the Governing Body, the institute was granted conditional affiliation with the condition that the institute will be re-inspected after sometime. The institute was revisited on 01.09.2014 and the inspection team reported the following deficiencies/ irregularities:
7. No evidence of
8. As above at para 6.

It is further pointed out that it is clearly mentioned in the appointment letter of Mr. Farhan Mehmood at Sr. No.2 of the Terms and Conditions that he can be terminated without assigning any reason. Further, the reason of termination after expiry of contract period is clearly mentioned in the order. After the termination of his contract, Mr. Farhan Mehmood submitted an application to the Competent Authority for personal hearing on 10.05.2012 (copy attached at **Annex-N**). The Competent Authority vide letter No. SO(G-II)11-15/12 dated 16.04.2013 directed Mr. Farhan Mehmood to appear before the Additional Secretary (Establishment), Health Department on 23.04.2013 in connection with personal hearing. The letter was sent at his home address through TCS and on tracking it was confirmed that the said letter was received by Mst. Atia Begum on 20.04.2013. Mr. Farhan Mehmood did not appear before the Authority for personal hearing and it was confirmed by another letter issued by Mr. Maqbool Ahmad Chohan, Section Officer (G-II) of Health Department vide letter No. SO(G-II)11-15/2012 dated 24.04.2013 (All copies attached at **Annex-O**). It is therefore evident that that Mr. Farhan Mehmood deliberately missed the chance of personal hearing inspite of being informed well in time.

In the light of the report/ parawise comments given above, it is most respectfully prayed

that the instant writ petition, which is neither maintainable nor merit any consideration, may kindly be dismissed.

**DR. AHSAN MAHMOOD GONDAL**

**REGISTRAR**

PUNJAB MEDICAL FACULTY

ON BEHALF OF RESPONDENDENT NO. 1& 2