In the Court of Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities National Capital Territory of Delhi

25-D Mata Sundari Road, Near Guru Nanak Eye Centre, New Delhi-110002. Phone: 011-23216002-04, Telefax: 011-23216005 [Vested with Powers of Civil Court under the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunity, Protection of Rights and Full Participation) Act, 1995]

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Dated: 21-11-14

In the matter of:

Sh.Chander Bhushan Rajput F-2/16, Sector XI Rohini, Delhi-85

..... Petitioner

Versus

Ms.Padmini Singla
Director
Directorate of Education
GNCT of Delhi, Old Secretariat
New Delhi

..... Respondent

ORDER

- 1. The petitioner informed the office of the Commissioner for Persons with Disabilities that the Principal Sarvodaya Kanya Vidyalaya Mangolpuri did not reimburse the amount spent by him for purchasing computer, scanner and printer which is permissible as per the guidelines of Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) Office Memorandum no.36053/3/2013-Estt.(Res) dated 31.3.2014. The petitioner further submitted that these devices/aids etc are to be provided to the individual irrespective of the grounds that these may be available in some other branch of the Department as a regular use by other employees and that this type of facility is already being provided to the lecturers of general category in the Directorate of Training and Technical Education to improve their ability and the cost of devices is reimbursed fully to the lecturers and these devices remain with them forever and are not returnable. The report given by the Principal is false and baseless and that no computer and allied accessories had been provided in the Administrative Branch of the School. The petitioner has lamented that this practice will not fulfil the aims of the provisions of the Persons with Disabilities and has prayed that keeping in view the facts and for safeguards of the persons with disabilities orders may be passed to provide computer (fully pre loaded with required software), scanner and printer etc or reimburse the amount to the petitioner within a time bound period.
- A copy of the representation was sent to the Directorate of Education Government of NCT of Delhi who filed their reply a copy of which was sent to the petitioner requesting him to

file his comments. Since the petitioner was not satisfied with the reply given by the Directorate of Education a hearing was fixed.

- 3. The brief facts of the case are that Sh.Chander Bhushan Rajput the petitioner joined the Education Department on transfer only on papers as he continues to function and discharge his duties in the Office of the Chief Electoral Office Delhi. He has reportedly so far not worked in the School. The representative of the Directorate of Education stated that the petitioner gave his representation on 31.7.14 for reimbursement of computer, scanner, printer and allied equipments in pursuance of DoPT OM No.36035/3/2013-Est.(Res.) dated 31.3.14 endorsed by the Services Department vide letter dated 10.7.14. As per the instructions contained in the memorandum of DoPT Quote "persons with disabilities are to be provided with aids and appliances which are suitable to their needs in accordance to their requirement to enable them to perform their duties efficiently" Unquote. In the instant case the official is suffering from congenital talipes equinovarus i.e club foot which will probably require assistance in the form of a wheel chair etc as per the guidelines issued by the DoPT and not computer, scanner etc as sought by the applicant and in any case the facilities requested by Sh.Chander Bhushan Rajput Superintendent namely computer, scanner and printer are already available in the School and the representation of the petitioner does not deserve to be considered favourably as there is no merit in the representation which therefore should be dismissed.
- 4. I have carefully considered the representation and the replies and replication filed by the Department and the petitioner. I have also carefully perused the instructions issued by the Department of Personnel and Training (DoPT) vide Office Memorandum no.36053/3/2013-Estt.(Res) dated 31.3.2014. It is a fact that the aids and appliances are required to be provided wherever there is a need for them and for facilitating the employee to discharge his /her duties efficiently. In the present case the representative of Directorate of Education assured to provide a terminal on the table of the petitioner which would facilitate the petitioner in efficient discharge of his duties. In view of the assurance given by the officers of the Directorate of Education the petitioner was fully satisfied. The matter is disposed off accordingly.

5. Ordered accordingly.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court this 21st day of November, 2014. * Cours

(K.S. Mehra) Commissioner

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