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GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
PANCHAYAT AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (B) DEPARTMENT
JANATA BHAWAN DISPUR::: GUWAHATI – 06

Dated Dispur,31-05-2024

ORDER

ECF No. 234857/DFA/522597: Whereas, vide letter No.CPRD/P/185/2021/221, dated 07/10/2022, the Commissioner, Panchayat & Rural Development, Assam filed a complaint against Shri Manoj Kr. Barman, Assistant Development Commissioner, O/o the Commissioner, Panchayat & Rural Development, Assam and the then i/c Block Development Officer, Madhupur Development Block, Nalbari stating that the officer had used derogatory words against the Government in an official '*Whatsapp*' Group of BDOs regarding a decision to modify the scheduled date of launching of the 'Indira Miri-One Time Financial Assistance Scheme'; and

Whereas, in one of his earlier visit to the O/o the Commissioner, Panchayat & Rural Development, Assam in the month of November, 2020; the officer had displayed his licensed weapon inside the office premises and thus vitiated the peaceful working environment for which he had been called in person to the Commissionerate seeking explanation for his unruly behaviour; and

Whereas, there were instances where he had exhibited his ill temperament and used un-parliamentary words against the senior Government officials during a call made from the Call Centre of the Commissionerate; and

Whereas, vide No.E 234857/DFA/84331, dated 18-11-2022, the officer was placed under suspension as per provision under Rule 6 (1) of the Assam Services (Discipline & Appeal) Rules, 1964; and

Whereas, a show cause notice was served to Shri Manoj Kr. Barman, Assistant Development Commissioner, P&RD and the then i/c BDO, Madhupur Dev Block, Nalbari vide ECF No.235857/7, dated 27-01-2023 and the officer submitted his written reply to the Show Cause notice vide letter dated 23/02/2023; and

Whereas, vide ECF No. 234857/DFA/279379, dated 07-08-2023, the Delinquent Officer was re-instated in service as Assistant Development Commissioner, O/o the Commissioner, Panchayat & Rural Development, Assam and his services were attached in the O/o the Chief Executive Officer, Karimganj as i/c Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Karimganj; and in a subsequent modification of the earlier re-instatement order, the services of the officer was attached in the O/o the Chief Executive Officer, Darrang, i/c

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Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Darrang vide ECF No.234857/DFA/380596, dated 02-11-2023; and

Whereas, as per Enquiry Report dated 08-01-2024, it is established that the D.O. had criticized the decision of the superior Govt. authority and deliberately passed it through social media thereby creating resentment amongst the Govt. officials as it appeared to malign and defame the decision of the superior Govt. authority; and

Whereas, the Enquiry Report was furnished to the D.O. for objections / comments wherein the latter denied charges leveled against him and instead prayed for disposing of the Departmental Proceeding; and

Whereas, as per provisions of the Assam Services (Disciplinary & Appeal) Rules, 1964, the file was moved to Assam Public Service Commission, Assam wherein it was agreed to the Govt's decision of imposing penalty upon the Delinquent Officer (D.O); and

Accordingly, the Governor of Assam is pleased to dispose of the DP drawn against Shri Manoj Kr Barman, Assistant Development Commissioner, Panchayat & Rural Development and the then i/c BDO, Madhupur Dev Block, Nalbari by imposing a penalty of withholding of one increment without cumulative effect as per provision laid under Rule 7(ii) of the Assam Services (Discipline and Appeal) Rules, 1964.

The period spent under suspension is to be treated as on duty for all purposes.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Assam,

Signed by

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Date: 31-05-2024 15:10:52

Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Panchayat & Rural Development Department.

Memo ECF No. 234857/DFA/522597-A

Dated Dispur, 31-05-2024

Copy to :-

1. The Accountant General (A&E), Assam, Maidamgaon, Beltola, Guwahati – 29.
2. The Commissioner, Panchayat and Rural Development, Assam, Panjabari, Guwahati – 37.
3. The District Commissioner, Kamrup/Darrang/Nalbari.
4. The Chief Executive Officer, Kamrup/Darrang/Nalbari.
5. The Block Development Officer, Madhupur Development Block, Nalbari.
6. The Treasury Officer,
7. The O.S.D to the Hon'ble Minister, P&RD, Assam, Dispur, Guwahati.
8. P.S. to the Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, P&RD Department, Guwahati – 6.
9. Shri Manoj Kr Barman, Assistant Development Commissioner, Panchayat & Rural Development and i/c Dy CEO, Darrang in the O/o the CEO, Darrang.

By order etc.,

Signed by

Jt Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Debarani Choudhury

Date: 24-06-2024 15:00:14

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