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Subject: Representation against the provisional Select List for the post of Lecturer, Oral and Dental Pathology (IGGDC, Jammu), in H&ME Department- Disposal thereof.

NOTICE

Dated: 24.05.2023

Whereas, among others, 01 post, under Open category, of Lecturer, Oral and Dental Pathology (IGGDC, Jammu), in H&ME Department, was advertised vide Notification No. 16-PSC (DR-P) of 2022 dated 12.07.2022; **and,**

Whereas, the interview of the candidates, was conducted on 01.03.2023 with the assistance of experts; **and,**

Whereas, the Provisional Select List was issued vide Notification No. 08-PSC (DR-S) of 2023 dated 03.03.2023; **and,**

Whereas, on the basis of the performance in the interview in pursuance of Rule 44 of the J&K Public Service Commission (Business & Procedure) Rules, 2021 and other related parameters, Dr. Pradakshana Vijay D/o Vijay Kumar Dhar R/o H.No. 326N, Sector 2, Durga Nagar, Roop Nagar, Jammu having secured 76.50 points was provisionally selected against the said post under Open Merit; **and,**

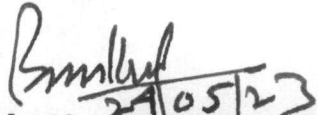
Whereas, a joint representation from Dr. Ashanka Bhardwaj and Dr. Ettishree and another representation from Dr. Nidhi Khajuria through Advocates M/s. Johal & Associates, was received against the Provisional Select List, alleging bias by one of the experts, namely, Dr. Akshay Bhargava in the selection of Dr Pradakshana Vijay, on the ground that the selected candidate and Dr. Bhargava were good friends. In support of their claim they had enclosed social media posts/ photos and screen shots of exchange of greetings between the two; **and,**

Whereas, the matter was taken up with Dr. Akshay Bhargava vide letter dated 10.05.2023 for seeking his comments viz-a-viz the allegations. In response, Dr. Bhargava vide letter dated 15.05.2023 has denied the allegations and has clarified that he does not know Dr. Pradakhsana Vijay as any close friend or a family member except that as a senior faculty participating in various conferences and workshops get to meet seniors and juniors, and sometime the photograph are requested by certain youngsters as a part of goodwill. She may be a part of group of friends in social media where one comes to know and acknowledge various wishes just as a courtesy. Further, no marks has been awarded due to any bias of any of the members

and the marks have been awarded strictly on the basis of replies given by the candidates to the Board; **and,**

Whereas, the Interview Board comprised 03 more members in addition to Dr. Akshay Bhargava, hence the allegation does not stand ground.

Now, therefore, in view of above, the claim of the representees being devoid of any merit is hereby considered and rejected.


(Bashir Ahmad Dar) JKAS
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No.PSC/DR/ Lect/IGGDC/H&ME/2022 (Part-File)

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