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Subject: Provisional Select List for the post of Assistant Professor, Economics, in Higher Education Department – disposal of representation thereof.

### NOTICE

**Dated: 16.10.2023**

Whereas, Higher Education Department, vide letter No. HE/Coll/Coord/Apptt/A.P./2021 dated: 05.07.2021 and HED-GAZ/85/2022-04 dated: 13.04.2022, referred fourteen (14) posts (OM: 07, RBA: 02, SC: 01, ST: 01, EWS: 01, ALC/IB: 01, PSP: 01) of Assistant Professor (Economics) to the J&K Public Service Commission, for selection; and,

Whereas, the J&K Public Service Commission, vide Notification No. 06-PSC (DR-P) of 2023 dated: 01.03.2023, advertised the said posts; and,

Whereas, again, vide letter No. HED-GAZ/85/2022-04 dated: 24.03.2023, the Higher Education Department, referred eight (08) posts (OM: 03, SC: 01, ST: 01, SLC: 01, RBA: 01, EWS: 01) of Assistant Professor (Economics) to the JUK Public Service Commission for selection; and,

Whereas, the J&K Public Service Commission, vide Notification No. 17-PSC (DR-P) of 2023 dated: 15.05.2023, advertised the said posts; and,

Whereas, the written test was conducted on 27.08.2023 and the result of the written test was declared vide Notification No. PSC/Exam/S/2023/51 dated: 12.09.2023; and,

Whereas, the viva-voce of the candidates was conducted on 18th and 19th of September, 2023; and,

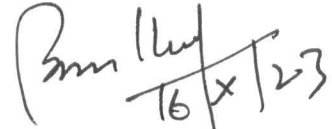
Whereas, the Select List was provisional, subject to objections, if any, which were to be received within five days; and,

Whereas, one representation has been received from Mr. Umer Mukhtar against the Provisional Select List, wherein he has stated that in final answer key he has secured 50.46 points (86.50 marks), but the final selection list reflects only 49.73 points (85.25 marks). The question number 24 (series C) has been declared wrong due to trivial slight filling (roughly 10%) of extra circle in the OMR Sheet otherwise the correct (answer) circle is completely filled. He further states that he has the

attributes of both NET and SET, but he has been awarded only 02 points in the final selection list; and,

Whereas, the OMR Sheets are scanned through OMR Scanner and tinkering with any circle in the OMR Sheet, the OMR Scanner would read it as an option chosen by the candidate. This would mean that the candidate has chosen two options instead of one, as such, the scanner will treat it as a wrong answer. Further, as per rules, 02 points have been awarded for higher side i.e. NET as such, award of points for SET are not admissible.

Now, therefore, the representation is disposed of, being devoid of any merit, and is rejected.



(Bashir Ahmad Dar) JKAS  
Secretary

J&K, Public Service Commission

Dated: 16.10.2023

No: PSC/DR-HE/Assistant Prof/2023

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