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PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY OF THE PUNJAB REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PRIVILEGES REGARDING PRIVILEGE MOTION NO. 26/2014 MOVED BY CH GHULAM MURTAZA, MPA (PP-283)

Privilege Motion No.26/2014 moved by Ch Ghulam Murtaza, MPA (PP-283) (Annexed) was referred to the Committee on Privileges on 22 October 2014. The Committee considered the Privilege Motion in its meetings held on 11 & 20 November 2014, 14 January and 18 March 2015.

2. The following attended –

1. Chaudhary Muhammad Iqbal, MPA (PP-98)	Chairman
2. Rana Abdul Sattar Khan, MPA (PP-124) (attended on 11 November 2014)	Member
3. Ms Sameena Noor, MPA (PP-185) (attended on 20 November 2014 and 18 March 2015)	Member
4. Haji Ehsan-ud-Din Qureshi, MPA (PP-197)	Member
5. Mr Mehdi Abbas Khan, MPA (PP-205) (attended on 14 January and 18 March 2015)	Member
6. Syed Hussain Jahania Gardezi, MPA (PP-213) (attended on 11 November 2014, 14 January and 18 March 2015)	Member
7. Mr Muhammad Arshad Khan Lodhi, MPA (PP-223) (attended on 11 & 20 November 2014 and 18 March 2015)	Member
8. Sardar Muhammad Jamal Khan Laghari, MPA (PP-245) (attended on 18 March 2015)	Member
9. Rais Muhammad Mehboob Ahmed, MPA (PP-289) (attended on 11 November 2014 and 18 March 2015)	Member
10. Mr Ahmad Shah Khagga, MPA (PP-229) (attended on 11 & 20 November 2014 and 18 March 2015)	Member
11. Ch Ghulam Murtaza, MPA (PP-283) (attended on 11 & 20 November 2014 and 18 March 2015)	Mover

3. Rana Hasan Akhtar, Additional Secretary (School), Schools Education Department, Mr Mohsin Bukhari, Deputy Director, Law & Parliamentary Affairs Department, Punjab attended the meetings as Expert Advisors. Hafiz Muhammad Shafiq Adil, Special Secretary, Provincial Assembly of the Punjab functioned as Secretary to the Committee.

4. The Additional Secretary Schools Education Department apprised the Committee that the inquiry report regarding the illegal cutting and an auction of 307 trees in vicinity of Government Boys High School, Haroonabad had been completed. The concerned Head Master of the said school was found guilty, consequently Departmental action would be taken against him accordingly. However, the issue regarding the misbehavior of Mr Muhammad Javed Muzaffar Iqbal Chishti, EDO (Education), Bahawalnagar with the Mover could not yet be settled. He also pointed out the casual behavior and poor performance of the EDO regarding the issue mentioned in the said Privilege Motion.

5. The EDO (Education) Bahawalnagar rebutted the allegations leveled against him and said that he had great honour for the Mover and all the elected representatives. However, he admitted that he had advised the Mover that he should not submit Assembly Question before completion of departmental inquiry at District level regarding the said issue. He also stated that some of their friends were trying to settle the said issue. He beseeched for some time for the same.

6. Syed Hussain Jahania Gardezi, MPA pointed out that the conduct and action of the EDO had breached the privilege of honourable Mover. All other Members of the Committee also endorsed the same. The Chairman pointed out that honourable MPA has prerogative in submitting Assembly Question before finalisation of departmental inquiry.

7. Ch Ghulam Murtaza MPA/Mover said that he had submitted a Question in the Assembly Secretariat regarding the illegal cutting & auction of 307 trees in Government Boys High School, Haroonabad. On 15 October 2014 EDO Education, District Bahawalnagar made a call to me and asked about the submission of Assembly Question. During the conversation, the EDO in a rude behaviour, said that why he had submitted the Assembly Question? I had no time to give reply of such question. After some time he again contacted me and dictated to withdraw the Assembly Question. He had asked me to come to his office for the solution of the issue. The attitude and body language of the EDO Education had breached his Privilege. At that time more than four months had been elapsed but the EDO had not allocated any time to meet and negotiate with him to resolve the issue.

8. Sardar Muhamad Jamal Khan Lagari, MPA, Syed Hussain Jahanian Gardezi, MPA, Muhammad Arshad Khan Lodhi, MPA Mr Mehdi Abbas Khan, MPA also showed their great concern and stated that the attitude of the EDO was highly lamenting & condemnable. He had tried to linger on the issue for point scoring.


9. The Committee, after hearing the Mover, Members, EDO (Education), Bahawalnagar (accused officer) and discussing various points found that EDO (Education) Bahawalpur had hindered the Hon'able MPA/Mover in performing his duties as public representative of the masses of the constituency PP-283 which was not expected from a responsible officer. All the members of the Committee on Privileges irrespective of their party affiliations found that EDO (Education) was guilty of breach of privilege and expressed their great concern over the breach of privilege of the Hon'able MPA/Mover. The Committee has, unanimously, recommended that Dr Muhammad Javaid Muzaffar Iqbal, EDO (Education), Bahawalnagar be transferred from District Bahawalnagar immediately and he may not be assigned any duty of an Administrative nature post in future during tenure of this Assembly.

10. The Committee, unanimously, decided to recommend to the Assembly that the Privilege Motion may be treated as disposed of, being not pressed by the Mover.

Lahore
18 March, 2015

CHAUDHARY MUHAMMAD IQBAL
Chairman
Committee on Privileges

Lahore
18 March, 2015


(RAI MUMTAZ HUSSAIN BABAR)
Secretary

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چودھری غلام مرتضیٰ:

میں حال ہی میں وقوع پذیر ہونے والے ایک اہم اور فوری مسئلہ کو زیر بحث لانے کیلئے تحریک استحقاق پیش کرتا ہوں جو اسمبلی کی فوری دخل اندازی کا متقاضی ہے۔ معاملہ یہ ہے کہ گورنمنٹ بوائز ہائی سکول ہارون آباد میں کچھ ماہ قبل 307 درخت جن میں تقریباً 290 درخت سرسبز تھے کو بغیر حکمانہ اجازت کے کاٹ دیا اور فروخت کر دیا گیا۔ اس بابت میں نے سوال اسمبلی سیکرٹریٹ میں جمع کروایا تھا۔ 15 اکتوبر 2014 کی دوپہر EDO بہاولنگر نے مجھے فون کیا اور پوچھا کہ میں نے درختوں کی کٹائی کے متعلق اسمبلی میں سوال جمع کروایا ہے۔ جس کا میں نے اثبات میں جواب دیا۔ اس کے بعد ای ڈی او صاحب نے مجھے سخت لہجے میں کہا کہ مجھے یہ سوال جمع نہیں کرانا چاہئے تھا۔ دیکھیں جو لیکچر مجھے بھیجا گیا ہے اس میں لکھا ہے کہ دو دن کے اندر جواب جمع کرواؤں۔ میں نے پورا ضلع چلانا ہے نہ کہ سوالوں کے جواب لکھتا پھروں اور جو جواب میں لکھ کر بھیجوں گا آپ کو بڑی تکلیف ہوگی۔

جناب والا! میں نامناسب رویہ کی وجہ سے پریشان ہوا کیونکہ میں نے تو ای ڈی او صاحب سے جواب نہیں مانگا تھا۔ اور پھر اس کال کے 3 گھنٹے بعد ای ڈی او صاحب نے دوبارہ کال کر کے پوچھا کیا سوچا آپ نے؟ میں نے جواب دیا کہ چار ماہ پہلے میں نے سوال جمع کروایا تھا۔ ای ڈی او صاحب نے مجھے Dictate کرتے ہوئے کہا کہ سوال واپس لے کر مجھ سے رابطہ کرو اور پھر اس کا حل سوچتے ہیں اور یہ آپ کل ہی کریں۔ اس کے بعد میرے دفتر آجائیں اور ہم اس کو بیٹھ کے دیکھ لیں گے۔ جناب عالی! میں نے ای ڈی او صاحب کی گفتگو من و عن تحریر کی ہے۔ بحیثیت رکن اسمبلی میرا حق اور ذمہ داری ہے کہ کسی محکمہ کے متعلق سوال جمع کروا سکتا ہوں۔ ای ڈی او صاحب نے مجھے میرے بنیادی فریضہ سے روکتے ہوئے انتہائی نامناسب لہجہ اختیار کیا۔ جس سے میرا استحقاق مجروح ہوا ہے۔ لہذا میری اس تحریک کو ایوان میں پیش کرنے کی اجازت دی جائے اور اسے باضابطہ قرار دیتے ہوئے مجلس استحقاقات کے سپرد کیا جائے۔

لاہور

رائے ممتاز حسین بابر

20 اکتوبر 2014

سیکرٹری

21 اکتوبر 2014