OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTIONS (S. E.) PUNJAB, S.A.S. NAGAR.

Complex Punjab School Education Board Building, Phase 8, S.A.S. Nagar. (Establishment – 1 Branch)

Order No. 11/67-2015 Amla-1 Dated, S.A.S. Nagar, the: 18.07.2016.

The Masters and Mistresses of various streams working in the Department of School Education were promoted to the posts of Lecturers in various subjects and different office orders bearing No. 11/67-2015 Amla-1/, dated 3.7.2016 were issued to that effect. Consequently, the process for allocating place of postings to the promoted Masters/Mistresses was started commencing from 11.7.2016 and promoted employees were given choice of stations. During the said process stations were allocated to the promoted employees and necessary orders to this effect were passed individually and collectively vide various office orders and some of promoted employees might have joined at the place of their posting. The said promotions made to the posts of Lecturers in various subjects were challenged by Baldev Singh and others by filing CWP No. 13563 of 2016. The said writ petition came up for hearing on 14.7.2016, when the Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court passed the following operative order:-

"On asking of the Court, Mr. Vaibhav Sharma, Deputy Advocate General, Punjab accepts notice and prays for time to file reply.

Learned Counsel for the petitioners undertakes to furnish requisite number of copies of petition to the learned State Counsel during the course of the day.

Since the department itself is seeking clarification and the implementation of the promotion orders would entail unnecessary burden upon the State Exchequer, it is deemed appropriate to stay the operation of the impugned promotion orders (P-13 collectively).

Accordingly, the operation of the impugned orders (P-13 collectively) shall remain stayed till the next date of hearing".

When it came to the notice of pronouncement of the said order by the Hon'ble Court, without awaiting the copy of the said order, the process for allocating place of postings of the promoted employees by way of choice of station was stopped immediately. However, in order to mitigate hardship likely to be faced by those who have already joined at the place of their postings, they shall remain posted at their present place of posting but in their own pay and scale meant for Masters/Mistresses till further orders. In order to implement the above said order of Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court, it is hereby ordered that the promotions made to the posts of Lecturers of various subjects in the month of July, vide various office orders, shall remain kept in abeyance till further orders. The employees who have already joined at the places of posting following promotion orders shall not be treated to have been promoted to the post of Lecturers and their pay shall be drawn in the pay scales meant for Masters and Mistresses.

(Balbir Singh Dhol)

Director of Public Instruction (S.E.) Punjab.

Endst. No. Even, Dated, SAS Nagar, the: 18.7.2016

A copy of the above is sent to the following for information and necessary action:-

All the Circle/District Education Officers in the State of Punjab. These orders may kindly be implemented in its letters and spirit.

Assistant Director (S.A.-I)