

**CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL**  
**GUWAHATI BENCH**  
**GUWAHATI-05**

(DESTRUCTION OF RECORD RULES, 1990)

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SECTION OFFICER (Judl.)

*[Signature]*  
24.10.17

ORDERS SHEET

1. Original Application No. 149/06  
2. Miso Petition No. \_\_\_\_\_  
3. Contempt Petition No. \_\_\_\_\_  
4. Review Application No. \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant(s) Bihari Singh

Respondant(s) U.O.P. Govt

Advocate for the Applicant(s) M. Chanda

S. Nath

S. L. Datta

Advocate for the Respondant(s) C.A.S. M. M. Ahmed

Notes of the Registry	Date	Order of the Tribunal
<p>Application is in form is filed/C.F. for Rs. 50/- deposited via IPO/DD No. <u>264324273</u> Dated <u>22-5-06</u></p> <p><u>[Signature]</u> Dy. Registrar</p> <p><u>[Signature]</u> NSMP 19/6/06</p> <p>Steps not taken</p> <p><u>[Signature]</u></p> <p>Rs. 15/- for Respondent No. 6, 7 and 8 has been submitted with receipt.</p> <p><u>[Signature]</u></p>	<p>20.06.2006</p>	<p>Present: Hon'ble Sri K.V. Sachidanandan Vice-Chairman.</p> <p>Heard Mr M. Chanda, learned counsel for the Applicant and Mr M.U. Ahmed, learned Addl. C.G.S.C. for the Respondents.</p> <p>This application is against the dismissal of the Applicant from service and the Applicant has challenged the procedural irregularities and lack of opportunities of being heard in the inquiry proceeding.</p> <p>After hearing, learned counsel for the parties, I am of the view that this O.A. has to be admitted. Admit. Issue notice to the Respondents.</p> <p>Six weeks time is given to the Respondents to file reply statement. Post on 03.08.2006.</p>

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Contd/-

20.06.2006

Learned counsel for the applicant submitted that one of the aspects that has been covered in the impugned orders is eviction of quarter. However, this aspect is not come under the jurisdiction of this Tribunal. Therefore, the applicant is a liberty to take appropriate steps by way of filing representation before the respondents, which the respondents may consider and dispose of the same.

Vice-Chairman

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03.08.2006 Present: Hon'ble Sri K.V. Sachidanandan, Vice-Chairman.

Steps will be taken to issue notices to Respondent Nos. 6 to 7 by the Applicant. Service reports for other Respondents are awaited.

Post on 05.09.2006. Prayer for issuing notices through Respondent No. 4 is rejected.

03.08.2006 Present : Hon'ble Sri K.V. Sachidanandan Vice-Chairman.

Hon'ble Sri Gautam Ray, Administrative Member.

Steps will be taken to issue notices to the Respondent Nos. 6 to 8 by the Applicant. Service reports for other Respondents are awaited.

Post on 05.09.2006. Prayer for issuing notices through Respondents No. 4 is rejected.

Member

Vice-Chairman

Notice & order sent to D/Section for issuing to resp-nos 1 to 8 by regd. A/D post. D/No-701 to 708

29/6/06 Dt= 11/7/06.

① Service report awaited.

② No reply statement has been filed

1.8.06.

Pl. comply order dated 3.8.06.

Notice duly served R-4. Notice & order dt. 20/6/06 issuing to resp. no- 1 to 8 vide office note dated 29/6/06 and order dt. 3/8/06 sent to for issuing to resp.

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21.12.06

*[Signature]*

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F. 2. 07

Counsel for the respondents wanted  
file written statement. Let it be done. P  
the matter on 12.3.07.

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Counsel for the respondent  
wanted to file written statement.  
Let it be done. post the matter of  
13.4.07.

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Member



15.5.07

Four weeks time granted to file written statement.

Post on 14.6.07 for order.

No Wks has been filed.

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13.6.07.

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Vice-Chairman

14.6.2007

Mr.M.U.Ahmed, learned Addl. C.G.S.C. requested for further time to file reply statement. Four weeks' further time is granted as a last chance.

Wks not filed.

Post on 17.07.2007.

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16.7.07.

Vice-Chairman

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23.7.07

Wfs filed by the respondents. page to 57. Copy served.

17.7.2007

Counsel for the respondents wanted to file written statement by tomorrow. Counsel for the respondents will also furnish a copy to the counsel for the applicant.

Post on 2.8.07 for order. The applicant is at liberty to file rejoinder in the meantime.

Rejoinder not filed.

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1.8.07.

Vice-Chairman

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Rejoinder not filed.

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24.8.07.

2.8.07

Three weeks further time granted for filing rejoinder to the applicant.

Post on 27.8.07 for order.

Vice-Chairman

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27.8.07. Counsel for the applicant

wanted time to file rejoinder. let it be

done. Post the matter on 11.9.07.

Vice-Chairman

Counsel for the applicant has submitted that he has filed

the rejoinder. Counsel for the respondents wanted time to take

instructions. Post the matter on 27.9.07. In the meantime the

liberty is given to the respondents to take instructions.

Respondents are directed to keep in readiness the records in the

next date of hearing.

Vice-Chairman

This case is otherwise ready for

hearing. Call this matter for hearing on

21.11.07. Learned counsel for the

Respondents should cause production of the

Departmental Proceedings files on the date of

hearing through their learned Addl. Standing

Counsel appearing for the Central

Government.

Send copies of this order to the

Respondents and free copies of this order

be handed over to the counsel appearing

for both the parties.

(Monoranjan Mahanty)  
Vice-Chairman

(Khushiram)  
Member(A)

Rejoinder not filed.

10.9.07.

11.9.07

13.9.07

Rejoinder denied  
by the Appellate.

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the case is ready.

1.10.07.

Pl. send order copies

21.3.10.07.

order sent to D/section  
for signing to resp. nos 1 to 8  
D/No-1192 to 1198, dt. 12/11/07.  
the case is ready  
for hearing.  
14/10/07  
20.11.07

21.11.2007

Mr.M.Chanda, learned counsel appearing for the Applicant and Mr.M.U.Ahmed, learned Addl. Standing counsel for the Union of India/appearing for the Respondents are present.

Mr.M.U.Ahmed seeks more time to cause production of the disciplinary proceeding file and the appeal proceeding file and in the said premises this matter is adjourned to be taken for hearing on 10.01.2008. Mr.M.U.Ahmed undertakes to produce the disciplinary proceeding files and appeal proceeding files and all connected files by that date.

Send copies of this order to all the Respondents in the address given in the Original Application.

A copy of this order be handed over to Mr.M.U.Ahmed, learned Addl. Standing counsel for the Union of India.

(Khushiram)  
Member (A)

(M.R.Mohanty)  
Vice-Chairman

10.01.2008

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For the reason of ailment of

Mr.M.Chanda, learned counsel appearing for the Applicant a prayer has been made seeking adjournment. Mr. M.U.Ahmed, learned Addl. Standing counsel for the Union of India has no objection for granting adjournment.

Call this matter on 07.02.2008 for hearing.

(Khushiram)  
Member (A)

(M.R.Mohanty)  
Vice-Chairman

order dt. 21/11/07 sent to

D/Section for writing to

all the respondents and

another copy giving to

Mr. M.U. Ahmed, Addl.

C. A. S. C. CAT, CTP-5.

D/No-1579 to 1582

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D/-29/11/07

The case is ready

07.02.2008

06-02-2008

Addl. Refunder  
Submitted by The  
Applicant against  
the W/S filed by  
The Respondents.

Mr. M. Chanda, learned counsel  
appearing for the Applicant and

Mr. M. U. Ahmed, learned Addl. Standing  
Counsel appearing for the Respondents

are present. Mr. M. Chanda, learned

counsel appearing for the Applicant seeks

an adjournment in this case to be taken

up on 18<sup>th</sup> March, 2008.

Mr. M. Chanda, learned counsel

appearing for the Applicant states that he

is going to file Misc. Petition to call for

records, which is kept in safe custody of

the Respondents, and he has also stated

that he has already served the copy of the

Misc. Petition on Mr. M. U. Ahmed, learned

Addl. Standing Counsel appearing for the

Respondents; and <sup>who</sup> should keep the records

(mentioned in the said petition) ready with

him <sup>on</sup> for the next date <sup>and</sup> if those records

shall be required at the time of hearing, then  
~~the same shall be perused.~~

Call this matter on 18<sup>th</sup> March,

2008. Copy of this order be supplied  
to Mr. Ahmed.

(Khushiram)  
Member (A)

(M. R. Mohanty)  
Vice-Chairman

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18.03.2008

Call this matter on 3<sup>rd</sup> April, 2008.

(Khushiram)  
Member(A)

(M. R. Mohanty)  
Vice-Chairman

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14/2  
(Mr. M. U. Ahmed)  
Addl. C. Cr. J. C.

03.04.2009

On the prayer of Mr.M.Chanda, learned counsel appearing for the Applicant, this case stands adjourned and to be taken up on 27.05.2008; <sup>Shen</sup> the Respondents should cause production of departmental proceedings records relating to this case.

*The case is ready for hearing.*

Call this matter on 27.05.2008 for hearing.

(Khushiram)  
Member(A)

(M.R.Mohanty)  
Vice-Chairman

27.05.2008

On the prayer of learned counsel appearing for both parties, call this matter for hearing on 11.06.2008.

*The case is ready for hearing.*

(Khushiram)  
Member(A)

(M.R.Mohanty)  
Vice-Chairman

11.06.08

Mr M.Chanda, learned counsel for the Applicant is present. Mr M.U.Ahmed, learned. Addl. Standing counsel for the Respondents seeks and adjournment.

Call this matter on 02.07.2008 for hearing.

*The case is ready for hearing.*

(Khushiram)  
Member(A)

(M.R.Mohanty)  
Vice-Chairman

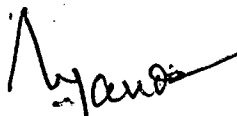
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Mr M. Chanda, learned Counsel appearing for the Applicant, is present. Mr M.U. Ahmed, learned Addl. Standing Counsel for the Union of India, requires more time to obtain the papers sought to be produced at the instance of the learned Counsel for the Applicant.

The case is ready for hearing.

11.08.08.

Call this matter on 12.08.2008 for hearing.

  
(R.C. Panda)  
Member (A)

  
(M.R. Mohanty)  
Vice-Chairman

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12.08.2008

Mrs. U. Dutta learned counsel appearing for the Applicant and Mr. M. U. Ahmed, learned Addl. Standing Counsel appearing for the Respondents, are present. On consent of parties, call this matter on 22.9.2008, when Mr. M. U. Ahmed, learned Addl. Standing Counsel shall cause production of Original departmental proceedings files.

Send copies of this order to the Respondents; who should cause production of departmental proceedings and records on the date of hearing

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(M.R. Mohanty)  
Vice-Chairman

Dt. 12.8.08

Pl. send copies of this order to the Respondents who should cause production of departmental proceedings and records on the date of hearing.

13/8/08

Copies of order dt. 12/8/08 sent to D/Section for issuing to respondents by post.

19/8/08. D/No-3607-14  
Dt. 22/08/08

The case is ready for hearing.

19.9.08

C.A. 149/2006

22.09.2008

Mr.M.Chanda, learned counsel appearing for the Applicant is present. Mr.M.U.Ahmed, learned Addl.Standing Counsel appearing for the Union of India is absent for the reason of bereavement of his family.

Call this matter on 12.11.2008 for hearing.

(S.N.Shukla)  
Member(A)

(M.R.Mohanty)  
Vice-Chairman

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11.11.08

12.11.2008

Mr.M.Chanda, learned counsel appearing for the Applicant is present. Mr. M. U. Ahmed, learned Addl. Standing Counsel appearing for the Respondents seeks an adjournment.

Call this matter on 15.12.2008 for hearing.

(S.N.Shukla)  
Member(A)

(M.R.Mohanty)  
Vice-Chairman

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12.12.08

The case is ready for hearing

O.A.149/06

15.12.2008 Mr. M. Chanda, learned counsel appearing for the Applicant is not present. Mr. M. U. Ahmed, learned Addl. Standing counsel appearing for the Respondents is present.

On the request of learned Addl. Standing Counsel, call this matter on 06.01.2009.

The case is ready for hearing.

5.1.09.

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(S.N.Shukla)  
Member (A)

06.01.2009

Mrs U. Dutta, learned counsel for the Applicant and Mr M.U.Ahmed, learned Addl. Standing counsel for the Respondents are present.

Call this matter on 13.02.2009 for hearing.

The case is ready for hearing.

12.2.09.

(M.R.Mohanty)  
Vice-Chairman

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13.02.2009

Call this matter on 27.03.2009 for hearing.

The case is ready for hearing.

(M.R.Mohanty)  
Vice-Chairman

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27.03.2009

For the reasons recorded separately this O.A. stands disposed of.

(Khushiram)  
Member (A)

(A.K.Gaur)  
Member (J)

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CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL  
GUWAHATI BENCH

O.A No. 149 of 2006

DATE OF DECISION: 27.03.2009

Sri Bihari Singha

.....Applicant/s.

Mr.M.Chanda

..... Advocate for the  
Applicant/s.

- Versus -

U.O.I. & Ors

.....Respondent/s

Mr. M.U.Ahmed, Addl. C.G.S.C.

.....Advocate for the  
Respondents

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THE HON'BLE MR.A.K.GAUR, JUDICIAL MEMBER

THE HON'BLE MR.KHUSHIRAM, ADMINISTRATIVE MEMBER

4. Whether Reporters of local newspapers may be allowed to see the Judgment? Yes/No
5. Whether to be referred to the Reporter or not? Yes/No
6. Whether their Lordships wish to see the fair copy of the Judgment? Yes/No

Judgment delivered by

  
Judicial Member

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CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL  
GUWAHATI BENCH

Original Application No.149 of 2006.

Date of Order : This, the 27<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2009.

THE HON'BLE MR. A.K.GAUR, JUDICIAL MEMBER  
THE HON'BLE MR. KHUSHIRAM, ADMINISTRATIVE MEMBER

Shri Bihari Singha  
S/o Late Kunjeswar Singha  
Qtr. No.MES 93/2  
Deodgenline  
Shillong Cantt.  
Shillong

...Applicant.

By Advocates: Mr.M.Chanda. Mr.S.Nath & Mr.G.N.Chakraborty

- Versus -

1. The Union of India represented by the  
Secretary to the Govt. of India  
Ministry of Defence, South Block  
New Delhi - 110 001.
  2. The Director General (Civ)  
Master General of Ordnance Branch  
Army Headquarters, DHQ Post  
New Delhi - 110 011.
  3. Major General  
Electrical Mechanical Engineering (MGEME)  
HQ Eastern Command (EME Branch)  
Fort William  
Kolkata-21.
  4. Station Commander  
Station Headquarters, EME  
Shillong.
  5. Officer Commanding  
306 Station Workshop  
EME, C/o 99 APO..
  6. Asstt. Executive Engineer (AEE)  
306 Station Workshop EME  
C/o 99 APO.
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7. Lt. Col JS Bains  
Officer Commanding  
306 Station Workshop EME  
C/o 99 APO.

8. Shri R.C.Nath  
Subedar  
JC-750768X  
306 Station Workshop EME  
C/o 99 APO.

... Respondents.

By Mr. M.U.Ahmed, Addl. C.G.S.C.

### ORDER (ORAL)

A.K.GAUR, MEMBER (J) :

We have heard M.Chanda, learned counsel for the Applicant and Mr. M.U.Ahmed, learned Addl. Standing counsel for the Government of India.

2. It has been argued by the learned counsel for the Applicant that the order passed by the appellate authority is not a reasoned and speaking one and the appellate authority has passed the said order dated 08.05.2006 in a most casual and perfunctory manner without application of mind without considering all the grounds taken in the appeal dated 06.12.2005. To support his contention, learned counsel for the Applicant has placed reliance on the following Supreme Court decisions in order to buttress the contention that it is the bounden duty of the appellate authority to consider each and every ground raised in the memorandum of appeal:-

- (i) 2006 SCC L&S 840 (Narinder Mohan Arya. vs. United India Insurance Co. Ltd & Others);
- (ii) AIR 1986 SC 1173 (Ram Chander vs. Union of India & Others)
- (iii) (2005) 7 SCC 597 (National Fertilizers Ltd. and Another vs. P.K.Khanna; and lastly
- (iv) 2006 (11) SCC 147 (Director of Indian Oil Corporation vs. Santosh Kumar)

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3. We have given our anxious thought to the arguments advanced by the counsel for the parties. In view of the aforesaid decisions, we are fully satisfied that the appellate authority had not at all considered the grounds taken in the appeal dated 06.12.2005, the appellate order has been passed in a most casual and perfunctory manner without application of mind. Accordingly, we quash and set aside the appellate order dated 08.05.2006 and remit back the matter to the appellate authority to reconsider the appeal of the Applicant by passing a reasoned and speaking order in accordance with the provisions of rules, within a period of three months from the date of receipt of a copy of this order.

4. With the above observations and direction, the O.A. is disposed of as above.

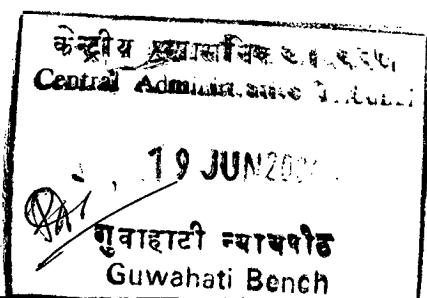


(KHUSHIRAM)  
ADMINISTRATIVE MEMBER



(A.K.GAUR)  
JUDICIAL MEMBER

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IN THE CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

GUWAHATI BENCH: GUWAHATI

(An application under Section 19 of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985)

O. A. No. 149 /2006

Shri Bihari Singha

-Vs-

Union of India and Others.

LIST OF DATES AND SYNOPSIS OF THE APPLICATION

- 13.09.1982- Applicant was initially appointed as Civilian Electrician (Motor Vehicle). He was holding the post of General Secretary of the Station Workshop, Civilian Workers Union Shillong. (Annexure- 1)
- 01.06.2001- Applicant was placed under suspension w.e.f. 01.06.01.  
(Annexure- 2)
- 11.07.2001- Applicant was served with a memorandum of charge sheet in order to hold an inquiry under Rule 14 of CCS (CCA) Rules 1965.  
(Annexure- 3)
- 28.07.2001- Applicant submitted a representation categorically denying the charges labeled against him.  
(Annexure- 4)
- 20.09.2001- Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE, vide his letter dated 20.09.01 informed the applicant that he has been appointed as Inquiry Authority to conduct inquiry.  
(Annexure- 5)
- 27.09.2001- Applicant prayed for grant of 30 days time for nomination of name of another defence assistant as because his prayer to appoint Shri MP Singh as defence assistant has been rejected by the respondents.  
(Annexure- 6)
- 07.12.2001- Applicant informed the disciplinary authority that he has not received the order of appointment of inquiry officer and presenting officer.  
(Annexure- 7)
- 21.01.2002- Applicant vide his letter dated 21.01.02 intimated the disciplinary authority that he has nominated one Shri MP Singh, LTDA, serving at 222 ABOD, Guwahati as his defence assistant. (Annexure- 8)
- 20.09.2001- Applicant received the daily order sheet dated 20.09.01 only on 21.11.01.  
(Annexure- 9)

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- 20.10.2001- Applicant received the daily order sheet dated 20.10.01 on 21.11.01 as such applicant could not attend the preliminary hearing on 20.10.01 and on 22.11.01. (Annexure- 10)
- 24.01.2002- Inquiry authority vide letter dated 24.01.02 informed the applicant that next date of hearing is on 05.02.02, the said letter was received by the applicant on 13.02.02 as such he could not appear before the inquiry authority on 05.02.02. (Annexure- 11)
- 18.02.2002- Applicant submitted a representation to the disciplinary authority stating that he has never receipt the alleged letter dated 21.12.01 as such allegation of refusal of the said letter is false. (Annexure- 12)
- 07.02.2002- Applicant submitted a representation to the inquiry officer informing that all the letters dated 22.10.01, 23.10.01, 20.10.01, 09.10.01 and 20.09.01 was received by the applicant only on 21.11.01, therefore it was not possible on the part of the applicant to appear in the inquiry proceeding. (Annexure-14)
- 22.02.2002- Applicant received letter dated 22.02.03 only on 04.03.02. In the letter dated 22.02.03 it is informed to the applicant that the inquiry proceeding will be held on every alternative day except Sunday and holidays in the office chamber of the inquiry officer. (Annexure- 13)
- 13.03.2002- Applicant appeared before the inquiry authority on 13.03.02 and submitted a representation to the inquiry authority to reconsider his prayer to engage Shri MP Singh, UDA as defence assistant but the same was again rejected. Stereotype deposition of SW 4 was recorded. (Annexure-15)
- 14.03.2002- Applicant submitted a representation addressed to the disciplinary authority, stating that his request for engaging defence assistant has been rejected and he has been tortured on 14.03.2002. (Annexure- 16)
- 18.03.02, 21.03.02, 23.03.02- Applicant prayed for supply of copies of appointment in respect of Inquiry officer and presenting officer. In representation dated 21.03.02 applicant prayed for supply of copies of listed documents in memorandum of charge sheet. (Annexure- 17 series)
- 26.03.2002- Applicant submitted a representation to the disciplinary authority informing that he was not allowed to enter inside the office campus by the gatekeeper in the proceeding. (Annexure-18)
- 03.04.2002- Lt. Col. JS Bains, disciplinary authority vide his letter dated 03.04.02 rejected prayer of the applicant for engaging Shri MP Singh as

defence assistant and forwarded the copies of the appointment order of inquiry officer and presenting officer for the first time.

(Annexure- 19)

18.04.2002- I.L. Col. JS Bains vide his letter dated 18.04.02 for the first time forwarded the copies of the appointment of inquiry officer and presenting officer to the applicant. (Annexure- 20)

29.04.2002- Applicant submitted a representation on 29.04.02 against the appointment of Shri Bidyot Panging as Inquiry officer since Shri Panging is personally involved in the affairs, allegation or charges that were labeled against the applicant. (Annexure- 22)

12.06.2002- Inquiry officer vide his letter dated 12.06.02 forwarded the copies of the daily order sheet dated 16.01.02, 05.02.02, 15.03.02, 20.03.02, 26.03.02, 08.04.02, 22.04.02, 10.05.02 and 07.06.02 along with deposition made by SW 2, SW 3, SW 5, SW 6 and SW 7.

(Annexure- 23 Series)

26.06.02, 16.07.02- Applicant received daily order sheet dated 26.06.02 on 16.07.02 as such he could not appear the inquiry proceeding on 16.07.02. Again the daily order sheet dated 16.07.02 was received by the applicant only on 24.07.02. (Annexure- 24 Series)

24.10.2002- Written brief of the Presenting officer dated 30.08.02 was forwarded to the applicant vide letter dated 24.10.02. (Annexure- 25 Series)

30.08.2002- Applicant submitted an appeal to the Director General EME (Civil), Army Headquarter, New Delhi, pointing out the irregularities and infirmities while conducting the inquiry proceeding by the inquiry officer and prayed for change of inquiry officer Shri Bidyot Panging. (Annexure- 26)

10.07.03/21.11.03- Inquiry report dated 10.07.2003 was served upon the applicant vide officer commanding letter dated 21.11.03 i.e. after a lapse of more than 4 months. (Annexure- 27 Series)

29.11.2003- Applicant submitted a representation against the inquiry report dated 10.07.2003, in the said representation applicant pointed out the irregularities in the disciplinary proceeding. (Annexure- 28)

15.04.2005- Disciplinary Authority vide letter dated 15.04.05 imposed extreme order of penalty of dismissal from service to the applicant.

(Annexure- 29)

06.12.05, 18.02.05- Applicant submitted appeal against the impugned order of penalty of dismissal from service. (Annexure- 30 Series)



08.05.06- Appellate authority vide impugned order dated 08.05.06 communicated through letter dated 09.05.06, rejected the appeal of the applicant.  
(Annexure- 31 Series)

Hence this Original Application before this Hon'ble Tribunal.

### P R A Y E R S

#### Relief (s) sought for:

1. That the Hon'ble Tribunal be pleased to set aside and quash the impugned memorandum of charge sheet bearing letter No. 21208/169/EST-IND/LC dated 11.07.2001 (Annexure- 3), impugned order of penalty bearing No. 10401/172/Civ/INQ/2005 dated 15.04.2005 (Annexure- 29) and impugned appellate order dated 08.05.2006 communicated through letter bearing No. 332229/2/EME Civ dated 09.05.2006 (Annexure- 31 Series).
2. That the Hon'ble Tribunal be pleased to direct the respondents to reinstate the applicant in service with effect from the date he has been dismissed with all consequential service benefits including monetary benefits.
3. Costs of the application.
4. Any other relief (s) to which the applicant is entitled as the Hon'ble Tribunal may deem fit and proper.

#### Interim order prayed for:

During pendency of the application, the applicant prays for the following interim relief: -

1. That the Hon'ble Tribunal be pleased to direct the respondents that the pendency of this application shall not be a bar for the respondents for consideration of the case of the applicant for providing relief as prayed for.
2. That the Hon'ble Tribunal be pleased to stay operation of the impugned order of penalty bearing No. 10401/172/Civ/INQ/2005 dated 15.04.2005 (Annexure- 29) and impugned appellate order dated 08.05.2006 communicated through letter bearing No. 332229/2/EME Civ dated 09.05.2006 (Annexure- 31 Series).

# IN THE CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

## GUWAHATI BENCH: GUWAHATI

(An application under Section 19 of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985) 27

Title of the case : O.A. No. 149 /2006

Shri Bihari Singha.  
-Versus-  
Union of India & Ors.

: Applicant.

: Respondents.

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IN THE CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

GUWAHATI BENCH: GUWAHATI

(An application under Section 19 of the Administrative Tribunals Act, 1985)

O.A. No. 149/2006

BETWEEN:

Shri Bihari Singha,

S/o- Late Kunjeswar Singha,

Qtr. No. MES 93/2

Deodgenline,

Shillong Cantt.

Shillong.

.....Applicant.

-AND-

1. The Union of India,  
Represented by Secretary to the  
Government of India,  
Ministry of Defence, South Block,  
New Delhi- 110001.
2. Directorate General of EME (Civ),  
Master General of Ordnance Branch,  
Army Headquarters,  
DHQ Post,  
New Delhi- 110011.
3. Major General  
Electrical Mechanical Engineering (MGEME),  
HQ Eastern Command (EME Branch),  
Fort William,  
Kolkata- 21.
4. Station Commander,  
Station Headquarters, EME,  
Shillong.
5. Officer Commanding,  
306 Station Workshop  
EME, C/o 99 APO.
6. Asstt. Executive Engineer (AEE),  
306 Station Workshop EME,  
C/o 99 APO.

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7. Lt. Col JS Bains  
Officer Commanding  
306 Station Wksp EME,  
C/O 99 APO.
8. Shri RC Nath  
Subedar,  
JC-750768X  
306 Station Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO.

..... Respondents.

The notices in respect of Respondent No. 7 and 8 may be served through Respondent No. 4.

### DETAILS OF THE APPLICATION

1. Particulars of the order (s) against which this application is made:

This application is made against the impugned memorandum of charge sheet dated 11.07.2001 (Annexure- 3) order of penalty bearing letter No. 10401/172/Civ dated 15.04.2005 (Annexure- 30), issued by the disciplinary authority as well as against the impugned appellate order dated 08.05.2006 (Annexure- 32 Series) and further praying for a direction upon the respondents to reinstate the applicant in service at least from the date of dismissal of service with all consequential benefits.

2. Jurisdiction of the Tribunal:

The applicant declares that the subject matter of this application is well within the jurisdiction of this Hon'ble Tribunal.

3. Limitation:

The applicant further declares that this application is filed within the limitation prescribed under Section- 21 of the Administrative Tribunals Act' 1985.

4. Facts of the case:

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4.1 That the applicant is a citizen of India and as such he is entitled to all the rights, protections and privileges as guaranteed under the Constitution of India.

4.2 That your applicant was initially appointed as Civilian Electrician (Motor Vehicle) on 13.09.1982 by Brigadier B.P Roy in 1 Advance Base Workshop, C/O 99 APO.

Copy of the appointment order dated 13.09.82 is enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 1.

4.3 That your applicant while working as Civilian Electrician (Motor Vehicle), in the 306 Station Workshop EME, C/o 99 APO, he was holding the post of General Secretary of the Station Workshop, Civilian Workers Union, Shillong.

4.4 That your applicant begs to say that during tea break in the Civilian Recreation Room in between 1030 hrs to 1045 hrs wherein the applicant (General Secretary) and Shri PC Das, the Vice-President were busy with the most important works of the Union, mainly on the issue of long standing medical re-imbursement claims of the members of the Union, which was initiated by Asstt. Labour Commissioner (Central), Guwahati. In the nick of time all of a sudden, the Officer Commanding (Lt. Col. JS Bains) along with Nb Sub RC Nath and the staff car driver Nk. Puran Singh rushed into the said Civilian Recreational Room (at around 1045 hrs) compelling all other Defence Civilians, present therein, instantly to scuttle away from the said room out of fear except the applicant and Shri PC Das, the Vice- President. Having seen both of them in such an un-staggered position there, the Officer Commanding (Lt. Col. JS Bains) seemed to have lost his temper beyond his control, for reasons best known to him only. However, both the applicant and Shri PC Das, while wishing Officer Commanding Lt. Col. Shri JS Bains, politely informed him about the aforesaid burning issues of the Union and at the same time, tried to show him a letter received from

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the ALC (Central), Cuwahati out of the Union file in this regard. But ironically, instead of reciprocating it, the said Officer Commanding started behaving like a person not commensurate with his official status and that was evident from his unparliamentary and un-ethical words, like, "Go to Hell your Union", "Abhi tum log ko suspend karla hoan" etc. and in no time he threw away the said Union file and practically he did what he uttered i.e. both the applicant and Shri PC Das, the Vice-President were instantly placed under suspension on this very day of 1<sup>st</sup> June 2001. Only God knows, how things could so happen and that too, so quickly, if there was no preponderance.

- 4.5 That your applicant further begs to say that in his bid to fulfill his pre-planned evil designs, the Officer Commanding, Shri JS Bains purposely distorted the reality of the incident that took place in between him and the said Union leaders in the Civilian Recreation Room on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2001 and half-heartedly brought out a completely different kind of picture in its place. With his determined evil intent to inflict severe penalties upon the applicant and also upon Shri PC Das, the Vice-President, Shri JS Bains deliberately suppressed the real fact and Nb Sub RC Nath, one of the silent spectators present in the Civilian Recreation Room during the said incident, was made to play the key role in the stage managed drama, of the so called inquiry duly supported by Nk. Puran Singh, Nk. D. Palani, Nk. Rajan, Nk. SC Singh, Hav. J. Kushwaha, Hav. Lalan Sah, Nb Sub Jai Prakasan, Nb. Sub (now Sub) MDC Ahmed, Nb. Sub UP Mishra etc. (witnesses).

Be it stated that in order to keep his terror tactics going Lt. Col JS Bains, addressed a letter to Shri KM Nath, President of the Civilian Workers Union vide his letter No. 10402/Civ. Dated 16.06.2001, with a reference to the Union letter dated 24.05.2001 whereby he was advised as follows: -

- (a) No gate meeting/cadre meeting during working hours will be permitted.

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- (b) No Slogan shouting during mastering in/mustering out inside the workshop and in front of the workshop, adjacent to HQ 101 Area will be permitted.
  - (c) No strike ballot in the workshop premises will be permitted.
  - (d) You are also advised not to create a law and order problem.

It is stated that utter dismay of the Unit Authority (Lt. Col. JS Bains), the all India programme referred to herein above was successfully implemented as scheduled, but, it resulted in the forms of issue of Explanation call, show cause memo etc., to Shri KM Nath, the President and the applicant, the organizing Secretary respectively, including one day pay cut in respect of Shri KM Nath, the President, the applicant and Shri PC Das, the Vice-President, the applicant, organizing Secretary, Shri DK Gurung and Shri PK Ghosh, the Executive Members for their absence of only 2 (two) hours on 28.05.2001 due to Khasi Student Union's office picketing.

It is relevant to mention here that the Station Workshop Civilian Worker's Union Shillong has taken several resolution and subsequently brought to the notice of all Higher Headquarters vide its No. SWCWU/07/2002 dated 09.04.2002 and No. SWCWU/21/2002 dated 15.11.2002. But no favourable step was taken from any corner till to date.

- 4.6 That your applicant was placed under suspension vide order bearing No. 10401/Civ dated 01.06.2001 in terms of Rule 10 of CCS (CCA) Rule 1965 with immediate effect with necessary instruction.

Copy of the order dated 01.06.2001 is enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 2.

- 4.7 That your applicant thereafter was served with a memorandum of charge sheet bearing No. 21208/172/EST-IND/LC dated 11.07.2001. In the said memorandum of charge sheet in as much as 6 allegations is brought against

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the applicant. The relevant portion of the article of charge No. 1 and 2 are quoted below: -

- " 1. On 01 Jun 2001, JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath of this wksp went to civilian rest room at 0830h and requested the workers to come to the shop floor for work. There were few workers sitting there but T. No. 172 Shri Bihari Singha and T. No. 169 Shri PC Das informed that they will not come out as they wanted to discuss about the picketing by KSU on 02 Jun 2001. JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath returned back and waited for them for about one hour but 6 of them did not come to shop floor. JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath again went to the civilian rest room along with Nk Puran Singh, Nk SC Singh, Hav J Kushwaha and Hav Lalan Sah at 0930h on 01 Jun 2001. On reaching the rest room of civilian, all other workers except T. No. 172 Shri Bihari Singha and T. No. 169 Shri PC Das left for the work.
2. On being asked by JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath, T. No. 172 Shri Bihari Singha refused to go to the shop floor and started shouting at Nb Sub RC Nath while reading a letter and said "Yeh Col Tiwari Gandu Offr Tha, Jisne Is letter ko Sign Kiya Hai, Hamara Koi Claim Nahin pass Hota. During discussion Shri Bihari Singha got wild and violent and started abusing. He raised both his hands in a violent gesture and assaulted Nb Sub RC Nath who saved himself by ducking. Shri Bihari Singha then thumped the table with both hands and showed his anger and violent behaviour and thus created a riotous and disorderly situation which could have further created an unruly and tense situation in the workshop.

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3. Khasi Student Union had given a call for Meghalaya Bandh on 25 May 2001 and had announced picketing of offices from 28 May 2001 to 05 Jun 2001. Accordingly civilian workers of this wksp absented themselves on 25 May 2001. As there was disruption of transport a special casual leave was granted on 25 May 2001. On 28 May 2001, majority of the civilian workers of this wksp and other civilian establishments reported for duty. To get another day off T. No 172 Shri Bihari Singha incited 11 workers to go out of the wksp at 0930 h saying that they are afraid of KSU and will not perform their duties. T. No 172 Bihari Singha delivered a speech in front of main office and incited 11 workers to leave their place of duty and forced their way out of main gate at 0930 h on 28 May 2001 after marking their presence.
  4. T. No. Shri Bihari Singha had been coming to the workshop on working days from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 but has not reported at the place of work on any working day and has absented himself continuously from place of work. Thus he remained absent from place of work for 21 days in Feb, 25 days in Mar, 20 days in Apr and 24 days in May 2001.
  5. T. No 172 Shri Bihari Singha did not obey the orders of I/Cs shop floors to go to the shop floor for work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 and remained sitting in rest room or moving around aimlessly in the wksp without accepting or performing any duty. Thus he disobeyed his I/C shop floors on all working days from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001.
  6. Thus he, violated the provision of Rules 3 and 7 of CCS (Conduct) Rules 1964 and committed offences as under :-

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- (i) Created a riotous situation in the rest room of civilian worker on 01 Jun 2001 at about 0935 h by refusing to obey the orders of JC- 750768X Nb Sub RC Nath to go to work.
- (ii) Assaulting JC- 750768X Nb Sub RC Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at 0935h while trying to hit him with both hands who saved himself by ducking. He then thumped the table with both hands to show his anger and violent behaviour.
- (iii) Committed an act subversive of discipline in that he used abusive and filthy language against a Junior Commissioned Officer being his superior Officer.
- (iv) Inciting the industrial workers by delivering an inflammatory speech to join in a mass absence from duty without leave or outpass on 28 May 2001 from 0930h to 1600h.
- (v) Continual absence from place of work on all working days from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001.
- (vi) Continual disobedience of orders of superior officer to proceed to place of work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 on all working days."

On a mere reading of the article of charge it appears that the Officer Commanding Lt. Col. JS Bains has issued the memorandum of charge sheet with whom the alleged incident has taken place on 01.06.2001 since Lt. Col. JS Bains, Officer Commanding is involved in the instant alleged incident on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2001 as such Lt. Col. JS Bains should not have issued the memorandum of charge sheet since he is an interested party and at his instance the applicant was placed under suspension and further departmental proceeding has been initiated by Shri JS Bains himself. In the statement of

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imputation of misconduct the said disciplinary authority tactfully alleged that the incident has taken place in between the applicant and Nab Sub RC Nath without referring his name and his presence at the time of alleged incidence on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2001. In fact the alleged incident was created by Shri JS Bains himself but in order to impose major penalty in a well planned manner Shri JS Bains tactfully did not show his presence at the place of incidence rather terror was created by Shri Bains alone and on that score alone the memorandum of charge sheet bearing letter No. 21208/169/EST-IND/LC dated 11.07.2001 is liable to be set aside and quashed.

Copy of the memorandum of charge sheet dated 11.07.2001 is enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 3.

- 4.8 That your applicant begs to say that on a mere reading of the Article of charge, more particularly the charge alleged in Sl. No. 4 and 5 of the article of charge that the applicant is continuously and willfully neglecting his duty from 1<sup>st</sup> February 2001 to 1<sup>st</sup> June 2001 on all working days and continuously and willfully disobedience of order for refusing to proceed to place of work from 1<sup>st</sup> Feb' 2001 to 1<sup>st</sup> June 2001 on all working days. Therefore, it appears that the concerned sectional in-charge deliberately did not take any action against the applicant from 1<sup>st</sup> Feb' 2001 to 1<sup>st</sup> June 2001 and the allegation of non-performing of duties has not reported to the higher authorities by the Section In-Charge and assuming but not admitting that the applicant has refused to perform the assigned duties then a duty cast on the Section In-Charge to report the matter immediately to the higher authority and in the instant case higher authority is Officer Commanding i.e. Lt. Col. JS Bains and the disciplinary authority ought to have taken action against the applicant on the alleged ground of non-performing his duties for such a long period i.e. about 5 months, whereas no memo or show cause was issued at any point of time since February 2001 to 1<sup>st</sup> June 2001 rather applicant was paid full salary since February

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2001 to 1<sup>st</sup> June 2001. As such, it can rightly be presumed that all the charges labeled against the applicant are false, concocted and baseless not based on any record as because the entire allegation or charges were based on only four lists of documents. The relevant list of documents by which the article of charge framed against the applicant is quoted below for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal: -

- “(a) Complaint given by JC - 750768X Nb Sub RC Nath dated 01 June 2001.
- (b) Absent report submitted by Nk Rajan J, Gate NCO 306 Stn Wksp EME on 28 May 2001.
- (c) Reports of disobedience and no output given by Sec incharges.
- (d) Report of inciting of workers given by Nb Sub MDC Ahmed, I/C shop floor.”

It is quite clear from the list of documents relied upon by the disciplinary authority, the 1<sup>st</sup> one is complain dated 1<sup>st</sup> June 2001 given by Nb Sub R C Nath and second one is given by the Gate NCO, Nk Rajan, third one is given by the Section In-Charge but never given any memo, warning or show cause during the span of 5 months for alleged non-performance of duties and fourth one is given by Nb Sub MDC. Ahmed as such it appears that the charge sheet is an outcome of an evil design of the Officer Commanding Lt. Col. Shri J S Bains i.e. the disciplinary authority.

It is categorically submitted that none of the listed documents were supplied with the memo of charge sheet dated 11.07.2001, which is a mandatory requirement in terms of Rule 14 and 15 of the CCS (CCA) Rule 1965 and on that score alone memorandum of charge sheet dated 11.07.2001 is liable to be set aside and quashed.

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- 4.9 That your applicant begs to say that vide his reply dated 28.07.2001, he has categorically denied the charges labeled against him in the memorandum dated 11.07.2001 and also expressed his desire to be heard in person.

Copy of the reply dated 28.07.2001 is enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 4.

- 4.10 That your applicant begs to say that vide letter bearing No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dated 20.09.2001, it has been informed by the Inquiry authority Shri Bidyot Panging, Asstt. Executive Engineer, that he has been appointed as Inquiry Authority to conduct inquiry. However, it is relevant to mention here that there was no intimation from the disciplinary authority regarding appointment of inquiry officer as required under the rule. Inquiry officer in his letter dated 20.09.01 granted liberty to the applicant to nominate defence assistant.

Copy of the letter dated 20.09.01 is enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 5.

- 4.11 That your applicant vide his letter dated 27.09.2001 addressed to the Inquiry authority prayed for grant of 30 days time for nomination of name of another defence assistant and again vide his letter dated 07.12.01 addressed to the Officer Commanding it is informed that he has not receipt the formal order of appointment of inquiry officer and as such asked for a copy of appointment order of inquiry officer.

Copy of the letter dated 27.09.01 and 07.12.01 are enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 6 and 7 respectively.

- 4.12 That your applicant vide his letter dated 21.01.02 nominated one Shri MP Singha, UDC of 222 ABOD, C/o 99 APO as his defence assistant who was serving at Guwahati at the relevant point of time. But the prayer of the applicant for engaging Shri MP Singha as defence assistant has been rejected on the ground that Shri MP Singha UDC is serving outside the

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state of Meghalaya whereas there is no bar as per CCS (CCA) Rule 1965 to engage a defence assistant from outside the State of Meghalaya.

Copy of the letter dated 21.01.02 is enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 8.

- 4.13 That your applicant begs to say that vide daily order sheet dated 20.09.2001, Shri Bidyot Panging, Inquiry Authority, directed the applicant to appear preliminary hearing on 08.10.2001, but surprisingly the said letter of daily order sheet was received by the applicant on 21.11.2001 as such the applicant could not appear in the proceeding for preliminary hearing held on 08.10.01.

The applicant again received the daily order sheet of proceeding dated 20.10.01 on 21.11.2001 i.e. on the same date and as a result the applicant could not attend the preliminary hearing on 20.10.01 as well as on 15.11.01 since the daily order sheet was received by the applicant on 21.11.2001.

Copy of the daily order sheet dated 20.09.01 and 20.10.01 are enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 9 and 10 respectively.

- 4.14 That the letter of the inquiry authority bearing No. 10401/172/Civ/Inq dated 24.01.2002, whereby it was informed that the date for next hearing was fixed on 05.02.2002 in the office chamber of the inquiry officer was received by the applicant only on 13.02.2002 and accordingly he could not appear at the hearing fixed on 05.02.02. This fact was intimated by the applicant to the inquiry officer vide his representation dated 18.02.02, wherein the applicant specifically stated that the alleged letter dated 21.12.01 was never delivered to him as such allegation of refusal is false. In this connection it is relevant to mention here that the post office from which registered letter are being issued is under the absolute control of the respondent since it is functioning from the premises of the respondent

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authority. Moreover, the applicant nominated Shri MP Singha UDC as defence assistant since he could not arrange any other defence assistant as because no body came forward out of fear to assist the applicant in the inquiry proceeding since Defence personnel are conducting the inquiry.

Copy of the letter dated 24.01.02 and representation dated 18.02.02 are enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 11 and 12 respectively.

- 4.15 That your applicant received the letter bearing No. 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 22.02.2002 only on 04.03.2002, wherein it has been alleged that the applicant remained absent on 08.10.01, 20.10.01, 15.11.01, 16.01.02 and on 05.02.02 in the inquiry proceeding and thereby he is trying to delay the inquiry proceeding and it has been intimated that ex parte hearing started w.e.f. 15.11.2001 and it is also alleged that the same was intimated to the applicant vide letter dated 21.12.01 and 24.01.02 and further directed to appear for inquiry on 11.03.02 for inquiry in the office chamber of the inquiry officer and it is also categorically informed that after 11 Mar 2002 the inquiry proceeding will be held on every alternative day except Sunday and holidays this will be held on next working day except Sunday and holiday but copy of the letter dated 22.02.02 was receipt by the applicant on 04.03.02.

Copy of the letter dated 22.02.02 is enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 13.

- 4.16 That your applicant vide his representation dated 07.02.02 informed the inquiry officer that all the letter dated 23.10.01, 20.10.01, 20.10.01, 08.10.01 and 20.09.01 received by him only on 21.11.2001, therefore, it was not possible on his part to attend before the inquiry on 15.11.2001 and also sought confirmation of his letter dated 21.01.2002.

Copy of the representation dated 07.02.02 is enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 14.

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4.17 That your applicant after receipt of the intimation that the next hearing would be held on 11.03.2002 he appeared before the inquiry officer on 11.03.02 and submitted a representation addressed to the inquiry officer to reconsider his prayer to engage Shri MP Singh, UDC as his defence assistant but the same was again rejected and the inquiry officer directed the applicant to appear on 13.03.02 for next hearing. Applicant appeared before the inquiry officer on 13.03.02, however, the applicant could not proceed to cross-examine the SW No. 4 since his prayer for engaging Shri MP Singh as defence assistant has been rejected. In this connection it may be stated that a readymade statement prepared well in advance by the inquiry officer himself in favour of the SW No. 4 and the SW No. 4 at the dictation of the authority signed the said statement and the inquiry officer in a very planned manner put certain questions to the SW No. 4 and closed the proceeding on 13.03.02. Again the applicant appeared on 15.03.02 for hearing before the inquiry authority, however the applicant in absence of defence assistant could not proceed to cross-examine SW No. 5. On a mere reading of the daily order sheet dated 15.03.02, it would be evident that the SW No. 5 specifically stated that the allegation of non-performing of works was brought to the notice of the officer Commanding but he did not pay any attention, therefore, it appears that the very question and answer asked by the inquiry officer and replied by the SW No. 3 are well planned and stereotype as because it appears that almost in a same fashion all the other State witnesses have been replied as evident from the daily order sheets.

It is relevant to mention here that not a single document relied on by the inquiry officer has been examined in the proceeding as such the inquiry proceeding is conducted in total violation of rule laid down in CCS (CCA) Rules 1965.

Copy of the daily order sheet dated 13.03.02 and deposition made by SW No. 4 are enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 15.

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- 4.18 That your applicant subsequently submitted a representation on 14.03.02 addressed to the Officer Commanding, wherein the applicant has stated that his request for engaging Shri MP Singha, UDC has been rejected and the applicant was much tortured on 13.03.02 when he attended the inquiry, he was forced to sign the daily order sheet in the absence of his defence assistant and he was detained upto 1410 hrs without allowing him to take water and launch the authority even not allowed him to attend call of nature and he was humiliated on the day of inquiry on 13.03.02 and further requested to allow the necessary permission to allow Shri MP Singha to act as his defence assistant.

Copy of the representation dated 14.03.02 is enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 16.

- 4.19 That your applicant submitted representations dated 18.03.02, 21.03.02 and 23.03.02, wherein he prayed for supply of copies of appointment letter of inquiry officer and presenting officer for conducting inquiry proceeding since he did not receipt any letter from disciplinary authority regarding appointment of inquiry officer and presenting officer as required under the rule. In the representation dated 21.03.02 addressed to the disciplinary authority, applicant specifically prayed for supply of all the documents listed out in Annexure- III of the memorandum of charge sheet dated 11.07.2001 at an early date but the same was denied to the applicant.

Copy of the representations dated 18.03.02, 21.03.02 and 23.03.02 are enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 17 (Series).

- 4.20 That your applicant vide his representation dated 26.03.02 addressed to the disciplinary authority, informed that he was not allowed to enter inside the office campus by the Gate in charge although he wanted to cooperate with the inquiry authority in the proceeding and also requested for making necessary arrangement for conducting disciplinary proceeding

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by a duly appointed inquiry officer with prior notice about the date, time and venue. However, the disciplinary authority Lt. Col. JS Bains vide his letter bearing No. 10401/Civ/172 dated 03.04.2002 rejected prayer of the applicant for engaging Shri MP Singh as his defence assistant since Shri MP Singh is from outside the state of Meghalaya and thereby uphold the decision of the inquiry officer regarding rejection of prayer for engaging Shri MP Singh as defence assistant of the applicant. It is relevant to mention here that Lt. Col. JS Bains, disciplinary authority vide his letter bearing No. 10401/172/Civ dated 18.04.2002 sent for the first time the copies of the appointment order dated 30.08.2001 of inquiry officer and presenting officer to the applicant.

Copy of representation dated 26.03.02 letter dated 03.04.02, 18.04.02 and 30.08.01 are enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 18, 19, 20 and 21 respectively.

- 4.21 That your applicant made a representation dated 29.04.2002, against the appointment of Shri Bidyot Panging as Inquiry officer on the ground of biasness as because Shri Bidyot Panging is personally involved in the affairs, allegation or charges labeled against the applicant. Moreover, said Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE is directly dealing with day to day official work including his service covered by the period of charges framed against the applicant and as such he is rather deemed to be a witness in the disciplinary proceeding being conducted against the applicant as such he should not act as inquiry officer in the inquiry proceeding.

Copy of representation dated 29.04.02 is enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 22.

- 4.22 That your applicant in terms of the order dated 22.02.2002 went to attend inquiry on 20.03.2002 since he attended the inquiry proceeding earlier on 18.03.2002, but most surprisingly when the applicant reached the office premises on 20.03.02, security personnel dragged him to the duty room

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and he was much tortured and forcibly detained without any proceeding and after sometime he was asked to leave. Applicant vide his representation dated 21.03.02, narrated the said incident to the disciplinary authority. On 20.03.02 stereotyped deposition of SW No. 6 was recorded in the absence of the applicant. Surprisingly, on 26.03.02 inquiry officer held the inquiry ex parte without any intimation to the applicant in violation of the order dated 22.02.02 again another proceeding of the inquiry held on 08.04.02, 22.04.02, 10.05.02, 07.06.02, 26.06.02, 16.07.02 and 03.08.02 without any intimation to the applicant and the inquiry was not held in terms of the order contained the inquiry officer's order dated 22.02.02 and thereby with deliberate attempt the subsequent inquiry was held ex parte by fixing the date by the inquiry officer without any intimation to the applicant whereas in terms of the order dated 22.02.02 inquiry was supposed to be held on every alternative day except Saturday, Sunday and holidays. The inquiry was held on a malafide intention with the sole attempt to restrain the applicant to participate in the inquiry proceeding since the programme of inquiry was laid down by the inquiry officer himself vide his order dated 22.02.02, therefore it was obligatory on the part of the inquiry officer himself to intimate the date of inquiry if the same is fixed subsequently in violation of his earlier order dated 22.02.02, therefore the action of the respondents holding ex parte inquiry proceeding without any intimation to the applicant smacks malafide and on that score alone the ex parte inquiry proceeding as well as the order of penalty dated 15.04.2005 and impugned appellate order dated 08.05.2006 are liable to be set aside and quashed.

- 4.23 That your applicant begs to say that he has received the daily order sheet dated 16.01.2002, 05.02.2002, 15.03.2002, 20.03.2002, 26.03.2002, 08.04.2002, 22.04.2002, 10.05.2002 and 07.06.2002 along with copies deposition made by SW 2, SW 3, SW 5, SW 6 and SW 7 vide inquiry officer's letter No. 10401/172/Civ/INQ dated 12.06.2002. As per daily order sheet dated

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16.01.02 charged official was shown as absent since no intimation was received by the applicant regarding date of proceeding held on 16.01.2002. However, in the daily order sheet dated 05.02.02 the applicant was shown as absent and the inquiry officer recorded stereotype deposition of SW 2, on 05.02.2002.

Be it stated that on 13.03.02, the applicant was present as stated in the preceeding paragraph since he received the intimation well in advance. On 15.03.02, the applicant was shown as present and the inquiry officer recorded stereotype deposition of SW 5, again on 20.03.02, the charged official was shown as left from hearing but in fact on 20.03.02 applicant was much humiliated and he was directed by the inquiry officer to leave the inquiry room and stereotype deposition of SW 6 was recorded in absence of the applicant. In this connection it is stated that the charged official was not informed regarding the sitting of the inquiry proceeding on 26.03.02 which was held in violation of the inquiry officer's letter dated 22.02.2002 and stereotype deposition of SW 6 was recorded.

On 08.04.02 again ex parte hearing was held without any intimation to the applicant in violation of the earlier programme fixed by the inquiry officer vide his letter dated 22.02.2002 and the inquiry officer recorded stereotype deposition of SW 7 Shri J Kushwah. Again on 22.04.2002, the charged official (applicant) was shown as absent and ex parte proceeding was conducted without any prior intimation to the applicant and deposition of SW 7 Shri J Khuswah was recorded. On 22.04.02, 10.05.02 and 07.06.02 ex parte hearing was held without any prior intimation to the applicant in violation of the earlier order dated 22.02.02 and stereotype deposition of SW 3 was recorded. Be it stated that vide daily order sheet dated 26.06.02 applicant was directed to submit his written statement of defence and to attend next hearing on 16.07.02, applicant received the copy of the daily order sheet dated 26.06.02 on 16.07.02 as such he could not attend the proceeding on 16.07.02. Again vide daily order sheet dated 16.07.02 applicant was shown as absent and the applicant was asked to

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attend next hearing on 03.08.02, applicant received the daily order sheet dated 16.07.02 on 24.07.02 as such the applicant went to appear the hearing on 03.08.02 but the applicant was forcefully restrained to attend the proceeding on 03.08.02. It is surprised to note here that all the ex parte inquiry proceeding was conducted without any prior intimation to the applicant and in violation of the order dated 22.02.02 and on that score alone the entire ex parte inquiry proceeding is liable to be set aside and quashed.

Copy of the letter dated 12.06.02 along with daily order sheets dated 16.01.2002, 05.02.2002, 15.03.2002, 20.03.2002, 26.03.2002, 08.04.2002, 22.04.2002, 10.05.2002 and 07.06.2002 are enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 23 (Series).

Copy of the daily order sheet dated 26.06.02 and 16.07.02 are enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 24 (Series).

- 4.24 That your applicant received letter bearing No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dated 11.01.2003, whereby written brief of the presenting officer dated 26.11.2002 was served upon the applicant. In the said written brief the presenting officer stated that out of 9 listed witnesses 7 listed witnesses were produced in the inquiry proceeding and merely repeating the article of charges he has come to the conclusion that the charges labeled against the applicant has been proved. On a mere reading of the written brief it would be evident that none of the listed documents were examined in the inquiry proceeding and there was simply mention of the listed documents but no finding of evidence is recorded either in the inquiry proceeding or grounds available in the written brief of the presenting officer dated 26.11.2002 as such the written brief which suffers from lots of infirmities cannot be taken into consideration for the purpose of imposition of any penalty upon the applicant.

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Copy of the letter dated 11.01.03 and written brief dated 26.11.02 are enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 25 (Series).

- 4.25 That your applicant further begs to say that he submitted an appeal vide his letter dated 30.08.02 before the Director General EME (Civil), Army Headquarter, New Delhi and informed about the irregularities and infirmities while conducting the inquiry under Rule 14 of CCS (CCA) Rule 1965 and also prayed for change of inquiry officer Shri Bidyot Panging.

Copy of the appeal dated 30.08.02 along with forwarding letter dated 30.08.02 are enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 26 (Series).

- 4.26 That your applicant received the copy of the inquiry report dated 10.07.2003 only on 27.11.03 vide Officer Commanding's letter bearing No. 10401/Sus/Civ (i) dated 21.11.2003, in the said inquiry report it is indicated that on many occasion the applicant i.e. charged official was absent in the inquiry proceeding and inquiry proceeded ex parte. In this connection it is relevant to mention here that reason of absence of the applicant has been very elaborately explained in the preceeding paragraphs. It is further categorically stated that ex parte hearing was conducted without proper intimation to the applicant. In the inquiry report the inquiry officer failed to discuss the evidence before reaching to the findings as required under the rule. On a mere perusal of the inquiry report it is evident that not a single listed documents has been examined which was relied upon by the disciplinary authority, as per own admission of the inquiry officer, the presenting officer produced only 7 State Witnesses out of 9 listed State Witnesses for the reasons best known to the presenting officer. Be it stated that in the inquiry report stereotype deposition has been recorded which was prepared at the instance of the inquiry authority, in the inquiry report it has been stated that the

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applicant requested for change of inquiry officer but the said prayer of the applicant has not been considered. Moreover, in the inquiry report the inquiry officer has simply stated that the applicant was informed regarding hearing dates but even then the charged official has failed to appear before the inquiry proceeding on most of the dated of hearing. This contention of the inquiry officer is contrary to the record of the inquiry proceeding.

It is categorically submitted that the inquiry authority in violation of their own order dated 22.02.02 conducted the inquiry by fixing the date as per their own choice without any prior intimation to the applicant, all letters have been deliberately delayed in order to restrain the applicant from participating in the inquiry proceeding. It is quite clear whenever the applicant received any prior intimation he had attended the inquiry proceeding. Moreover, the deposition made by SW 1 Shri RC Nath was deliberately not supplied to the applicant for the reasons best known to the inquiry authority.

On a mere perusal of the assessment of evidence made by the inquiry officer, it would be evident that he has made certain general discussion but nothing discussed from the record of the inquiry proceeding, in other words the inquiry officer has quoted certain languages from the article of charge and statement of imputation of misconduct. It is categorically submitted that there is no discussion of evidence recorded in the inquiry proceeding and there is no discussion on the list of documents which are relied upon by the disciplinary authority for sustaining the charges, as such findings of the inquiry officer is simply based on stereotype deposition made by the 7 State witnesses out of the 9 listed State witnesses which was prepared at the dictation of the inquiry authority in the absence of the charged official more or less in the same fashion. The charge of continual disobedience also alleged to have been proved without examining the listed documents relied upon by the disciplinary authority. It is further categorically submitted that none of the points determined by

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the inquiry officer were established against the applicant following evidence on record of the proceeding and on that score alone the inquiry report dated 10.07.2003 is liable to be set aside and quashed.

Copy of the letter dated 21.11.03 as well as inquiry report dated 10.07.03 are enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 27 (Series).

- 4.27 That your applicant immediately after receipt of the inquiry report dated 10.07.03 submitted a detailed representation addressed to the Officer Commanding i.e. disciplinary authority praying interalia for dropping the entire departmental proceeding and further prayed for reinstatement in service with all consequential benefit treating the suspension period as on duty in view of illegal and irregular initiation of a disciplinary proceeding. In the said representation applicant categorically pointed out in paragraph 7 that the inquiry authority totally failed to substantiate it's claim with documentary evidence and also pointed out that the copy of appointment of inquiry officer was also not supplied to him. The applicant also pointed out in his representation dated 29.11.03 made against the inquiry report, wherein it has been stated that his request for change of inquiry officer has not been considered even though the inquiry officer Shri Bidyot Panging in fact closely involved with the entire incident as well as in the alleged charges and in fact in other words Shri Panging was a witness of the incident as such the applicant requested for change of inquiry officer but the said request was not considered in the manner as it required under the rule. It is quite natural that Shri Panging cannot maintain impartiality since he was a witness of the incident on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2001 and Shri Panging is directly involved with the day to day work of the applicant and under absolute administrative control of Shri JS Bains and such non-consideration of request of the applicant for change of inquiry officer is in fact a unfair decision which vitiated the entire disciplinary proceeding.

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The applicant also pointed out that he was placed in a helpless condition by refusing the nomination of his defence assistant Shri MP Singh. The applicant further submitted that out of 9 State witnesses only 7 State witnesses have been examined and the statement of witnesses was not recorded in presence of the applicant. The applicant was not afforded with reasonable opportunity to cross-examine the witnesses and most of inquiry dates were fixed by the inquiry officer was communicated to the applicant after expiry of the inquiry date. The applicant also stated that he has been denied subsistence allowance. Paragraph 24, 25, 26 of the representation dated 29.11.03 are quoted below:

- "24. That, in the name of so-called inquiry the Petitioner was deliberately inflicted untold ill-treatment and physical harassment to the extend that he was forced to be confined to a very narrow room without drinking water and responding to the call of nature, which stretched over several hours. The Petitioner has been also subjected to be kept naked without any garments, this apart, he was manhandled and dragged by force, in front of other colleagues including juniors, as if he was hard core criminal, in as much he was forced upon to sign the Daily Order Sheet which was irregular, illegal and against the spirit of human dignity. No action has however been taken against such misdeeds while the attention of the Authorities at all levels were drawn.
25. That, ironically, numbers of letters with different dates were sent by the so-called Inquiry Officer together in one envelope and host of similar others were made available to the Petitioner at a time, which is irregular, illegal, unwarranted, uncalled for, biased, arbitrary and in view of that consideration the proceeding is vitiated by product of conspiracy.

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26. That, Inquiry Report by itself is irregular, illegal, arbitrary and beyond the provision of law."

The applicant in his representation dated 29.11.03 very clearly stated how he was humiliated and tortured by the inquiry authority while he attended the inquiry proceeding.

Copy of the representation dated 29.11.03 is enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 28.

4.28 That the disciplinary authority by the impugned letter bearing No. 10401/172/Civ/Inq/2005 dated 15.04.2005, forwarded the impugned penalty order to the applicant. The disciplinary authority by the impugned order dated 15.04.05 imposed the extreme penalty of dismissal from service w.e.f. 15.04.05, interestingly in the impugned order the disciplinary authority did not consider any of the grounds raised by the applicant in his representation dated 29.11.03 but mechanically followed the inquiry report submitted by the inquiry officer. The disciplinary authority did not apply his mind independently and also did not consider the procedural infirmities pointed out by the applicant in his representation dated 29.11.03. The disciplinary authority did not discuss a single evidence but repeated in a very casual manner the charges labeled against the applicant. The findings of the disciplinary authority recorded in paragraph (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) are contrary to the record of the inquiry proceeding. On a mere reading of the disciplinary authority it appears that he has proceeded in a very vindictive attitude to impose major penalty upon the applicant without any discussion of evidence and there was no findings regarding examination of other witnesses as well as there is no findings regarding examination of the list of documents in the impugned order of penalty dated 15.04.2005 but the disciplinary authority came to the conclusion in a very arbitrary manner that the charges have been proved against the applicant. It is mandatory on the part of the

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disciplinary authority to consider as to whether procedure has been followed by the inquiry officer while conducted the inquiry, moreover, it is the duty of the disciplinary authority to consider the evidence recorded in the inquiry proceeding while coming to any conclusion on the basis of the evidence recorded in the proceeding but in the instant case the disciplinary authority miserably failed to discuss the evidence recorded in the inquiry proceeding but in a very arbitrary and vindictive manner imposed the major penalty of dismissal from service w.e.f. 15.04.05 upon the applicant. The impugned order of penalty dated 15.04.05 is very cryptic and the said order has been passed without taking into consideration the record of the inquiry proceeding and also without considering the fact that there are large scale violation of principle of natural justice while conducted the ex parte inquiry without intimating the date of inquiry thereby deliberately the inquiry officer, restrained the applicant in participating in the inquiry by sending the communication at a belated stage and on that score alone the impugned order of penalty dated 15.04.05 is liable to be set aside and quashed.

Copy of the impugned order of penalty dated 15.04.05 is enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Tribunal as Annexure- 29.

- 4.29 That it is stated that on a careful reading of the paragraph (a) of the impugned order of penalty dated 15.04.2005, wherein the disciplinary authority has observed as follows:

"(a).....From the records of Inquiry it reveals that situation would have become serious, had the Sub RC Nath not pacified the accompanied jawans."

Therefore, it appears that Nb Sub RC Nath went to the rest room when there was no occasion for Nb Sub Shri RC Nath to visit the rest room and it further appears from the aforesaid statement that the Jawans accompanied by Lt. Col. JS Bains and Nb Sub RC Nath created a riotous

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situation and disorderly situation in the rest room with the help of the Jawans, therefore, question of pacifying the Jawans has occasioned. Moreover, the document i.e. the complain lodged by Nb Sub RC Nath neither supplied to the charged officer nor it was examined even in the ex parte inquiry proceeding save and except obtaining certain stereotype written deposition from the interested witnesses in the ex parte hearing. Therefore, contention of the respondents that the charged official has created a riotous and disorderly situation in the rest room on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2001 is contrary to the record as well as it appears from the impugned order of penalty dated 15.04.05.

The charge discussed by the disciplinary authority in Clause (b) of the impugned penalty order dated 15.04.05 is also contrary to the record of the inquiry proceeding and also contrary to the deposition made by the State witnesses. In this connection it may be stated that the complain of Nb Sub RC Nath neither supplied to the applicant nor it was examined even in the ex parte inquiry proceeding as such holding guilty to the charged officer on the alleged ground of assaulting Junior Commissioned Officer Shri RC Nath is not sustainable in the eye of law. More so in view of the fact that the charged official i.e. the applicant was not provided with reasonable opportunity to defend his case before the inquiry officer due to non-intimation and also due to delayed intimation regarding holding of the inquiry proceeding against the applicant.

That with regard to the findings of the disciplinary authority stated in para (c) of the impugned penalty order dated 15.04.05 wherein the inquiry officer held the charged official guilty due to an act subversive of discipline and also for using abusive and filthy languages against Shri RC Nath relying on the stereotype deposition made by the SW No. 4, SW No. 5, SW No. 6 and SW No. 7. The stereotype deposition recorded at the dictation of the higher authority as well as inquiry authority without providing reasonable opportunity of cross-examination of the State Witnesses. Moreover, the findings of the disciplinary authority without

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considering the listed documents relied upon by the disciplinary authority is not maintainable in the eye of law that too in a ex parte proceeding. It is also relevant to mention here that out of the 9 State witnesses relied upon by the disciplinary authority only 7 interested witnesses were produced in the inquiry who are working under absolute control of Officer Commanding Lt. Col. JS Bains as well as under the administrative control of Nb Sub Shri RC Nath. As such those stereotyped deposition made by the 4 State witnesses i.e. SW 4, SW 5, SW 6 and SW 7 as indicated in para (c) of the impugned order dated 15.04.05 without examination of other 5 State witnesses deliberately as such the findings recorded in para (c) is not sustainable under the law and the same is liable to be set aside and quashed.

So far findings recorded by the disciplinary authority in para (e) of the impugned order of penalty dated 15.04.05 wherein the disciplinary authority is of the opinion that the charge of continual and willful absence from place of work on all working days w.e.f. 01.02.01 to 01.06.01 has been proved on the basis of deposition of the interested State Witnesses are contrary to the records of the ex parte inquiry proceeding. More so in view of the fact that the 4 listed documents which are relied upon by the disciplinary authority in order to sustain the alleged charges neither supplied to the applicant along with the memorandum of charge sheet nor the said document was examined i.e. report of the Section in charge and report of Nb Sub MDC Ahmed I/c Shop floor even in the ex parte inquiry proceeding as such said allegation of continual and willful absence from place of work w.e.f. 01.02.01 to 01.06.01 in fact not based on any official records or documents rather such charges has been framed against the applicant at the instance of Nb Sub Shri RC Nath i.e. SW 1 and also at the dictation of Officer Commanding Lt. Col JS Bains who is being influenced by Shri RC Nath JCO. In this connection it is relevant to mention here that the disciplinary authority i.e. Officer Commanding Shri JS Bains was very much involved in the alleged incident which took place on 01.06.01. In fact

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Shri RC Nath and other jawans with the leadership of Officer Commanding Lt. Col. Shri JS Bains attacked the charged official who is holding the portfolio of General Secretary of the recognized association of the Station Workshop in the rest room and created riotous and disorderly situation raising certain irrelevant charges against the applicant. It is relevant to mention here that normally there is no occasion to visit the rest room by the Officer holding the rank and status of Officer Commanding of the Station Workshop EME but in the instant case the Officer Commanding Lt. Col. JS Bains at the instigation of Nb Sub RC Nath along with some jawans with a well planned manner attacked the office bearers of the recognized Union in the rest room while they were discussing to take some urgent steps on certain issues and in fact the Officer Commanding with the assistance of Shri RC Nath restrained the office bearers of the Union to take any further action on those issues but in the process, the authority labeled certain charges against the applicant in order to restrain the activities of the Union members permanently and as a result the applicant has been made a victim of the conspiracy.

It is relevant to mention here that the applicant has been discharging his duties all along with utmost sincerity and devotion and it is categorically submitted that the applicant has rendered his service like other working days w.e.f. 01.02.01 to 01.06.01 and he has been duly paid salary for the entire period w.e.f. 01.02.01 to 01.06.01 without any notice, show cause or warning from the immediate controlling officer regarding non-performing of duties assigned to the applicant. Therefore, allegation of continuous willful absence from the place of work for the period indicated above is nothing but an attempt to spoil and damage the service career of the applicant on the basis of false and concocted and after thought allegation without any evidence or record. As such findings of the disciplinary authority recorded in para (e) is liable to be set aside and quashed.

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So far findings of the disciplinary authority recorded in para (f) of the impugned penalty order which is exactly similar to that of para (e) of the impugned penalty order dated 15.04.05 wherein it is alleged that continual and willful disobedience of orders given by supervisory staff from 01.02.01 to 01.06.01 on all working days said charge has been proved by the inquiry officer and as such charged official held guilty. On a mere reading of para (e) and (f) of the impugned order dated 15.04.05, including the allegation of inflammatory speech as indicated in para (d) it appears that the disciplinary authority simply on the basis of findings of the inquiry officer reached to the conclusion that the charges labeled against the applicant has been proved and accordingly the applicant is held guilty of the charges without application of his mind independently as required under the rule. Now it appears from the findings of the disciplinary authority in para (f) that the allegation against the applicant had continuously and willfully violated the orders of his supervisory staff from 01.02.01 to 01.06.01. But surprisingly the supervisory staff never served him any memo or warning or show cause for such alleged willful violation of orders of the supervisory authority during the span of 4 months as indicated in para (f) of the impugned order but the same has come to the notice of the disciplinary authority all of a sudden on 01.06.01 and the said allegation has been made a part of the memorandum of charge sheet dated 11.07.01. Therefore, on a normal course the disciplinary authority ought to have initiated proceeding against those supervisory staff whose order have been violated continuously and willfully without any break from 01.02.01 to 01.06.01 but surprisingly it appears that the supervisory staff who are now made State witnesses remained silent without issuing any memo to the applicant. Therefore, it establishes that although state witnesses are guilty at the first instances if they maintain such statement which have been deposited before the inquiry authority.

On a careful reading of the charge of willful disobedience on the part of the applicant it appears that the said charge is after thought and

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concocted and the said charge has found place in the memorandum of charge sheet dated 11.07.2001 at the dictation of the Officer Commanding.

It is humbly submitted that the Officer Commanding Lt. Col. JS Bains ought to have refrained himself from the inquiry proceeding since he was involved in the incidence alleged to have been occurred on 01.06.01 but Shri Bains with a malafide intention have acted as a disciplinary authority with a vindictive attitude to impose major penalty of dismissal from service with the intention to teach a lesson to the important Office bearers of the Union so that they will not raise or agitate even when there is a legitimate claim or demand in near future. It is relevant to mention here that on 01.06.01 the applicant was discussing an urgent matter relating to order of recovery and stoppage of SDA in the rest room. On seeing such discussion Nb Sub RC Nath reported the matter to Officer Commanding Lt Col. JS Bains and at the instigation of Nb Sub Shri RC Nath with a team of jawan attacked the applicant and other office bearers in the rest room, where they have warned the applicant in rude manner and other officer bearers of the Union and it is categorically submitted that there was no occasion arises even for any heat exchange of words, therefore, allegation of assault as well as willful disobedience of orders of the supervisory staff and the allegation of non-performing of duties are categorically denied but unfortunately the alleged incidence given a very ugly shape by the Officer Commanding at the instance of Nb Sub Shri RC Nath and as a consequence memorandum of charge sheet has been framed against the applicant in colourable exercise of power and the said Shri JS Bains, Commanding Officer deliberately acted as disciplinary authority with a malafide intention even though he is personally involved on the alleged incidence of 01.06.01 and as such Shri JS Bains has been impleaded by name as respondent No. 7 in the instant proceeding. Therefore, in view of the above facts and circumstances the entire proceeding as well as findings of the disciplinary authority, impugned order of penalty dated 15.04.05 are liable to be set aside and quashed.

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The contention of the disciplinary authority to the effect that the charged official neither opted to cross-examine any witness nor submitted any defence thereof is categorically denied, rather the charged official has been denied reasonable opportunity to advance his defence in the inquiry proceeding in the following manner:

- (1) Firstly, the applicant was not intimated regarding appointment of the inquiry officer as well as appointment of presenting officer by the disciplinary authority as required under the rule, however the same was intimated to the applicant by the disciplinary authority much after the commencement of the proceeding.
- (2) Listed documents relied upon by the disciplinary authority to substantiate the charges contained in the memorandum of charge sheet has not been supplied to the applicant along with the memorandum of charge sheet even those listed documents also not supplied at any stage of the inquiry proceeding in spite of specific request and thereby reasonable opportunity has been denied to the applicant to take adequate defence to the charges.
- (3) That the inquiry authority deliberately and willfully did not intimate the date of hearing on many occasion when ex parte proceeding was held and in some occasion the inquiry officer deliberately send the intimation of hearing after the expiry of the schedule dates of hearing. The details of delayed communication of hearing dates as well as non-communication of hearing dates are quoted below for perusal of the Hon'ble Court but the inquiry proceeding conducted ex parte.

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Schedule date of hearing	Date on which intimation of hearing received	Non-receipt of intimation regarding hearing.
20.09.2001	26.09.2001	
08.10.2001	21.11.2001	
20.10.2001	21.11.2001	
15.11.2001	21.11.2001	
16.01.2002	13.02.2002	Since letter dated 22.02.02 received by the applicant on 04.03.02, wherein it is directed to the applicant to appear inquiry on every alternative day.
05.02.2002	13.02.2002	
11.03.2002	04.03.2002	Applicant appeared.
13.03.2002		Applicant appeared in the proceeding.
15.03.2002		Applicant appeared in the proceeding.
20.03.2002		Applicant appeared in the proceeding.
26.03.2002	No intimation to the applicant.	As per direction contained in the letter dated 22.02.02 applicant was directed to appear on every alternative day before the inquiry proceeding but inquiry held in violation programme fixed by letter dated 22.02.02 that too without intimation.
08.04.2002	No intimation to the applicant.	As per direction contained in the letter dated 22.02.02 applicant was directed to appear on every alternative day before the inquiry proceeding but inquiry held in violation programme fixed by letter dated 22.02.02 that too without intimation.
22.04.2002	No intimation to the applicant.	As per direction contained in the letter dated 22.02.02 applicant was directed to appear on every

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10.05.2002	No intimation to the applicant.	alternative day before the inquiry proceeding but inquiry held in violation programme fixed by letter dated 22.02.02 that too without intimation. As per direction contained in the letter dated 22.02.02 applicant was directed to appear on every alternative day before the inquiry proceeding but inquiry held in violation programme fixed by letter dated 22.02.02 that too without intimation.
07.06.2002	No intimation to the applicant.	As per direction contained in the letter dated 22.02.02 applicant was directed to appear on every alternative day before the inquiry proceeding but inquiry held in violation programme fixed by letter dated 22.02.02 that too without intimation.
26.06.2002	No intimation to the applicant.	As per direction contained in the letter dated 22.02.02 applicant was directed to appear on every alternative day before the inquiry proceeding but inquiry held in violation programme fixed by letter dated 22.02.02 that too without intimation.
16.07.2002	No intimation to the applicant.	As per direction contained in the letter dated 22.02.02 applicant was directed to appear on every alternative day before the inquiry proceeding but inquiry held in violation programme fixed by letter dated 22.02.02 that too without intimation.
03.08.2002	24.07.2002	Applicant was forcibly restrained in the gate as such he could not appear proceeding.

- (4) It is categorically submitted that the intimation regarding date of hearing on 20.09.01 has been intimated to the applicant at a later stage after the inquiry was over on the schedule date. Moreover, in

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terms of the letter dated 22.02.2002 received by the applicant on 04.03.2002, wherein it has been instructed that the proceeding will be held on every alternate day. The applicant thereafter as per instruction appeared on 11.03.02, 13.03.02, 15.03.02 and 20.03.02 and participated in the inquiry proceeding in spite of inhuman torture and humiliation as indicated in preceeding paragraph. As per order dated 22.02.02 hearing is supposed to take place on every alternative date but it appears that hearing has been conducted on 26.03.02, 08.04.02, 22.04.02, 10.05.02, 07.06.02, 26.06.02, 16.07.02 in violation of the instructions contained in the letter dated 22.02.02 that too without any intimation to the applicant and thereby denied reasonable opportunity to the applicant. On 03.08.02 applicant went to appear in the proceeding but he was forcibly restrained in the gate and he was not allowed to appear before the inquiry proceeding.

- (5) That the documents relied upon by the disciplinary authority has not been examined as required under the rule.
- (6) Out of 9 listed witnesses only stereotype deposition of 7 interested state witnesses has been recorded more or less on the similar fashion on the dictation of the inquiry authority as well as of the higher authority. But the remaining 2 state witnesses has not been examined for the reasons best known to the authority.
- (7) That the statement of deposition of the interested witnesses has been prepared and got signed by them through Nb Sub Shri RC Nath.
- (8) That the charge of continual and willful disobedience of the order of supervisory staff and non-performing of duties w.e.f. 01.02.01 to 01.06.01 has held to be proved by the inquiry officer without

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examining any evidence on record and also without examining the listed documents but on the basis of deposition of the interested witnesses which was confirmed by the disciplinary authority without any discussion of evidence in his impugned order of penalty dated 15.04.05.

- (9) That the inquiry officer failed to give any specific finding as to whether charge is proved or not in his inquiry report dated 10.07.03 which was forwarded to the applicant vide letter dated 21.11.03 that is after lapse of about more than 4 months.
- (10) That the disciplinary authority did not consider any of the grounds raised by the applicant in his representation dated 29.11.03 and surprisingly the disciplinary authority did not discuss a single evidence in the impugned order of penalty dated 15.04.05 whereby major penalty have been imposed mechanically without application of mind and also without taking into consideration the record of the inquiry proceeding.
- (11) That the appellate authority also did not consider any of the ground raised by the applicant in his appeal dated 06.12.05 as well as his appeal dated 18.02.06 and the appellate authority also did not make any effort to consider as to whether the relevant procedure laid down in CCS (CCA) Rule 1965 has been complied with or not and also did not consider as to whether such non-compliance has resulted in the violation of any provisions of the Constitution of India or in the failure of justice.

The appellate authority also failed to consider as to whether findings of the disciplinary authority are warranted by the evidence on the record. The appellate authority did not even consider as to whether the penalty imposed on the applicant is adequate, inadequate or severe but confirmed the order of the disciplinary authority in a most arbitrary

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and mechanical manner without independent application of mind and thereby caused irreparable loss and injury to the applicant. The case of the applicant has not been dealt with fairly by the inquiry authority, disciplinary authority as well as by the appellate authority.

- 4.30 That your applicant being highly aggrieved with the impugned order of penalty dated 15.04.05 submitted an appeal dated 06.12.05 as well as another appeal dated 18.02.06 in continuation to his appeal dated 06.12.05 addressed to the appellate authority. In the said appeal the applicant raised several grounds, such as non-receipt of proper intimation regarding holding of inquiry, humiliation and mental torture caused by the inquiry authority when attended the inquiry, apart from the grounds of non-intimation of appointment of inquiry officer, non-consideration of his appeal for change of inquiry officer on the ground of biasness, statement of witnesses not being recorded in presence of appellant, most of the inquiry dates fixed by the inquiry officer were communicated after the respective date of inquiry, subsistence allowance was stopped w.e.f. October 2003.

Copy of the appeal dated 06.12.05 and 18.02.06 are enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Court as Annexure- 30 (Series).

- 4.31 That the appellate authority vide impugned order dated 08.05.06 communicated through letter bearing No. 332229/2/EME Civ dated 09.05.06, whereby the appellate authority rejected the appeal of the applicant without discussing a single ground raised by the applicant in his appeal rather the appellate authority without application of his mind simply followed the inquiry report and the penalty order of the disciplinary authority dated 15.04.05. In the impugned appellate order it has been alleged by the appellate authority simply stated that the representation being devoid of merit does not warrant any consideration said by the appellate authority and accordingly rejected the appeal without

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discussing any grounds or evidence as required under the rule. On that score alone the impugned appellate order dated 08.05.2006 is liable to be set aside and quashed.

Copy of the impugned appellate order dated 08.05.06 and forwarding letter dated 09.05.06 are enclosed herewith for perusal of Hon'ble Court as Annexure- 31 (Series).

4.32 That the applicant begs to state that he was appointed to the post of Civilian Electrician (Motor Vehicle) by the Brig B.P Roy on 13.09.1982 but the impugned order of dismissal from service dated 15.04.2005 has been issued by Lt. Col. PS Kushwaha, who is subordinate in rank than the appointing authority, which is not permissible under the provision of CCS (CCA) Rule and on that score alone the impugned order of dismissal from service dated 15.04.2005 is liable to be set aside and quashed.

4.33 That your applicant further begs to state that he is suffering from serious ailments and undergoing regular treatment, moreover applicant having 3 minor school going children and wife and in such a compelling circumstance he is apprehending that he may be issued notice to vacate quarter after issuance of the impugned appellate order dated 08.05.2006. Therefore, the applicant humbly prays before this Hon'ble Tribunal to issue order of status quo of the impugned penalty order dated 15.04.05 as well as impugned appellate order dated 08.05.06 restraining the respondents to issue notice to vacate the quarter to the applicant.

4.34 That this application is made bonafide and for the cause of justice.

5. Grounds for relief (s) with legal provisions:

5.1 For that, the memorandum of charge sheet dated 11.07.2001 has been framed by Lt. Col. JS Bains, Officer Commanding against the applicant with a malafide intention at the instigation of Shri RC Nath, the then Naib Subedar in order to restrain the important officer bearers of the Civilian

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Worker's Union, Station Workshop, EME Shillong in participating in welfare activities of the Union workers.

- 5.2 For that, Lt. Col. JS Bains, Officer Commanding, is personally involved on the alleged incidence, which took place on 01.06.01 and misbehaved with the office bearer of the Union for their active participation in the Union activities but surprisingly after misbehaving with the applicant, Shri Bains, Officer Commanding brought false charges against the applicant vide memorandum of charge sheet dated 11.07.2001 with the help and instigation of Shri RC Nath with a vindictive attitude to cause injury to the important office bearers of the Union. Therefore, Shri Bains, Officer Commanding who himself involved should not have initiated the disciplinary proceeding by issuing memorandum of charge sheet dated 11.07.2001.
- 5.3 For that, Shri JS Bains ought to have refrained himself to act as disciplinary authority when he has created the ugly situation in the recreation room on 01.06.01 with the instigation of Shri RC Nath, Nb Subedar and misbehaved with the applicant and other office bearers.
- 5.4 For that, articles of charges contained in the memorandum of charge sheet dated 11.07.01 are totally false and same has been framed against the applicant with a malafide intention in order to curtail the welfare activities of important officer bearers of the Union.
- 5.5 For that, none of the listed document was supplied to the applicant along with the memorandum of charge sheet dated 11.07.2001 and thereafter even in spite of specific demand by the applicant vide his representation dated 19.03.02, and on that score alone the entire proceeding is liable to be set aside and quashed.
- 5.6 For that, in number of occasions intimation regarding holding of inquiry communicated to the applicant by the inquiry officer after the inquiry is

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over and on many occasion date of inquiry has not been communicated to the applicant at all with an ulterior motive but the inquiry authority proceeded with the ex parte hearing and thereby applicant has been denied reasonable opportunity to participate in the inquiry proceeding.

- 5.7 For that, inquiry has been conducted on number of occasions in total violation of the instruction contained in the inquiry officer's letter dated 22.02.02 where date of inquiry has been fixed by the inquiry authority in every alternate day but the inquiry was held on some other date as per choice of the inquiry authority in violation of their own order dated 22.02.02 without intimation to the applicant and thereby applicant has been restrained to participate in inquiry proceeding.
- 5.8 For that out of 9 listed state witnesses stereotype deposition of only 7 state witnesses have been recorded and got signed by them at the instance of Officer Commanding I.t. Col. JS Bains and Nb Sub Shri RC Nath without providing any opportunity to cross-examine them.
- 5.9 For that no reason has been assigned for non-examination of other 4 listed witnesses in the inquiry proceeding relied upon by the disciplinary authority for sustaining the charges labeled against the applicant.
- 5.10 For that the inquiry officer failed to record any specific finding on the charges labeled against the applicant as such penalty cannot be imposed by the disciplinary authority only on the basis of imagination or on assumption by the disciplinary authority arbitrarily holding that the charges has been proved. In fact inquiry officer failed to give any ultimate finding on the basis of the inquiry report as such order of penalty imposed by the disciplinary authority is liable to be set aside and quashed.
- 5.11 For that the disciplinary authority did not discuss the evidence if any recorded in the inquiry proceeding but mechanically reached to the conclusion that the charges labeled against the applicant has been proved

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by the inquiry officer, providing all reasonable opportunity to the applicant. Such finding of the disciplinary authority even without considering the representation of the applicant submitted to disciplinary authority against the inquiry report. It is obligatory on the part of the inquiry authority to discuss each and every evidence if recorded in inquiry proceeding and thereafter only to come to a specific finding but in the instant case the disciplinary authority mechanically followed the incomplete inquiry report and imposed major penalty of dismissal upon the applicant as such the order of penalty is not maintainable in the eye of law.

- 5.12 For that the inquiry report is incomplete without any specific finding.
- 5.13 For that none of the listed documents were examined which were relied upon by the disciplinary authority for sustaining the charges labeled against the applicant and on that score alone the entire proceeding is liable to be set aside and quashed.
- 5.14 For that the ex parte inquiry proceeding has been conducted deliberately against the applicant with the ulterior motive to restrain the applicant to participate in the inquiry proceeding by sending delayed communications for holding inquiry and on that score alone the inquiry proceeding is liable to be set aside and quashed.
- 5.15 For that the alleged charge of assaulting Shri RC Nath, the Naib Subedar by the applicant is a deliberate false charge and the same has not been established in the inquiry proceeding as claimed by the disciplinary authority.
- 5.16 For that the charge of non-performance of duties and continual and willful disobedience of the order of the supervisory staff w.e.f. 01.02.01 to 01.06.01 has not been proved in the inquiry proceeding basing on any evidence or record as claimed by the inquiry officer and disciplinary authority. But

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penalty has been imposed upon the applicant by the disciplinary authority without any evidence.

5.17 For that the impugned order of penalty dated 15.04.05 has been passed mechanically against the applicant without application of mind and also without basing on any evidence and on that score alone the arbitrary impugned order dated 15.04.05 is liable to be set aside and quashed since the same has been passed in total violation of the relevant rule.

5.18 For that the appellate order also passed in a most arbitrary manner without considering a single ground raised by the applicant in his appeal dated 06.12.05 as well as in his appeal dated 18.02.06. Moreover, the appellate authority failed to follow the mandatory, relevant provision laid down in Rule 27 of the CCS (CCA) Rules 1965 and on that score alone the impugned appellate order dated 08.05.06 is liable to be set aside and quashed.

5.19 For that the penalty of dismissal from service is disproportionate.

6. Details of remedies exhausted.

That the applicant declares that he has exhausted all the remedies available to and there is no other alternative remedy than to file this application.

7. Matters not previously filed or pending with any other Court.

The applicant further declares that he had not previously filed any application, Writ Petition or Suit before any Court or any other Authority or any other Bench of the Tribunal regarding the subject matter of this application nor any such application, Writ Petition or Suit is pending before any of them.

8. Relief (s) sought for:

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Under the facts and circumstances stated above, the applicant humbly prays that Your Lordships be pleased to admit this application, call for the records of the case and issue notice to the respondents to show cause as to why the relief (s) sought for in this application shall not be granted and on perusal of the records and after hearing the parties on the cause or causes that may be shown, be pleased to grant the following relief(s):

- 8.1 That the Hon'ble Tribunal be pleased to set aside and quash the impugned memorandum of charge sheet bearing letter No. 21208/172/EST-IND/LC dated 11.07.2001 (Annexure- 3), impugned order of penalty bearing No. 10401/172/Civ/INQ/2005 dated 15.04.2005 (Annexure- 29) and impugned appellate order dated 08.05.2006 communicated through letter bearing No. 332229/2/EME Civ dated 09.05.2006 (Annexure- 31 Series).
- 8.2 That the Hon'ble Tribunal be pleased to direct the respondents to reinstate the applicant in service with effect from the date he has been dismissed with all consequential service benefits including monetary benefits.
- 8.3 Costs of the application.
- 8.4 Any other relief (s) to which the applicant is entitled as the Hon'ble Tribunal may deem fit and proper.

9. Interim order prayed for:

During pendency of the application, the applicant prays for the following interim relief: -

- 9.1 That the Hon'ble Tribunal be pleased to direct the respondents that the pendency of this application shall not be a bar for the respondents for consideration of the case of the applicant for providing relief as prayed for.

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9.2 That the Hon'ble Tribunal be pleased to stay operation of the impugned order of penalty bearing No. 10401/172/Civ/INQ/2005 dated 15.04.2005 (Annexure- 29) and impugned appellate order dated 08.05.2006 communicated through letter bearing No. 332229/2/EME Civ dated 09.05.2006 (Annexure- 31 Series).

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11. Particulars of the I.P.O

i)	I.P.O No.	: 26G 324273 .
ii)	Date of issue	: 22.5.06 .
iii)	Issued from	: SPO, Guwahati .
iv)	Payable at	: SPO, Guwahati .

12. List of enclosures:  
As given in the index.

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**VERIFICATION**

I, **Shri Bihari Singha**, S/o- Late Kunjcswar Singha, aged about 48 years, Qtr. No. MES 93/2, Deodgenline, Shillong Cantt., Shillong, do hereby verify that the statements made in Paragraph 1 to 4 and 6 to 12 are true to my knowledge and those made in Paragraph 5 are true to my legal advice and I have not suppressed any material fact.

And I sign this verification on this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of June 2006.

*Bihari Singha.*

APPOINTMENT ORDER

From Bihari Singh S/O Kunjewar Singh  
 Position of Balidgar P. Dalu Dist. CHECHAR  
(ASSAM)

is appointed in a temporary vacancy of a Civilian Elect (P.V.)  
 with effect from 13 Sep 82 (inclusive).

Your services are likely to be terminated without any previous notice, without compensation in lieu of notice or on adverse police report or on the posting of combatant by the authority or on any other grounds of discipline and security measures.

You will be governed by AI 17/49 with amendments thereto from time to time or by Army Orders, Instructions, directives, letters from superior authorities for pay and allowances and for leave by such orders as issued to the military units.

You will observe

- The code of conduct proscribed by the state including Central Govt & Army Headquarters or by officer acting on their behalf.
- You will not discuss any military or Government matters with any one.
- You will not get into debts or indulge in borrowing/borrowing.
- You will not be a member of any political party, anti Government activity and subversive element.
- You will obey all Govt, Municipal, Panchayat orders and instructions.
- You will give one month clear notice in the event of your discontinuance.

All decisions given in respect of any matter connected with OFFICIAL BUSINESS by the Commanding Officer of the unit will be final and binding.

No. 2226  
 1. Adv. Base Wksp. E.M.  
 C/o 99 Wksp.

Date: 13 Sep 82

cc Bihari Singh

CP Roy  
 (CP Roy)

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Comdt. 1 Advance Base Wksp E.M.

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 Sub-division*



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Annexure 2

Standard form of suspension (Rule 10(1) of CCS (CC&A) Rule 1965

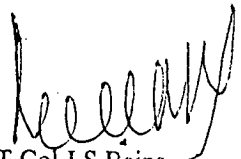
Place of Issue : SHILLONG

No : 10401/Civ

Date : 01 Jun 2001

ORDER

1. Where as a disciplinary proceedings against T No 172 (Civ Elect) Shri Bihari Singha, of 306 Station Workshop EME C/O 99 APO are contemplated.
2. Now, therefore, the undersigned (the appointing authority to which it is subordinate), in exercise of the powers conferred by sub rule (1) of rule 10 of Central Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rule 1965, hereby places the said T No 172 (Civ Elect) Shri Bihari Singha of 306 Station Workshop EME C/O 99 APO under suspension with immediate effect.
3. It is further ordered that during the period that this order shall remain in force, the headquarters of T-172 (Civ Elect) Shri Bihari Singha shall be Shillong and the said T No 172 (Civ Elect) Shri Bihari Singha shall not leave the headquarters without obtaining the previous permission of the undersigned.

  
LT Col J S Bains  
Officer Commanding  
306 Station Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

Copy to :-

- T No 172 (Civ Elect )  
Shri Bihari Singha  
(a) 306 Station Workshop EME, C/O 99 APO  
(b) Qtr No MES-93/2,  
Dudgeon Lines, Shillong

Received on 13/6/2001

  
Lt Col J S Bains

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STANDARD FORM FOR CHARGE SHEET FOR MAJOR PENALTIES  
(UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS (CC & A) RULES, 1965)

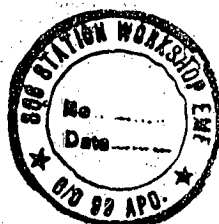
BY REGD POST  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

21208/172/EST-IND/LC

11 Jul 2001

MEMORANDUM

1. The undersigned proposes to hold an Inquiry against T.No 172 Trade Electrician Name Shri Bihari Singha under Rule 14 of the Central Civil Services (Classification and Appeal) Rules, 1965. The substance of the imputations of mis-conduct, or mis-behaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of charge (Annexure-I). A statement of the imputations of mis-conduct or mis-behaviour in support of each article of charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which and list of witnesses by whom, the article of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure III & IV).
2. Shri Bihari Singha is directed to submit within 10 days of the receipt of this memorandum, a written statement of his defence and also to state whether he desires to be heard in person.
3. He is informed that an Inquiry will be held only in respect of those article of charge as are not admitted. He should therefore specifically admit or deny each article of charge.
4. Shri Bihari Singha is further informed that if he does not admit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para 2 above, or does not appear in person before the Inquiring authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply the provisions of Rule 14 of the CCS (CC & A) Rules, 1965 or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said Rule, the Inquiring Authority may hold the Inquiry against him ex-parte.
5. Attention of Shri Bihari Singha is invited to Rule 20 of the Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt in these proceedings, it will be presumed that Shri Bihari Singha is aware of such representation so that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 20 of the CCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.
6. The receipt of the Memorandum may be acknowledged.



Encls :- Annexure I to IV

T.No 172 Trade Electrician  
Shri Bihari Singha  
Q/R No MES-93/2, Dudgeon Lines, Shillong

*(Signature)*  
(JS Bains)  
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding  
(Disciplinary Authority)

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23/7/2001

*(Signature)*  
Advocate

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST T.NO 172 TRADE  
ELECTRICIAN NAME SHRI BIHARI SINGHA OF 306 STATION WKSP EME, C/O 99 APO

ARTICLE CHARGE - I

That the said T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha while functioning as Civilian Electrician in 306 Station Workshop during the period Feb 2001 to Jun 2001 committed the following offences:-

"Gross misconduct" i.e

- (i) On 01 Jun 2001, at about 0935h created a riotous situation in the rest room while being instructed to go to the shop floor by JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath.
- (ii) Assaulting JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at 0935hrs approximately.
- (iii) An act subversive of discipline in that using abusive and filthy language against JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at 0935h approximately.
- (iv) Incited the industrial workers by inflammatory speech to join in a mass absence without leave or outpass on 28 May 2001 from 0930h to 1600h after marking their presence in the workshop. Thus 11 civilian workers left their place of work on being incited by him.
- (v) Continual and willful neglect of duty and absence from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 from place of work on all working days, refusing to accept any work and do any work.
- (vi) Continual and willful disobedience of orders by supervisory staff to proceed to place of work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 on all working days.

Thus he exhibited acts as unbecoming of a Government servant and committed offences violating the provision of Rules 3, 7 of CCS (Conduct) Rules 1964.



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STATEMENT OF IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT OF MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT  
OF THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FAMED AGAINST T.NO-172-TRADE ELECTRICIAN  
NAME SHRI BIHARI SINGHA

ARTICLE OF CHARGE I

1. On 01 Jun 2001, JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath of this wksp went to civilian rest room at 0830h and requested the workers to come to the shop floor for work. There were few workers sitting there but T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha and T.No-169 Shri PC Das informed that they will not come out as they wanted to discuss about the picketing by KSU on 02 Jun 2001. JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath returned back and waited for them for one hour but 6 of them did not come to shop floor. JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath again went to the civilian rest room alongwith Nk Puran Singh, Nk SC Singh, Hav J Kushwaha and Hav Lalan Sah at 0930h on 01 Jun 2001. On reaching the rest room of civilian, all other workers except T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha and T.No 169 Shri PC Das left for the work.

2. On being asked by JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath, T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha refused to go to the shop floor and started shouting at Nb Sub RC Nath while reading a letter and said "Yeh Col Tiwari Gandu Offr Tha, Jisne Is letter ko Sign Kiya Hai, Hamara Koi claim Nahin pass hota". During discussion Shri Bihari Singha got wild and violent and started abusing. He raised both his hands in a violent gesture and assaulted Nb Sub RC Nath who saved himself by ducking. Shri Bihari Singha then thumped the table with both hands and showed his anger and violent behaviour and thus created a riotous and disorderly situation which could have further created an unruly and tense situation in the workshop.

3. Khasi Student Union had given a call for Meghalaya Bandh on 25 May 2001 and had announced picketing of offices from 28 May 2001 to 05 Jun 2001. Accordingly civilian workers of this wksp absented themselves on 25 May 2001. As there was disruption of transport a special casual leave was granted on 25 May 2001. On 28 May 2001, majority of the civilian workers of this wksp and other civilian establishments reported for duty. To get another day off T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha incited 11 workers to go out of the wksp at 0930h saying that they are afraid of KSU and will not perform their duties. T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha delivered a speech in front of main office and incited 11 workers to leave their place of duty and forced their way out of main gate at 0930h on 28 May 2001 after marking their presence.

4. T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha had been coming to the workshop on working days from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 but has not reported at the place of work on any working day and has absented himself continuously from place of work. Thus he remained absent from place of work for 21 days in Feb, 25 days in Mar, 20 days in Apr and 24 days in May 2001.

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5. T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha did not obey the orders of I/Cs shop floors to go to the shop floor for work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 and remained sitting in rest room or moving around aimlessly in the wksp without accepting or performing any duty. Thus he disobeyed his I/C shop floors on all working days from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001.

6. Thus he, violated the provision of Rules 3 and 7 of CCS (Conduct) Rules 1964 and committed offences as under :-

(i) Created a riotous situation in the rest room of civilian worker on 01 Jun 2001 at about 0935h by refusing to obey the orders of JC-750768X NB Sub RC Nath to go to work.

(ii) Assaulting JC-750768X NB Sub RC Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at 0935h while trying to hit him with both hands who saved himself by ducking. He then thumped the table with both hands to show his anger and violent behaviour.

(iii) Committed an act subversive of discipline in that he used abusive and filthy language against a Junior Commissioned Officer being his superior Officer.

(iv) Inciting the industrial workers by delivering an inflammatory speech to join in a mass absence from duty without leave or outpass on 28 May 2001 from 0930h to 1600h.

(v) Continual absence from place of work on all working days from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001.

(vi) Continual disobedience of orders of superior officer to proceed to place of work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 on all working days.

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## Annexure III

1. List of documents by which the articles of charge framed against T.No-172 Trade Electrician Name Shri Bihari Singha are proposed to be sustained.

- (a) Complaint given by JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath dt 01 Jun 2001
- (b) Absent report submitted by Nk Rajan J, Gate NCO 306 Stn Wksp EME on 28 May 2001
- (c) Reports of disobedience and no output given by sec incharges.
- (d) Report of inciting of workers given by Nb Sub MDC Ahmed, J/C shop floor


## Annexure IV

1. List of witnesses by whom the article of charges framed against T.No-172 Electrician Shri Bihari Singha are proposed to be sustained.

- (a) No 14577561N Nk Puran Singh
- (b) JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath
- (c) 14591478F Nk SC Singh
- (d) 14581821L Hav J Kushwaha
- (e) 14558493W Hav Lalan Sah
- (f) 14624820Y Nk D Palani
- (g) JC-753913P Nb Sub Jai Prakasan
- (j) JC-750236Y Nb Sub (Now Sub) MDC Ahmed
- (k) JC-754018W Nb Sub UP Mishra

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Dated : / / Jul 2001

(Sd/-)   
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding  
(Disciplinary Authority)

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To

The Officer Commanding  
306 Station Workshop EME  
C/O 99 APO.

Dated : Shillong.

28<sup>th</sup> July 2001.

Sub :- MEMORANDUM

Ref :- Your Memorandum No. 21208/172 EST-IND/LC dt. 11 Jul 2001.

Sir,

In reference to the above referred Memorandum, I beg to submit that I deny the alleged charges contained in the aforesaid Memorandum and desire to be heard in person within the framework of Rule 14 of CCS(CCA) Rules 1965.

Thanking you sir.

Your's faithfully.

*[Signature]*  
28/7/2001

( Bihari Singha )

T/No. 172 Civ Elect(MV)

Qtr No. MES 93/2

Deodgenline

Shillong Cantt.

*Attested  
by  
Advocate*

1. : 6177

10401/Civ/172/DNQ

T.No 172 Electrician  
Shri Bihari Singha  
Qtr No MES 93/2  
Dudgeon Lines  
Shillong

REGD POST  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

20 Sep 2001

Received on 26 Sep 2001

Annexure-5

**DEPARTMENTAL INQUIRY INTO THE CHARGES FRAMED  
AGAINST SHRI T.NO 172 ELECTRICIAN BIHARI SINGHA  
UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS (CCA) RULES 1965**

1. I have been appointed as Inquiring authority to conduct inquiry in the case above cited, vide Order No 10401/172/Civ dt 30 Aug 2001 issued by Lt Col JS Bains, OC of this unit, a copy of which has been endorsed to you.
2. Accordingly, a preliminary hearing of the case will be held by me on 08 Oct 2001 at 1100h at Office of Workshop Officer 306 Stn Wksp EME, C/O 99 APO. You should present yourself alongwith your defence assistant, if you so desire, in time to attend the preliminary hearing and wait until further directions. In case you fail to appear at the appointed date and time, proceeding will be taken ex-parte.
3. Instructions for getting your Defence Assistance relieved will be issued if his particulars and willingness to work as such alongwith the particulars of his controlling authority are received by me before 01 Oct 2001.
4. While nominating a Government servant as Defence Assistance the instructions on the subject should be kept in view.
5. Receipt of this notice may please be acknowledged.

B.P.  
(Bidyot Panging)  
AEE  
Inquiring Authority

Copy to :-

JC-722950F Nb Sub/SKT(MT) Amar Singh -  
Presenting Officer  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

He is also requested to attend the preliminary hearing at appointed date and time alongwith all listed documents in Original.

B.P.  
(Bidyot Panging)  
AEE  
Inquiring Authority

Received on  
26/9/2001

22/9/2001  
13/10/2001  
12/12/2001



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To,

The Inquiring Authority  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO.

Sub :- DEPARTMENTAL INQUIRY INTO THE CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SHRI  
T/NO. 172 ELECTRICIAN BIHARI SINGHA UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS  
(CCA) RULES 1965.

Ref :- Your letter No. 10401/Civ/172/IND dt 20 Sep 2001 and  
received by me on 26 Sep 2001.

Sir,

While acknowledging the receipt of your communication  
under reference, I am to state that within this short span,  
I am unable to manage Defence Assistance for my Defence.

I therefore, request you to kindly extend 30 days so as  
to enable me to present myself with my Defence Assistance  
before the Inquiring Officer.

Thanking you sir,

Your's faithfully

*[Signature]*  
27/9/2001  
(Bihari Singha)

T/No 172 Electrician

Qtr No. MES 93/2

Deodgen Line

Shillong.

Dated : 27th Sep 2001.

*[Signature]*  
Advocate

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To

The Officer Commanding  
306 Station Workshop EME  
C/O 99 APO.

Dated : Shillong.  
07 / 12 / 2001.

Sub :- DEPARTMENTAL INQUIRY IN TO THE CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST  
T/NO. 172 ELECTRICIAN SHRI BIHARI SINGHA, UNDER RULE  
14 OF CCS(CCA) RULES 1965.

Ref : Inquiring Authority letter No. 10401/Civ/172/IND dated  
20 Sep 2001 addressed to me and copy endorsed to Presenting  
Officer.

Sir,

I beg to state that OC Wksp letter No. 10401/172/Civ  
dated 30/8/2001, stated to have been endorsed to me by Inquiring  
Authority, has not been received by me. A copy of endorsement of  
your letter cited above may please be furnished to me for record  
and also intimate who is the Disciplinary Authority of this enquiry.  
Your early reply is requested, so that I may be able to prepare  
myself to face the enquiry.

Thanking you sir.

Your's faithfully.

*[Signature]*  
8/12/01

( Bihari Singha )

T/No. 172 Elect.

Qtr No. MES 93/2

Deodgenline

Shillong Cantt.

Copy to :-

Shri B Panging.

AEE

Inquiring Authority.

306 Stn Wksp EME

C/O 99 APO - For information  
please.

(Bihari Singha)

*[Signature]*  
Advocate

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To,

Shri B. Rangeng  
AEE  
Inquiring Authority  
306 Stn. Wksp. EME  
40 99 A.P.O.

Sub:- Disciplinary Proceeding under Rule 14 of  
CCS(CCA) Rules 1965 against P.No. 172  
Elt. Bihari Singh of 306 Stn. Wksp.  
EME.

Ref:- My application dt. 23/11/2001 and dt.  
24/12/2001.

Sir,

I beg to state that the reply of my  
letter under reference is still awaited.  
I desire to appear before the  
Disciplinary Proceeding with my Defence  
Assistant Shri M.P. Sangha UDC of 222  
ABOD 40 99 A.P.O. His willingness  
Certificate is attached herewith for  
your further necessary action.

Thanking you

Encl: 1(one)

Yours faithfully.

*[Signature]*  
21/1/2002

Dated: Shillong.

21 st. Jan 2002.

(BIHARI SINGHA)

P.No. 172 Elt.

Qtr. No. MES 93/2

Deodjeon Line  
Shillong, Cantt.

*[Signature]*  
Sub.  
Advocate

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CERTIFICATE.

I the undersigned hereby tender my willingness to act as  
defence assistance in ~~repeat~~ respect of NO. ---172 Rank-- *Elut.*  
Name Bihari Singha Of 306 Stn Wkp in Disciplinary  
case bearing NO. 21208/172/EST-IND/LC dated *11 July 2001*

Dated: *6* Jan 02.  
Station: Narengi.

( MP Singha )  
T/NO. 6959394  
Rank: UDC  
222 ABOD C/O 99 APO.

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File No : 10401/Civ/172/ANQ

Dated : 20 Sep 2001

DAILY ORDER SHEET

Revised on 21/Nov/2001

Memo No 10402/172/Civ dated 30 Aug 2001 issued by Officer Commanding 306 Stn Wksp EME, C/O 99 APO, appointing me as the inquiring Authority under Sub-rule (2) of Rule 14 of the CCS (CCA) Rules 1965 in the inquiring being held again T.No 172 Civ Elect Shri. Bihari Singha was received on 10 Sep 2001. The charged official has been directed to appear before me on 08 Oct 2001 at 1100h in my office in 306 Stn Wksp EME for attending the preliminary hearing. He has also been asked to furnish the particulars of the Defence Assistance, if any, proposed to be nominated by him, so as to reach me before 01 Oct 2001. Copy of this notice has been endorsed to all concerned.

B.P.  
(Bidyot Panging)  
AEE  
Inquiring Authority

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Revised on 21 st Nov. 2001

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Revised on 07/2/2001

Attested  
J. H. Hareake

Dated : 20 Oct 2001

Recd on 21 Nov 2001

DAILY ORDER SHEET

Disciplinary proceedings again T.No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha to inquire into the charges lendled against vide memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jul 2001.

## 1. Proceedings on 20 Oct 2001. -

Present (a) Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE  
Inquiring Authority

(b) JC-722950E Nb Sub/SKT(MT) Amar Singh  
Presenting Officer

2. The inquiring proceedings could not proceed as T.No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha did not attend the inquiring on 20 Oct 2001. Instead a letter dated 13 Oct 2001 addressed to Officer Commanding 306 Stn Wksp EME and copy endorsed to undersigned was received on 18 Oct 2001, requesting for engaging a lawyer as defence assistance and for joint trial. Another letter dated 18 Oct 2001 was also recd by me through courier acknowledging my letter 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 03 Oct 2001 and giving reference of letter addressed to officer commanding 306 Stn Wksp EME.

3. The contents of daily order sheet have been sent to all concerned. Officer Commanding 306 Stn Wksp EME did not accede the request of charged official as presenting officer is not legally qualified. Similarly request of joint trial has also been rejected.

4. The next hearing will take place on 15 Nov 2001 in my office at 306 Stn Wksp EME.

B.P.  
(Bidyot Panging)  
AEE  
Inquiring Authority

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on 21 Nov 2001  
27/11/02

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306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

10401/172/Civ/Inq

24 Jan 2002

T/No 172 Civ Elect (MV)  
Shri Bihari Singha  
Qtr No MES 93/2  
Deodgen Line  
Shillong Cantt

Recd on 13/2/2002

**DEPARTMENTAL INQUIRY INTO THE CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST T/NO 172  
ELECT (MV) SHRI BIHARI SINGHA UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS (CCA) RULES 1965**

1. Refer to :-

(a) My letter No 10401/172/Civ/Inq dated 23 Oct 2001.  
*Registered*

(b) Your letter No Nil dated 23 Nov 2001, recd on 29 Nov 2001.

(c) My Registered letter No 10401/172/Civ/Inq dated 21 Dec 2001. (Returned back  
unaccepted on 16 Jan 2002).

2. On your request vide letter at Para 1 (b) above, you have been given sufficient time to search for a defence assistance and date of hearing was fixed on 15 Jan 2002 which was intimated to you vide our Registered letter No 10401/172/Civ/Inq dt 21 Dec 2001. But this letter was returned undelivered because you had refused to accept the registered letter on 11 Jan 2002, as per remarks endorsed on the letter by the postal authority.

3. It seems that you are trying to delay the inquiry. However, it is for your information that exparte inquiry has already been started on 15 Nov 2001 (which was intimated to you vide our letter ref at Para 1 (c) above). You are hereby given one more chance to report for inquiry on 05 Feb 2002 at 1100 h in my Office.

*[Signature]*

B.P.  
(B Panging)  
AEE  
Inquiring Authority

Copy to :-

Officer Commanding  
306 Station Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

JC-722950F Nb Sub SKT (MT)  
Amar Singh  
306 Station Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

For info.

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*15.*  
*11/11/01*  
*11/11/01*

Received on 13 Feb 2002

To

Shri Bidyot Panging,

AEE

Inquiring Authority

306 Stn Wksp EME

C/O 99 APO.

Sub :- DEPARTMENTAL INQUIRY INTO THE CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST T/NO. 172 ELECT BIHARI SINGHA UNDER RULE, 14 OF CCS(CCA) RULES 1965

Ref :- Your letter Nos :-

(a) 10401/172/Civ/inq dt 08/2/2002 and

(b) 10401/172/Civ/inq dt 24/1/2002.

Sir,

1. Your letter under reference, has been received by me on 13/2/2002, hence the appearance before you on 05/1/2002 is not possible.

2. Further your letter No. 10401/172/Civ/inq dt 21/12/2001 has not been delivered to me, so refusal of the same does not arise. Hence the charges levelled against me for non-acceptance of Registered letter is false.

3. I had nominated Shri MP Singha UDC of 222 ABOD C/O 99 APO under the provision of Rule 14 of CCS(CCA) Rules 1965, with a copy of his willingness, vide my application dt 21/1/2002. Hence changing of my Defence Assistant at this stage can not be made, as such necessary action in this regards may please be taken. However, a fresh willingness certificate of my Defence Assistant is enclosed herewith again for your necessary action.

4. Your attention is also drawn to the last sentence of para-2 of your letter No. 10401/172/Civ/inq dt 08/2/2002. In which you have advised to engage a Defence Assistant and on the other hand you have stated that ex-parte inquiring proceeding have already been started, which is not understood.

5. Your early action is solicited.

Your's faithfully

Enclo : 1 (One)

Dated : 18 Feb 2002

(Bihari Singha)

T/No. 172 Civ Elect.

Qtr No. MES 93/2.

Deodgen Line, Shillong Cantt

*Approved  
for  
Admission*



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Regd by Post

306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

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Tele : 6177

10401/Civ/172//INQ

22 Feb 2002

T/No 172 Civ Elect (MV)  
Shri Bihari Singha  
Qtr No MES 93/2  
Deodgen Line  
Shillong Cantt

**DEPARTMENTAL INQUIRY INTO THE CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST T/NO 172 CIV ELECT (MV) SHRI BIHARI SINGHA UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS (CCA) RULES 1965**

1. Further to our letter No 10401/172/Civ/INQ dated 12 Feb 2002.
2. You have already been given five opportunities on 08 Oct 2001, 20 Oct 2001, 15 Nov 2001, 16 Jan 2002 and 05 Feb 2002, but you were absent on all the above dates. Its seems that you are trying to delay the inquiry with one excuse or the other.
3. Beside that exparte inquiry has already been started on 15 Nov 2001 (which was intimated to you vide our registered letter No 10401/172/Civ/INQ dt 21 Dec 2001 and registered letter No 10401/172/Civ/INQ dt 24 Jan 2002), you are hereby given another chance to report for inquiry on 11 Mar 2002 at 1100hrs in my Office. It is for your information that after 11 Mar 2002, the inquiry proceedings will be held on every alternative day except Sunday and Holidays at 1100hrs in my Office. If the date of inquiry is falls on Sunday or Holidays inquiry, there will be held on next working day/same time and place.

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*B.P.*  
(B Panging)  
AEE  
Inquiry Authority

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Received on 04/3/2002

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Attested  
Jmt.  
Answered

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To

Shri B.Panging  
AEE  
Inquiring Authority  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO.

Sub :- DEPARTMENTAL INQUIRY INTO THE CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST T/NO. 172  
ELECT. BIHARI SINGHA UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS(CCA), RULES 1965.

Ref : Your letter Nos :-

1. 10401/172/Civ/INQ dt 23 Oct 2001,
2. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 20 Oct 2001,
3. 10401/Civ/172 dt 20 Oct 2001,
4. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 08 Oct 2001 and
5. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 20 Sep 2001.

Sir,

Since all the letters were received by me on 21 Nov 2001, it was not possible for me to appear before you on 15 Nov 2001 at 1100 hrs as desired vide your letter dt 23 Oct 2001.

I have already sought permission for engaging Shri MP Singha UDC of 222 ABOD as my Defence Assistant vide my letter dt 21 Jan 2002. But confirmation in this regard has not yet been received.

Hence, there is no delay on my part, rather there is delay on communication and decision on your part and on the part of the Disciplinary Authority.

You are therefore, requested to give confirmation to my application dated 21 Jan 2002, so that the case can be settled at an early date as the same is pending/lingering since 01 Jun 2001.

Thanking you sir.

Your's faithfully.

Dated : 07 Feb 2002.

Copy to :-

The Officer Commanding

306 Stn Wksp EME

c/o 99 APO - Your letter No.

(Bihari Singha)  
T/No 172 Elect.  
Qtr No. MES 93/2.  
Deodgen Line, Shillong.

10401/Civ/172 dt 19 Oct 2001

has been received by me on 21 Nov 2001 and made a request to Inquiring Authority subsequently on 23/11/2001, 24/12/2001 and 21/1/2002 for engaging Defence Assistant, reply of which is yet to be received

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A. H. S. for  
B. H. S.

File No : 10401/Civ/172/Inq

Dated : 13 Mar 2002

DAILY ORDER SHEET

Disciplinary proceedings against T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha to inquire into the charges lendled against vide memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jul 2001.

1. Proceedings on <sup>13</sup>11 Mar 2002.

Present (a) Shri Bidyot Panging AEE  
Inquiring Authority

(b) JC- 722950E Nb Sub SKT (MT) Amar Singh  
Presenting Officer

(c) T.No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha charged Official

Absent (d) Defence assistance

2. The inquiry proceedings started at 1100 h on 13 Mar 2002, T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha came with a letter No nil dated 12 Mar 2002 requesting for permission for engaging of defence assistance from place other than the HQ (Shillong) and place of enquiry. But the undersigned is not agreed and once again advised the charged official to engage a defence assistance from one of the local unit due to technical problem of distances of unit located in Guwahati and advised not to delay on employing defence assistance. Further reply of the above mentioned letter will be forwarded to the charged official separately.

3. Once again the charged official was asked by the Inquiring Authority that he is willing to see the proceedings and statement of state witness recorded earlier. But the charged official is not willing to see these documents without having the defence assistance.

4. Inquiry officer proceeded to take the statement of No 14577561N NK Dvr (MT) Puran Singh, SW-4 and his statement has been taken.

5. The next hearing will be on day after tomorrow (i.e. 15 Mar 2002) as mentioned in our letter No 10401/Civ/172/INQ dated 22 Feb 2002.

*[Signature]*  
13/3/02  
JC-722950E Nb Sub SKT(MT)  
Amar Singh  
Presenting Officer

*[Signature]*  
(Bidyot Panging)  
AEE  
Inquiring Authority

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*[Signature]*  
13/3/02 at 1400h  
(T.No 172 Civ Elect (MT))  
Shri Bihari Singha  
charged official

*[Signature]*  
Attest  
by  
[Signature]

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(Typed true copy)

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306 Stn Wksp EME

Dated: - 13 Mar 2002

Depositions of No. 14577561N Nk Drv (MT) Puran Singh aged 35 years S/O Shri Mohan Lal R/O 306 Stn wksp after having been duly warned states.

On 01 Jun 2001, I was performing the duties of driver of Car Ambassador and I parked the veh near telecom shop. After parking the veh I was standing near the main gate. I was called by Nb Sub RC Nath to accompany him to civilian recreation room. There were already Hav J Khushwaha, Hav Laln Saha with Nb Sub RC Nath in the recreation room. Nb Sub RC Nath told T No 172 Elect (MV) Shri Bihari Singha and T No. 169 VM Shri PC Das to go to shop floor but they refused to go to the shop floor. They told Nb Sub RC Nath that "Hum Indipendent hai, Aap kaun Hota hai Blone Kc Lya". The Nb Sub RC Nath told them that "May floor JCO ho Aap Ko Jana Parenga." Then they replied "Aap Chor Ho, Apne Bahut Chori Ki Hai, Aur Fil' Ka paisa Khaya Hai." Then Shri Bihari Singha saw him a letter and said "Lt. Col NK Tiwari Gandu officer Tha, Jo Ki Hamari Welfare Ki Bare Main Nahi chocha. Army Ki Sare officer Gandu Hai, Aur Agichahi Sare Gandu officer Aaty hai." After that Nb Sub RC Nath told them that "Letter Dikhane Se koch Nahi Hai, Aap Apna Kam Karo." Then Shri Bihari Singha raised his hand to hit Nb Sub RC Nath but he ducked. Then we all came out from the recreation Room after seeing their violent behaviour. Then Nb Sub RC Nath went to OC Office to report the matter to OC.

Cross-Examination by the Defence Assistant

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Cross-Examination By the Defence Assistance could not be done due to absence of Defence Assistance beside sufficient time have been given to the charged official vide our letter as under: -

- (a) 306 Stn Wksp letter No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 20 Sep 2001.
- (b) 306 Stn Wksp letter No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 03 Oct 2001.
- (c) 306 Stn Wksp letter No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 20 Oct 2001.
- (d) 306 Stn Wksp letter No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 23 Oct 2001.
- (e) 306 Stn Wksp letter No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 21 Dec 2001.
- (f) 306 Stn Wksp letter No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 24 Jan 2002.
- (g) 306 Stn Wksp letter No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 24 Jan 2002.
- (h) Daily order sheet dated 11 Mar 2002 handed over to the charged official on 11 Mar 2002 after the Inquiry.

Beside all the above quoted letter the charged official has once again came with an letter No- Nil dated 12 Mar 2002, requesting permission for engaging of defence assistant from place other than the HQ (Shillong) and place of enquiry. But the undersign is not agreed and once again advised the charged official to engage a defence assistance from one of the local unit due to technical problem of distances of units located in Guwahati.

#### Re-Examination

Nil

#### Questions by the Inquiry Officer

1 Q:- How did T No. 172 Shri Bihari Singha assault Nb Sub RC Nath?

Ans: - He abused Nb Sub RC Nath saying "Aap Chore hai, Aur FIP Ka Paisa Khaya Hai" and raised his hand to hit Nb Sub RC Nath.

2. Q :- Are they gone to the shop floor after the incident?

Ans:- After the incident I saw him roaming around the wksp with T No 169 VM Shri PC Das without doing any work.

3. Q: - Did you ever saw him doing work?

Ans: - I have never seen him doing work in my 3 years tenure in this wksp.

4. Q :- If they are not doing any work what they are doing all the time in the wksp premises?

Ans:- They are doing their personal work and lending money to both Civilian and combatants employees of this wksp with heavy interest. He is also doing collection of landed money from the employees of this wksp during working hours.

Sd/-  
Inquiry Officer

Read over to the witness in the language he understand in the presence of the Government servant and admitted as correct.

Sd/- Illegible  
(No. 14577561 N Nk Drv (MT)  
Puran Singha)

Sd/- Illegible  
(Inquiry Officer)

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Annexure-16

To

The Officer Commanding,  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO.

Sub : DEFENCE ASSISTANT.

Ref : My application dt 09/3/2002.

Sir,

With reference to my application cited above ,  
I respectfully submit the following :-

That, in my aforesaid application, I had requested for engagement of Defence Assistant for my defence in the Court of enquiry to be held against me and Shri MP Singha has been M nominated as my Defence Assistant to protect my case, but my request was turned down on the plea that the Defence Assistant which is going to be engaged by me is not from the HQ Shillong and from the distance place. I have requested again and again vide my applications dt 21/1/2002, dt 07/2/2002 and dt 18/2/2002. But my request was flatly rejected.

That, during the enquiry, the Inquiry Officer have forced me to sign the Daily Order Sheet, which is full of procedure lapse. Even he was not allowed to go for lunch and attend call of nature. He had detained me without any work up to 1410 hrs on the 13/3/2002.

That, as I am layman in this case and to face the enquiry, which is very much complicated and full of motivation, I would like to once again request you to kindly allow me to engage Shri MP Singha as my Defence Assistant. It is also requested to inform Shri MP Singha to appear before the court as Defence Assistant at an early date.

That, in this connection, my application dt 12/3/2002 addressed to the Inquiring Authority, Shri B Panging is attached herewith for perusal and necessary action. Hope you will do the needfull and consider my case for appointment of Defence Assistant Shri MP Singha.

Thanking you sir.

Your's faithfully.

Enclo : One sheet.

Dated : 14 Mar 2002

*Amu*  
14/3/02

(Bihari Singha)

T/No 172 Elect(MV)  
Qtr No MES 93/2  
Deodgen Line,  
Shillong Cantt.

Copy to :-

Shri B Panging

AEE

Inquiring Authority

306 Stn Wksp EME

C/O 99 APO.

For Information  
and necessary  
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To  
The Officer Commanding  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO.

Sub : DEFENCE ASSISTANT.

Ref : My application dt 14/3/2002.

Sir,

It is submitted that I had not been intimated regarding engaging of Defence Assistant in my departmental court of enquiry as prayed vide my application referred to above. In this regards, it is further submitted that as advised by Inquiry Officer, I have liaisen/connected numbers of central Govt employees in Shillong for engaging Defence Assistant, but nobody is seems to willing for the same. Ultimately I have engaged Shri MP Singha UDC of 222 ABOD C/O 99 APO, which is at Gauhati. It is also submitted as per CCS(CCA) Rules 1965, it is mandatory/ obligatory on the Inquiry Officer to concede the request of the delinquent employee to engage Defence Assistant. Your attention is also drawn to the verdicts of Bombay bench Central Administration Tribunal in the case of Suresh Praphakar V. Union of India and other , OA No. 530 Of 1993 dt 04/4/96.

Therefore, it is requested that my application of engaging Shri MP Singha UDC of 222 ABOD C/O 99 APO as mentioned above be granted and instruct the Inquiring Officer accordingly at an early date.

Thanking you sir.

Your's faithfully

*[Signature]*  
18/3/02

(Bihari Singha)  
T/No 172 Elect(MW)  
Qtr No MES 93/2.  
Deodgen Line  
Shillong Cantt.

Dated : 18 Mar 2002  
Copy to :-  
Shri B Panging  
AEE  
Inquiring Authority  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO. - For information please.

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*[Signature]*  
18/3/02



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'D' Annexure-17 (series) 98. (41)

To

The Officer Commanding (Lt Col JS Bains)  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO.

Sub : SUPPLY OF COPIES OF APPOINTMENT IN RESPECT OF THE INQUIRY  
OFFICER AND THE PRESENTING OFFICER IN THE DISCIPLINARY  
PROCEEDING FRAMED AGAINST ME UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS(CCA) RULES  
1965.

Sir,

With reference to the subject indicated above, I have  
the honour to state as hereunder :-

1. That, infact I am in receipt of your Memo No.21208/172/EST-IND/LC dt 11 Jul 2001, by which I have been charged with a solitary Article of charge, with some clauses thereunder.
2. That, in responds to the Memo aforesaid I submitted my showcause reply on 28/7/2001, denying the charge in each entirety.
3. That, thereafter I have not yet received any communication from the appropriate authority about any further action taken in this regards, except a few correspondances from Shri B Panging AEE who claims to be the Inquiring Authority in the instant Disciplinary Proceeding being duly appointed by Lt Col JS Bains, O C/Disciplinary Authority of this unit vide order No.10401/172/Civ dt 30 Aug 2001.
4. That, in this connection, it is very pertinent to place on record that all the relevent papers/documents including copies of appointments of Inquiry Officer and the Presenting Officer are vitally required to be furnished to the Charged Official, in advance, well ahead of time before any enquiry starts, as per provisions under the CCS(CCA) Rules 1965 read with article 311 of the Constitution of India. But, unfortunately, I have not yet received any communications from the Disciplinary Authority in this regards. In the absence of any specific written official order issued from the competent authority, whatever was done in the name of the Disciplinary Proceeding sofar automatically stood null and void, according to procedure established by law.
5. That, it needs to be further stated that I preferred several submissions to the Authority concerned, on several occassions either through personal approaches or in writing requesting them to supply me the copies of the letter appointing the Inquiry Officer and the Presenting Officer. But, it is curious to note that nothing has been communicated to me in this regards till date. My application dt 07/12/2001 may kindly be referred to.

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*Affected  
Lt Col JS Bains*

Contd..... 2/-  
21/3/02

6. That, I beg to state further more that I still reserve my right of personal hearings being duly assisted by an experienced Defence Counsel(Assistant) of my own choice for the ends of justice and fairplay.

7. That, I may kindly be permitted to mention here that to my utter surprise, when I went to attend the Departmental Inquiry on 20/3/2002, I find that the security team has dragged me to the duty room and asked me for taking off my all cloths including shoes, except inner wear, as if I am a criminal. As such it seems that the Disciplinary Authority and self designated Inquiry Officer have debarred me of reasonable justice. After completion of all security checks aforesaid, the team took me to enquiry office. No enquiry was conducted but detained me for sometime with no work and asked me to leave the enquiry office.

In the premises stated hereinabove, it is humbly prayed that your benignself would be graciously pleased to look into the matter very sympethetically and further be pleased to furnish me the copies of the relevent office order appointing the Inquiry Officer and the Presenting Officer including all the documents listed out in Annexure - III of the Memo aforesaid at an early date, thereby affording me the reasonable opportunity of personal hearings of being duly helped and assisted by an expart Defence Counsel(Assistant) of my own choice as provided under relevent provision of CCS(CCA) Rule 1965 read with Article 311 of the Constitution Of India. For this act of your kindness, I shall remain ever grateful to you.

Dated : 21 Mar 2002.

Your's faithfully

*[Signature]*  
21/3/02  
(Bihari Singha)

Copy to :-

T/No 172 Elect(EV) U/S  
Qtr No MES 93/2.  
Deodgen Line, Shillong.

1. Shri B Panging,  
AEP  
Inquiring Authority  
(self designated)
2. Nb/Sub Amar Singh  
Presenting Officer  
(as claimed by self  
designated Inquiry  
Officer)

For information please.

(Bihari Singha)

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To

Lt Col JS Bains

Dated : Shillong.

OC/Disciplinary Authority

306 Stn Wksp EME

C/O 99 APO.

12/3/2002, dt 14/3/2002 and dt 18/3/2002 may kindly

Sub : SUPPLY OF COPIES OF APPOINTMENT IN RESPECT OF THE INQUIRY OFFICER AND THE PRESENTING OFFICER IN THE DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDING FRAMED AGAINST ME UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS(CA) AT RULES 1965. your goodself would be graciously pleased to

Ref : (i) My application dated 21/3/2002, and  
(ii) Order No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 22/2/2002 issued to me by the self designated Inquiry Officer.

Sir, Constitution of India at an early date. For this act of I have the honour to invite your kind attention to the order and my application under reference on the subject indicated above and to state as follows :-

1. That, I have submitted my humble representation referred to hereinabove on 21/3/2002, praying thereby to supply copies of the appointment of the Inquiry Officer and the Presenting Officer in connection with the Disciplinary Proceedings against me along with other documents which I consider are vitally relevant to the instant enquiry sofar as my presentation of the case is concerned.

Dodgen Line, Shillong.

For information

2. That, in this connection, I may kindly be permitted to refer to the letter No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 22/2/2002 issued to me by the self designated Inquiry Officer (Shri B Panging) AEE whereby I have been directed to appear before him every alternative date wef. 11 Mar 2002. However, I have been continuously co-operating with him (the said IO) by my regular appearances inspite of the fact that I am not in receipt of his (the said IO) appointment letter issued from the appropriate Disciplinary Authority.

3. That, But, it is very surprising to find that I was not in a position to reach up to the place of enquiry on 22/3/2002 due to forcible restriction imposed upon me by the Gate NCO / incharge inspite of my sincere efforts. As a consequence, I have been denied of my reasonable opportunity of being heard in person, on that day.

4. That, as far as nomination/appointment of Defence Counsel is concerned, I have already furnished the name of Shri MP Singha UDC of 222 ABOD C/O 99 APO along with his consent.

Contd ..... 2/-

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But, no communication has yet been received from the Disciplinary Authority in this regard. In this connection, my earlier representations dt 21/1/2002, dt 07/2/2002, dt 18/2/2002, dt 09/3/2002, dt 12/3/2002, dt 14/3/2002 and dt 18/3/2002 may kindly be referred to.

Under the facts and circumstances stated above, it is humbly prayed that your goodself would be graciously pleased to consider my earlier representations referred above including the instant one very sympathetically and pass necessary orders affording me the reasonable opportunity of my personal hearings as per provisions under CCS(CCA) Rules 1965 read with Article 311 of the Constitution of India at an early date. For this act of your kindness, I shall remain ever grateful to you.

Copy to :-

Shri B Panging  
AEE

Inquiring Authority  
(self designated)

306 Station Wksp EME

C/O 99 APO.

- For information  
and necessary  
action please.

Your's faith-fully

*[Signature]* 25/7/02

(Bihari Singha)

T/No 172 Elect(MV) U/S

Qtr No MES 93/2

Deodgen Line, Shillong.

(Bihari Singha)

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To

Lt Col JS Bains  
OC/Disciplinary Authority  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO.

Dated : Shillong

The 26 Mar 2002.

Sub : DEPARTMENTAL INQUIRY INTO THE CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST T/NO 172  
ELECT(MV) SHRI BIHARI SINGHA UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS(CCA) RULES  
1965 - PERSONAL APPEARENCE ON 26/3/2002.

Sir,

With reference to the order No.10401/Civ/172/Inq dt 22/2/2002 addressed to me by Shri B Panging AEE, who claims to be the Inquiry Officer of the instant Disciplinary Proceedings conducted against me, I beg to inform you thst I sincerly came to the place of enquiry at 306 Stn Wksp EME C/O 99 APO to co-operate with the said enquiry according to the time and venue fixed for the purpose.

But, it is surprising that again I was not even allowed to enter the gate of the office by the Gate NCO/Incharge and rather I was force upon to leave the place for reasons known only to the Authorities concerned.

In this connection, my earlier applications dt 21/1/2002, dt 07/2/2002, dt 18/2/2002, dt 09/3/2002, dt 12/3/2002, dt 14/3/2002, dt 18/3/2002, dt 21/3/2002 and dt 23/3/2002 may kindly be referred to, whereby I requested the Authorities concerned to communicate me about steps taken in regards to appointment of the Inquiry Officer and the Presenting Officer and also permission for engagement of Defence Counsel(Assistant).

In the circumstances stated above, it is humbly prayed that you would be kind enough to look into the matter thoroughly and make necessary arrangement for conducting the instant Disciplinary Proceedings against me by a duly appointing Inquiry Officer with prior notice to all concerned about the date, time, venue etc. For this act of your kindness, I shall remain ever gratefull to you.

Your's faithfilly

*[Signature]*  
26/3/02

(Bihari Singha)

T/No. 172 Elect(MV) U/S  
Qtr No. MES 93/2  
Deodgen Line  
Shillong Cantt.

Copy to :-

Shri B Panging.  
AEE

Inquiry Authority  
(self designated)

306 Stn Wksp EME

C/O 99 APO

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and necessary action  
please.

*[Handwritten signature]*  
for forward

Tele : 6177

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T/No 172 Civ Elect (MV)  
Shri Bihari Singha  
Qtr No MES 93/2  
Deodgen Line  
Shillong Cantt

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C/O 99 APO

03 Apr 2002

Annexure-19

DEFENCE ASSISTNACE

1. Refer to your application dated 14 Mar 2002.
2. As per Para 2 of your application, you had request ed for engaging Shri MP Singha of 222 ABOD as your defence assistance and inquiry officer has rejected your request for engaging a defence assistance from outside Shillong due to long distance.
3. In this connection, your attention is also drawn to our letter No 10401/Civ/172 dated 19 Oct 2001, where your request for engaging legally qualified defence assistance was not agreed upon. Again inquiry officer vide his letter No 10401/172/ Civ/Inq dated 08 Feb 2002 has already rejected your request for engaging a defence assistance from outside Shillong due to long distance between place of inquiry and place of posting of defence assistance. Inquiry officer had advised you to engage a defence assistance from place of inquiry. He had also mentioned that you were trying to delay the proceedings.
4. It has also been seen that you have been trying to delay the proceedings right from the beginning by refusing to accept registered letters in time which were sent to you. It has also been intimated by Postal authorities that you have not been available at your residence when postman used to visit you for delivering the registered letters. Many a registered letters have also been received back with the remarks of postal authorities "Individual refused to accept". It seems that you have been trying to use dilatory tactics to delay the proceedings and asking time and again to engage a defence assistance from 222 ABOD at a distance of 100 Km from this place. There are a large number of defence civilian employees, Central Govt employees of various departments available in Shillong, as all the Central Govt departments like Central Excise, P&T, MES CPWD, Survey of India, North East Council are located in Shillong. You can select any of the employees from these organisations from about 1000 Central Govt employees posted in Shillong, who will be available every day due to less distance.
5. In view of above, undersigned in the capacity of disciplinary authority upholds the decision given by the inquiry officer to reject your request for engaging a defence assistance from outside Shillong. You are advised to select a defence assistance from any unit/organisation in Shillong and co-operate with the inquiry officer for early completion of inquiry.

Received on 08/4/2002  
at 1035 hrs.  
Shri  
08/4/2002

*[Signature]*  
J. S. Bains  
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding  
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C/O 99 APO

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T/No 172 Civ Elect (MV)  
Shri Bihari Singha  
Qtr No MES 93/2  
Deodgen Line  
Shillong Cantt

**SUPPLY OF COPIES OF APPOINTMENT IN RESPECT OF INQUIRY  
OFFICER AND THE PRESENTING OFFICER IN THE DISCIPLINARY  
PROCEEDING AGAINST T.NO 172 SHRI BIHARI SINGHA**

1. Refer to your letter No Nil dated 21 Mar 2002.
2. It is for your information that AEE, Shri Bidyot Panging was appointed as Inquiry Officer vide order No 10401/172/Civ dt 30 Aug 2001 and JC-722950F Nb Sub/SKT(MT) Amar Singh of 306 Station Wksp EME was appointed as Presenting Officer vide order No 10401/172/Civ dated 30 Aug 2001. The copies of the appointment of Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer were sent to you vide Regd Post.
3. In fact, you have knowing been about the appointment of Inquiry Officer as you have been corresponding with him under intimation to this office. In this connection, zerox copies of your letter No Nil dated 23 Nov 2001 and 07 Dec 2001 are forwarded herewith to remind you that you know about the appointment of Inquiry Officer. You have been attending the inquiry on 11 Mar 2002, 13 Mar 2002 and 15 Mar 2002, as it seen from the gate passes. From the above it is clear that you have been trying to mislead the authorities and trying to delay the proceedings.
4. However a zerox copies of appointment of Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer dated 30 Aug 2001 are again forwarded for your information.
5. You are advised once again to co-operate with the Inquiry Officer for early finalisation of court of inquiry.

(J S Bains)  
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding

- Encls : (a) Appointment of inquiry officer  
(b) Appointment of presenting Offr  
(c) Letter No Nil dated 23 Nov 2001  
(d) Letter No Nil dated 07 Dec 2001

**Copy to :-**

Shri Bidyot Panging  
AEE  
306 Stn Wksp EME

for info and finalising the Inquiry at  
earliest.

Received on  
27/4/2002  
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Attested  
J. S. Bains  
Lt Col

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STANDARD FORM OF ORDER RELATING TO APPOINTMENT OF  
INQUIRY OFFICER UNDER RULE 14 (2) OF CCS (CC&A) RULES 1965

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306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

30 Aug 2001

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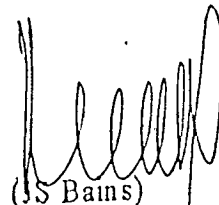
ORDER

1. Refer to this Workshop memorandum of Charge sheet bearing No 21208/172/Est IND/LC dt 11 Jul 2001.

2. WHEREAS an inquiry under rule 14 of Central Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rule 1965 is being held against T.No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha.

3. AND WHEREAS the undersigned considers that an inquiry Officer should be appointed to inquire into the charges framed against him.

4. Now therefore, the undersigned in exercise of the powers conferred by Sub Rule (2) of the said rule, hereby appoints Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE as Inquiry Officer to inquire into the charges framed against the said T.No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha.

  
(S Bains)  
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding  
Disciplinary Authority

Copy to :-

T.No 172 Civ/Elect  
Shri Bihari Singha  
Qtr No MES 93/2  
Dudgeon Lines  
Shillong Cantt

Shillong Cantt

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Shri Bidyot Panging  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

for information and action along with a copy of charge sheet mentioned above.

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for  
Advocate



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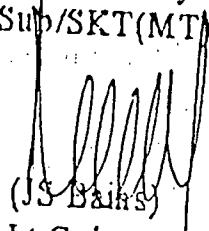
30 Aug 2001

### APPOINTMENT OF PRESENTING OFFICER

Where an Inquiry under rule 14 of Central Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rule 1965 is being held against T No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha.

And whereas the undersigned considers that a Presenting Officer should be appointed to present on behalf of the undersigned.

Now therefore, the undersigned, in exercise of the powers conferred by Sub Rule 5 (c) of Rule 14 of the said rules, hereby appoints JC- 722950FNb Sub/SKT(MT) Amar Singh as Presenting Officer.

  
(JS Bains)  
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding  
Disciplinary Authority

Copy to :-

JC-722950FNb Sub/SKT(MT) -  
Amar Singh  
6 Stn Wksp EME

for info along with the following docs :-

- (a) Copy of memorandum
- (b) Copy of written statement of defence.
- (c) A Copy of statement of witnesses.

for info.

Shri Bihari Singha  
No 172 Civ/Elect  
No MES 93/2  
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IAEE Bidyot Panging  
Military Officer  
6 Stn Wksp EME  
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Dated : Shillong  
The 29th April 2002

Lt.Col J.S. Bains,  
Officer Commanding,  
306 Stn.WKSP. EME,  
C/o 99 A.P.O.

Sub : Representation against the Appointment of Sri Bidyot Panging as Inquiry Officer on grounds of bias.

Ref : O.C. Wksp's letter No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 18/4/2002.

Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of the OC Wksp's letter under reference, which I received on 27/4/2002 and to state as hereunder :-

1. That, by this letter, (under Para-2), I was formally informed that Sri Bidyot Panging AEE, was appointed as Inquiry Officer, way back vide his order No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 30/8/2001 and JC-722950 F Nb. Sub/SKT (MT) Amar Singh of 306 Stn. Wksp. EME was appointed as presenting officer vide his order No 10401/172/Civ dt. 30/8/2001. It was interalia, stated there in that the copies of the appointment of the Inquiry Officer and the Presenting Officer, were sent to me vide Regd Post. In reply there to I am to state that it is not possible for me to accept the above allegation of the OC. Wksp that the copies of the appointments of the Inquiry Officer and the Presenting Officer were sent to me vide Regd Post, on the ground that he has either wilfully omitted or miserably failed to quote the No. and Date of the said Regd Post, while making correspondence with me, even though, I have requested him several times for the same.

2. That, it was also alleged in para-3 of his letter under reference, that infact, I have been knowing about the appointment of the Inquiry Officer as I have been corresponding with him under intimation to this office and that I have been attending the inquiry on 11 March 2002, 13 March 2002 and 15 March 2002 as it seen from the gate passes and also that from the above, it is clear that I have been trying to mislead the authorities and trying to delay the proceedings. In rebuttal there to, I am to state that I have never ever tried either to mislead the authorities or to delay the proceedings as alleged, but I tried my level best to co-operate with the authorities in this regard.

The ground reality is that rather the authorities have been arbitrarily and illegally trying to put me in troubles by adopting dilatory tactics and instead, putting the blame on me for no fault of my own and this will be evident from the fact that I was forced upon to recognise/accept an un-identified person as the Inquiry Officer whose mandatory formal appointment was purposely not made available to me for quite a long time and to obtain gate pass for attending the inquiry on the aforesaid dates under duress which, however, culminated in a total ban on my entry in the office campus in the long run.

3. That, as regards appointment of Sri Bidyot Panging AEE of 306 Stn. Wksp.

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Dw  
Advance

EME C/o 99 A.P.O. as the Inquiry Officer to inquire into the charge framed against me in exercise of powers conferred by Sub Rule (2) of Rule 14 of the CCS (CCA) Rules 1965, I am to state that his appointment letter No Issued vide 10401/172/Civ dt. 30/8/2001 has been received by me, of late, on 27/4/2002, after a lapse of a long period of around 8 months which ought to have been promptly communicated to me as per rules.

4. That, in this connection, it is very pertinent to point out here that Sri Bedyot Panging AEE, of 306 Stn Wksp EME C/o 99 APO is personally connected/concerned with all the matters/affairs relating to the instant Departmental Inquiry, Since he is the only subordinate officer under the Disciplinary Authority (Lt Col J S Bains), the Officer Commanding 306 Stn Wksp, EME C/o 99 APO, directly dealing with day-to-day official works including my service, covered by the period of charges framed against me and he is rather deemed to be witness in the instant Disciplinary Proceedings being conducted against me, and as such, he can not be the Inquiry Officer in the instant inquiry being conducted against me on grounds of bias.

5. That, I beg to further state that I emphatically assert my right of being heard in person duly helped and assisted by a defence counsel of my own choice for the ends of justice.

In the premises stated above, I earnestly request you that you would be kind enough to consider my case sympathetically, and stay the inquiry pending appointment of a fresh Inquiry Officer, in his place as per provision in para 87, P&T Manual, Vol-III and DG, P&T Letter No 7/28/72 - Disc. 1, Dated The 19th March 1973 below the Rule 14 of the CCS (CCA) Rules 1965. For this act of your kindness, I shall remain ever grateful to you.

Yours faithfully

*29/4/2002*

(Bihari Singha)

T. No. 172 Elect U/S

Qtr No. MES 93/2

Deodgenline

Shillong Cantt.

Copy to :  
Sri Bidyot Panging  
AEE,  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/o 99 A.P.O.

----- for information please.

(Bihari Singha)

Regd by Post

Tele : 6177

306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

10401/172/Civ/INQ

12 Jun 2002

T/No 172 Civ Elect (MV)  
Shri Bihari Singha  
Qtr No MES 93/2  
Deodgen Line  
Shillong Cantt

**DEPARTMENTAL INQUIRY INTO THE CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST T/NO 172  
CIV ELECT (MV) SHRI BIHARI SINGHA UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS (CCA) RULES  
1965**

1. The following Daily Order Sheets alongwith deposition of the state witness are forwarded herewith for your information and necessary action :-

- (a) Daily Order Sheet No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 16 Jan 2002. ✓
- (b) Daily Order Sheet No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 05 Feb 2002. ✓
- (c) Daily Order Sheet No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 15 Mar 2002. ✓
- (d) Daily Order Sheet No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 20 Mar 2002. ✓
- (e) Daily Order Sheet No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 26 Mar 2002. ✓
- (f) Daily Order Sheet No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 08 Apr 2002. ✓
- (g) Daily Order Sheet No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 22 Apr 2002. ✓
- (h) Daily Order Sheet No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 10 May 2002. ✓
- (j) Daily Order Sheet No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 07 Jun 2002. ✓

2. The next date of hearing has been fixed on 26 Jun 2002 at 1100h in my office. The evidence on behalf of Disciplinary Authority has been closed. The proceedings will be resumed on 26 Jun 2002 for hearing defence evidence after the submission of written statement of defence by the charged official. Therefore you are hereby advised to present your self on the above date alongwith list of defence witness, if any.

B.P.

( Bidyot Panging )  
AEE  
Inquiry Officer

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Received on 16/2/2002 at 1100h.  
All India  
Govt  
Advocate

File No : 10401/Civ/172/Inq

Dated : 16 Jan 2002

DAILY ORDER SHEET

Disciplinary proceedings against T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha to inquire into the charges levelled against vide memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jul 2001.

## 1. Proceedings on 16 Jan 2002.

Present (a) Shri Bidyot Panging AEE  
Inquiring Authority

(b) JC- 722950E No Sub SKT (MT) Amar Singh  
Presenting Officer

Absent (c) T.No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha  
charged Official

2. The Inquiry proceedings started at 1100 h on 16 Jan 2002, T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha was not present even though a registered letter No 10401/172/Civ/INQ dated 21 Dec 2001 was sent to him duly intimating the date of inquiry but it is received undelivered because the charged Official had refused to accept the registered letter on 11 Jan 2002 as per remarks endorsed on the registered letter by the postal authority. He has already been given three opportunities on 08 Oct 2001, 20 Oct 2001 and 15 Nov 2001, it is seen that charged Official has been trying to delay the proceedings with one excuse or the other.

3. Since the charged Official is not present, there will not be any hearing on 16 Jan 2002.

4. The next hearing will be intimated separately.

*[Signature]*  
NB Sub Amar Singh  
Presenting Officer

*[Signature]*  
(Bidyot Panging)  
AEE  
Inquiry Authority

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*[Signature]*  
Advocate

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File No : 10401/Civ/172/Inq

Dated : 05 Feb 2002

DAILY ORDER SHEET

Disciplinary proceedings against T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha to inquire into the charges lended against vide memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jul 2001.

1. Proceedings on 05 Feb 2002.

- Present (a) Shri Bidyot Panging AEE  
Inquiring Authority
- (b) JC- 722950E Nb Sub SKT (MT) Amar Singh  
Presenting Officer
- (c) 14624820Y Nk D Palani  
State Witness- 2
- Absent (d) T.No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha  
Charged Official
- (e) Defence Assistance

2. The inquiry proceedings started at 1100 h on 05 Feb 2002, T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha was not present even though a registered letter No 10401/172/Civ/INQ dated 24 Jan 2002 was sent to him duly intimating the date of inquiry. He has already been given four opportunities on 08 Oct 2001, 20 Oct 2001, 15Nov 2001 and 16 Jan 2002, it is seen that charged Official has been trying to delay the proceedings with one excuse or the other.

3. Inquiry Officer proceeded to take statement of No 14624820Y Nk D Palani, SW-2 and his statement has been taken.

4. The next hearing will be intimated separately.

*[Signature]*  
Nb Sub Amar Singh  
Presenting Officer

*[Signature]*  
(Bidyot Panging)  
AEE  
Inquiry Authority

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*[Signature]*  
Advocate

(Typed true copy)

SW-2  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO  
Dated 05 Feb 2002

Deposition of No. 14624820Y Nk D Palani aged 29 years S/O Shri P Devarajan R/O 306 Stn wksp EME.

Profession Clerk GD.

I, No 14624820Y Nk D Palani R/O 306 Stn wksp EME state that on 28 may 2001 I was performing the duties of Finance clerk of 306 stn wksp EME. On that day around 0900 hrs I saw T No. 172 Civ (Elect) Shri Bihari Singha leading a group of civilian employee of this wksp towards the officer commanding office. Seeing them I came out from my office and I was observing them from the door of OC's office listening their conversation with OC because I was worried about their intension of coming like this. I saw T No. 172 Civ (Elect) Shri Bihari Singha asking OC for granting them Special Casual Leave on 28-May 01 due to office picketing called by Khasi Student Union (KSU) in a demanding voice. OC wksp refused their demand and asked them to go to their respective sections. After that they came out from the OC's office and T No 172 Civ (Elect) Shri Bihari Singha delivered an inflammatory speech in front of the main office to the employees who were accompanying him inciting them to leave the wksp premises due to office picketing called by KSU. After that T No 172 Civ (Elect) Shri Bihari Singha along with some civilian employee of this wksp left the wksp at around 0930 hrs without taking any leave/Gate pass.

Cross-Examination by the Defence Assistant

Cross-Examination could not be done due to absence of charged official and Defence Assistant been giving them sufficient time through registered letter as under: -

Attested  
for  
Advocate

- (a) 306 Stn Wksp letter No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 20 Sep 2001.
- (b) 306 Stn Wksp letter No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 03 Oct 2001.
- (c) 306 Stn Wksp letter No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 20 Oct 2001.
- (d) 306 Stn Wksp letter No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 23 Oct 2001.
- (e) 306 Stn Wksp letter No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 21 Dec 2001.
- (f) 306 Stn Wksp letter No. 10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 24 Jan 2002.

Re-Examination

Nil

Questions by the Inquiry Officer

1. Q :- Since how long are you here in this wksp?

Ans: - I was posted here on 14 Nov 1998.

2. Q :- Why did you came out from your office after seeing T No Civ (Elect) Shri Bihari Singha and the other civilian employee of this wksp at around 0900 hrs on 28 May 2001?

Ans: - I was trying to know what is going on and why they had came like that to our OCs office. I was worried about our OC because he was alone at that moment.

3. Q :- Did you go inside the OCs officer during their conversation with OC?

Ans: - No, I was standing at the door of the OCs office and listening there conversation.

4. Q :- What is the distance between the door and the location of OC during their conversation with OC?

Ans: - It is just about 4 mtrs from the door where I was standing.

5. Q :- Who had leaded the group of civilian employees and who spoke to OC?

Ans:- T No 172 Civ (Elect) Shri Bihari Singha had lid the group of civilian employees and he only spoke to OC.



6. Q:- What did you listen during their conversation with OC?

Ans:- T. No. 172 Civ (Elect) Shri Bihari Singha told OC in a demanding tone to given them Special Casual Leave on that day because of office picketing called by KSU. But OC wksp had refused to give special casual leave. After that T No 172 Civ (Elect) Shri Bihari Singha along with other civilian employee had left his office saying that "Aaj hum kam nahi karenge. Hum lough abhi ghar jayenge".

7. Q:- What they did after leaving OC's office?

Ans:- They gathered in front of main office and T No. 172 Civ (Elect) Shri Bihari Singha delivered an inflammatory speech to the civilian employees who were accompanying him. After that T No. 172 Civ (Elect) Shri Bihari Singha forced his way out of wksp premises without any leave and gate pass at about 0930 hrs and left the workshop premises. Some more civilian workers also followed him.

8. Q:- Did gate sentry stop him?

Ans:- Gate-sentry tried to stop them but they did not stop.

Sd/-  
Inquiry Officer

Read over to the witness in the language he understand in the presence of the of the Government servant and admitted as correct.

Sd/- Illegible  
(No. 14624820Y Nk  
D.Palani)

Sd/- Illegible  
(Inquiry Officer)

File No : 10401/Civ/172/Inq

Dated : 15 Mar 2002

DAILY ORDER SHEET

Disciplinary proceedings against T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha to inquire into the charges lendled against vide memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jul 2001.

1. Proceedings on 15 Mar 2002 :-

- Present
- (a) Shri Bidyot Panging AEE  
Inquiring Authority
  - (b) JC- 722950E Nb Sub SKT (MT) Amar Singh  
Presenting Officer
  - (c) T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha  
Charged Official
  - (d) JC-753913P Nb Sub Tech 'B' Veh  
K Jaya prakasan  
State Witness - 5
- Absent
- (e) Defence Assistance.

2. The inquiry proceedings started at 1100 h on 15 Mar 2002, T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha, charged official came without any defence assistance. T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha, charged official handed over to me a copy of letter No nil dated 14 Mar 2002, saying I will not sign anything from today onward including daily order sheet.

3. Inquiry officer proceed to take statement of JC-753913P Nb Sub Tech 'B' Veh K Jayaprakasan, SW-5 and his statement has been recorded.

4. After taking the statement of SW-5, the charged official was asked by the inquiry officer for cross examination of witness because defence assistance was absent but the charged official is not willing to speak anything without defence assistance. The charged official then had passed some comment that all this statement is false and fabricated. When the charged official was asked by the inquiry officer to prove his statement but the charged official was not able to prove his statement.

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5. Inquiry officer proceeded to questions the SW-5. After questions by the inquiry officer was over, the deposition was read over to the witness in the language, he understand.

6. Copies of depositions made by the State Witness-5 before me have been handed over to the presenting officer, but the charged officer refused to take the copy of deposition made by SW-5

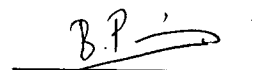
7. The next hearing will be on 20 Mar 2002 at 1100 hrs in my office.



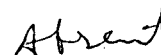
Presenting Officer

Refused to sign

Charged Officer



Inquiry Authority



Defence Assistance

Annexure- 23 (Series)

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SW-5

306 Stn Wksp EME

C/O 99 APO

15 Mar 2002

Deposition of JC- 753913P Nb Sub K Jaya Prakasan aged about 29 years S/o Late Shri Narayan K R/O 306 Stn wksp EME.

Profession: - Junior Commissioned Officer in the Corps of EME.

I, JC- 753913P Nb Sub K Jaya Prakasan R/O 306 Stn wksp EME after having been duly warned state that, I have been in this wksp since 05 Nov 2000 and I have been performing the duties of I/C 'B' Veh repair bay. Since the time, I have reported to this wksp, I have never seen T/No 172 Shri Bihari Singha doing any trade work. Most of the time, I saw him sitting in the civilian rest room or roaming around in the wksp without doing any work on all working days. He used to roam around with one of my civilian vehicle mechanic Shri PC Das. Whenever I tried to give him some work to Shri PC Das both of them used to reply that they are busy in welfare work and if I insist more Shri Bihari Singha used to rise his voice saying "Hum Long busy hai, Kampar nahi jayenge". I reported this matter to Maj Babu Ceogre, then OC, 306 Stn Wksp but he did not pay attention. After taking the command by the new OC, again I report this to him. Thereafter we are maintaining sectionwise daily register to record the output of Industrial workers wcf 01 Feb 2001 as per direction of new OC. If you check daily register from his section Incharge you will definately find him absent from place of work on regular basis. I have never seen such irregular civilian Industrial personal in my service.

Cross-Examination by the Defence Assistant

The charged official was asked by the inquiry officer for cross examination because defence assistance was absent. But the charged official is not wiling to speak anything without defence assistance: -

Re-Examination

Nil

Questions by the Inquiry Officer

1 Q:- Did you ever seen Shri Bihari Singha doing any trade work?

Ans:- No, I have never seen Shri Bihari Singha doing any trade work. After mustering in he used to roam around or sit in the civilian rest room with one of my vehicle mechanic Shri PC Das.

2 Q :- Did you ever approach them for doing work?

Ans:- Yes, whenever I tried to give some work to them, they used to refuse saying they are busy in welfare work. Shri PC Das used to reply that he had not done any work till date and he will not do even now. If I insist more they used to raise their voice. Shri Bihari Singha used to reply that "Hum Long busy hain, Kampar nahi jayenge."

3 Q:- Have you reported the matter to OC ?

Ans:- I reported this matter to Maj Babu George, then OC, 306 Stn wksp, but he did not pay any attention. After taking the command by the new OC, again I reported this to him. Thereafter we are maintaining a section wise daily register to keep the record of work done by the industrial workers during morning and afternoon with effect from 01 Feb 2001 as per direction of new OC.

4. Q :- After 01 Feb 01 did you find him doing trade work?

Ans:- No, he was absent from place of work after 01 Feb 2001 also.

5. Q :- After 01 Feb 2001 did you approach him for work?

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Ans:- Yes, after 01 Feb 2001 also they used to disobey my order, whenever they work told to do their work.

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(Inquiry Officer)

Read over to the witness in the language he understand in the presence of the Government servant and admitted as correct.

Sd/- Illegible  
(Deponent)

Sd/- Illegible  
(Inquiry Officer)

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File No : 10401/Civ/172/Inq

Dated : 20 Mar 2002

DAILY ORDER SHEET

Disciplinary proceedings against T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha to inquire into the charges lended against vide memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jul 2001.

1. Proceedings on 20 Mar 2002.

- Present
- (a) Shri Bidyot Panging AEE  
Inquiring Authority
  - (b) JC-722950E Nb Sub SKT (MT) Amar Singh  
Presenting Officer
  - (c) T.No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha  
Charged Official
  - (d) No 14591478F Nk SC Singh  
State Witness- 6

Absent (e) Defence Assistance.

2. The inquiry proceeding started at 1100hrs on 20 Mar 2002, T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha, Charged Official came without any defence assistance saying "I will not attend the inquiry proceeding" and he left the place of inquiry at 1115 hrs on 20 Mar 2002.


3. Inquiry Officer proceed to take statement of No 14591478F Nk SC Singh, SW-6 and his statement has been taken.

4. Cross- Examination of SW-6 was not done due to absence of defence assistance and charged official.

5. Questions by the inquiry officer on statement of SW-6 were deferred to the next date of hearing on 26 Mar 2002 at 1100 hrs.

6. Copies of deposition made by the state witness-6 before me have been handed over to the presenting officer and its copies for the charged official will be sent by registered post since the charged official have already left the place of inquiry without attending the inquiry proceeding at 1115 hrs on 20 Mar 2002.

7. The next hearing will be on 26 Mar 2002 at 1100 hrs in my office.

  
JC 722950E  
Presenting Officer

*Refused to attend inquiry*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Charged Officer

*B.P.*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Inquiry Officer

*Absent*  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Defence Assistance

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Annexure- 23 (Series)

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SW-6  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO  
20 Mar 2002

Deposition of No. 14591478F Nk SC Singh aged about 35 years S/O Late Shri Raj Bahadur Singh R/o 306 Stn Wksp EME.

Profession: - Recovery Mechanic

I, No. 14591478F Nk SC Singh R/o 306 Stn Wksp EME after having been duly warned state that I have been in this wksp since 04 Jul 99. On 28 May 2001, morning. I saw Shri Bihari Singha was leading a group of civilian employee of this wksp towards the officer commanding office. Seeing them I came out from main office and keep watching their activities from the veranda of OC office because OC was alone at that time. I saw Shri Bihari Singha asking OC for granting Special Casual Leave on 28 May 2001 due to office picketing called by Khasi Student Union (KSU) in a demanding voice. OC wksp was not agreed with their demand and asked them to go to their respective sections. After that they came out from his office and Shri Bihari Singha delivered an inflammatory speech in front of the main office to the employees who were accompanying him. Inciting them to leave the wksp premises due to office due to office picketing called by KSU. After that Shri Bihari Singha alongwith some civilian employee of this wksp left the wksp.

On 01 Jun 2001, I was performing the duties of Office runner. At around 0930 hrs I was called by Nb Sub RC Nath to accompany him to civilian rest room. There I found Shri Bihari Singha sitting with few other civilian employees of this wksp. Seeing us all of them left the civilian rest room except Shri Bihari Singha and Shri PC Das. Nb Sub RC Nath told them to go for work but they refused. Shri Bihari Singha got up and picked up a file and told Nb Sub RC Nath that he is telling them to do work but, he has to do a lot of Union work and their welfare

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is not being looked after. He took out a file containing a letter sign by Lt. Col NK Tiwari, Ex OC Wksp and saying loudly that "Yeh Col Tiwari Gandu officer Tha, jisne is letter ko sign kiya Hai, Hamara Medical claim Pass Nahi Hua". Shri PC Das also repeated that "Hamara Koi claim Pass Nahi Ho Raha Hai, Hum Kam Nehi Karenga, Yeha Par Saub Gandu officer Aur JCO Hain, Bharat Varash ke Employee Hai, Jahan Par Dil Karenga Bethenge". Shri PC Das then raised his hand to hit Nb Sub RC Nath saying "Aap Chor Ho, Apne Bahut Chori Ki Hai, Aur FIP Ka paisa Khaya Hai." Then Shri PC Das made a gesture to hit Nb Sub RC Nath, but Nb Sub RC Nath ducked and went back. Meanwhile Shri Bihari Singha made a violent gesture with both hands to hit Nb Sub RC Nath, then hit the table with both hands repeatedly to sound his anger and violent behaviour. Seeing all this we were become agitated but Nb Sub RC Nath has controlled us and we left the civilian rest room.

Cross-Examination by the Defence Assistant

Cross-Examination by Defence Assistance could not be done due to absence of Defence Assistance and the charged official.

Re-Examination

Nil

Questions by the Inquiry Officer

Deferred to the next date of hearing on 26 Mar 2002 at 1100 hrs.

Sd/- Illegible

(Inquiry Officer)

Read over to the witness in the language he understand in the presence of the of the Government servant and admitted as correct.

Sd/- Illegible

(Deponent)

Sd/- Illegible

(Inquiry Officer)

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File No : 10401/Civ/172/Inq

Dated : 26 Mar 2002

**DAILY ORDER SHEET**

Disciplinary proceedings against T/No 172 Civ Elect (MV) Shri Bihari Singha to inquire into the charges lended against vide memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jun 2001.

1. Proceedings on 26 Mar 2002.

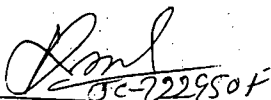
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| Present | (a) Shri Bidyot Panging<br>Inquiry Officer                      |
|         | (b) JC-722950F Nb Sub SKT (MT) Amar Singh<br>Presenting Officer |
|         | (c) No 14591478F Nk SC Singh<br>State witness -6                |
| Absent  | (d) T/No 172 Elect Shri Bihari Singh<br>Charged official        |
|         | (e) Defence Assistance  |

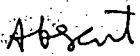
2. The inquiry proceedings started at 1100h on 26 Mar 2002, the charged official and his defence assistance was absent.


3. On continuation of the deposition of state witness-6 recorded in the proceedings on 20 Mar 2002, inquiry officer proceeded to process the remaining task of the deposition of state witness-6 i.e. question by the inquiry officer and have been completed and read over to the witness in the language he understand.

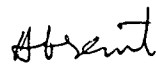
4. Copies of deposition made by the state witness -6 before me have been handed over to the presenting officer and its copies for the charged official will be sent by registered post since the charged official was absent.

5. The next hearing will be on 08 Apr 2002 at 1100h in my office.

  
Presenting Officer

  
Charged Officer

  
Inquiry Officer

  
Defence Assistance

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Annexure- 23 (Series)

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Record of Deposition/Cross-Examination

SW-6

306 Stn Wksp FME

C/O 99 APO

26 Mar 2002

Deposition made by No. 14591478F Nk SC Singh aged about 35 years S/O  
Late Shri Raj Bahadur Singh R/O 306 Stn Wksp EME.

Profession: - Recovery Mechanic.

Statement of state witness- 6 have already been recorded in deposition of  
SW- 6 on 20 March 2002.

Cross Examination by Defence Assistance

Cross-Examination by the Defence Assistance could not be done due to  
absence of charged official and Defence Assistance.

Re-Examination

Nil

Questions by the Inquiry Officer

1 Q :- At what time you have seen Shri Bihari Singha was leading a group of  
civilian employee of 306 Stn wksp to their OC's office on 28 May 2001?

Ans:- At around 0900 hrs.

2 Q :- Why did you came out from the main office after seeing them?

Ans :- I was worried about our OC because he was alone at that time and I was  
curious to know the reasons for which they came in a group.

3 Q :- After entering the OC's office who had spoken to OC?

Ans:- Shri Bihari Singha had spoken to OC in demanding tone and he is  
demanding special casual leave on that day due to the office picketing  
called by KSU. But OC wksp was not agreed with their demand and told

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Advocate*

them to go for work. After that Shri Bihari Singha alongwith other civilian employees had left his office saying that "Aaj Hum Kam nahi karenge Hum loug abhi ghar jayenge".

4 Q:- What they did after leaving OC's office?

Ans:- They gathered infront of main office and Shri Bihari Singha delivered an inflammatory speech to the civilian employees. After that Shri Bihari Singha went out from the wksp premises without any leave or gate pass at around 0930 hrs and some more civilian workers also followed him.

5 Q:- Did the gate sentry stop him?

Ans:- Gate sentry tried to stop them but they did not stop.

6 Q:- How did Shri Bihari Singha assault Nb Sub RC Nath?

Ans: - Shri Bihari Singha had made a violent gesture with both hands to hit him and then hit the table with both hands repeatedly to sound his anger and violent behaviour.

7 Q :- What was your reaction after that?

Ans: - We were became agitated after seeing their misbehaviour, but Nb Sub RC Nath had controlled us.

8 Q :- Are they gone to the shop floor after the incident ?

Ans:- They had not gone to the shop floor and I saw him roaming around with Shri PC Das after the incident.

9 Q- Did you saw him doing work earlier?

Ans:- Since I joined this unit, I have never seen him doing work. Shri Bihari Singha and Shri PC Das was used to roam around or sit in the civilian rest room without any work.

Sd/-

(Inquiry Officer)

Read over to the witness in the language he understand in the presence of the of the Government servant and admitted as correct.

Sd/- Illegible  
(Deponent)

Sd/- Illegible  
(Inquiry Officer)

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File No : 10401/Civ/172/Inq

Dated : 08 Apr 2002

**DAILY ORDER SHEET**

Disciplinary proceedings against T/No 172 Civ Elect (MV) Shri Bihari Singha to inquire into the charges lended against vide memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jun 2001.

1. Proceedings on 08 Apr 2002.

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| Present | (a) Shri Bidyot Panging<br>Inquiry Officer<br>JC-755107F             |
|         | (b) <del>IC-755000X</del> Nb Sub SKT RK Kanwar<br>Presenting Officer |
|         | (c) No 14581821L Hav J Kushwah<br>State witness -7                   |
| Absent  | (d) T/No 172 Elect Shri Bihari Singh<br>Charged official             |
|         | (e) Defence Assistance   |

2. The inquiry proceedings started at 1100h on 08 Apr 2002, the charged official and defence assistance was absent.

3. Inquiry officer proceed to take statement of No 14581821L Hav J Kushwaha, state witness - 7 and his statement has been taken.

4. Cross-examination of state witness -7 was not done due to absence of defence assistance and the charged official.

5. Question by the inquiring officer on statement of state witness-7 was deferred to the next date of hearing on 22 Apr 2002 at 1100hrs.

6. Copies of deposition made by the state witness -7 before me have been handed over to the presenting officer and its copies for the charged official will be sent by registered post.

7. The next hearing will be on 22 Apr 2002 at 1100h in my office.

Rajivela  
JC-755107F  
Presenting Officer

Absent  
Charged Officer

B.P.  
Inquiry Officer

Absent  
Defence Assistance

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for  
signature

Annexure- 23 (Series)

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Record of Deposition/Cross-Examination

SW-7

306 Stn Wksp EME

C/O 99 APO

08 Apr 2002

Deposition made by No. 14581821L Hav J Kushwaha aged 38 years S/O Late Shri Birbal Kushwaha R/o 306 Stn Wksp EME.

Profession: - Recovery Mechanic.

I, No. 14581821L Hav J Kushwaha R/o 306 Stn Wksp EME, after having been duly warned state that I have been in this wksp since 22 Oct 2000. On 01 Jun 2001, I was performing the duties of 1 Ton NSN of Ex 337 Rec Coy and after parking the vehicle I was standing there. Then I was called by Nb Sub RC Nath to accompany him to civilian rest room. There I saw Shri Bihari Singha along with other civilian employee were sitting in the civilian rest room. After seeing us all of other civilian employees except Shri Bihari Singha and Shri PC Das had left the civilian rest room. Nb Sub RC Nath advised both of them to go to the shop floor but they refused. Shri Bihari Singha got up and picked up a file and told Nb Sub RC Nath that he is telling them to do work but he have to do a lot of Union work and their welfare is not being looked after. He took out a file and saw us a letter signed by Lt. Col NK Tiwari, Ex OC Wksp and he said "Yeh Col Tiwari Gandu officer Tha, jisne is letter ko sign kiya Hai, Hamara Medical claim Pass Nahi Hua". Shri PC Das also repeated that "Hamara Koi claim Pass Nahi Ho Raha Hai, Hum Kam Nehi Karenga, Yaha Par Sub Gandu officer Aur JCO Hain, Hum Bharat Varash ka Employee Hai, Jahan Par Dil Karenga Bethenge". Shri PC Das then raised his hand to hit Nb Sub RC Nath saying "Aap Chor Ho, Apne Bahut Chori Ki Hai, Aur FIP Ka paisa Khaya Hai." He (Shri PC Das) made a gesture to hit Nb Sub RC Nath, but Nb Sub RC Nath ducked and went back to

*Deposition  
Hav J Kushwaha*

safe himself. Meanwhile Shri Bihari Singha made a violent gesture with both hands to hit Nb Sub RC Nath, then hit the table with both hands repeatedly to sound his anger and violent behaviour. After seeing their behaviour we were become agitated but Nb Sub RC Nath controlled us and we left the civilian rest room. After that Nb Sub RC Nath went to OC's office to report the matter to him.

Cross Examination by Defence Assistance

Cross-Examination by Defence Assistance could not be done due to absence of charged official and Defence Assistance.

Re-Examination

Nil

Questions by the Inquiry Officer

Deferred to next date of hearing on 22 Apr 2002 at 1100 hrs.

Sd/-

(Inquiry Officer)

Read over to the witness in the language he understand in the presence of the of the Government servant and admitted as correct.

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(Deponent)

Sd/- Illegible  
(Inquiry Officer)



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File No : 10401/Civ/172/Inq

Dated : 22 Apr 2002

**DAILY ORDER SHEET**

Disciplinary proceedings against T/No 172 Elect (MV) Shri Bihari Singha to inquire into the charges lended against vide memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jun 2001.

1. Proceedings on 22 Apr 2002.

Present

- (a) Shri Bidyot Panging  
Inquiry Officer  
JC-755167F
- (b) ~~IC-755006X~~ Nb Sub SKT RK Kanwar  
Presenting Officer

- (c) No 14581821L Hav J Kushwah  
State witness -7

Absent

- (d) T/No 172 Elect Shri Bihari Singh  
Charged official

- (e) Defence Assistance

2. The inquiry proceedings started at 1100h on 22 Apr 2002, the charged official and defence assistance was absent.

3. On continuation of the deposition of state witness-7 recorded in the proceedings on 08 Apr 2002, inquiry officer proceeded to process the remaining task of the deposition of state witness-7 i.e. question by the inquiry officer and have been completed.

4. Copies of deposition made by the state witness -7 before me have been handed over to the presenting officer and its copies for the charged official will be sent by registered post since the charged official was absent.

5. The next hearing will be on 10 May 2002 at 1100h in my office.

Rajiv  
JC-755167F  
Presiding Officer  
Presenting

Absent  
Charged Officer

B.P.  
Inquiry Officer

Absent  
Defence Assistance

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A. Mehta  
Advocate

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Record of Deposition/Cross-Examination

SW-7  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
22 Apr 2002

Deposition made by No. 14581821L Hav J Kushwaha aged 38 years S/O  
Late Shri Birbal Kushwaha R/O 306 Stn Wksp EME.

Profession: - Recovery Mechanic

Statement of state witness- 7 have already been recorded in Deposition of  
SW- 7 on 08 Apr 2002.

Cross Examination by Defence Assistance

Cross-Examination by Defence Assistance could not be done due to  
absence of charged official and Defence Assistance.

Re-Examination

Nil

Questions by the Inquiry Officer

1 Q:- How did Shri Bihari Singha assault Nb Sub RC Nath?

Ans: - Shri Bihari Singha made a violent gesture with both hand to hit Nb Sub  
RC Nath and then hit the table with both hands repeatedly to sound his  
anger and violent behaviour.

2 Q :- What was your reaction after that?

Ans: - After seeing this we were became agitated but Nb Sub RC Nath had  
controlled us.

*Agitated  
for  
#wreckage*

3. Q :- Are they gone to the shop floor after the incident ?

Ans:- No, I saw him roaming around with Shri PC Das without doing any work after the incident.

4. Q:- Did you saw him doing work earlier?

Ans:- I have never seen him doing work since I joined this wksp. They used to roam around or sit in the civilian rest room without doing any work.

Sd/-

(Inquiry Officer)

Read over to the witness in the language he understand in the presence of the of the Government servant and admitted as correct.

Sd/- Illegible  
(Deponent)

Sd/- Illegible  
(Inquiry Officer)

File No : 10401/Civ/172/Inq

Dated : 10 May 2002

DAILY ORDER SHEET

Disciplinary proceedings against T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha to inquire into the charges lended against vide memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jul 2001.

1. Proceedings on 10 May 2002.

- Present (a) Shri Bidyot Panging AEE  
Inquiring Officer  
(b) ~~JC-754018W~~ Nb Sub SKT RK Kanwar  
Presenting Officer  
(c) JC-754018W Nb Sub U P Mishra  
State Witness -3
- Absent (d) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha  
Charged Official  
(e) Defence Assistance

2. The inquiry proceedings started at 1100 h on 10 May 2002, the charged official and defence assistance was absent.

3. Inquiry officer proceed to take statement of JC-754018W Nb Sub U P Mishra, SW-3 and his statement has been recorded.

4. Cross examination of SW-3 was not done due to absence of defence assistance and charged official.

5. Questions by the inquiry officer on statement of SW-3 were deferred to the next date of hearing on 07 Jun 2002 at 1100 h.

6. In the course of statement by JC-754018W Nb Sub U P Mishra, SW-3 a reference has been made to the daily register maintained by Electrical Section of 306 Station Wksp EME, to record the work output of industrial workers. This register is however, not mentioned as a listed documents. The presenting officer has sought permission for production of this register on the plea that the evidence tendered by JC-754018W Nb Sub U P Mishra, State Witness-3 has been cited as a witness only to prove the allegations through the daily register in question & therefore, permit production of the daily register of Electrical section, 306 Station Wksp EME, which will be offered for inspection to the charged official and his defence assistance in the next hearing on 07 Jun 2002 at 1100 hrs.

7. Copies of deposition made by the state witness -3 before me have been handed over to the presenting officer and its copies for the charged official will be sent by registered post.

8. The next hearing will be on 07 Jun 2002 at 1100 h in my office.

Approved  
JC-755107F  
Presenting Officer

Absent  
Charged Officer

B.P.  
Inquiry Officer

Absent  
Defence Assistance

Annexure- 23 (Series)

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Record of Deposition/Cross-Examination

SW-3

306 Stn Wksp EME

C/O 99 APO

10 May 2002

Deposition of JC 754018W Nb Sub (Elect) UP Mishra aged 45 years S/O  
Late Ram Naresh Mishra R/O 306 Station workshop EME.  
Profession :- Junior Commissioned Officer in the corps of EME.

I, JC 754018W Nb Sub (Elect) UP Mishra R/O 306 Stn wksp EME after having been duly warned state that, I have been in this wksp since 04 March 1999 and I have been performing the duties of I/C. Elect Section for the last three years. Since the time, I have reported to this wksp, I have never seen Shri Bihari Singha doing any trade work. Being the incharge of Electrical Section, I tried to give him trade work but he used to refuse every time. He used to sit in the civilian rest room or roaming around with Shri PC Das during all working days. Shri Bihari Singha was detailed for class B repair of Armature, motors and dynamos etc. but his output was about nil. Being the section incharge, whenever, I asked him about his poor output he used to reply that he was busy in union work. Whenever I tried to give him work he used to refused me. If I insist more Shri Bihari Singha used to raise his voice saying "Hum loug busy hai, kampar Nahi jayenge." I had complained this to Maj Babu Ccogre, then OC, 306 Stn Wksp but he did not pay attention. After taking the command by Lt Col. JS Bains, he told all the section incharge to maintain a daily register to monitor work output in their respective section and from 01 Feb 2001 we are maintaining this register. Shri Bihari Singha was absent from his place of work thereafter also and this can be verified from this daily register. This is the first time I have seen such an irregular and highhanded workers in my 27 years of service in EME.

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Jat  
Advocate*

Cross-Examination by Defence Assistance

Cross-Examination by Defence Assistance could not be done due to absence of charged official and his Defence Assistance.

Re-Examination

Nil

Questions by the Inquiry Officer

Deferred to the next date of hearing on 07 Jun 2002 at 1100 hrs.

Sd/-

Inquiry Officer

Read over to the witness in the language he understand in the presence of the of the Government servant and admitted as correct.

Sd/- Illegible  
(Deponent)

Sd/- Illegible  
(Inquiry Officer)

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Dated : 07 Jun 2002

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Disciplinary proceedings against T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singha to inquire into the charges lended against vide memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jul 2001.

1. Proceedings on 07 Jun 2002.

- Present (a) Shri Bidyot Panging AEE  
Inquiry Officer  
(b) ~~JC-755008~~ Nb Sub SKT RK Kanwar  
Presenting Officer  
(c) JC-754018W Nb Sub U P Mishra  
State Witness -3
- Absent (d) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha  
Charged Official  
(e) Defence Assistance

2. The inquiry proceedings started at 1100 h on 07 Jun 2002, the charged official and defence assistance was absent.

3. On continuation of the deposition of State Witness -3 recorded in the proceedings on 10 May 2002, inquiry officer proceeded to process the remaining task of the deposition of state witness-3, i.e. question by the inquiry officer and have been completed.

4. Presenting Officer submitted the daily register which was asked for inspection during the proceedings on 10 May 2002. The same was inspected by the inquiry Officer and Shri Bihari Singha was found either absent or not reported on working days from 01 Feb 2001 (i.e. from the day of opening t he register) till the date of suspension. This register was not able to offered for inspection to the charged official and his defence assistance because both of them was absent. This daily register of Electrical Section of 306 Station Wksp EME was brought on record.

5. Presenting Officer declared that he has produced sufficient state witness to prove the charges against the charged official and remaining state witness need not to be produced for inquiry.

6. Evidence on behalf of the Disciplinary Authority was closed.

7. Copies of deposition made by the state witness -3 before me have been handed over to the presenting officer and its copies for the charged official will be sent by registered post.

8. The next hearing will be on 26 Jun 2002 at 1100 h in my office.

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Presenting Officer

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Charged Officer

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Inquiry Officer

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Record of Deposition/Cross-Examination

SW-3

306 Sln Wksp EME

C/O 99 APO

07 June 2002

Deposition of JC 754018W Nb Sub (Elect) UP Mishra aged 45 years S/O  
Late Ram Naresh Mishra R/O 306 Station workshop EME.

Profession :- Junior Commissioned Officer in the corps of EME.

Statement of state witness-3 have already been recorded in deposition of  
SW-3 on 10 May 2002.

Cross-Examination by Defence Assistance

Cross-Examination by Defence Assistance could not be done due to  
absence of charged official and Defence Assistance.

Re-Examination

Nil

Questions by the Inquiry Officer

1 Q :- Did you ever seen Shri Bihari Singha doing any trade work ?

Ans:- No, Shri Bihari Singha had not done any trade work in my entire service  
in this wksp. He used to sit in civilian rest room or roam around with Shri  
PC Das after giving attendance in the main gate during all working days.

2 Q :- Who is the incharge of his section?

Ans :- I am the incharge of his section for last three years.

3 Q :- Did you ever approach him for doing work?

Ans:- In numbers of occasion, I tried to give him work and expedite him to  
improve his work output. But, whenever I approach him, he used to



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refuse my order and raised his voice. If I insist him more Shri Bihari Singha used to reply that "Hum Laug busy hain, kampar nahi jayenge."

4 Q:- Have you reported the matter to OC?

Ans:- I reported this to Maj Babu George, then OC, 306 stn wksp, but he did not pay any attention. After taking the command by Lt. Col JS Bains, I complained this to him also. As per our new OC's direction we started maintaining a sectionwise daily register w e f 01 Feb 2001 to keep the record of work output of all industrial personel.

5 Q :- After 01 Feb 2001 did you noticed any changed in his work?

Ans:- No, he used to be absent from his place of work and disobey my order thereafter also.

Sd/-  
Inquiry Officer

Read over to the witness in the language he understand in the presence of the of the Government servant and admitted as correct.

Sd/- Illegible  
(Deponent)

Sd/- Illegible  
(Inquiry Officer)

755107/RKK/Pers

26 Nov 2002

AEE Shri Bidyot Panging  
Inquiry Officer  
306 Station Workshop EME  
C/O 99 APO

PRESENTATION OF WRITTEN BRIEF IN RESPECT OF  
T/NO 172 CIV ELECT (MV) SHRI BIHARI SINGHA

1. Refer to your Daily Order Sheet No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 03 Aug 2002 and letter No 10401/Civ dated 29 Aug 2002 and of even No dated 20 Sep 2002.

2. In connection with disciplinary case mentioned above, I want to bring down the following for your kind consideration :-

(a) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha of 306 Station Workshop EME was served with a memorandum by Officer Commanding 306 Station Workshop EME vide memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jul 2001 under Rule 14 of Central Civil Services (Classification & Appeal) Rule 1965. He was charged with the following offences i.e. "Gross Misconduct" :-

(i) On 01 Jun 2001 at about 0930 h created a riotous situation in the rest room while being instructed to go to shop floor by JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath.

(ii) Assaulting JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at 0930 h approximately.

(iii) An act subversive of discipline in that using abusive and filthy language against JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at 0935 h approximately.

(iv) Incited the industrial workers by inflammatory speech to join in a mass absence without leave or out pass on 28 May 2001 from 0930 h to 1600 h after marking their presence in the workshop. Thus 11 civilian workers of this wksp left their place of work on being incited by him.

(v) Continual and wilful neglect of duty and absence from 01 Feb 2001 from place of work on all working days, refusing to accept any work and do any work.

(vi) Continual and wilful disobedience of orders given by supervisory staff to proceed to place of work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 on all working days.

"Thus he exhibited acts as unbecoming of Government Servant and committed offences violating the provisions of Rule 3 of CCS (Conduct) Rule 1964"

*Attested  
JMS  
Advocate*

(b) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was directed to submit a written statement of his defence within 10 days of receipt of memorandum.

(c) That T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was also intimated vide Para 4 of above memorandum that if he does not appear in person before the inquiring authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply the provisions of Rule 14 of CCS (CC&A) Rule 1965 or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said Rule, the inquiring authority may hold the inquiry against him ex-parte.

(d) The list of documents by which the articles of charges framed against T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha were to be sustained were as under :-

(i) Complaint given by JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) RC Nath dt 01 Jun 2001.

(ii) Absent report submitted by NK Rajan J, gate NCO of 306 Station Workshop EME on 28 May 2001.

(iii) Report of disobedience and no output given by section in charges.

(iv) Report of inciting of workers given by Nb Sub (Now Sub) MDC Ahmed, I/C shop floor.

(e) That the list of witnesses by whom the article of charges were proposed to be sustained were as under :-

(i) No 14577561N NK Puran Singh

(ii) JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath

(iii) No 14591478F NK S C Singh

(iv) No 14558493W Hav Lalan Sahi

(v) No 14581821L Hav J Kushwaha

(vi) No 14624820Y NK D Palani

(vii) JC-753913P Nb Sub Jayaprakasan K

(viii) JC-750236Y Nb Sub (Now Sub) MDC Ahmed

(ix) JC-754018W Nb Sub U P Mishra

(f) That AEE Shri Bidyot Pangling was appointed as Inquiry Officer by disciplinary authority vide order No 10401/172/Civ dated 30 Aug 2001.

(g) That JC-722950F Nb Sub SKT (MT) Amar Singh of 306 Station Workshop EME was appointed as presenting officer by Disciplinary Authority vide 10401/172/Civ dated 30 Aug 2001 and copy of the same was forwarded to T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha at his residential address, Otr No MES 93/2, Deodgen Lines, Shillong Cantt through registered post. Undersigned was detailed Presenting Officer on 04 Apr 2002 consequent to retirement of Nb Sub SKT (MT) Amar Singh.

(h) That the charged official T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was directed to report to inquiry officer for preliminary hearing on 08 Oct 2001 at 1100 h vide Daily Order Sheet No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 20 Sep 2001.

(j) That T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was also directed to give the particulars of Defence Assistance, if any proposed to be nominated by him.

(k) That the inquiry proceedings could not proceed on 08 Oct 2001 as T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha expressed his inability to arrange for defence assistance. Another date on 20 Oct 2001 at 1100 h at 306 Station Workshop EME was fixed for the next hearing vide Daily Order Sheet 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 08 Oct 2001.

(l) That the inquiry proceedings could not proceed on 20 Oct 2001 as T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha did not attend the inquiry and instead requested for engaging a lawyer as defence assistance as for daily order sheet No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 20 Oct 2001.

(m) That the next date of hearing was fixed on 15 Nov 2001 at 306 Station Workshop EME at 1100 h.

(n) That the following witnesses were produced by the presenting officer on the dates shown against each :-

(i)	JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath	15 Nov 2001	SW-1
(ii)	14624820Y NK D Palani	05 Feb 2002	SW-2
(iii)	JC-754018W Nb Sub U P Mishra	10 May 2002	SW-3
(iv)	14577561N NK Puran Singh	13 Mar 2002	SW-4
(v)	JC-753913P Nb Sub Jayaprakashan K	15 Mar 2002	SW-5
(vi)	14591478F NK S C Singh	20 Mar 2002 & 26 Mar 2002	SW-6
(vii)	14581821L Hav J Kushwah	08 Apr 2002 & 22 Apr 2002	SW-7

(o) That creating a disorderly and riotous situation in the workshop has been amply proved by SW-1, SW-4, SW-7. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha by refusing to obey the orders of JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath created a riotous and disorderly situation in the recreation room. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha became violent and used abusive and filthy language against JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath. Had the JCO not pacified the accompanying Jawans, there would have been a very serious problem due to violent behaviors of T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha who used words like "Yeh Col Tiwari Gandu Officer tha", abusing the previous OC wksp.

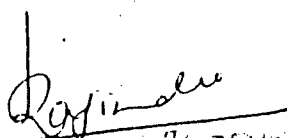
(p) That assaulting and using abusive language against JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath has been amply proved by SW-1, SW-4 and SW-7 in their statements and cross examination. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha made a gesture to hit JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath by raising both his hands and then hit the table violently and repeatedly to show his anger. JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath saved himself by ducking being a soldier otherwise he would have been hit. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha also said "Yahan par sabhi gandu officer and JCO hain" which has been sufficiently proved by all the three witnesses.

(g) That inciting the industrial workers by an inflammatory speech to join in a mass absence without leave has been sufficiently proved by SW-2 and SW-6. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha delivered an inflammatory speech in front of the Main Office to industrial workers and incited them to leave the wksp due to office pickeling called by Khasi Student Union. 11 workers of the wksp left the wksp premises without taking any leave or gate pass. He made the speech "Aaj Ham Kam Nahi Karengé", hum log abhi ghar jayenge".

(f) Continual wilful neglect of duty, absence and disobedience of orders for refusing to proceed to place of work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 has been amply proved by the statement of SW-1, SW-3, SW-4, SW-5 and SW-7. JC-754016W Nb Sub U P Mishra, SW-3 has brought out that T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha has always been absent from place of work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001. Nb Sub UP Mishra being I/C Section Electrical Section tried to allot him trade work but T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha used to refuse every time. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha used to sit in the civilian rest room or roaming around alongwith T/NO 169 Civ VM (MV) P C Das on all working days. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was also detailed to carry out repairs of Class 'B' Stores but his output was almost Nil. Being section in-charge whenever Nb Sub U P Mishra asked him, T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha used to reply "I am busy in union work" If he insisted more, T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha used to raise his voice and say "Hum busy hain aur kam par nahin jayenge". The above amply proves the wilful neglect, absence from place of duty and disobedience of orders. Nb Sub U P Mishra has also been maintaining a register wof 01 Feb 2001 where output of T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha has been nil and he has been shown absent from place of work.

3. As brought out above, all my witnesses from SW-1 to SW-7 have proved all the charges against T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha, who has attended the inquiry only on 11 Mar 2002, 13 Mar 2002, 15 Mar 2002, 20 Mar 2002 inspite of giving him sufficient notice. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha had no defence to offer and stayed away from attending the proceedings.

4. In view of the above, I want to bring to the notice of honourable inquiry officer that my witnesses have amply proved all the charges against T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha of 306 Station Workshop CME.

  
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(JC-755107F Nb Sub  
Rajender Kumar Kanwar)  
Presenting Officer

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File No : 10401/Civ/172/Inq

Dated : 26 Jun 2002

DAILY ORDER SHEET

Disciplinary proceedings against T/No 172 Civ Elect (MV) Shri Bihari Singha to inquire into the charges lendled against vide memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jun 2001.

1. Proceedings on 26 Jun 2002.

- Present (a) Shri Bidyot Panging  
Inquiry Officer
- (b) JC-755107F Nb Sub SKT RK Kanwar  
Presenting Officer
- Absent (c) T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singh  
Charged official
- (d) Defence Assistance

2. The inquiry proceedings started at 1100h on 26 Jun 2002, the charged official and defence assistance was absent.

3. The charged official has not submitted his written statement of defence, inspite of given him sufficient time through registered letter No 10401/172/Civ/Inq dated 12 Jun 2002 for submission of his written statement of defence by 26 Jun 2002.

4. The charged official has been given one more opportunity for submission of written statement of defence and to attend next hearing on 16 Jul 2002. In case the charged official had failed to appear at the appointed date and time, evidence on behalf of Shri Bihari Singha, charged official will be treat ed as closed.

5. The next hearing will be on 16 Jul 2002 at 1100h in my office.

Presenting Officer

Absent

Charged Officer

B. J.  
Inquiry Officer

Absent

Defence Assistance

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T/No 172 Civ Elect (MV)

Shri Bihari Singha

Attn: MES 93/2

Workshop Line

Shri Bihari Singha

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Dated 16 Jul 2002

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Disciplinary proceedings against T/No 172 Civ Elect (MV) Shri Bihari Singha to inquire into the charges lendled against vide memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jun 2001.

1. Proceedings on 16 Jul 2002.

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Inquiry Officer
- (b) JC-755107F Nb Sub SKT RK Kanwar  
Presenting Officer
- Absent (c) T/No 172 Civ Elect Shri Bihari Singh  
Charged official
- (d) Defence Assistance

2. The inquiry proceedings started at 1100h on 16 Jul 2002, the charged official and defence assistance was absent.

3. The charged official has not submitted his written statement of defence, inspite of given him sufficient time through registered letter No.10401/172/Civ/Inq dated 12 Jun 2002 and Daily Order Sheet No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 26 Juh2002 for submission of his written statement of defence by 26 Jun 2002 and 1<sup>st</sup> extended date by 16 Jul 2002 respectively.

4. The charged official has been given 3<sup>rd</sup> and last opportunity for submission of written statement of defence and to attend next hearing on 03 Aug 2002. In case the charged official had failed to appear at the appointed date and time, evidence on behalf of Shri Bihari Singha, charged official will be treat ed as closed.

5. The next hearing will be on 03 Aug 2002 at 1100h in my office.

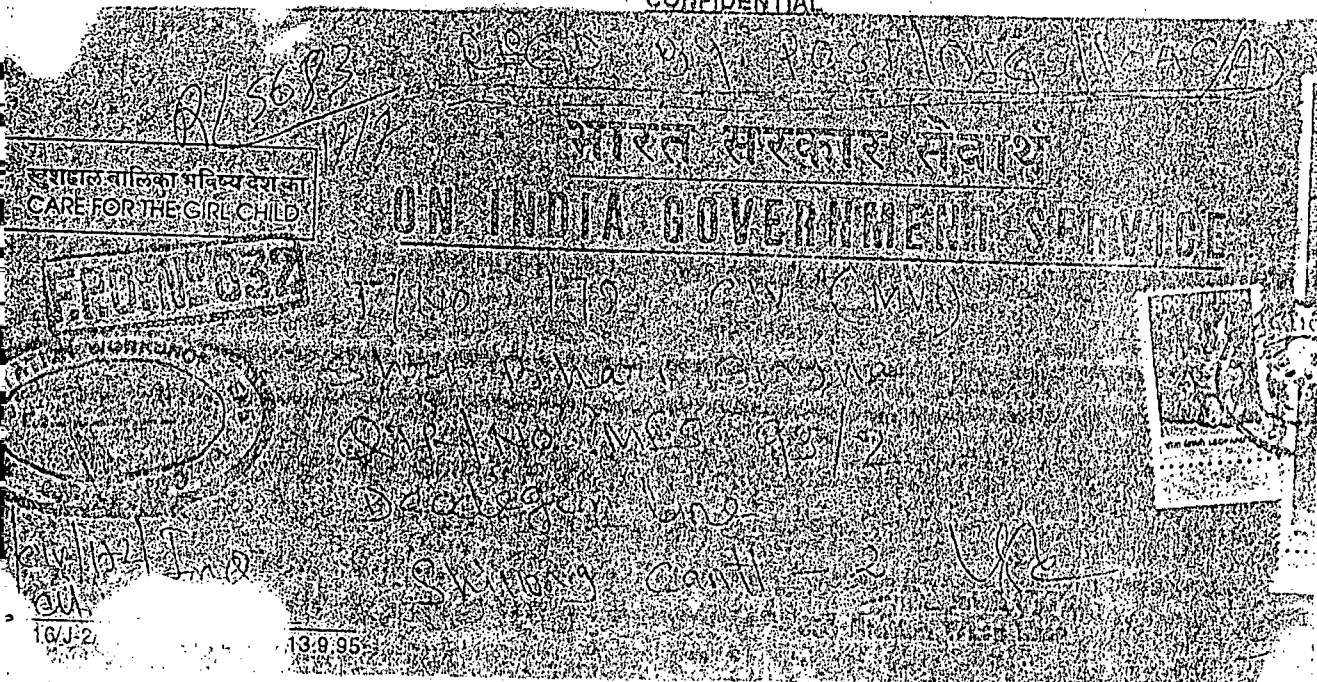
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Presenting Officer

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Charged Officer

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T/No 172 Civ Elect (MV)  
Shri Bihari Singha  
Qtr No MES 93/2  
Deodgen Line  
Shillong Cantt ✓

DEPARTMENTAL INQUIRY INTO THE CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST T/NO 172 CIV ELECT (MV) SHRI BIHARI SINGHA UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS (CCA) RULES 1965

1. Refer to :-

(a) Daily Order Sheet No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 03 Aug 2002.

(b) Presenting Officer's letter No 755107/RKK/Pers dated 26 Nov 2002.

2. Written brief submitted by Presenting Officer vide his letter No 755107/RKK/Pers dated 26 Nov 2002 is forwarded herewith for your information and in turn you are requested to submit your written brief so as to reach to the undersigned on or before 31 Jan 2003.

Encls : (04)

Copy to :-

Nb Sub SKT R K Kanwar - for info  
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C/O 99 APO

(By Hand)

B. P.  
(Bidyot Panging)  
AEE  
Inquiry Officer

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Annexure - 26 (58) (Serials)

To,

The Officer Commanding (Lt. Col JS Bains)  
306 Station Workshop EME.  
C/O 99 APO.

Dated : Shillong.  
The 30 Aug 2002.

Sub : FORWARDING OF APPEAL/PETITION.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit herewith 2 (Two) Sets of Appeal/Petition addressed to the Directorate General of EME (Civ) Master General of Ordnance Branch, Army Headquarters, DHQ PO, New Delhi -110011, of which one set is to be transmitted to him (DGEME) and another set is to be retained in your office for information and necessary action.

I would, therefore, request you that you would be kind enough to send one set of the aforesaid Appeal/Petition to the Directorate General of EME (Civ), Master General of Ordnance Branch, Army Headquarters, New Delhi -110011, for which act of your kindness, I shall remain ever grateful to you.

Enclo : As stated Above-2(Nos.)

Your's faithfully

(Bihari Singha)

T/No. 172 Elect(MV) U/S

Qtr No. MES - 93/2.

Deodgenline

Shillong, Cantt.

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Attested  
JWC  
Advocate

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Before the Directorate General of EME (Civ)  
Master General of Ordnance Branch  
Army Headquarters  
DHQ PO. New Delhi - 110011

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Dated : Shillong  
The 30 Aug 2002

**IN THE MATTER OF :**

An Appeal/Petition against the orders No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 03/8/2002 and No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 08/8/2002 issued by the Officer Commanding, 306 Stn. Wksp EME C/O 99 APO, rejecting the representation of the Appellant/Petitioner dt 29/4/2002, dt. 20/6/2002, dt. 16/7/2002, dt. 25/7/2002 and dt. 13/8/2002 against the appointment of Inquiry Officer on the grounds of bias.

**- : AND :-**

**IN THE MATTER OF :**

Prayer for review and fresh appointment of another person as the Inquiry Officer in place of Sri Bidyot Panging AEE, of 306 Stn Wksp EME C/O 99 APO, after setting aside and quashing the aforementioned Orders No. 10401/172/Civ dt 03/8/2002 and No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 08/8/2002 respectively.

**- : AND :-**

**IN THE MATTER OF :**

Shri Bihari Singha, T/No.172  
Electrician (MV) Qtr No. MES-93/2 Deodgenline,  
Shillong cantt.

..... Appellant/Petitioner.

Petition of the humble Appellant/Petitioner abovenamed begs to state as hereunder :-

**Most respectfully sheweth :-**

1. That, your humble Appellant/Petitioner abovenamed is a Defence Civilian, Serving as Electrician (MV) under EME Organisation and he is deemed to be a central Government employee and as such, he is entitled to all the reasonable opportunities provided under the CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 read with Article 311 of the Constitution of India.

2.

That, your humble Appellant/Petitioner is a citizen of India and as such, he is also entitled to all the rights and privileges guaranteed by the Constitution of India.

3.

That, your humble Appellant/Petitioner was initially recruited in the EME Organisation on 13/9/82 as a Civilian Electrician (MV) by Brig. B. P. Roy, Commandant I Advance Base Wksp EME C/O 99 APO. Since his entry in service until the date of his suspension, your humble Appellant/Petitioner had been continuously rendering his duties in this esteemed Organisation most diligently and to the full satisfaction of all concerned and as such, there did not arise, at any material point of time during the entire period of his unblemished past service career, such an occasion whereupon he was asked to explain for any lapse on his part in the discharge of the duties assigned to him by the Authorities concerned. Accordingly, he was awarded by Maj. Gen. S.K. Jain, MGEME, HQ Eastern Command, Kolkata on 23/8/99 in recognition of his utmost dedication to duty and professional excellence in the execution of task entrusted to him and also by Maj. Babu George, the Officer Commanding, 306 Stn. Wksp EME C/O 99 APO on 25/7/98 in recognition of his professional excellence. He passed the departmental supervisory test issued vide No 1632/T/91/CA-3 dt. 30/12/2000.

(Xerox copies of HQ Eastern Command certificate of professional excellence dt. 23/8/99 and certificate by Maj. Babu George the Officer Commanding 306 Stn., Wksp, EME on 25/7/98 and result of supervisory test 2000 issued vide No. 1632/T-10/91/CA-3 dated 30/12/2000 are annexed hereto and marked as Annexure -I, II and III respectively).

4.

That, your humble Appellant/Petitioner was struck by surprise to receive the office order No. 10401/Civ dt. 1/6/2001 issued to him by the Officer Commanding (Lt. Col. JS Bains) 306 Stn. Wksp, EME. C/o 99 APO, whereby he was placed under suspension with immediate effect, pending disciplinary proceedings against him.

(A Xerox copy of order No. 10401/Civ dated 1/6/2001 is annexed hereto and marked as Annexure -IV)

5.

That, eventually, a Departmental Inquiry, not worth its name, was proposed to be initiated against the Appellant/Petitioner by the Unit Administration arbitrarily, illegally and haphazardly vide his Memo No. 21208/172/EST-IND/LC dt. 11/7/2001, in violation of all statutory norms of procedural law, in as much as, the Unit Administration, at the very outset, either willfully omitted or through gross negligence, failed to furnish the copies of the

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appointments of the Inquiry Officer and the Presenting Officer respectively, which are condition-precedent to the initiation of Departmental Inquiry as per mandatory provisions laid down in Rule 14 of the CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 read with Article 311 of the Constitution of India.

(A Xerox copy of Memo No, 21208/172/EST-IND/LC dt. 11/7/2001 is annexed hereto and marked as Annexure -V)

6. That, ironically a letter was issued to the Appellant / Petitioner by Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE, 306 Stn. Wksp EME, C/O 99 APO, vide its No. 10401/C iv/172/ Inq dt. 20/9/2001, wherein he claimed that he was appointed as the Inquiry Officer of the instant Disciplinary Proceedings against the Appellant/ Petitioner by an Order passed by the Officer Commanding, 306 Stn. Wksp. EME vide his No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 30/8/2001. But the copy of the mandatory appointment letter so claimed had never been made available to the Appellant/Petitioner nor was it shown to him by the said Shri Panging. The Departmental Authority too, was reluctant to supply the same to him, right from the beginning, in spite of his sincere requests on several occasions, either through personal approach or in writing for supply of the same. In this connection, he submitted a number of representations vide his applications dt. 07/12/2001, dt. 21/3/2002, dt. 23/3/2002, dt. 26/3/2002 and dt. 09/4/2002 addressed to the Officer Commanding (Lt. Col. J.S. Bains), 306 Stn.. Wksp EME, with copies thereof endorsed to the said Shri Panging, requesting him thereby to supply a copy of the mandatory appointment letter of the Inquiry Officer aforesaid.

(Xerox copies of letter no. 10401/Civ/172/Inq dt. 20/09/2001 and Appellant/Petitioner's Applications dt. 07/12/2001, dt. 21/3/2002, dt. 23/3/2002; dt. 26/3/2002 and dt. 09/4/2002 are annexed hereto and marked as Annexure - VI, VII, VIII, IX, X and XI respectively)

7. That, from the facts stated hereinabove, it is clear that the copies of orders of appointments of either the Inquiry Officer or the Presenting Officer were, not at all, initially supplied to the Appellant/Petitioner, and as such, the contention of the Unit Authority that the Appellant/Petitioner was intimated regarding appointments of both the Inquiry Officer and the Presenting Officer vide letter No. 10401/172 /Civ dt. 30/8/2001 through registered letter No. 3806 dt. 31/8/2001 is totally unfounded, false and biased on the ground that the intimation alleged to have been sent to the Appellant/Petitioner vide Registered letter No. 3806 dt. 31/08/2001 never reached him and the Unit Authorities miserably failed to substantiate its claim with documentary evidence. However, apparently, under compelling situation, the said appointment letters, after having been kept secret for quite a long

time, were issued to the Appellant/Petitioner by the Unit Authority vide No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 18/4/2002 which were received by him only on 27/4/2002 after a lapse of around 8 (Eight) months, which ought to have been communicated to the Appellant/Petitioner, at the first Instance as a condition-Precedent to initiation of Departmental Inquiry as per rules.

(A Xerox copy of letter No 10401/172/Civ dt. 18/04/2002 is annexed hereto and marked as Annexure - XII)

8.

That, on receipt of the aforesaid appointment letters sent to the Appellant/Petitioner by the Unit Authority vide its letter (Annexure - XII) which was received by him on 27/4/2002, the Appellant/Petitioner promptly submitted an application to the Authorities concerned on 29/4/2002 against the appointment of Shri Bidyot Panging AEE, as the Inquiry Officer of the Instant Departmental Inquiry proposed to be initiated against the Appellant/Petitioner on the grounds of bias, since the said Shri Panging was directly concerned / connected with the day-to-day official works, including service matters relating to the Appellant/Petitioner and as such, he is rather deemed to be witness in the instant Departmental Inquiry, and at the same time, requested the Authorities thereby to make a fresh appointment of another person as the Inquiry Officer in his place, and this was followed by a number of representations dt. 20/6/2002, dt. 16/7/2002 dt. 25/7/2002 and dt. 13/8/2002. In this connection, the Appellant/Petitioner begs to state that there is no one other than the Charge Official (self) to reject an Inquiry Officer on the grounds of bias as per rules, in view of the fact that while the Appellant/Petitioner was working as Electrician (MV) in the office of the 306 stn. Wksp. EME C/o 99 APO, during the period from 01/2/2001 to 01/6/2001 covered by the charges, the said Shri Panging AEE, was very much holding the post of Wksp. Officer, barring a short break on temporary duty wef 07/5/2001 to 09/9/2001 and thereafter he is holding the same post after rejoining his duty. This apart, the said Shri Panging is suspected of being prejudiced or biased against the Appellant/Petitioner (C.O.)

(Xerox copies of Appellant/Petitioner's representations dt. 29/4/2002 dt. 20/6/2002, dt. 16/7/2002 25/7/2002 and 13/8/2002 are annexed hereto and marked as Annexure XIII, XIV, XV, XVI and XVII respectively.)

9.

That after having been in a deep slumber for a long period of more than 4 (four) months, since the date of submission of his earlier representation on 29.4.2002 (vide Annexure XIII) the Authorities

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concerned have reluctantly complied with only two of his letters dt. 20.6.2002 (vide Annexure XIV) and dt. 25.7.2002 (vide Annexure XVI) respectively, thereby rejecting the above representation of the Appellant/Petitioner vide its letters No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 3.8.2002 and No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 08.08.2002 respectively and hence this Appeal / petition.

(Xerox copies of letters no. 10401/172/Civ dt. 03.8.2002 and No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 08.8.2002 are annexed hereto and marked as Annexure - XVIII and XIX respectively).

10. That, the Appellant/Petitioner further begs to state that Unit Administration, while issuing the afforsaid letter (vide Annexure - XVIII) deliberately used the term "Again" to the effect that JC 755107F Nb. Sub/SKT R.K. Kanwar has been detailed as the Presenting Officer in the instant Inquiry vide his letter No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 03.4.2002. In fact the said letter was not at all sent to the Appellant/Petitioner earlier but, it was subsequently sent to him along with the said letter (Vide Annexure - XVIII) and as such, it is nothing but an another attempt to cover up its evil design. This will be evident from the fact that the Unit Administration failed to comply with the earlier representations submitted by the Appellant /Petitioner dt. 20.6.2002 dt. 16.7.2002,, dt 25.7.2002 and 13.8.2002 in this regard.

11. That, the Appellant/Petitioner emphatically assert that he is innocent and accordingly, he reserves his right of personnel hearing<sup>s</sup>duly helped and assisted by a Defence Counsel (Assistant) of his own choice in the event of any disciplinary proceeding<sup>s</sup>being conducted in future against him by the Appropriate Disciplinary Authority in accordance with the Provisions laid down in Rule 14 of CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965, read with Article 311 of the Constitution of India

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That, the Appeal/Petition of the Appellant/Petitioner is preferred bonafied for the ends of justice.

In the premises stated hereinabove, it is most humbly prayed that your goodself would be graciously pleased to review the matter very sympathetically and further be pleased to cause order/ orders to be passed for fresh appointment of another person as the Inquiry Officer in place of Shri Bidyot Panging AEE, 306 Station workshop EME C/o99APO after setting aside and quashing the orders No. 1040/172/Civ dt. 3.8.2002 and No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 08.8.2002 respectively as per provisions enshrined in the CCS (CCA) rules, 1965 read with Article 311 of the Constitution of India. For this act of your kindness, I shall remain ever grateful to you.

Amc/o : As stated  
above - 19 Nos.

Appellant/ Petitioner



(Bihari Singha)

T/No.. 172 Electrician (MV), US

Qtr. No. MES - 93/2

Deodgenline, Shillong Cantt.

Copy to

The Officer Commanding  
(Lt. Col. J.S. Bains)

306 Stn. Wksp. EME

To 99 A.P.O - For information  
and necessary  
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(Bihari Singha)

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FORWARDING OF INQUIRY REPORT : DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS  
UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS (CC & A) RULE 1965 AGAINST  
T/NO 172 CIV ELECT SHRI BIHARI SINGHA

1. Refer to :-


(a) Memorandum of Charge Sheet bearing No 21208/172/Est/Ind/LC dated 11 Jul 01.

(d) Our letter No 10401/172/Civ dated 30 Aug 01.

(e) Rule 15 (2) of CCS (CC&A) Rule 1965.

2. A copy of inquiry report submitted by the Inquiry Officer is forwarded herewith for your information. You are hereby directed to submit your representation, if any with in 15 days of receipt of inquiry report.

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(J S Bains)  
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding

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21/11/03  
A. S. Bains  
Joint Advocate



INQUIRY REPORT  
ON  
THE DEPARTMENTAL ENQUIRY HELD AGAINST  
T/NO 172 CIV ELECT(MV) SHRI BIHARI SINGHA  
OF  
306 STATION WORKSHOP EME

Submitted by  
Inquiry officer  
Vide letter No 10401/Civ/172/Inq  
Dated : - 10 Jul 2003

**LIST OF EXHIBITED DOCUMENTS**

S - 1 Daily attendance and output register of electrical section of 306 Station Workshop EME.

**LIST OF WITNESSES**

SW-1	JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath
SW-2	14624820Y NK D Palani
SW-3	JC-754018W Nb Sub U P Mishra
SW-4	14577561N NK Puran Singh
SW-5	JC-753913P Nb Sub Jayaprakashan K
SW-6	14591478F NK S C Singh
SW-7	14581821L Hav J Kushwah

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## INQUIRY REPORT

In the case against  
T/No 172 Civ Elect(MV) Shri Bihari Singha  
of 306 Station Workshop EME

### 1. Introduction

(a) Under sub-rule 2 of 14 of CCS (CC&A) Rules 1965, I was appointed by the Officer Commanding, 306 Station Workshop EME, C/O 99 APO as Inquiry Authority to inquire into the charges framed against T/No 172 Civ Elect(MV) Shri Bihari Singha vide his Memo No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jul 2001. I have since completed the inquiry and on the basis of documentary and oral evidences adduced before me prepared my Inquiry Report as under: -

(i) A copy of appointment of Presenting Officer under Sub Rule 5 (c) of Rule 14 of CCS Rule 1965 was sent to JC-722950F Nb SKT(MT) Amar Singh of 306 Station Workshop EME, T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha, charged official and the undersigned vide 306 Station Workshop EME letter No 10401/172/Civ dated 30 Aug 2001

(ii) Order for change of Presenting Officer JC-722950F Nb SKT(MT) Amar Singh due to retirement was issued vide 10401/172/Civ dated 03 Apr 2002 and copies of the same were sent to JC-755107F Nb Sub SKT R K Kanwar of 306 Station Workshop EME and T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha through registered letter.

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(iii) Date of hearing are as under:-

S.No	Date	Remarks
(i)	20 Sep 2001	The charged official has been directed to appear for preliminary hearing on 08 Oct 2001.
(ii)	08 Oct 2001	The inquiry proceedings could not proceed, as T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha, charged official was absent.
(iii)	20 Oct 2001	Adjourned because the charged official was absent
(iv)	15 Nov 2001	Charged official was absent, inquiry started ex-parte. Statement of State Witness No 1 - JC-750768X Nb Sub (now Sub) R C Nath has been taken.
(v)	16 Jan 2002	Adjourned, since the charged official was absent and no witnesses has been produced.
(vi)	05 Feb 2002	Statement of No 14624820Y NK D Palani, State Witness (SW-2) has been recorded. Charged official is still absent.
(vii)	11 Mar 2002	T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha, charged official came for the first time for hearing with an application for reconsidering the appointment of Defence Assistance from outside Shillong. The application has been considered by the inquiry officer and has been rejected. Charged official has been advised to engage a defence assistance from Shillong and told him to attend the hearing regularly since ex-parte inquiry has already been started. The statement of State Witnesses recorded so far in the earlier hearings were shown to the charged official but he refused to see the statements without defence assistance.
(viii)	13 Mar 2002	Again the charged official came with an application for permission for engaging a defence assistance from outside Shillong, which was already rejected by the inquiry officer. The charged official was again asked to see the proceedings and statements of State Witnesses recorded in earlier hearings, but he is not willing to see these documents without having the defence assistance. Statement of

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		No 14577561N NK Puran Singh, Sw-4 has been recorded in front of the charged official.
(ix)	15 Mar 2002	Hearing started at 1100 h and JC-753913P Nb Sub Jayaprakashan K was produced by the Presenting Officer as State Witness No 5 (SW-5). Statement of SW-5 has been recorded and charged official was asked for cross examination of SW-5, but the charged official was not willing to speak anything.
(x)	20 Mar 2002	Charged Official left the place of hearing just before its start saying "I will not attend the inquiry proceedings". Statement of 14591478F NK S C Singh, SW-6 has been recorded. Cross examination by Defence Assistance/Charged Official was not done and questions by the inquiry officer was postponed to the next hearing.
(xi)	26 Mar 2002	Charged official was absent and No 14591478F NK S C Singh (SW-6) was again produced by the presenting officer for questioning by the inquiry officer.
(xii)	08 Apr 2002	Presenting officer came with No 14581821L Hav J Kushwah as State Witness No 7 and his statement was recorded. Questioning by inquiry officer was postponed to next hearing. Charged official was absent on that day.
(xiii)	22 Apr 2002	No 14581821L Hav J Kushwah, State Witness No 7 was questioned by inquiry officer and his deposition was completed. Charged official was again absent.
(xiv)	10 May 2002	JC-754018W Nb Sub U P Mishra was produced by presenting officer as SW-3 and his statement has been recorded. Cross-examination was not done and questioning by inquiry officer has been postponed to the next hearing. Charged official was absent.
(xv)	07 Jun 2002	Questioning by inquiry officer on statement of SW-3 has been completed. Charged official was absent. Evidence on behalf of the Disciplinary Authority has been closed as Presenting Officer declared that he had produced sufficient witness to prove the charges and remaining listed state witnesses

		need not to be produced for inquiry.
(xvi)	26 Jun 2002	Charged official has not submitted his written statement of defence, inspite of intimation given by the inquiry officer vide registered letter No 10401/172/Civ/Inq dated 12 Jul 2002 for submission of his written statement of defence by 26 Jun 2002. Charged official has been given one more opportunity for submission written statement on next hearing scheduled to be on 16 Jul 2002.
(xvii)	16 Jul 2002	Charged official was given one more opportunity for submission of written statement of defence on 03 Aug 2002. He was also informed that if he did to do so evidence on behalf of charged official will be treated as closed.
(xviii)	03 Aug 2002	As charged official had not submitted any written statement of defences failed to attend the hearing, the case is declared closed by the inquiry officer. Presenting officer has been directed to submit his written brief by 31 Aug 2002 with a copy to the charged official. After receiving the brief of presenting officer, charged official have to submit his written brief by 28 Sep 2002.

- (iv) 30 Aug 2002 : - T/No 172 Civ Elect(MV) Shri Bihari Singha filed a appeal dated 30 Aug 2002 to the Directorate General of EME for review against the Order No 10401/172/Civ dt.03 Aug 2002 and No 10401/172/Civ dt 08 Aug 2002 issued by the Officer Commanding , 306 Stn Wksp EME C/O 99 APO, rejecting his representation dt 29 Apr 2002, dt 20 Jun 2002, dt 16 Jul 2002 and 25 Jul 2002, against the appointment of Inquiry Officer on the grounds of bias and pray for fresh appointment of another person as Inquiry Officer.
- (v) 26 Nov 2002 : - Presenting Officer submitted his written brief and copy of the same has been forwarded to T/No 172 Civ Elect(MV) Shri Bihari Singha by the undersigned vide registered letter no 10401/172/Civ/INQ dated 11 Jan 2003. Vide this letter the charged official was also

directed to submit his written brief so as to reach on or before 31 Jan 2003.

(vi) 07 Feb 2003 : - The charged official was directed by the Army HQ to approach MG EME, HQ Eastern Command, who is the Appellate Authority in this case.

(vii) 25 Jun 2003 : - The appeal dated 30 Aug 2002 filed by T/No 172 Civ Elect(MV) Shri Bihari Singha was rejected by Maj Gen UK Jha, MG EME, HQ Eastern Command and ordered to proceed with the inquiry.

2. Charges that were framed - As per memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jul 2001, T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha while functioning as Civilian Electrician in 306 Station Workshop EME during the period 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 committed the following offences :-

(a) On 01 Jun 2001 at about 0935 h created a riotous situation in the rest room while being instructed to go to the shop floor by JC-750768X Nb Sub (now Sub) R C Nath

(b) Assaulting JC-750768X Nb Sub (now Sub) R C Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at 0935 h approximately.

(c) An act, subversive of discipline in that using abusive and filthy language against JC-750768X Nb Sub (now Sub) R C Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at 0935 h approximately.

(d) Incited the industrial workers by inflammatory speech to join in a mass absence without leave or out pass on 28 May 2001 from 0930 h to 1600 h after marking their presence in the workshop. Thus, 11 civilian workers left their place of work on being incited by him.

(e) Continual and wilful neglect of duty and absence from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 from place of work on all working days, refusing to accept any work and do any work.

(f) Continual and wilful disobedience of orders given by supervisory staff to proceed to place of work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 on all working days.

"Thus he exhibited acts as unbecoming of Government Servant and committed offences violating the provisions of Rule 3, 7 of CCS (Conduct) Rule 1964."

3. Charges that were admitted or dropped or not pressed :-

- (a) Charged official did not admit any charge vide his letter No Nil dated 28 Jul 2001.
- (b) No charges have been dropped.
- (c) All charges mentioned in charge sheet have been pressed.

4. Charges actually inquired into – All the charges mentioned in Para 2 (a) to 2 (f) above have been inquired into.5. Brief statement of the case of disciplinary authority in respect of the charges inquired into :-

- (a) Disciplinary authority through Presenting Officer has produced the following witnesses on the dates shown against each :-

(i)	JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath	15 Nov 2001	SW-1
(ii)	14624820Y NK D Palani	05 Feb 2002	SW-2
(iii)	JC-754018W Nb Sub U P Mishra	10 May 2002	SW-3
(iv)	14577561N NK Puran Singh	13 Mar 2002	SW-4
(v)	JC-753913P Nb Sub Jayaprakashan K	15 Mar 2002	SW-5
(vi)	14591478F NK S C Singh	20 Mar 2002 & 26 Mar 2002	SW-6
(vii)	14581821L Hav J Kushwah	08 Apr 2002 & 22 Apr 2002	SW-7

- (b) The presenting Officer through SW-1, SW-4, SW-7 has brought out that T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha on 01 Jun 2001 at about 0930 h refused to obey the orders of JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha became violent and used abusive and filthy language against JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath. Had the JCO not pacified the accompanying Jawans, there would have been a very serious problem due to violent behaviors of T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha.

(c) Witness No Sw-1, SW-4 and SW-7 through their statements and cross examination have brought out that T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha used abusive language and assaulted JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha raised both his hands and made gesture to hit JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha hit the table violently and repeatedly to show his anger and violent behavior. JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath saved himself by ducking being a soldier otherwise he would have been hit. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha also said "Yahan par sabhi gandu officer and JCO hain".

(d) SW-2 and SW-6 produced by the Presenting Officer have brought out that T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha incited the industrial workers of 306 Station Workshop EME by an inflammatory speech to join in a mass absence without leave on 28 May 2001 at about 0930 h. About 11 civilian workers of 306 Station Workshop EME absented themselves without leave from their place of work at 306 Station Workshop EME from 0930 h to 1600 h on 28 May 2001.

(e) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha had been willfully neglecting duty, absented from place of work and disobedient of orders from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001. SW-1, SW-3, SW-5 and SW-7 have brought out the continual wilful neglect of duty and absence from place of work and disobedience of orders. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha had been reporting to 306 Station Workshop EME, marked his presence but did not report to place of work and kept sitting and roamed in the workshop from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001.

6. Brief Statement of facts and documents admitted - The brief statement of facts and documents submitted by PO (Presenting Officer) are as under :-

(a) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha of 306 Station Workshop EME was served with a memorandum by Officer Commanding, 306 Station Workshop EME vide memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jul 2001 under Rule 14 (2) of CCS (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rule 1965. He was charged with the following offences i.e. Gross misconduct :-

(i) On 01 Jun 2001 at about 0935 h created a riotous situation in the rest room while being instructed to go to the shop floor by JC-750768X Nb Sub (now Sub) R C Nath

(ii) Assaulting JC-750768X Nb Sub (now Sub) R C Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at 0935 h approximately.

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(iii) An act, subversive of discipline in that using abusive and filthy language against JC-750768X Nb Sub (now Sub) R C Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at 0935 h approximately.

(iv) Incited the industrial workers by inflammatory speech to join in a mass absence without leave or out pass on 28 May 2001 from 0930 h to 1600 h after marking their presence in the workshop. Thus, 11 civilian workers of this wksp left their place of work on being incited by him.

(v) Continual and wilful neglect of duty and absence from 01 Feb 2001 from place of work on all working days, refusing to accept any work and do any work.

(vi) Continual and wilful disobedience of orders given by supervisory staff to proceed to place of work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 on all working days.

"Thus he exhibited acts as unbecoming of Government Servant and committed offences violating the provisions of Rule 3, 7 of CCS (Conduct) Rule 1964"

(b) The list of documents by which the articles of charges framed against T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha where to be sustained were as under :-

(i) Complaint given by JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath dated 01 Jun 2001.

(ii) Absent report submitted by NK Rajan J, Gate NCO of 306 Station Workshop EME on 28 May 2001.

(iii) Report of disobedience and no output given by section in-charges.

(iv) Report of inciting of workers given by Nb Sub (Now Sub) MDC Ahmed, I/C Shop floor.

(c) That the list of witnesses by whom the article of charges were proposed to be sustained were as under :-

(i) No 14577561N NK Puran Singh

(ii) JC-750768X Nb Sub (now Sub) R C Nath

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- (iii) No 14591478F NK S C Singh
- (iv) No 14558493W Hav Lalan Sah
- (v) No 14581821L Hav J Kushwaha
- (vi) No 14624820Y NK D Palani
- (vii) JC-753913P Nb Sub Jayaprakasan K
- (viii) JC-750236Y Nb Sub (Now Sub) MDC Ahmed
- (ix) JC-754018W Nb Sub U P Mishra

7. Points for determination and issues to be decided - The following issues needs to be decided:-

- (a) Whether T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha created a riotous like situation in rest room of civilians on 01 Jun 2001 at 0930 h when being instructed by JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath ?
- (b) Did T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha assaulted JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at 0930 h approximately ?
- (c) Whether T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha used abusive and filthy language against JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath ?
- (d) Did T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha incited the industrial workers of 306 Station Workshop EME on 28 May 2001 by delivering an inflammatory speech at about 0930 h ?
- (e) Was T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha continually neglecting duty, absence from place of work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 ?
- (f) The issue of disobedience of orders from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 given by supervisory staff from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001.

8. Brief statement of case of Govt Servant :-

- (a) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was presented with a memorandum by Officer Commanding, 306 Station Workshop EME vide their registered letter No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jul 2001.
- (b) Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer were appointed vide 306 Station Workshop EME registered letter No 10401/172/Civ dated 30 Aug 2001 and of even No dated 30 Aug 2001 respectively.

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(c) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was intimated by me vide registered letter No 10401/172/Inq dated 20 Sep 2001 (registered No 4450 dated 21 Sep 2001) for preliminary hearing on 08 Oct 2001 at 1100 h in Office of Workshop Officer at 306 Station Workshop EME. He was also intimated to give particulars of defence assistance by 01 Oct 2001.

(d) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha vide his letter No Nil dated 27 Sep 2001 intimated that he is unable to manage defence assistance within a short span and asked for 30 days more time to arrange for defence assistance.

(e) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was given fresh date of preliminary hearing on 20 Oct 2001 at 1100 h at the Office of Workshop Officer of 306 Station Workshop EME. He was also intimated to give particulars of defence assistance if any. Registered letter No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 03 Oct 2001 refers.

(f) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha vide his letter No Nil dated 13 Oct 2001 requested for common proceedings with T/No 169 Civ/VM P C Das and requested for engaging a civil lawyer.

(g) Officer Commanding, 306 Station Workshop EME, the Disciplinary Authority, vide registered letter No 10401/Civ/172 dated 19 Oct 2001 (registered No 156 dated 20 Oct 2001) rejected the plea of common proceedings as all the charges were not common. He also rejected the plea of Charged Official for employ a lawyer as defence assistance since the Presenting Officer was not a legally qualified officer.

(h) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was advised by the undersigned to attend the inquiry and resist from delaying tactics vide registered letter No 10401/Civ/172 dated 20 Oct 2001 (Registered No 175 dated 23 Oct 2001). He was also informed that if he continues to use delaying tactics, the inquiry will start ex-parte.

(j) Next date of hearing was fixed on 15 Nov 2001 at 1100 in 306 Station Workshop EME and T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was intimated vide registered letter No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 23 Oct 2001 sent through registered post No 244 dated 25 Oct 2001. The charged official was also intimated that if he fails to appear in person on 15 Nov 2001, ex-parte inquiry would be started.

(k) Since the charged official was remained absent on 15 Nov 2001, ex-parte inquiry were started and statement of state witness no 1 was recorded.

(l) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha requested for 15 days more time to engage a defence assistance vide his letter dated 23 Nov 2001.

(m) Next date of hearing was fixed on 16 Jan 2002 at 1100 in the Office of 306 Station Workshop EME vide registered letter No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 21 Dec 2001 (Registered No 5667 dated 22 Dec 2001). Charged Official was also intimated that since ex-parte inquiry has been started from 15 Nov 2001, charged official was once again advised to attend inquiry which will be held on every alternative day except Sundays and Holidays with effect from 16 Jan 2002

(n) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha continued delaying tactics by engaging in infructuous correspondence. His letters dated 07 Dec 2001 and 24 Dec 2001 refers.

(o) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha returned back registered letter No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 21 Dec 2001 did not accept the letter and letter was returned back undelivered by Postal Authority with the remark "Refused to Accept". The letter was for fixing next date of hearing on 16 Jan 2002.

(p) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha gave the name of UDC, Shri M P Singha of 222 ABOD at Guwahati for engaging the defence assistance vide his letter No Nil dated 21 Jan 2002.

(q) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was intimated vide registered letter No 10401/Civ/ 72/Inq dated 08 Feb 2002 that all his letters have been replied. He was also intimated that he has not forwarded the consent of Shri M P Singha, UDC of 222 ABOD at Guwahati, whom he wanted to engage as defence assistance. He was also intimated vide registered letter No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 08 Feb 2002 (registered No 930 dated 09 Feb 2002) that he was again trying to delay the proceedings as he has not attached the consent of UDC, Shri M P Singha of 222 ABOD at Guwahati, which is at a distance of more than 100 Kms. His request for engaging a defence assistance from outside station was not agreed to due to long distance between place of inquiry and place of posting of the defence assistance. He was advised to engage a defence assistance from one of the local unit as sufficient time has already been given to him and ex-parte proceedings have been started.

(r) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha in connivance with Postal Authorities received the registered letters written by Inquiry Officer after one month at a distance of 1 Kilometer and tried to project that delay has been due to late receipt of letters.

(s) A registered letter No 10401/Susp/Civ dated 13 Feb 2002 (registered No 1071 dated 14 Feb 2002) was written to T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha by Disciplinary Authority that he has been delaying the inquiry by delaying tactics and not receiving the registers letters in time or not accepting these letters. He was again advised to attend the inquiry.

(t) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was intimated vide letter No 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 22 Feb 2002 (registered No 2574 dated 22 Feb 2002) that he has been given five opportunities on 08 Oct 2001, 20 Oct 2001, 15 Nov 2001, 16 Jan 2002 and 05 Feb 2002. He was given one more chance to report to Inquiry Officer on 11 Mar 2002 at 1100 h in office of 306 Station Workshop EME.

(u) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha vide his letter dated 09 Mar 2002 stated that no suitable Central Govt worker is available in Shillong for defence Assistance and he be permitted to engage Shri M P Singha, UDC of 222 ABOD at Guwahati.

(v) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha vide his letter dated 12 Mar 2002 and 14 Mar 2002 addressed to appointing authority requested to permit engage a defence assistance from outside Shillong.

(w) Disciplinary authority of 306 Station Workshop EME vide letter No 10401/Civ/172 dated 03 Apr 2002 (registered No 3558 dated 05 Apr 2002) rejected the appeal of charged official for engaging a defence assistance from outside station due to long distance. The charged official was also intimated in detail the delaying tactics adopted by him since starting of inquiry. He was advised to engage a defence assistance from about 1000 Central Govt Workers located at Shillong. The disciplinary authority upheld the decision of Inquiring Authority for rejecting the defence assistance from outside Shillong.

(x) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha continued making infructuous correspondence for not receiving the registered letters and appointment of Inquiry Officer. He had returned the registered letter No 10401/Civ/172 dated 03 Apr 2002.

(y) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha after a lapse of 9 months after receiving the memorandum again wrote to Disciplinary Authority for some documents of appointment of inquiring authority, Presenting Officer. He further asked the inquiring authority for security check at the gate. His letter dated 21 Mar 2002 refers.

(z) Similar letters were again written on 23 Mar 2002 and 26 Mar 2002.

(aa) Disciplinary authority vide letter No 10401/172/Civ dated 18 Apr 2002 (registered No 3955 dated 19 Apr 2002) intimated the charged official that copies of the appointment of inquiry officer and presenting officers were sent to the charge official by Registered AD post and the same was returned by the postal authority with a remarked that "Refused to accept". As per Govt of India instruction to Rule 30 of CCS (CCA) Rules 1965, documents sent by Registered AD Post, if not accepted by the addressee and is returned by the post office to the sender, further, action may be taken as if the documents has been served. He had been corresponding with inquiring authority from the very beginning and was fully aware of who is the inquiring authority. He had also attended the inquiry on 11 Mar 2002, 13 Mar 2002 and 15 Mar 2002 as is evident from the gate passes. However, zerox copies of detailment of Inquiry Officer, Presenting Officer were again sent to him.

(ab) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha vide his letter dated 29 Apr 2002 again raised the following issue just to delay the procedures :-

(i) That he does not know the detailment of Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer.

(ii) That he received the letters of appointment of Inquiry Officer on 27 Apr 2002 after a lapse of 8 months.

(iii) That Inquiry Officer is connected with all matters and is subordinate to disciplinary authority, he can not be inquiry officer.

(ac) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha again raised the same issues vide letter dated 20 Jun 2002.

(ad) Officer Commanding, 306 Station Workshop EME vide registered letter No 10401/172/Civ dated 03 Aug 2002 (registered No 3132 dated 05 Aug 2002) replied and the gist is as under: -

(i) That charged official was supplied with the copies of Appointment of Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer vide letter No

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140101/172/Civ dated 30 Aug 2001 through registered letter. Charged Official was also mentioned that he had been corresponding with inquiry officer and have actually attended the inquiry on 11 Mar 2002, 13 Mar 2002 and 18 Mar 2002.


(ii) As that charged official was told that he has no authority to reject inquiry officer and no bias has been mentioned by him. The inquiry officer was not even present on 01 Jun 2001 in the workshop as he was on temporary duty at 311 Stn Wksp EME wef 07 May to 09 Sep 2001.

(iii) The appeal of the charged official for bias against the inquiry officer was also rejected vide para 3 of the aforesaid letter.

(iv) That JC-722950F Nb Sub SKT (MT) Amar Singh was replaced as Presenting Officer by JC-755107F Nb Sub SKT RK Kanwar due to retirement of JC-722950F Nb Sub SKT (MT) Amar Singh.

(v) Charged official was also intimated to collect his subsistence allowances which he has not been collecting.

(vi) He was also advised to appoint a defence assistance.

 (ae) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha again wrote a letter on 16 Jul 2002 with the same old allegations and delaying tactics.

(af) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha wrote another letter on 25 Jul 2002. The gist is as under :-

(i) That he has rejected the inquiry officer.

(ii) That inquiry is to be stayed when application is made against inquiry officer.

(iii) That JC-755107F Nb Sub SKT RK Kanwar has been found as Presenting Officer in place of JC-722950F Nb Sub SKT (MT) Amar Singh.

(iv) That he wants to be heard in person.

(ag) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha vide registered letter No 10401/172/Civ dated 08 Aug 2002 (registered No 3293) was intimated the following by Officer Commanding, 306 Station Workshop EME :-

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- (i) That plea of charged official has already been rejected as no bias has been mentioned. Moreover, the inquiry officer was not even present in the unit on 01 Jun 2001 as he was on temp duty at 311 Stn Wksp EME wef 07 May 2001 to 09 Sep 2001. The plea of staying the inquiry was also rejected.
- (ii) That the change of appointment of presenting officer has already been intimated to charged official vide 10401/Civ/172 dated 03 Aug 2002 and of even No dated 03 Aug 2002.
- (iii) That charged official was told to engage a defence assistance from about 1000 Central Govt Workers located at Shillong.
- (iv) That charged official was also intimated that he had been attending the inquiry on 11 Mar 2002, 13 Mar 2002, 15 Mar 2002 and 20 Mar 2002 and has been absenting after 20 Mar 2002.
- (ah) That Daily Order Sheets were regularly sent to charged official vide registered letter Nos :-

(i) 10401/172/Civ/Inq dated 23 Oct 2001.

(ii) 10401/172/Civ/Inq dated 04 Jan 2001.

(iii) 10401/172/Civ/Inq dated 12 Jun 2001.

(iv) Daily Order Sheets dated 11 Mar 2001 and 13 Mar 2001 was received by the charged official by hand after the proceedings.

(v) Daily Order Sheet No 10401/172/Civ/Inq dated 26 Jun 2002 was forwarded to the charged official vide registered post receipt No 5454 dated 08 Jul 2002.

(vi) Daily Order Sheet No 10401/172/Civ/Inq dated 16 Jul 2002 was forwarded to the charged official vide registered post receipt No 5683 dated 17 Jul 2002.

(vii) Daily Order Sheet No 10401/172/Civ/Inq dated 03 Aug 2002 was forwarded to the charged official vide registered post receipt No 3132 dated 05 Aug 2002.



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(aj) That Charged Official continued making representation to inquiry office, Disciplinary Authority and DGEME, Army Headquarters, New Delhi. The main gist has been rejection of inquiry officer.


(ak) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was intimated to submit his written brief by 31 Jan 2003 vide letter No 10401/172/Civ/Inq dated 11 Jan 2003. The copy of brief of presenting officer was also sent to him.

(al) That no reply regarding written brief has been recd.

(am) That T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha sent a copy of appeal addsd to DGEME dated 30 Aug 2002. The gist of appeal was 'Bias against inquiry officer'.

(an) That Army Headquarters vide letter No 21892/24/EME Civ-3 dated 07 Feb 2003 intimated the charged official to send the appeal to MGEME East Command, Kolkata.

(ao) Charged Official did not send the appeal to MG EME, Eastern Command, the appellate authority.

 (ap) The appeal of bias against the inquiry officer was rejected by Brig SK Kakar, offg MG EME, East Comd vide order no 332230/2/SBS/EME Civ dated 23 May 2003.

(aq) The order was however cancelled vide HQ East Comd letter No 332230/2/SSB/EME Civ dated 09 Jun 2003.

(ar) Maj Gen UK Jha, MG EME, East Comd, the appellate authority rejected the appeal of charged official vide order no 332230/2/SBS/EME Civ dated 23 Jun 2003.


9. Assessment of Evidence in respect of each point - Assessment of evidence in respect of each point is discussed below in respect of T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha :-

(a) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was charged for "Gross Misconduct" as per sub clause (i) of Article (i) ie "On 01 Jun 2001, at about 0935 h created a riotous situation in the rest room while being instructed to go to shop floor by JC-750768X Nb Sub (now Sub) R C Nath". The main point of the charge is creating a riotous situation in the rest room. The meaning of word 'riot' as given in the dictionary is disorder, uproar, disturbance of peace & noisy festivity. Presenting Officer through SW-1,

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SW-4, SW-6, SW-7 has amply proved disorderly and riotous situation in the workshop on 01 Jun 2001 at about 0935 h. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha refused to obey the orders of JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath and became violent and used abusive language against the JCO. The violent behavior of T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha would have created more serious situation had the JCO not pacified the accompanying jawans. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha had become so violent as he even started abusing the previous OC and used words like "Yeh Col Tiwari Gandu Officer tha". The above has been brought out by all the above witnesses. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha did not attend the inquiry on one pretext or the other except attending it on 11 Mar 2002, 13 Mar 2002, 15 Mar 2002 & 20 Mar 2002. He signed the proceedings on 11, 13 Mar 2002 but refused to sign on 15 Mar 2002 & 20 Mar 2002. Charged official did not cross examine any witnesses.



(b) The next charge against T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was assaulting JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at about 0935 h approximately. The dictionary meaning of word assault is hostile attack, a rush against, to make a violent attack. The presenting officer through SW-1, SW-4, SW-6 & SW-7 has brought out that T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha made a gesture to hit JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath by raising both his hands and then hit the table violently and repeatedly to show anger. The JCO saved himself by ducking being a soldier; otherwise, he would have been hit. The charge of assault on JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath has been sufficiently proved by above witnesses. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha did not offer any defence and absented himself from the inquiry proceedings except attending the inquiry on 11 Mar 2002, 13 Mar 2002, 17 Mar 2002 & 20 Mar 2002. He refused to cross examine any witnesses.

(c) The next charge on T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha is "an act subversive of discipline in that using abusive and filthy language against JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath. Presenting Officer through witness No SW-1, SW-4, SW-6 & SW-7 has brought out that T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha used abusive language against the JCO and used words like "Aap Chor hain aur FIP ka paisa khaya hai", "Yahan par sabhi gandu officer aur JCO hain". The use of such filthy language by /No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha has been proved by above witnesses. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha did not offer any defence and did not attend the inquiry except on 11 Mar 2002, 13 Mar 2002, 17 Mar 2002 & 20 Mar 2002 but refused to cross-examine any witnesses.

(d) The next charge on T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was "inciting the industrial workers by inflammatory speech to join in a mass absence without leave or out pass on 28 May 2001 from 0930 h to 1600 h. Mass absence by 11 workers has been proved by SW-2 and SW-6. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha delivered an inflammatory speech in front of the main office of 306 Station Workshop EME at about 0930 h on 28 May 2001 and incited the industrial workers to leave the workshop without any leave or gate pass in support of Bandh Call given by Khasi Student Union a student body in Shillong. He made the speech "Aaj Ham Kam Nahi Karenge, hum log abhi Ghar jayenge". 11 industrial workers alongwith him absented from the workshop from 0930h to 1600h on 28 May 2001 without

any leave or gate pass after marking their presence. Charged official did not offer any defence and did not attend the inquiry except on 11 Mar 2002, 13 Mar 2002, 17 Mar 2002 & 20 Mar 2002. Mass absenting without permission amounts to strike and absenteeism took place because of speech of the charged official.

(e) Continual and wilful neglect of duty and absence from place of work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 has been amply proved by the statements of SW-1, SW-3, Sw-4, SW-5 & SW-7. JC-754018W Nb Sub U P Mishra, SW-3 has brought out that T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha had been absent from place of work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 after marking his presence. The charged official has been roaming around in the workshop or sitting in rest room all this time. The same is also clear from the attendance register produced by JC-754018W Nb Sub U P Mishra, who was the I/C Section of Electrical shop. As the charged official has been absenting from place of work on all working days from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001, his out put has been shown nil in the register. The register has been marked as an Exhibit. The presenting officer has thus amply proved by above witnesses the continual and wilful neglect of duty and absence from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 on all working days.

(f) Continual wilful disobedience of orders given by supervisory staff to proceed to place of work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 has also been proved by SW-1, SW-3, SW-4, SW-5 & Sw-7. JC-754018W Nb Sub U P Mishra has been continually ordering the charged official to proceed to place of work but he always refused making excuses. The JCO has been maintaining a register of output of all workers working under him. The charged official did not attend the inquiry even after giving him sufficient time except attending 11 Mar 2002, 13 Mar 2002, 17 Mar 2002 & 20 Mar 2002. The register has been attached as Exhibit S-1.

FINDING OF EACH CHARGES

10. In view of the assessment of evidence on each point, statement of witnesses, cross examination of each witness and brief submitted by the Presenting Officer, the findings on each charge are record as under :-

(a) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha of 306 Station Workshop EME is found guilty of "Gross Misconduct" i.e

(i) Creating a riotous situation in the rest room of civilian workers of 306 Station Workshop EME on 01 Jun 2001 at about 0935 h when ordered to go to shop floor by JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath of the same workshop.

(ii) Assaulting JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath of 306 Station Workshop EME on 01 Jun 2001 at about 0935 h in civilian rest room of 306 Station Workshop EME.


(iii) An act subversive to discipline, in that using abusive and filthy language against JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) R C Nath of 306 Station Workshop EME.

(iv) Inciting the industrial workers by delivering an inflammatory speech on 28 May 2001 at about 0930 h to join in a Bandh called by Khasi Student Union of Shillong. 11 Industrial workers of 306 Station Workshop EME left the workshop premises after marking their presence and without leave or out pass.

(v) Continual wilful neglect of duty and absence from place of work on all working days wef 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001.

(vi) Continual and wilful disobedience of orders of supervisory staff to proceed to place of work on all working days from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001.

On the basis of documentary and oral evidence adduced in the case before me and in view of the reasons given above, I hold that all the six charges against T/No 172 Civ Elect (MV) Shri Bihari Singha.

  
(Bidyot Panging)  
Inquiry Officer

The Officer Commanding (Lt.Col.J.S Bains)  
306 Station Workshops. EME  
C/o 99 APO.

Dated : Shillong  
29 Nov-2003

**Sub:- Representation submitted quite in keeping with the letter No. 10401/SUS/Civ(I) Dt. 21-11-2003 forwarding the enquiry report pertaining to non est factum Disciplinary proceedings under rule 14 of CCS (CC&A) Rule 1965 as received on 27/11/2003.**

**IN THE MATTER OF :**

Shri Bihari Singha, T/No.172 Electrician  
(MV) Qtr No. MES-93/2 Deodogenline, Shillong cantt.

Petition of the humble Petitioner above named most respectfully sheweth :-

1. That, your humble Petitioner above named is a Defence Civilian, Serving as Electrician (MV) under EME Organisation and he is deemed to be a central Government employee and as such, he is entitled to all the reasonable opportunities provided under the CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 read with Article 311 of the Constitution of India.
2. That, your humble Petitioner is a citizen of India and as such, he is also entitled to all the rights and privileges guaranteed by the Constitution of India.
3. That, your humble Petitioner was initially recruited in the EME Organisation on 13/9/82 as a Civilian Electrician (MV) by Brig. B. P. Roy, Commandant I Advance Base Wksp EME C/O 99 APO. Since his entry in service until the date of his suspension, your humble Petitioner had been continuously rendering his duties in this esteemed Organisation most diligently and to the full satisfaction of all concerned and as such, there did not arise, at any material point of time during the entire period of his unblemished past service career, such an occasion whereupon he was asked to explain for any lapse on his part in the discharge of the duties assigned to him by the Authorities concerned. Accordingly, he was awarded by Maj. Gen. S.K. Jain, MGEME, HQ Eastern Command, Kolkata on 23/8/99 in recognition of his utmost dedication to duty and professional excellence in the execution of task entrusted to him and also by Maj. Babu George, the Officer Commanding, 306 Stn. Wksp EME C/O 99 APO on 25/7/98 in recognition of his professional excellence. He passed the departmental supervisory test on 30/12/2000.

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4. That, your humble Petitioner was struck by surprise to receive the office order No. 10401/Civ dt. 1/6/2001 issued to him by the Officer Commanding (Lt. Col. JS Bains) 306 Stn. Wksp, EME. C/o 99 APO, whereby he was placed under suspension with immediate effect, pending disciplinary proceedings against him.
  5. That, eventually, a Departmental Inquiry, not worth its name, was proposed to be initiated against the Petitioner by the Unit Administration arbitrarily, illegally and haphazardly vide his Memo No. 21208/172/EST-IND/LC dt. 11/7/2001, in violation of all statutory norms of procedural law, in as much as, the Unit Administration, at the very outset, either willfully omitted or through gross negligence, failed to furnish the copies of the appointments of the Inquiry Officer and the Presenting Officer respectively, which are condition-precedent to the initiation of Departmental Inquiry as per mandatory provisions laid down in Rule 14 of the CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 read with Article 311 of the Constitution of India.
  6. That, ironically a letter was issued to the Petitioner by Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE, 306 Stn. Wksp EME, C/O 99 APO, vide its No. 10401/Civ/172/ Inq dt. 20/9/2001, wherein he claimed that he was appointed as the Inquiry Officer of the instant Disciplinary Proceedings against the Petitioner by an Order passed by the Officer Commanding, 306 Stn. Wksp. EME vide his No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 30/8/2001. But the copy of the mandatory appointment letter so claimed had never been made available to the Petitioner nor was it shown to him by the said Shri Panging. The Departmental Authority too, was reluctant to supply the same to him, right from the beginning, in spite of his sincere requests on several occasions, either through personal approach or in writing for supply of the same. In this connection, he submitted a number of representations vide his applications dt. 07/12/2001, dt. 21/3/2002, dt. 23/3/2002, dt. 26/3/2002 and dt. 09/4/2002 addressed to the Officer Commanding (Lt. Col. J.S. Bains), 306 Stn.. Wksp EME, with copies thereof endorsed to the said Shri Panging, requesting him thereby to supply a copy of the mandatory appointment letter of the Inquiry Officer aforesaid.
  7. That, from the facts stated hereinabove, it is clear that the copies of orders of appointments of either the Inquiry Officer or the Presenting Officer were, not at all, initially supplied to the Petitioner, and as such, the contention of the Unit Authority that the Petition was intimated regarding appointments of both the Inquiry Officer and the Presenting Officer vide letter No. 10401/172 /Civ dt. 30/8/2001 through registered letter No. 3806 dt. 31/8/2001

is totally unfounded, false and biased on the ground that the intimation alleged to have been sent to the Petitioner vide Registered letter No. 3806 dt. 31/08/2001 never reached him and the Unit Authorities miserably failed to substantiate its claim with documentary evidence. However, apparently, under compelling situation, the said appointment letters, after having been kept secret for quite a long time, were issued to the Petitioner by the Unit Authority vide No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 18/4/2002 which were received by him only on 27/4/2002 after a lapse of around 8 (Eight) months, which ought to have been communicated to the Petitioner, at the first instance as a condition-Precedent to initiation of Departmental Inquiry as per rules.

8. That, on receipt of the aforesaid appointment letters sent to the Petitioner by the Unit Authority vide its letter which was received by him on 27/4/2002, the Petitioner promptly submitted an application to the Authorities concerned on 29/4/2002 against the appointment of Shri Bidyot Panging AEE, as the Inquiry Officer of the instant Departmental Inquiry proposed to be initiated against the Petitioner on the grounds of bias, since the said Shri Panging was directly concerned / connected with the day-to-day official works, including service matters relating to the Petitioner and as such, he is rather deemed to be witness in the instant Departmental Inquiry, and at the same time, requested the Authorities thereby to make a fresh appointment of another person as the Inquiry Officer in his place, and this was followed by a number of representations dt. 20/6/2002, dt. 16/7/2002 dt. 25/7/2002 and dt. 13/8/2002. In this connection, the Petitioner begs to state that there is no one other than the Charge Official (self) to reject an Inquiry Officer on the grounds of bias as per rules in view of the fact that while the Petitioner was working as Electrician (MV) in the office of the 306 stn. Wksp. EME C/o 99 APO, during the period from 01/2/2001 to 01/6/2001 covered by the charges, the said Shri Panging AEE, was very much holding the post of Wksp. Officer, barring a short break on temporary duty wef 07/5/2001 to 09/9/2001 and thereafter he is holding the same post after rejoining his duty. This apart, the said Shri Panging is suspected of being prejudiced or biased against the Petitioner .

9. That, after having been in a deep slumber for a long period of more than 4 (four) months, since the date of submission of his earlier representation on 29.4.2002 the Authorities concern have reluctantly is complied with only two of his letters dt. 20.6.2002 and dt. 25.7.2002 respectively, thereby rejecting the above representation of the Petitioner vide its letters no. 10401/172/Civ dt. 3.8.2002 and No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 08.08.2002 respectively .

10.

That, the Petitioner<sup>cy</sup> further begs to state that Unit Administration, while issuing the aforesaid letter deliberately used the term "Again" to the effect that JC 755107F Nb. Sub/SKT R.K. Kanwar , has been detailed as the Presenting Officer in the instant Inquiry vide his letter No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 03.4.2002. In fact, the said letter was not at all sent to the Petitioner earlier but, it was subsequently sent to him along with the said letter and as such , it is nothing but an another attempt to cover up its evil design. This will be evident from the fact that the Unit Administration failed to comply with the earlier representation submitted by the Petitioner dt. 20.6.2002 dt. 16.7.2002, dt 25.7.2002 and 13.8.2002 in this regard.

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That, the Petitioner emphatically assert that he is innocent and accordingly, he reserves his right of personnel hearings duly helped and assisted by a Defence Counsel (Assistant) of his own choice in the event, it is deemed to be necessary and essential for the ends of justice.

13.

That, the petitioner had filed an Appeal addressed to Directorate General of EME (civ.) Master General of Ordnance Branch Army HQ. DHQ P.O. New Delhi-110011, praying that : -

- (a) Order Nos. 10401/172/Civ. Dt. 03/08/2002 and 10401/172/Civ Dt.08/08/2002 being illegal and contrary to provisions of CCS (CCA) Rules 1965 be set aside.
- (b) Inquiry Officer Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE be replaced.
- (c) The case be reviewed and suitable orders passed.

14.

That, aforesaid Appeal was herewith rejected vide order dt. 23/05/2003. Issued by Brig. S.K.Kakar offg. MGEME HQ Eastern Command, Kolkata-21.vide Memo No.332230/2/SBS/EME Civ.dt. 23/05/2003 but the said order dt. 23/05/2003 has been cancelled by said Brig. S.K. Kakar vide letter No.332230/2/SBS/EME Civ. Dt. 09/06/2003, and in view of that consideration, Appeal filed on 30/08/2002 is deemed to be pending till it was again re-issued under the signature of Maj. Gen. U.K.Jha MGEME HQ. Eastern Command Kolkata-21 which goes to show that the entire proceeding is vitiated by mala fide deeds and action of the Departmental Authorities.

15.

That the Petitioner herein challenged the order dt 23/05/03. Issued by the Brig.SK.Kakar offg. MGEME HQ Eastern Command Kolkata-21, by filing an application before the Central Administrative Tribunal at Guwahati Bench Guwahati bearing OA No. 150/2003 dt. 25/07/2003 which is till date pending for disposal.



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16. That, upon perusal of the related Inquiry Report, the Petitioner could come to learn that Inquiry Report was submitted on 10/07/2003. and copy whereof was neither supplied to the Petitioner nor otherwise brought to the record of OA No. 150/2003 dt 25/07/2003, filed in Honorable C.A.T Guwahati Bench Guwahati in spite of the fact that written statement was filed on behalf of the Respondent and the statement was made categorically to the effect that the enquiry was over and the Inquiry Report however now been sent after lapse of around 5 (five) months, in the application, which is highly unethical and unwarranted for ,on the ground of playing a dubious role of keeping the material fact in secrecy..

17. That, the list of witnesses shown in the Memo Charge sheet and the Inquiry Report of the biased Inquiry Officer are contradictory, as it is clearly shown in list of witnesses in the charge sheet that there were 9 (nine) witnesses viz.

- (a) 14577561N NK Puran Singh.
- (b) JC-750768 Nb Sub RC Nath.
- (c) 14591478F Nk SC Singh.
- (d) 14581821L HavJ Kushwaha.
- (e) 14558493 Hav Lalan Sah.
- (f) 14624820Y Nk D Palani.
- (g) JC-753913P Nb Sub Jal Prakasan.
- (h) JC-750236Y Nb Sub (now Sub) MDC Ahmed.
- (i) JC-754018W Nb Sub UP Mishra.

Where as per list of witnesses shown in the Inquiry Report, the witnesses are 7 (seven) numbers Viz.

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| SW-1 | JC-750768X Nb Sub (NowSub) RC Nath |
| Sw-2 | 14624820Y Nk D Palani              |
| Sw-3 | JC 754018W Nb Sub UP Mishra        |
| Sw-4 | JC-753913N Nk Puran Singh          |
| Sw-5 | JC-753913P Nb Sub Jayaprakashan .K |
| SW-6 | 14591478F Nk SC Singh.             |
| SW-7 | 14581821L Hav J Kushwah.           |

18. That, the statements of witnesses not being recorded in presence of Petitioner and duly appointed Inquiry Officer are illegal and **non est** in the eye of law.

19. That, the Petitioner was not afforded with the reasonable opportunity to cross examine the witnesses.

20. That, random dates were fixed by the biased Inquiry Officer for personal hearing without giving prior notice to the Petitioner at any material point of time.

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21. That, most of the enquiry dates fixed by the Inquiry Officer were communicated after the respective dates.
  22. That, ex-parte enquiry ought not to be continued while objections were raised about its bonafide legal existence.
  23. That, Subsistence Allowance was also not paid to the Petitioner regularly and subsequently stopped w.e.f.Oct-2003 without ground what so ever.
  24. That, in the name of so-called Inquiry the Petitioner was deliberately inflicted untold ill-treatment and physical harassment to the extend that he was forced to be confined to a very narrow room without drinking water and responding to the call of nature , which stretched over several hours. The Petitioner has been also subjected to be kept naked without any garments, this apart, he was manhandled and dragged by force, in front of other colleagues including juniors, as if he was hard core criminal, in as much he was forced upon to sign the Dally Order Sheet which was Irregular, Illegal and against the spirit of human dignity. No action has however been taken against such misdeeds while the attention of the Authorities at all levels were drawn.
  25. That , Ironically ,numbers of letters with different dates were sent by the so-called Inquiry Officer together in one envelop and host of similar others were made available to the Petitioner at a time , which is irregular , illegal , unwarranted , uncalled for ,biased , arbitrary and in view of that consideration the proceeding is vitiated by product of conspiracy.
  26. That, Inquiry Report by itself is Irregular, Illegal, arbitrary and beyond the provision of law.
  27. That, the entire exercise made in the process of Departmental Inquiries shall not stand in the eye of law and it is liable to be dropped.
  28. That, this representation is filed bonafide for the end of justice.

In view of the facts stated hereinabove, it is humbly prayed that you would be graciously pleased to:-

- i. Drop the entire Departmental proceedings by re-calling all the illegal orders/directions so far passed/ or recorded.

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- ii. Reinstatement of the Petitioner in service treating the period of suspension as on duty, with all consequential benefits and payments of arrears due at an early date.
- iii. Pass such other relief or reliefs as may be due and admissible, for which act of your kindness, the Petitioner shall ever pray.

Humble Petitioner.

*[Signature]* 29/11/2003

(Bihari Singha.)

T/No.. 172 Civ.Elect. (MV), U/S  
Qtr. No.MES 93/2

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Shillong

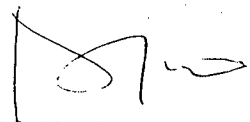
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Shri Bihari Singha  
Qtr No MES-93/2  
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**FORWARDING OF : DISMISSAL ORDER IN DEPTL INQUIRY AGAINST T/NO 172  
CIV/ELECT SHRI BIHARI SINGHA OF STATION WORKSHOP EME, SHILLONG**

1. Please find attached herewith order dated 15 Apr 2005, passed by OC Stn Wksp EME, Shillong in respect of your above case.

  
(PS Kushwaha)  
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding

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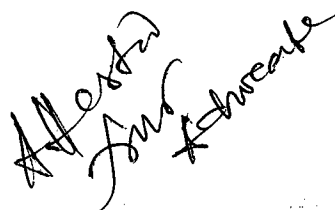
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**ORDERS OF DISCIPLINARY AUTHORITY UNDER RULE 15(4)**  
**OF CCS (CCA) 1965 IN RESPECT OF T/NO 172 CIV/ELECT**  
**SHRI BIHARI SINGHA OF STATION WKSP EME, SHILLONG**

WHEREAS T/NO 172 Civ Elect (MV) Shri Bihari Singha of Station Wksp EME, Shillong was issued with a memorandum of charges vide this office letter No 21208/172/Est ind/LC dt 11 Jul 2001 on Six specific counts mentioned therein, disclosing gross misconduct in violation of provisions of rule 3 and 7 of CCS (conduct) rules 1964. And that the said Shri Bihari Singha did not admit any of the charges vide his letter dt 28 Jul 2001. The Disciplinary authority under the provisions of rule 14 of CCS (CCA) 1965 appointed an Inquiry Officer who inquired into the matter and the same proceedings commenced during 20 Sep 2001 to 25 June 2003 which has been duly recorded in detail consisting of statements of witnesses, Exhibits, correspondence details, details of said Shri Bihari Singha's representations and various appeals and its disposal thereof and the findings arrived at by the said inquiry officer.

Whereas the said Shri Bihari Singha was found guilty of all the six charges by the inquiry officer and the said inquiry report there after was submitted to undersigned for necessary decision under Rule 15 of CCS (CCA) 1965.

Whereas the case was also examined at the Min of Def in terms of their letter No 014 718168/D (Lab) dt 25 Mar 1968 respecting the Union activities, if any, and the same was found non existing vide Army HQ letter No 37215/24/EME Civ 3 dt 31 Dec 04.

Whereas a copy of said inquiry report, under the provisions of Rule 14 of CCS (CCA) 1965 was forwarded to said Shri Bihari Singha by inquiry officer vide letter No 10401/Sus/Civ (i) dt 21 Nov 2003 which was duly received by him and represented upon vide his letter No Nil dt 29 Nov 2003.

Whereas having gone through the Inquiry Officer's report, record of the Inquiry and representation received from the charged official, the evaluation of the disciplinary authority on each article of charge are as under: -

- (a) T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was charged for "Gross Misconduct" as per sub clause (i) of Article (i) i.e " On 01 Jun 2001, at about 0935h created a riotous situation in the rest room while being instructed to go to shop floor by JC-750768 Nb/Sub (Now Sub) RC Nath". Inquiry through the statements of SW-4, SW-6, SW-7 has come to the conclusion that T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha refused to obey the orders of JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) RC Nath and became violent and used abusive language against the said Sub RC Nath. From the records of the enquiry report, it reveals that situation would have become serious, had the Sub RC Nath not pacified the accompanied jawans. Shri Bihari Singha through his representation dated 29 Dec 03 has neither advanced any reference to the incident nor has brought out any defence respecting the charge. Complete representation is showing dispute to other administrative aspects of the matter. In view of all above there are reasons to find that said Shri Bihari Singha is 'guilty' of this charge.

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(b) The next charge against the Charged Official was "Assaulting JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) RC Nath of 306 Station workshop on 01 Jun 2001 at about 0935h in civilian rest room of 306 Station Workshop EME. The Inquiry Officer on the basis of statements of SW-1, SW-4, SW-6 and SW-7 has come to the conclusion that Shri Bihari Singha made a gesture to hit JC-750678X Nb Sub (Now Sub) RC Nath by raising both his hands and then hit the table violently and repeatedly to show anger. Shri Bihari Singha did not offer any defence during the inquiry as well as in his representation dated 29 Nov 03. He has also not disputed the statements given by witness No SW-1, SW-4, SW-6 and SW-7. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha is therefore justified to be found guilty of the said charge.

(c) The next charge against T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was "An act subversive of discipline in that using abusive and filthy language against JC-750768X Nb Sub (Now Sub) RC Nath of 306 Station Workshop". The Inquiry Officer has found the Charged Official guilty on the basis of statements of SW-4, SW-5, SW-6 and SW-7. The Shri Bihari Singha has not brought out any point in his defence in the representation dated 29 Nov 2003 and has also not disputed the statements given by witnesses. Therefore T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha is found guilty of the said charge.

(d) The next charge against Shri Bihari Singha was inciting the Industrial Workers by delivering an inflammatory speech on 28 May 01 at about 0930h in 306 Station Workshop EME to join in a mass absence. As per statements of SW-2 and SW-6, 11 civilian workers left the wksp at about 0930h upto 1600h on 28 May 2001 due to the inflammatory speech delivered by T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha. Shri Bihari Singha has not brought out any defence in his representation dated 29 Nov 03 and has not disputed the statements given by witnesses. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha is therefore found guilty of the said charge.

(e) The next charge against the individual was continual and willful absence from place of work on all working days wef 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001. The Inquiry Officer has relied upon the statements of SW-1, SW-3, SW-4, SW-5 and SW-7. JC-754018W Nb Sub UP Mishra who had been maintaining the records (Exh S1). Shri Bihari Singha was found absent on all working days from place of work even though he had been reporting to the workshop but kept roaming around or kept sitting in the rest room. Shri Bihari Singha has not brought any defence in this regard and has not advanced any dispute to the daily attendance register. Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha is therefore found guilty of the said charge.

(f) The next charge against Shri Bihari Singha was continual and willful disobedience of orders given by supervisory staff. Shri Bihari Singha has not advanced any point of defence in his representation dated 29 Nov 2003. Whereas there is adequate evidence exists on record to show that during impugned period he did not obey orders or supervising staff to perform work. Therefore finding of guilty in respect of Shri Bihari Singha on this charge is justified.

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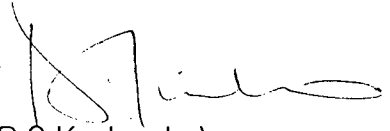
Whereas under the authority of disciplinary authority in terms of rule 15 of CCS (CCA) rules 1965 in view of all above, and the conduct of said Shri Bihari Singha who inspite of repeated call informations through registered post and number of opportunities to appear before the inquiry officer did not attend the said inquiry instead adopted delay tactics by forwarding baseless representations to inquiry officer and other superior officers thereto, I have concluded that findings of guilty are consistent to the evidence and are thus just and legal. Retention of Shri Bihari Singha in service is undesirable and detrimental to the interest of Govt service. I therefore, award Penalty in terms of rule 11(IX) of CCS (CCA) 1965 and dismiss the said No 172(Civ) Electrician (Civ) Shri Bihari Singha from the service with immediate effect.

It is directed that said Shri Bihari Singha who is under suspension since 01 June 2001 under the authority of this office letter No 10401/Civ dt 01 June 2001 be treated as dismissed from service subsequent to his suspension from the date of this order.

Case No- 10401/172/civ/Inq/05

Place: Shillong

Date: 15 Apr 2005

  
(P S Kushwaha)  
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding

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I have the honour to submit herewith 2 (two) sets of Appeal/Petition addressed to the NGEMS, HQ Eastern Command (S&A Branch) Fort William, Kolkata - 21, of which one set is to be transmitted to him (NGEMS) and another set is to be retained in your office for information and necessary action.

I would, therefore, request you that you would be kind enough to send one set of the aforesaid Appeal/Petition to the MGEME, HQ Eastern Command (EME Branch), Port William Kolkata - 21., for which act of your kindness, I shall remain ever grateful to you.

Encls :- As stated above - 2 nos.

Yours Faithfully,

Rec'd on 08/12/05

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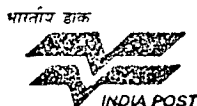
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Before the MGEME  
HQ Eastern Command( EME Branch)  
Fort William, Kolkata-21

Dated : Shillong.

06 Dec. 2005 .

**IN THE MATTER OF :**

An Appeal/ Petition against the impugned Order passed by Lt. Col. PS Kushwaha, the Officer Commanding, Station Workshop EME Shillong, dismissing the service of the Appellant/ Petitioner vide case no. 10401/172/ Civ/ Inq/ 05 dtd.15/04/2005 most illegally and arbitrarily during the pendency of related Writ Petition No.03(SH) 2004 in the Shillong Bench of Hon'ble Gauhati High Court.

**AND****IN THE MATTER OF :**

Prayer for setting a side and quashing the Impugned Memo No. 10401/172/Civ/Inq/05 dtd.15/04/2005 and reinstate the Appellant/ Petitioner with all the consequent benefit.

**AND****IN THE MATTER OF :**

Shri Bihari Singha, T/No.172 Electrician (MV) Qtr No. MES-93/2 Deodgenline, Shillong Cantt.

**.....Appellant/ Petitioner**

The humble Appellant/ Petitioner above named begs to state as follows:-  
Most respectfully sheweth:-

1. That your humble Appellant/ Petitioner abovenamed is a Defence Civilian, Serving as Electrician (MV) under EME Organisation and he is deemed to be a central Government employee and as such, he is entitled to all the reasonable opportunities provided under the CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 read with Article 311 of the Constitution of India.
2. That your humble Appellant/ Petitioner is a citizen of India and as such, he is also entitled to all the rights and privileges guaranteed by the Constitution of India.
3. That the Appellant / Petitioner is actively associated with various Trade Union activities. He is the General Secretary of Station Workshop Civilian Workers' Union Shillong. The union is registered under the Trade Union act 1926 and affiliated to All India Defence Employees Federation.

4. That, your humble Appellant/ Petitioner was initially recruited in the EME Organisation on 13/9/82 as a Civilian Electrician (MV) by Brig. B. P. Roy, Commandant I Advance Base Wksp EME C/O 99 APO. Since his entry in service until the date of his suspension, your humble Appellant/ Petitioner had been continuously rendering his duties in this esteemed Organisation most diligently and to the full satisfaction of all concerned and as such, there did not arise, at any material point of time during the entire period of his unblemished past service career, such an occasion whereupon he was asked to explain for any lapse on his part in the discharge of the duties assigned to him by the Authorities concerned. Accordingly, he was awarded by Maj. Gen. S.K. Jain, MGEME, HQ Eastern Command, Kolkata on 23/8/99 in recognition of his utmost dedication to duty and professional excellence in the execution of task entrusted to him and also by Maj. Babu George, the Officer Commanding, 306 Stn. Wksp EME C/O 99 APO on 25/7/98 in recognition of his professional excellence. He passed the departmental supervisory test on 30/12/2000.
5. That, your humble Appellant/ Petitioner was struck by surprise to receive the office order No.10401/Civ dt. 1/6/2001 issued to him by the Officer Commanding (Lt. Col. JS Bains) 306 Stn. Wksp, EME. C/o 99 APO, whereby he was placed under suspension with immediate effect, pending disciplinary proceedings against him.
6. That, eventually, a Departmental Inquiry, not worth its name, was proposed to be initiated against the Appellant/ Petitioner by the Unit Administration arbitrarily, illegally and haphazardly vide his Memo No. 21208/172/EST-IND/LC dt. 11/7/2001, in violation of all statutory norms of procedural law, in as much as, the Unit Administration, at the very outset, either willfully omitted or through gross negligence, failed to furnish the copies of the appointments of the Inquiry Officer and the Presenting Officer respectively, which are condition-precedent to the initiation of Departmental Inquiry as per mandatory provisions laid down in Rule 14 of the CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 read with Article 311 of the Constitution of India.
7. That, ironically a letter was issued to the Appellant/ Petitioner by Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE, 306 Stn. Wksp EME, C/O 99 APO, vide its No. 10401/Civ/172/ Inq. dt. 20/9/2001, wherein he claimed that he was appointed as the Inquiry Officer of the instant Disciplinary Proceedings against the Appellant/ Appellant/ Petitioner by an Order passed by the Officer Commanding, 306 Stn. Wksp. EME vide his No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 30/8/2001. But the copy of the mandatory appointment letter so claimed had never been made available to the Appellant/ Petitioner nor was it shown to him by the said Shri Panging. The Departmental Authority too, was reluctant to supply the same to him, right from the beginning, in spite of his sincere requests on several occasions, either through personal approach or in writing for supply of the same. In this connection, he submitted a number of representations vide his applications dt. 07/12/2001, dt. 21/3/2002, dt. 23/3/2002, dt. 26/3/2002 and dt. 09/4/2002

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addressed to the Officer Commanding (Lt. Col. J.S. Bains), 306 Stn. Wksp EME, with copies thereof endorsed to the said Shri Panging, requesting him thereby to supply a copy of the mandatory appointment letter of the Inquiry Officer aforesaid.

8. That, from the facts stated hereinabove, it is clear that the copies of orders of appointments of either the Inquiry Officer or the Presenting Officer were, not at all, initially supplied to the Appellant/Appellant/ Petitioner, and as such, the contention of the Unit Authority that the Appellant/Petitioner was intimated regarding appointments of both the Inquiry Officer and the Presenting Officer vide letter No. 10401/172 /Civ dt. 30/8/2001 through registered letter No. 3806 dt. 31/8/2001 is totally unfounded, false and biased on the ground that the intimation alleged to have been sent to the Appellant/Appellant/ Petitioner vide Registered letter No. 3806 dt. 31/08/2001 never reached him and the Unit Authorities miserably failed to substantiate its claim with documentary evidence. However, apparently, under compelling situation, the said appointment letters, after having been kept secret for quite a long time, were issued to the Appellant/ Petitioner by the Unit Authority vide No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 18/4/2002 which were received by him only on 27/4/2002 after a lapse of around 8 (Eight) months, which ought to have been communicated to the Appellant/ Petitioner, at the first instance as a condition-Precedent to initiation of Departmental Inquiry as per rules.
9. That, on receipt of the aforesaid appointment letters sent to the Appellant/ Petitioner by the Unit Authority vide its letter which was received by him on 27/4/2002, the Appellant/ Petitioner promptly submitted an application to the Authorities concerned on 29/4/2002 against the appointment of Shri Bidyot Panging AEE, as the Inquiry Officer of the instant Departmental Inquiry proposed to be initiated against the Appellant/ Petitioner on the grounds of bias, since the said Shri Panging was directly concerned / connected with the day-to-day official works, including service matters relating to the Appellant/ Petitioner and as such, he is rather deemed to be witness in the instant Departmental Inquiry, and at the same time, requested the Authorities thereby to make a fresh appointment of another person as the Inquiry Officer in his place, and this was followed by a number of representations dt. 20/6/2002, dt. 16/7/2002 dt. 25/7/2002 and dt. 13/8/2002. In this connection, the Appellant/ Petitioner begs to state that there is no one other than the Charge Official (self) to reject an Inquiry Officer on the grounds of bias as per rules in view of the fact that while the Appellant/ Petitioner was working as Electrician (MV) in the office of the 306 stn. Wksp. EME C/o 99 APO, during the period from 01/2/2001 to 01/6/2001 covered by the charges, the said Shri Panging AEE, was very much holding the post of Wksp. Officer, barring a short break on temporary duty wef 07/5/2001 to 09/9/2001 and thereafter he is holding the same post after rejoining his duty. This apart, the said Shri Panging is suspected of being prejudiced or biased against the Appellant/ Petitioner.

10. That after having been in a deep slumber for a long period of more than 4 (four) months, since the date of submission of his earlier representation on 29.4.2002 the Authorities concern have reluctantly is complied with only two of his letters dt. 20.6.2002 and dt. 25.7.2002 respectively, thereby rejecting the above representation of the Appellant/ Petitioner vide its letters no. 10401/172/Civ dt. 3.8.2002 and No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 08.08.2002 respectively.
11. That, the Appellant/ Petitioner further begs to state that Unit Administration, while issuing the afforsaid letter delibenetily used the term "Again" to the effect that JC 755107F Nb. Sub/SKT R.K. Kanwar has been detailed as the Presenting Officer in the instant Inquiry vide his letter No. 10401/172/Civ dt. 03.4.2002. In fact the said letter was not at all sent tot he Appellant/ Petitioner earlier but, it was subsequently sent to him along with the said letter and as such , it is nothing but an another attempt to cover up its evil design. This will be evident from the fact that the Unit Administration failed to comply with the earlier representations submitted by the Appellant/ Petitioner dt. 20.6.2002 dt. 16.7.2002, and dt 25.7.2002 and 13.8.2002 in this regard.
12. That, the Appellant/ Petitioner emphatically assert that he is innocent and accordingly, he reserves his right of personnel hearings duly helped and assisted by a Defence Counsel (Assistant) of his own choice in the event, it is deemed to be necessary and essential for the ends of justice.
13. That, the Appellant/ Petitioner had filed an Appeal addressed to Directorate General of EME (civ.) Master General of Ordnance Branch Army HQ. DHQ P.O. New Delhi-110011, praying for :-
  - (a) Order Nos. 10401/172/Civ. Dt. 03/08/2002 and 10401/172/Civ Dt.08/08/2002 being illegal and contrary to provisions of CCS (CCA) Rules 1965 be set aside.
  - (b) Inquiry Officer Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE to be replaced.
  - (c) To review the case and pass suitable orders
14. That, aforesaid Appeal was herewith rejected vide order dt. 23/05/2003. issued by Brig. S.K.Kakar offg. MGEME HQ Eastern Command, Kolkata-21.vide Memo No.332230/2/SBS/EME Civ.dt. 23/05/2003 but the said order dt. 23/05/2003 has been canceled by said Brig. S.K. Kakar vide letter No.332230/2/SBS/EME Civ. Dt. 09/06/2003, and in view of that consideration, Appeal filed on 30/08/2002 is deemed to be pending till it was again re-issued under the signature of Maj. Gen. U.K.Jha MGEME HQ. Eastern Command Kolkata-21 which goes to show that the entire proceeding is vitiated by malafide deeds and action of the Departmental Authorities.

15. That the Appellant/ Petitioner herein challenged the order dt 24/05/03. issued by the Brig. S. K. Kakar offg. MGEME HQ Eastern Command Kolkata-21, by filing an application before the Central Administrative Tribunal at Guwahati Bench Guwahati bearing OA No. 150/2003 dt. 25/07/2003 which is till date pending for disposal.
16. That, upon perusal of the related Inquiry Report, the Appellant/ Petitioner could come to learn that Inquiry Report was submitted on 10/07/2003. and copy whereof was neither supplied to the Appellant/ Petitioner nor otherwise brought to the record of OA No. 150/2003 Dt. 25/07/2003 filed in the Hon'ble CAT, Gauhati Bench, Guwahati, in spite of the fact that written statement was filed on behalf of the Respondent and the statement was made categorically to the effect that the Inquiry was over and the Inquiry Report however now been sent after lapse of around 5 (five) months in the application, which is highly unethical and unwarranted for on the ground of playing a dubious role of keeping the material facts in secrecy.
17. That the list of witnesses shown in the Memo Charge sheet and the Inquiry Report of the biased Inquiry Officer are contradictory, as it is clearly shown in list of witnesses in the charge sheet that there were 9 (nine) witnesses viz.
- (a) 14577561N NK Puran Singh.
  - (b) JC-750768 Nb Sub RC Nath.
  - (c) 14591478F Nk SC Singh.
  - (d) 14581821L HavJ Kushwaha.
  - (e) 14558493 Hav Lalan Sah.
  - (f) 14624820Y Nk D Palani.
  - (g) JC-753913P Nb Sub Jai Prakasan.
  - (h) JC-750236Y Nb Sub (now Sub) MDC Ahmed.
  - (i) JC-754018W Nb Sub UP Mishra.

Where as per list of witnesses shown in the Inquiry Report, the witnesses are 7 (seven) numbers Viz.

- SW-1 JC-750768X Nb Sub (NowSub) RC Nath
- Sw-2 14624820Y Nk D Palani
- Sw-3 JC 754018W Nb Sub UP Mishra
- Sw-4 JC-753913N Nk Puran Singh
- Sw-5 JC-753913P Nb Sub Jayaprakashan .K
- SW-6 14591478F Nk SC Singh.
- SW-7 14581821L Hav J Kushwah.

18. That, the statements of witnesses not being recorded in presence of Appellant/ Petitioner and duly appointed Inquiry Officer are illegal and non est in the eye of law.
19. That, the Appellant/ Petitioner was not afforded with the reasonable opportunity to cross-examine the witnesses.

20. That, random dates were fixed by the biased Inquiry Officer for personal hearing without giving prior notice to the Appellant/ Petitioner at any material point of time.
21. That, most of the enquiry dates fixed by the Inquiry Officer were communicated after the respective date.
22. That, ex-parte enquiry ought not to be continued while objection were raised about its bonafide legal existence.
23. That, Subsistence Allowance was also not paid to the Appellant/ Petitioner regularly and subsequently stopped w.e.f.Oct-2003 without ground what so ever.
24. That, in the name of so-called inquiry the Appellant/ Petitioner was deliberately inflicted untold ill-treatment and physical harassment to the extend that he was forced to be confined to a very narrow room without drinking water and responding to the call of nature , which stretched over several hours. The Appellant/ Petitioner has been also subjected to be kept naked without any garments, this apart, he was manhandled and dragged by force, in front of other colleagues including juniors, as if he was hard core criminal, in as much he was forced upon to sign the Daily Order Sheet which was irregular, illegal and against the spirit of human dignity. No action has however been taken against such misdeeds while the attention of the Authorities at all levels were drawn.
25. That ironically, numbers of letters with different dates were sent by the so-called Inquiry Officer together in one envelop and host of similar others were made available to the Appellant/ Petitioner at a time, which is irregular, illegal, unwarranted, uncalled for, biased, arbitrary and in view of that consideration the proceeding is vitiated by product of conspiracy.
26. That, Inquiry Report by itself is irregular, illegal, arbitrary and beyond the provision of law.
27. That, the entire exercise made in the process of Departmental Inquiries shall stand in the eye of law and it is liable to be dropped.
28. That, the Appellant/Appellant/ Petitioner could not filed the Appeal in view of the pendency of the Writ Petition filed before the Shillong Bench of Hon'ble Gauhati High Court bearing No.03(SH) 2004 decreeing against the order of C.A.T Gauhati passed in OA No. 150/2003.
29. That, subsequently thereafter, the service of Appellant/Appellant/ Petitioner was dismissed vide impugned Order No.10401/Civ/Inq/05 dtd. 15/04/2005 passed by Lt. Col PS Kushwaha the Officer Commanding, Station Workshop EME Shillong and the Appellant/Petitioner has filed a Petition before the Shillong Bench of Hon'ble Gauhati High Court which was registered as Misc Case NO. 76 (SH) 2005, which is Pending for

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disposal and as such the Appellant/Appellant/ Petitioner could not file an Appeal believing bonafide that the Writ Petition which is ready for hearing would be disposed of, but the Writ Petition is not disposed of mainly because of the fact that Division Bench is constituted rarely with long gap.

30. That, normally an Appeal is required to be preferred within a 45 days from the date of which a copy of the order Appeal against is delivered , in fact the Order of dismissal was received by the Appellant/Appellant/ Petitioner on 18/04/2005 and as such within and by 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2005 and now the Appeal is filed on 06 Dec. 2005 and as such, the delay is made around 183 days (Approx).
31. That, the Appellant/ Petitioner begs to state that he is confronted with substantial point of Law and procedure and normally the Appellant is not expected to be well acquainted of the complexities of the issues involved in spite of the fact that he is keen to protect his interest and hence there has been delay which can be condoned for the ends of Justice.
32. That, the Appellant/ Petitioner shall suffer irreparable loss and injury unless the Appeal is admitted for consideration:-
- (i) Whether the procedure laid down in the rules has been complied with and if not whether such non-compliance has resulted in the violation of any provision of the Constitution or in the failure of justice.
- (ii) Whether the findings of the Disciplinary Authority are warranted by the evidence on the record of the case and
- (iii) Whether the Penalty, on the enhanced penalty imposed is adequate, inadequate or severe.
33. That, this Appeal is filed bonafide for the end of justice.

In view of the facts stated hereinabove, it is humbly prayed that you would graciously be pleased to call for the case record and consider the submission of the Appellant/Appellant/ Petitioner and set aside the impugned order No.10401/172/Civ/Inq/05 dtd. 15/04/2005 passed by Lt. Col PS Kushwaha the Officer Commanding Station Workshop EME Shillong and reinstate the Appellant/Appellant/ Petitioner in service with all consequential benefits. For this act of your kindness, I shall remain ever grateful to you.

Humble Appellant/ Petitioner.

*Signature*  
06/12/05

(Bihari Singha.)

T/No.. 172 Civ.Elect. (MV), U/S

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To.

Dated : Shillong  
18 Feb. 2006

The MGEME  
HQ Eastern Command (EME Branch)  
Fort William, Kolkata -21

**Sub:- Prayer for disposal of the Appeal dated 06/12/2005 at an early date, taking into consideration of the present follow-up submissions for reinstatement in service with all consequential benefits.**

Sir,

In continuation to Appeal dated 06/12/2005, your humble Appellant/Petitioner beg to state as follows :-

1. That, infact, your humble Appellant/Petitioner is actively associated with various trade Union activities .He is the General Secretary of station Workshop civilian workers union Shillong . The Union is registered under the trade union act 1926 and affiliated to All India Defence Employees' Federation .
2. That, your humble Appellant/Petitioner would like to present a vivid Picture of the entire gamut of increasing sour relationship between the Union and the Unit Administration that surfaced due to anti Defence Civilian attitude of the Unit Authority right from the date of taking over charge of the office of the Officer Commanding 306 Stn. Wksp EME,C/O 99APO by Lt. Col. J.S.Bains on 31/01/2001
3. That, to begin with, the earlier harmonious relationship between the Union and the Unit Administration began to get slowly eclipsed, Welfare activities for the Defence Civililians of the 306 Station Workshop, came to a grinding halt and various other types of suppressive and oppressive activities have been meted out towards the Defence Civilians in general and the Union leaders, in particular.

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4. That, the Office Bearers of the Union including the General Secretary(self,) approached the Unit Administration on several occasions, either through personal contacts or in writing for settlement of the long standing grievances as well as the burning welfare issues of the Union.
5. That, but, the Unit Administration, virtually declined to concede to the demands of the Union. This has manifestly reflected when it openly came out with the threatening that the leaders of the Union would be kept isolated from all other members of the Union and exemplary punishments inflicted upon them.
6. That, notably, the Unit Authority, by an order circulated vide its Special part -II Order dt. 17/04/2001, took up the issue of formation of a Welfare Committee, consisting of members of his own choice who happened to be at his back and call against the wishes of the members of the Union ,which however, instantly proved futile.
7. That, subsequently, the General Secretary,(self) along with other Union leaders, approached the Unit Authority (Lt. Col. J.S Bains) on a number of occasions with regard to SDA recovery in protest against the order issued by the CDA Gauhati, under its No. Pay/Tech/SDA/CAT/11 dt. 06/11/2000 and infavour of the judgement which was passed by the Hon'ble CAT, Gauhati Bench, on 22/12/2000 in OA No. 149 of 1999 against recovery of SDA in respect of similarly placed employees.
8. That, but, surprisingly enough, when the Union leaders personally contacted the Unit Administration on 30/04/2001 and handed over a letter of the Union to it, vide Union letter No. SWCWU/15/2001 dt. 30/04/2001, requesting him to keep in abeyance the recovery of SDA, but, the Unit Authority (Lt. Col. J.S

Bains), straight way, refused to concede to the genuine grievances of the Union.

9. That, being highly aggrieved by the adamant stand of the Unit Authority (Lt. Col. J.S Bains) for implementing the recovery of the SDA, the Gen. Secy.(self) along with Four other members of the Union, namely, Shri.P.C.Das, Shri. S.N. Das, Shri. T.C. Das, and Shri. D. Deka, approached the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court, Shillong Bench on 01/05/2001, seeking justice and instantly, the said Hon'ble High Court passed an order staying the operation of the impugned letter dt. 06/11/2000, until further orders of this Hon'ble Court.
10. That, paradoxically, the Unit Authority (Lt. Col. J.S Bains) completely declined to honour and obey the judgment and order passed by the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court, Shillong Bench on 01/05/2001 in W.P. (C) No. 89 (SH) of 2001 staying the operation of the CDA Gauhati's order dt. 06/11/2000.
11. That, finding no alternative to it, the General Secretary(self) as desired by the Executive Committee of the Union, hurriedly took up the matter with all concerned including the Secy. to the Govt. of India Ministry of Defence, New Delhi, the Gen. Secy. AIDEF, Kirkee Pune- 3, the ALC (Central), Gauhati etc. vide the Union letters No. SWCWU/22/2001, dt.02/05/2001 No.SWCWU/23/2001 dt.02/05/2001, No.SWCWU/28/2001 dt.06/05/2001 and as well as telegram dt. 02/05/2001.
12. That, apparently, in the long run, the Unit Authority (Lt. Col. J.S Bains), being pressurized by some Higher Authorities concerned failed to stick to its earlier adamant stands and finally had to stop it (recovering of SDA arrears) while obeying the said Court Order. This might have caused a deep sense of unhappiness in its mind, which became a prestige issue for all time to come.

13. That, on a subsequent occasion, the General Secretary(self) as desired by the Executive Committee, issued a circular vide No. SWCWU/40/2001 dt. 24/05/2001, informing the members of the Union about the decision taken in its earlier Executive Committee meeting held on 18/05/2001, in response to the Call given by AIDEF, on its agitational programme to realise the 32 demands of the Defence Civilian Employees and also additional demands urging the Govt. of India to withdraw the anti-employees announcements made in the budget, being scheduled wef. 18/06/2001 to 21/07/2001.
14. That, on 29/05/2001, there took place a crucial discussion between the Unit Authorities (Lt. Col J.S Basin) and the Union leaders including General Secretary,(self) about the difficulties faced by the Defence civilians on 28/05/2001 due to Khashi Student's Union (KSU) office picketing. During the discussion the said Union leaders, requested the Unit Administration inter- alia, to grant Special Casual Leave to those who could not attend their duties on the aforesaid day of office picketing, as has been granted to all the employees working under the Government of Meghalaya as well as other Central Government Organisation stationed in Meghalaya, and at the same time to Condone, as a very special case, the 2 (two) hours' absence (ie. 1400h to 1600h) of those members who could, somehow, attend the workshop office at 0800 hrs and worked for half a day and were out for lunch at 1300 hrs, after which they became unable to report back to the office for attending their duties, during the other half, due to KSU picketing, coupled with threatening of life risk. In this connection, a letter of request was also handed over to the Unit Administration, by the said Union leaders on the following day, vide Union letter No. SWCWU/43/2001 dt. 30/05/2001. But, the Unit Authority (Lt. Col J.S Bains) flatly refused to concede to their request and at the same time, it (Lt. Col. J.S Bains) threatened the said Union leaders that they would not be spared

from now on, and also said "**Abhi tum log ko chorega nahi**", "**Phasaiga**" etc.

15. That, this apart, the Unit Authority (Lt. Col. J.S Bains) started Utilising the Defence Civilian Workers' Welfare fund left and right, by keeping the said Defence Civilian workers' in the dark, which still needs to be properly investigated into. Being highly aggrieved by it and as desired by the Executive Committee of the Union, the leaders including Gen. Secy.(self) took up the matter with all concerned including the Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Defence, New Delhi, and the General Secretary, AIDEF, Kirkee, Pune - 3 Vide Union letter No. SWCWU/44/2001/ dt. 31/05/2001 for remedial steps in this regard.
16. That, the matter reached its climax on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2001, during Tea-Break in the Civilian Recreation Room in between 1030 hrs to 1045 hrs wherein Shri. P.C. Das, the Vice President and Shri. Bihari Singha, the General Secretary(self) were busy with the most important works of the Union, mainly on the issue of long standing medical re-imburement claims of the members of the Union, which was initiated by Astt. Labour Commissioner (central), Gauhati. In the nick of time all of a sudden like a tornado, the Officer Commanding (Lt. Col. J.S Bains) along with Nb Sub R.C. Nath and the staff car driver Nk. Puran Singh rushed into the said Civilian Recreational Room (at around 1045h) compelling all other Defence Civilians, present therein, instantly to scuttle away from the said room out of fear except Shri. P.C. Das, the Vice President and Shri. Bihari Singha, the General Secretary(self). Having seen both of them in such an un-staggered position there, the Officer Commanding (Lt. Col. J.S Bains) seemed to have lost his temper beyond his control, for reasons best known to him only. However, both Shri. P.C. Das, the Vice President and Shri. Bihari Singha, the General Secretary, (self) while wishing him, (Lt. Col. J.S Bains), politely informed him about the aforesaid burning issues of the Union and at the same time, tried to show him a letter received from the ALC (central), Gauhati out of

the Union file in this regard. But ironically, in stead of reciprocating it, the said Officer Commanding started behaving like a person not commensurate with his official status and that was evident from his unparliamentary and un-ethical words, like, **"Go to Hell your Union", " Abhi tum log ko suspend karta hoan"** etc. and in no time, he (O.C. Wksp.) threw away the said union file and practically he did what he uttered - i.e. both Shri. P.C. Das, the Vice President and Shri. Bihari Singha, the General Secretary (self) were instantly placed under suspension on this very day of 1<sup>st</sup> June 2001. Only God knows, how things could so happen and that too, so quickly, if there was no preponderance.

17. That, in his bid to fulfill his pre-planned evil designs, he (O.C. Wksp) purposely distorted the reality of the incident that took place in between him (O.C. Wksp) and the said Union leaders in the Civilian Recreation Room on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2001 and half-heartedly brought out a completely different kind of picture in its place. With his determined evil intent to inflict severe penalties upon both Shri. P.C. Das; the Vice President and Shri Bihari Singha the General Secretary, (self) he (Lt. Col J.S Bains) deliberately suppressed the real fact and Nb Sub R.C Nath, one of the silent spectators present in the Civilian Recreation Room during the said incident, was made to play the Key role in the stage managed drama, of the so called Inquiry duly supported by Nk. Puran Singh, Nk D. Palani, Nk Rajan J, Nk S.C Singh, Hav. J. Kushwaha; Hav. Lalan Sah, Nb Sub Jai Prakasan, Nb. Sub (Now Sub) MDCAhmed, Nb. Sub U.P. Mishra etc (witnesses) as side-characters.
18. That, in order to keep its terror tactics going, he addressed a letter also to Shri. K.M. Nath, President of this Union vide his letter no. 10402/Civ. Dt. 16.06.2001, with a reference to our Union letter dt. 24.5.2001 whereby he was advised as follows:-

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- (a) No gate meeting/cadre meeting during working hours will be permitted.
  - (b) No Slogan shouting during mastering in/mustering out inside the workshop and in front of the workshop adjacent to HQ 101 Area will be permitted.
  - (c) No strike ballot in the workshop premises will be permitted.
  - (d) You are also advised not to create a law and order problem.

19. That, however, to the utter dismay of the Unit Authority (Lt. Col J.S Bains), the all India programme referred to herein above was successfully implemented as scheduled, but, it resulted in the forms of issue of Explanation call, Showcause Memo etc, to Shri. K.M. Nath, the President and Shri. P.K. Das, the Organising Secretary respectively, including one day pay cut in respect of Shri. K.M Nath, the President, Shri. P.C Das, the Vice President, Shri. Bihari Singha, the General Secretary, (self) Shri. P.K. Das, the Organising Secretary, Shri. D.K. Gurung and Shri. P. Ghosh, the Executive Members for their absence of only 2(two) hours on 28.05.2001 due to KSU office picketing.

20. That, being highly aggrieved, your humble Appellant/Petitioner has submitted his representation vide dated 18/10/2002 to all concerned including Higher Authorities, but unheard /unattended for, till to date.

( A xerox copy of representation dated 18/10/2002 is annexed hereto and marked as Annexure A. )

21. That, in this connection, the Station Workshop Civilian Workers' Union Shillong has taken several resolution and subsequently brought to the notice of all Higher Headquarters vide its No. SWCWU/07/2002 dated 09/04/2002 and No.SWCWU/ 21/2002 dated 15/11/2002. But no favourable step was taken from any corner till to date.

(Xerox copies of Union representations dated 09/04/2002 and dated 15/11/2002 are annexed hereto and marked as Annexure B and C respectively.)

22. That, the submission made hereinabove, may be deemed to be part of the Appeal dated 06/12/2005.
21. That, your humble Appellant/Petitioner has reserved his right of personal hearing duly assisted by the Defence Assistant of his own choice in the instant Appeal at a time and date fixed by your kind self .

In view of the facts stated hereinabove, it is humbly prayed that you would graciously be pleased to call for case record and consider the submission of the Appellant/Petitioner made in the Appeal dated 06/12/2005 as well as this follow-up submissions and reinstate the Appellant/Petitioner in service with all consequential benefits . For this act of your kindness , I shall ever remain grateful to you

*Endo: As stated above - 3 Nos*

Your's faithfully

*Am*  
*18/2/06*  
(Bihari Singha)

T.No.172 Elect (MV) U/S

Qtr No. MES 93/2

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T. No 172 Civ/Elect(MV), U.S.  
Shri Bihari Singha  
Qtr. No MES 93/2  
Deodgen Line,  
Shillong, Carntt

PRAYER FOR DISPOSAL OF APPEAL DATED 06/12/2005 IN  
RESPECT OF T. NO 172 CIV/ELECT(MV) SHRI BIHARI SINGHA

1. Refer to your appeal dt 06 Dec 2005 and 16 Feb 2006
2. Order by the appellate authority in respect of T. No 172 Civ/Elect(MV) Shri Bihari Singha is fwd herewith for your further necessary action please.

  
(S Chatterjee)  
Col  
AD EME (Avn)  
for MG EME

Encls : (03)

Copy to :-

Dte Gen of EME (EME Civ)  
MGO's Branch  
Army HQ  
New Delhi

HQ 101 Area (EME)  
C/o 99 APO

Sin Wksp EME  
Shillong

1. Ref Army HQ letter No B-03418 822-EME  
Civ-2 dt 27 Feb 06

2. A copy of above order is fwd herewith for your  
further necessary action please.

for info alongwith a copy of ibid order.

*Admission  
for  
Advocate*



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ORDER BY THE APPELLATE AUTHORITY IN RESPECT OF APPEAL  
FILED BY  
T/NO 172 CIV/ELEC SHRI BIHARI SINGHA

ORDER

1. I have examined the appeal dated 06 Dec 2005 filed by T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha of Stn Wksp EME, Shillong against the order passed by disciplinary Authority for dismissing the services of T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha and his prayer for setting aside the dismissal order No 10401/172/Civ/Inq/05 dated 15 Apr 2005 and for reinstating T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha. I have also examined his prayer for disposal of the appeal dated 06 Dec 05 at an early date, taking into consideration the present follow up submissions for reinstatement in service with all consequential benefits submitted vide his letter No Nil dt 18 Feb 06. I have also examined his appeal for release of his subsistence allowance as stated at Annexure A to his appeal dated 18 Feb 2006.
2. It is seen that the above appeal has not been preferred as per Rule 25 of the CCS (CCA) rules within a period of forty-five days from the date on which a copy of the order appealed against was delivered to the appellant T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha. However, notwithstanding the period of limitation, the appeal is hereby disposed off as under.
3. The appellant has prayed for following redressals: -
  - (a) To set aside and quash the order of disciplinary authority issued vide case No 10401/172/Civ/Inq/05 dt 15 Apr 05 being illegal and arbitrary.
  - (b) To reinstate the appellant/petitioner with all consequent benefit.
  - (c) To release his subsistence allowance.
4. At Annexure A to your Appeal dt 18 Feb 06, the appellant has asked for release of the subsistence allowance due to him. The collection of subsistence allowance wef 03 Oct 2003 to Feb 2005 has been intimated to the appellant by Stn Wksp EME, Shillong letter No 50602/ Civ dt 19 Nov 05. This has been repeated vide Stn Wksp EME, Shillong letter No 50602/Civ dt 08 Mar 06 (Copy att).
5. A perusal of letter No 10401/172/Civ/Inq/05 dated 15 Apr 05 shows that said disciplinary authority had examined all the issues involved therein at

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Advocate

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great length and disposed off all issues deliberately in detail. I have examined the contentions of the appellant against the order of the disciplinary authority in the light of connected records of the case and I find it being devoid of merit and warranting no interference at this count. The impugned order dated 15 Apr 05 is comprehensive and entails no illegality. The procedure was followed in accordance with the provisions of law affording all the applicable privileges and rights to the appellant. The order was preceded by a detail inquiry, recommendation of inquiry officer, application of mind on the part of disciplinary authority and consideration of commensurating punishment under the provisions of Rule 11 of CCS(CCA) 1965 in shape of major penalty of dismissal from the service.

6. Further, the contention of the appellant regarding biased approach on the part of the inquiry officer is not found justified as Shri Bidyot Penging, AEE (now EE), the inquiry officer, has no personal interest or bias of any kind in the case and at the time of incident the said officer was away from unit. He, therefore, had no previous knowledge of the case and being impartial, was rightly appointed by the disciplinary authority. His appointment as inquiry officer was therefore just and fair.

7. I have also perused the records of the case and I am of the opinion that the process of disciplinary case against T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha has correctly taken place as per provisions of CCS(CCA) Rules 1965 and the representation being devoid of merit does not warrant any consideration.

8. It is also seen that pendency of the writ petition, without any stay order or restraining the despondence in any manner for the subject matter, is no rider on the disciplinary authority for refraining to take disciplinary action under CCS (CCA) Rules 1965 for which they are legally competent and justified. There is also no restriction for the appellant not to prefer an appeal within the stipulated time frame of 45 days as specified vide Rule 25 of the CCS (CCA) rules 1965.

9. It is further seen that there has not been any violation of procedure with respect to Defence Civilian Workers welfare Fund and that it is being managed efficiently and was always audited monthly at unit level and is also being quarterly audited at the formation level since quarter ending Dec 2001.

10. Further it is seen that SDA is being allowed at 12.5% of basic pay in accordance with current orders on the subject.

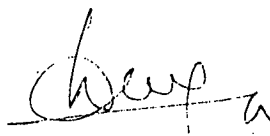
11. Further it is also seen that the case was also examined at the ministry of Defence in terms of their letter No 104718168/D(Lab) dt 25 Mar 1968 respecting the union activities, if any, and the contentions of the appellant in this regard were found non existing vide Army HQ letter No 37215/24/EME Civ-3 dt 31 Dec 04.

12. Whereas T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha of Station Workshop EME, Shillong was issued with a memorandum of charges vide letter No 21208/172/Est/Inq/LC dt 11 July 2001 on six specific counts mentioned therein, disclosing gross misconduct in violation of provisions of Rule 3 and 7 of CCS rules 1964 and that the said T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha did not admit any of the charges vide his letter dated 28 July 2001. The disciplinary authority under the provisions of Rule 14 of CCS(CCA) 1965 appointed an inquiry officer who enquired into the matter and the proceedings conducted during 20 Sep 2001 to 25 Jun 2003 which has been duly recorded in detail consisting of statement of witnesses, exhibits, correspondence details, details of said T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha representations and various appeals and its disposal thereof and the findings arrived at by the said inquiry officer wherein T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was found guilty of all the six charges by the inquiry officer.

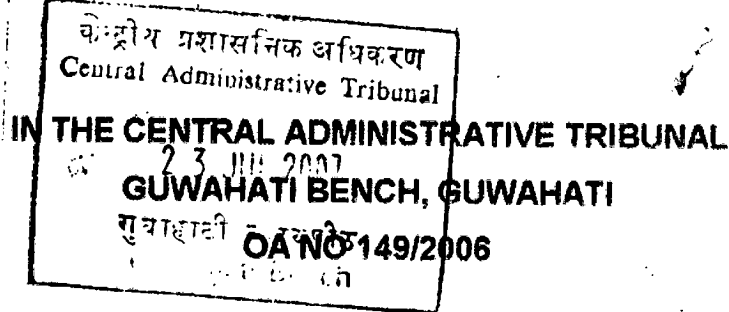
13. I have perused the inquiry officers report, record of the inquiry and representation received from the charged official and the evaluation of the disciplinary authority on each article of charge and the subsequent order issued vide letter No 10401/172/Civ/Inq/05 dt 15 Apr 05 and I am of the opinion that the process of disciplinary case against T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha has correctly been followed as per provisions of CCS(CCA), Rules 1965. I am also of the opinion that the findings of guilty are consistent to the evidence and are thus just and legal and the representation being devoid of merit does not warrant any consideration. Hence the appeal is rejected in the interest of Govt service.

Station : Kolkata

Dated : 08 May 06



(Harkirat Singh)  
Maj Gen  
MG EME  
HQ Eastern Comd



SHRI Bihari Singha..... Applicant

-Versus-

Union of India & others ..... Respondents

Written Statement submitted by the Respondent No 1 to

1(a) That I am Lt Col K Srinivas, S/O Shri M Venkateswararao and respondent No IC-41561K in the above case. I have gone through a copy of the application served on me and have understood the contents thereof. Save and except whatever is specifically admitted in this written statements, the contentions and statements made in the application and authorized to file the written statement on behalf of all the respondents.


- (b) The application is filed unjust and unsustainable both facts and in law.
- (c) That the application is also hit by the principles of waiver estoppels and acquiescence and liable to be dismissed.
- (d) That the present OA is hit by the principle of res-judicata. The applicant has already approached the Hon'ble Tribunal challenging the ex-parte disciplinary proceeding by way of filing OA No 150/2003.

#### PRELIMINARY OBJECTION

The applicant had approached the Hon'ble Tribunal by way of filing OA No 150/2003 challenging the ex-parte enquiry proceeding. The Hon'ble Tribunal after considering the entire matter on records was pleased to dismissed the OA specifically observing as follows: -

"In this view of the matter the further ex-parte proceedings if any, held by the respondents cannot be held to be arbitrary or against the relevant rules and sufficient opportunity of hearing had been afforded to the applicants which they chose not to avail. In the facts and circumstances of the case, we are unable to come to the conclusion that there has been any violation of the principles of natural justices or the relevant rules to warrant any interference in the matter on this ground also fails and is rejected."

The applicant approached the Hon'ble Guwahati High Court challenging the judgment and order dated 20.11.2003 passed by the Hon'ble Tribunal but the Hon'ble High Court after hearing the parties to the proceeding was pleased to dismissed the Writ Petition No 3(SH).2004.

  
Officer Commanding  
कमान अधिकारी  
3rd Wksp EME, Shillong  
कमान बर्कशाह ई एम ई. शिलांग

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The applicant in the instant OA has not disclosed the material facts before the Hon'ble Tribunal. The Hon'ble Tribunal had already adjudicated upon the matter on merit and discussed the entire facts in the judgment and order dated 20.11.2003. The applicant has neither stated nor annexed the judgment passed by the Hon'ble Tribunal. The present OA is hit by Principle of res-judicata hence on this ground alone, the Hon'ble Tribunal may be pleased to dismiss the OA with cost.

2. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 1 the OA; the respondents do not admit any thing contrary to the case. The inquiries have been ordered as per Rule 14 of CCS (CCA) Rules 1965. The charge sheets have been given to the applicant as per Rule 14 of CCS(CCA) Rule 1965 for violations of Rule 3 and 7 of CCS (Conduct) Rules by the applicant. The applicant was served charge sheet vide Office Memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 July 2001 (Annexed as Annexure-1). The memorandum was served on the applicant through registered letter. The same matter was also referred in OA 150/2003 where in the hon'ble CAT has dismissed OA No 150/2003 of the applicant and up held the procedure followed by the Department. The applicant further appealed against the decision of the Hon'ble CAT of the same grounds and the Shillong Bench of the Hon'ble Guwahati High Court dismissed the same appeal on 20 Nov 2003. The Hon'ble High Court has directed the respondents to complete the disciplinary proceeding. The disciplinary authority and the appellate authority considered the entire matter and judicious and impartial decision has been passed vide order dated 08.5.2006.

Copies of the order dated 11 July 2001, order dated 20.11.2003 passed by the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court, Shillong Bench and the order dated 08.5.2006 are annexed herewith and marked as Annexure- 1,2 and 3 respectively.

3. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 2,3,4.1 and 4.2 of OA, the respondents beg to offer no comment.

4. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.3 of the OA, the respondents while denying the contentions made therein beg to submit that the Station Wksp Shillong civilian worker's union is an unrecognized union and office bearer of the union has been dissolved through the general body of the Union on 07.11.2003. The so-called union was run from Advance Electrical Shop owned by the applicant for his personal gain. The applicant has not handed over the property and the funds maintained for the so-called association even after dismissal and thus misusing these for his personal gains.

A copy of the letter dated 07 Nov 2003 is annexed as Annexure-4.

5. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.4 of the OA, the answering respondents while denying the contentions made therein beg to submit that the copies of charge sheet served vide memorandum. 21208/172/EST-IND/LC dated 11 July 2001 is attached as per Annexure- 5.

A copy of the memorandum dated 11 July 2001 is annexed as Annexure - 5.

6. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.5 of the OA, the answering respondents while denying all allegations made therein beg to submit that the employees of 306 Station Workshop EME attended the duty on 28 May 2001 during the Khasi Student union Bund but due to inflammatory speech of application 11 workers left their place of work at 0930 hrs without any leave or gate pass. The contentions of the applicants that workers could not come back after lunch break is denied as lunch break is from 1300 hrs to 1330 hrs. Para 4 of report of Assistant Labour Welfare Commissioner (Central) also say that some workers left their duty at 0930 hrs.

Copies of the Visit report is and report given by Gate NCO I/C are annexed herewith and marked as Annexure-6 and 7 respectively.

7. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.6 and 4.7 of the OA, the answering respondents beg to submit that no unwarranted action was initiated against the applicant but due to gross misconduct committed on 01 Jun 2001 and on earlier days. Lt Col JS Bains issued the memorandum as per provisions of law with out any prejudice and to up hold the law. His actions have been challenged by the applicant several times and at all levels the action taken by Lt Col JS Bains have been upheld including the appellate authority, the Hon'ble CAT and the Hon'ble High Court. Reply of MGEME, Easter Command was decided based on the merits of the case.

A copy of the letter dated 23 June 2003 is annexed as Annexure-8.

8. That with regard to the statement made in paragraphs 4.8 of the OA, the answering respondents while denying the contentions made therein beg to submit that the applicant was given ample opportunity to improve himself. Which shows that the disciplinary action is taken after giving sufficient opportunity.

9. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.9 of the OA, the answering respondents beg to state that the respondents received the reply and followed the laid down procedure and proceeded to take further action.

10. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.10 and 4.11 of the OA, the answering respondents beg to submit that an inquiry as per CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 was ordered against T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha vide convening order dated 30 Aug 2001. Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE of this workshop was appointed as the inquiry officer and Shri Amar Singh was appointed as presenting officer vide 10401/172/Civ dated 30 Aug 2001. Inquiry was ordered as per Rule 14 of CCS (CCA) Rule 1965. The registered letter was however not accepted by the applicant and returned back by postal authorities on 15 Sep 2001 with remark "Refused". The returned letter has been kept intact for records. Shri Bidyot Panging had issued a letter vide 10401/Civ/172/Inq dated 20 Sep 2001 directing T/No Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha to present himself for preliminary hearing. T/No 172 Civ/Elect the applicant vide his letter dated 27 Sep 2001 requested the Inquiry Officer for 30 days time for arranging a defence assistance and preparing the case. This is a sufficient proof that the applicant knew about the appointment for Inquiry Officer on 27 Sep 2001 and was addressing him as Inquiry Officer.

Copies of the letter dated 30 Aug 2001, letter appointing the presenting officer dated 30 Aug 2001, letter dated 31 Aug 2001 and letter dated Sep 2001 are annexed herewith and marked annexure- 9,10,11 and 12 respectively.

11. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.12 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that the pleas of engaging a legally qualified defence assistance by applicant was rejected by Disciplinary Authority as Presenting Officer was not legally qualified. As per Govt of India Instruction 22 to Rule 14 of CCS (CCA) Rules 1965, the assistance of a legal practitioner should not be refused if presenting officer is legally qualified. Since presenting officer was not legally qualified the Disciplinary Authority rejected the pleas of the applicant and applicant was advised to engage defence assistance from Shillong itself. As regards the plea of engaging a defence assistance Shri MP Singha of 222 ABOD, Inquiry officer also rejected the same due to Administrative reasons, as distance between Guwahati and Shillong is more 100 Kms and lies in another state. As per instructing 18 to Rule 14, it is up to the inquiry officer to grant engaging defence assistance from another station. However, as per the same instruction there is no provision of appeal against the refusal to engage defence assistance from outside the state. The applicant represented to the Disciplinary authority against the order of Inquiry officer. Disciplinary authority upheld the pleas of inquiry officer. Disciplinary authority upheld the plea of the inquiry officer and rejected the representation of the applicant. As per the same instruction, no appeal shall lie against the order of disciplinary authority.

A copy of the GOI instruction No 18 to Rule 14 of CCS (CCA) Rules 1965 is annexed herewith and marked as Annexure-13.

12. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.13, 4.14, 4.15 and 4.16 of the OA, the answering respondents beg to submit that the letter was sent through the registered post but the applicant has been either returning the letters on showing these to be not received or receiving after 15 to 30 days in connivance with the postal authorities. A complaint to the effect was given to postal authorities vide 10401/Civ dated 22.2.2002. A reply has been received from postal authorities vide letter No CPT/Misc/RL/Feb/02 dated 14 March 2002. It is clear from the letter returned by postal authorities that the applicant was not present in his place of residence just to avoid receiving letters. The applicant was in the habit of refusing registered AD letters with malafide intention. The applicant also received a number of letters intentionally late by one month or more just to delay the proceedings, the applicant was not present in his place of residence just to avoid receiving letters. The applicant was in the habit of refusing registered AD letters with malafide intention. The applicant also received a number of letters intentionally late by one month or more just to delay the proceedings.

Copies of the letters dated 22 Feb and 14 March 2002 are annexed herewith and marked as Annexure-14 and 15 respectively.

13. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.17 & 4.18 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that as the Govt. of India Instruction 22 to Rule 14 of CCS (CCA) Rules 1965, the assistance of a legal practitioner should not be refused of presenting offer is legally qualified. Hence the plea of engaging legally qualified defence assistance by the applicant was rejected by the Disciplinary Authority, as Presenting Officer was not legally qualified. Inquiry officer was given sufficient time to select defence assistance from about 1000 workers posted in Shillong in various departments. The applicant appeared for the inquiries on 11 March 2002, 13 March 2002, 15 March 2002 and 20 March 2002 and also asked to cross-examine the SW-3, SW-4 & SW-5, which he refused. The applicant wanted to delay the proceedings by first asking a legally qualified defence assistance and then defence assistance from outside the state. As per instructions 18 to Rule 14, there is no provision for appeal against the decision of Inquiry officer. The applicant had represented to the Disciplinary Authority, who also held the decision given by the inquiry officer as per the same instruction, no appeal lies against the order of Disciplinary Authority rejecting plea for defence assistance from another station. The inquiry officer and Disciplinary Authority acted with the provision of CCS(CCA) Rule 1965.

A copy of the GOI Instruction is annexed herewith and marked as Annexure -16.



14. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.19 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that the proceedings were started by Inquiry Officer on 20 September 2001 and the applicant attended inquiry on 11 March 2002, 13 March 2002, 15 March 2002 and 20 March 2001. In fact the applicant was aware of the appointment of inquiry officer and presenting officer and the applicant also was corresponding with inquiry officer. However copies of appointment of inquiry officer were again sent to the applicant vide registered letter number 10401/172/Civ dated 18 Apr 2002.

A copy of the registered letter is annexed herewith and marked as Annexure -17.

15. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.20 of the OA, the respondents while denying the allegation made therein beg to submit that the applicant was only attempting to implead and delay the inquiry proceedings. The Unit is military establishment with a security gate and any visitor can meet the official after passing through security and entering the particulars in the visitor's book. The point regarding engaging the defence counsel is already replied and a repetition in the present OA. The disciplinary authority followed the provisions of law and replies to the applicant letters were given within the provisions of law.

16. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.21 of the OA, the respondents submit that in the representation dated 29 Apr 2002, the applicant had submitted that inquiry officer is connected with all the mater/affairs relating to departmental inquiry. The respondents submit that the inquiry officer AEE (Now EE), Shri Bidyot Panging was not connected with the inquiry at all, as he was neither a witness nor connected with charges. He was not even present in the unit on 01 Jun 2001, as he was on temporary duty to 311 Station Workshop EME from 07 May 2001 to 09 Sep 2001. The plea of bias against the inquiry officer was rejected by Disciplinary Authority vide letter No 10401/172/Civ dated 03 Aug 2002 to the applicant. The applicant appealed against rejection of their pleas of change of inquiry officer to Director General of EME vide letter dated 30 Aug 2002. The appeal of the applicant was rejected by Major General UK Jha , MGEME, Eastern Command, Kolkata vide letter no 332230/2/SBS/EME Civ dated 23 Jun 2003.

A copy of the letter dated 23 Jun 2003 is annexed herewith and marked as Annexure - 18.

17. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.22 & 4.23 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that the inquiry officer detailed in a departmental inquiry is a class I Gazetted officer and have no personal interest in the case. As per CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965, no such provision of having officer from outside the outside the department is given. Even the disciplinary authority can be inquiry officer when no other officer is available.

The ex-parte inquiry proceedings were started by giving sufficient time to the applicant when he was using dilatory tactics and not attending the inquiries. The applicant was given the sufficient time to look for a suitable defence assistance from Shillong. Ex-parte inquiry proceedings were started when applicant did not appear for preliminary hearing on 08 Oct 2001 and on his request another date was fixed on 20 Oct 2001. The applicant was again remained absent. Next date of hearing was fixed on 15 Nov 2001 and the applicant was intimated that if he fails to appear on 15 Nov 2001, ex-parte proceedings will start. As the applicant did not appear on 15 Nov 2001, ex-parte proceeding was started the applicant even attended the inquiry on 11 Mar 2002, 13 Mar 2002, 15 Mar 2002 and 25 Mar 2002. The respondents also submit that presenting officer JC-722950F Nb Sub Amar Singh was replaced by disciplinary authority vide letter No 10401/172/Civ dated 03 Apr 2002, due to his retirement and JC-755107F Nb Sub RK Kanwar was detailed as presenting officer and the same was intimated to the applicant through registered letter. The statements of witnesses were recorded in the presence of the applicant whenever he attended the inquiry. As the applicant was employing dilatory tactics, ex-parte inquiry was held as per provisions of CCS(CCA) Rules, 1965 after giving sufficient time to the applicant. The applicant was given sufficient time to appear before the inquiry officer and the entire letter were sent through registered post. The applicant was either returning the letters or receiving very late as they were found absent from his residence by Postal Authorities as mentioned above.

18. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.24 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that it was up to the presenting officer to produce as many witness out of total witnesses to frame the charges.

19. That with regard to the statements made in paragraph 4.25 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that the appeal against rejection of his pleas of charges of inquiry officer to Director General of EME vide their letter dated 30 Aug 2002 by the applicant. The appeal of the applicant was rejected by Major General UK Jha, MGEME, Eastern Command, Kolkata vide letter No 332230/2/SBS/EME, Civ dated 23 Jun 03.

20. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.26 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that inquiry report of the applicant was submitted on 10 Jul 2003. The disciplinary authority is required to study the inquiry report, apply mind to all rules and regulations and give his opinion rationally and independently, which requires time. Moreover the applicant is office bearer of a workers union (Un recognized) and his case is required to be referred to Ministry of Defence for advice. There was thus no deliberate delay on forwarding the copy of the inquiry report to the applicant.

21. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.27 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that the disciplinary authority intimated the applicant that he will be given subsistence allowance at half basic pay with usual allowances. The applicant was also intimated that he will have to give a non-employment certificate every month as per sub-rule (2) of FR-53 to set the subsistence allowances. The applicant did not come to collect his subsistence allowance. A letter No 10401/Civ dated 18 July 2001 was written stating that he had not collected his subsistence allowance for the month of Jun 2001 and he was told to collect the same by 27 July for the month of Jun and subsequently on 1<sup>st</sup> of every month. Another letter dt no 10402/Civ dated 30 July 2001 was written to the applicant, the letter was recorded as 'Refused'. The subsistence allowance was increased by 50% or half basic pay wef 01 Sep 2002.

The respondents also submit that the applicant collected his subsistence allowance on 10 Oct 2001 for the month of Jun 2001, Sep 2001, on 01 Nov 2001 for the month of Oct 2001, on 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug 2001 for the month of Nov 2001 and on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2002 for the month of Dec 2001. Besides this the applicant also collected his productivity link bonus and arrears of revised DA on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2002. The respondents submit that as the applicant was using dilatory tactics and delaying the inquiry, the subsistence allowance was again reduced and brought down to 50% of basic pay with usual allowance wef 01 Jan 2002. The applicant was intimated vide letter no 10401/172/Civ/Inq dated 31 Jan 2002. The applicant was intimated vide letter No 10401/172/Civ/Inq dated 31 Jan 2002. The applicant stopped collecting his subsistence allowance wef Jan 2002 in spite of writing him a number of letters by 306 Stn Wksp EME and Dte Gen of EME, Army Headquarters. List of registered letter sent to applicant are as under :

- (a) Our registered letter No 10401/172/Civ/inq dated 31 Jan 2002.
- (b) Army HQ letter No 21892/24/EME/Civ dated 27 March 2002.
- (c) Our registered letter No 10401/SUS/Civ dated 22 Jun 2002.
- (d) Our registered letter No 10401/SUS/Civ dated 30 Sep 2002.
- (e) Our registered letter No 10401/SUS/Civ dated 29 Nov 2002
- (f) Our registered letter No 10401/Civ dated 11 March 2003.

Copies of the letters mentioned in (a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) are annexed herewith and marked as Annexure-19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24 respectively.

It is also submitted that the applicant has not submitted his non-employability certificate till date but 306 Stn Wksp EME is claiming his subsistence allowance regularly wef Jan 2002 and the amount is being deposited through a TR after 8 days when the applicant do not report to collect his subsistence allowance. The applicant is not collecting his subsistence allowance, his rent and allied charged can not be deducted and are pending since Nov 2001. The applicant was intimated to pay his rent and allied charges, as he is not collecting his subsistence.

22. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.28 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that the contention of the applicant against the order of the disciplinary authority in the light of connected records and impugned order dated 15 Apr 2005 is comprehensive and entails no illegality. The procedure was followed in accordance with the provision of law affording all the applicable opportunity, privileges and rights to the applicant. The order was proceed by a detail inquiry recommendation of inquiry officer, application of mind on the part of the disciplinary authority and consideration of commiserating punishment under the provisions of Rule 11 of CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965. The case was also examined at the Ministry of Defence in term of their letter No 104718/68/D(Lab) dated 25 Mar 1968 respecting the Union activities if any, and the contentions of the applicant in this regard were found non existing vide Army HQ letter No 37215/24/EME Civ-3 dated 31 Dec 2004.

23. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.29 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that the disciplinary authority under the provision of Rule 14 of CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 appointed an inquiry officer who inquired into the matter and the proceeding conducted during 20 sep 2001 to 25 Jun 2003 which has been duly recorded in details consisting of statement of witnesses, exhibits, correspondence details, details of said T/No 172 Civ/elect Shri Bihari Singha representation and various appeals and its disposal thereof and the finding arrived at by the said inquiry officer. The applicant was given ample opportunity to improve him, which shows that the disciplinary action is taking after giving sufficient opportunity.

24. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.29(1) of the OA, the respondents while reiterating and reaffirming the statement made above beg to submit that an inquiry as per CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 was ordered against the applicant vide convening order dated 30 Aug 2001. Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE of this workshop was appointed as inquiry officer and Shri Amar Singh was appointed the presenting officer vide order dated 30 Aug 2001. The copies of appointment of Inquiry Officer and presenting Officer were forwarded through registered letter dated 31 Aug 2001. The registered letter was however not accepted by the applicant and returned back by postal authorities on 15 Sep 2001 with the remark 'refused'. The returned letter has been kept intact for records. Shri Bidyot Panging had issued a letter vide letter dated 20 Sep 2001 directing the applicant to present himself for preliminary hearing. The applicant vide his letter dated 27 Sep 2001 requested the Inquiry Officer for 30 days time for arranging a defence assistance and preparing the case. This is a sufficient proof that the applicant knew about the appointment of Inquiry Officer on 27 Sep 2001 and was addressing him as inquiry Officer. Inquiry Officer started proceedings on 20 March 2001. In fact the petitioner was aware of the appointment of Inquiry Officer and presenting Officer and the applicant also was corresponding with Inquiry Officer. However copies of appointment of inquiry officer and presenting officer were again sent to applicant vide registered letter No 10401/172/Civ dated 18 Apr 2002.

25. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.29(2), (3) and (4) of the OA, the respondents state that the letter were sent through the registered post but the applicant has been wither returning the letter on showing not received or receiving after 15 to 30 days in connivance with postal authorities. A complain to the effect was also given to the postal authorities vide 10401/civ dated 22 Feb 2002. A reply has been received from postal authorities vide letter No CPT/Misc/RL/Feb/02 dated 14 March 2002. It is clear from the letter returned by postal authorities that the applicant was not in his place of residence just to avoid receiving letters. The applicant was in the habit of refusing registered AD letters for malafide intention. The applicant also received a number of letters intentionally late by one month or more just to delay the proceedings.

26. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.29(6) & (7) of the OA, the respondents state that it was up to the presenting officer to produce as many witness out of total witnesses to frame the charge.

27. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.29(9) of the OA, the respondents state that inquiry report of the applicant was submitted on 10 July 2003. The disciplinary authority is required to study the inquiry report, apply mind to all rules and regulations and give his opinion rationally and independently, which requires time. Moreover the applicant is officer bearer of a workers union (Unrecognized) and his case is required to be referred to Ministry of Defence for advice. There was thus no deliberate delay in forwarding the copy of Inquiry report to the applicant.

28. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.29(10) of the OA, the respondents deny the contentions made therein and beg to submit that the order of the disciplinary in the light of connected records and impugned order dated 15 April 2005 is comprehensive and entails no illegality. The procedure was followed in accordance with the provision of law affording all the applicable rights and privileges to the applicant. The order was proceeded by detail inquiry, recommendation of inquiry officer, application of mind on the part of the disciplinary authority and consideration of commensurating punishment under the provisions of Rule 11 of CCS (CCA) 1965. The case was also examined at the Ministry of Defence in term of their letter No 104718/68/D(Lab) dated 25 March 1968 respecting the union activities, if any, and the contentions of the applicant in this regard were found non existing vide Army HQ letter no 37215/24/EME Civ-3 dated 31 Dec 2004.

29. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.29(11) of the OA, the respondent state that the application filed an appeal to the appellate authority, MGEME, East Command, Kolkata vide appeal dated 06 Dec 2005 and 18 Feb 2006. The appeals of the applicant have been rejected by Major General Harkirat Singh, MGEME, East Command vide order dated 08 May 2006.

30. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.30 and 4.31 of the OA, the respondents beg to state that the appeal was not preferred as per Rule 25 of the CCS(CCA) Rules 1965 within a period of 45 days from the date on which a copy of the order, against which the appeal was preferred, however notwithstanding the period of limitation, the appeal was disposed off for the reasons as given in the order.

A copy of the order dated 08 May 2006 is annexed herewith and marked as Annexure-25.

31. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.32 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that appointing authority and the disciplinary authority for all the civilian employees of Station Wksp EME, Shillong is the Officer Commanding. The authority is vested in the appointment and not in the applicant. Accordingly the dismissal order is in order and the appellate authority upholds the same, which is a Major General EME.

32. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 4.33 and 4.34 of the OA, the respondents offer no comment.

33. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 5.1 & 5.2 of the OA, the respondents beg to state that the inquiries have been ordered as per Rule 14 of CCS(CCA) Rules 1965. The charge sheets have been given to the applicant as per Rule 14 of CCS(CCA) Rules 1965 for violation of Rule 3 and 7 of CCS (Conduct) Rules by the applicant. The applicant was served charge sheet vide Office Memorandum No 21208/172/Est-Ind/LC dated 11 Jul 2001. The memorandum was served on the applicant through registered letter. The same matter was also referred in OA No 150/2003 where in the Honorable Tribunal has dismissed OA No 150/2003 of the applicant and upheld the procedure followed by the respondents. The applicant further appealed against the decision of the Hon'ble CAT on the same ground and the Shillong bench of the Guwahati High Court dismissed the same appeal.

34. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 5.3 & 5.4 of the OA, the respondents beg to reiterate and reaffirm the statements made above.

35. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 5.5, 5.6 and 5.7 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that the letters were sent through registered post but the applicant has either returned the letters showing these to be not received or receiving after 15 to 30 days in connivance with postal authorities. A complaint to the effect was also given to the postal authorities vide letter dated 22 Feb 2002. A reply has been received from postal authorities vide letter dated 14 March 2002. It is clear from the letter returned by the postal authorities that the applicant was not present in his place of residence just to avoid receiving letters. The applicant was in the habit of refusing registered AD letters for malafide intention.

The applicant also received a number of letters intentionally late by one month or more just to delay the proceedings.

36. That with regard to the statement made in paragraphs 5.8 & 5.9 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that it was up to the presenting officer to produce as many witness out of total witnesses to frame the charge.

37. That with regard to the statement made in paragraphs 5.10, 5.11, 5.12 & 5.13 of the OA, the respondents while denying the contentions made therein beg to submit that the disciplinary authority under the provisions of Rule 14 of CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 appointed an Inquiry officer who enquired into the matter and the proceeding conducted during 20 Sep 2001 to 25 Jun 2003 which has been recorded in detail consisting of statements of witnesses, exhibits, correspondence details, details of the representations and the appeals preferred by the applicant and its disposal thereof and the finding arrived at by the said inquiry officer. The applicant was given ample opportunity to improve himself. Which shows that the disciplinary action is taken after giving sufficient opportunity.

38. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 5.14 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that the ex-parte inquiry proceedings were started by giving sufficient time to the applicant, when he was using dilatory tactics and not attending the inquiries. The applicant was given sufficient time to look for a suitable defence assistance from Shillong. Ex-parte inquiry proceedings were started when applicant did not appear for preliminary hearing 08 Oct 2001 and on his request another date was fixed on 20 Oct 2001. The applicant again remained absent. Next date of hearing was fixed on 15 Nov 2001 and the applicant was intimated that if he fails to appear on 15 Nov 2001 and the applicant was intimated that if he fails to appear on 15 Nov 2001 ex-parte proceedings were started. The applicant even attended the inquiry on 11 Mar 2002, 13 Mar 2001, 15 Mar 2002 and 25 Mar 2002.

39. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 5.15 of the OA, the respondents submit that charge proved in dismissal order dated 15 Apr 2005.

40. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 5.16 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that the applicant was given ample opportunity to improve him. Which shows that the disciplinary action is taken after giving sufficient opportunity.

41. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 5.17 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that the disciplinary authority under the provisions of Rule 14 CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 appointed an inquiry officer who enquired into the matter and the proceeding conducted during 20 Sep 2001 to 25 Jun 2003 which has been duly recorded in detail consisting of statement of witnesses. Exhibits, correspondence details of said T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha representation and various appeals and its disposal thereof and the finding arrived at by the said inquiry officer.

The applicant was given ample opportunity to improve himself. The case was also examined at the Ministry of Defence in terms of their letter dated 25 Mar 1968 respecting the union activities, if any and the contentions of the appellant in this regard were found non existing vide Army HQ letter No 37215/24/EME Civ-3 dated 31 Dec 2004.

42. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 5.18 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that the appeal was not preferred as per Rule 25 of CCS (CCA) Rules 1965 within period of 45 days from the date on which a copy of the order appealed against was delivered to the applicant T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha, however notwithstanding the period of limitation, the appeal was disposed off for the reasons as given in the order.

43. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 5.19 of the OA, the respondents beg to submit that the contentions of the applicant against the order of the disciplinary authority in the light of connected records and impugned order dated 15 Apr 2005 is comprehensive and entails no illegality. The procedure was followed in accordance with the provision of law affording all the applicable rights and privileges to the applicant. The order was preceded by a detail inquiry, recommendation of inquiry officer, application of mind on the part of the disciplinary authority and consideration of commensurating punishment under the provisions of Rule 11 of CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965. The case of the applicant was also examined at the Ministry of defence in term of their letter dated 25 Mar 1968 respecting the union activities, if any, and the contentions of the applicant in this regard were found non existing vide letter Army HQ letter dated 31 Dec 2004.

44. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 6 of the OA, respondents offer no comment.

45. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 7 of the OA, the respondents submit that the applicant filed OA No 150/2003 challenging the legality and validity of the disciplinary proceeding, the Hon'ble Tribunal after hearing parties to the proceeding was pleased to dismissed the IA upholding the procedure followed by the respondents. The applicant took up the matter before the Hon'ble Guwahati High Court, Shillong Bench and same was dismissed upholding the decision of the Hon'ble CAT.

46. That with regard to the statement made in paragraph 8 to 8.4 of the OA, the respondents while reiterating and affirming the statements made above beg to submit that the Hon'ble Tribunal may be pleased to dismissed the OA with cost.



VERIFICATION

I, Lt Col K Srinivas aged about 46 years at present working as Officer Commanding, Station Workshop EME, Shillong, who is one of the respondents, and taking steps in this case, being duly authorized and competent to sign this verification for all respondents, do hereby solemnly affirm and state that the statement made in paragraph 01 to 46 are true to my knowledge and belief, those made in paragraph 01 to 46 being matter of records, are true to my information derived there from and the rest are my humble submission before this Humble Tribunal. I have not suppressed any material fact.

And I sign this verification this Fifth th day of June 2007 at Guwahati

DEPONENT



Officer Commanding

कमान अधिकारी

Stn Wksp EME, Shillong

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ANNEXURE - I

STANDARD FORM FOR CHARGE SHEET FOR MAJOR PENALTIES  
(UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS (CC & A) RULES, 1965)

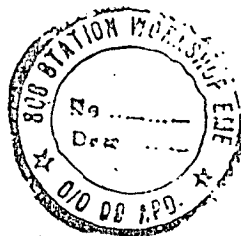
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C/O 99 APO

21208/172/EST-IND/LC

Jul 2001


MEMORANDUM

1. The undersigned proposes to hold an Inquiry against T.No 172 Trade Electrician Name Shri Bihari Singha under Rule 14 of the Central Civil Services (Classification and Appeal) Rules, 1965. The substance of the imputations of mis-conduct, or mis-behaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of charge (Annexure I). A statement of the imputations of mis-conduct or mis-behaviour in support of each article of charge is enclosed (Annexure-II). A list of documents by which and list of witnesses by whom, the article of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure III & IV).
2. Shri Bihari Singha is directed to submit within 10 days of the receipt of this memorandum, a written statement of his defence and also to state whether he desires to be heard in person.
3. He is informed that an Inquiry will be held only in respect of those article of charge as are not admitted. He should therefore specifically admit or deny each article of charge.
4. Shri Bihari Singha is further informed that if he does not admit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para 2 above, or does not appear in person before the Inquiring authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply the provisions of Rule 14 of the CCS (CC & A) Rules, 1965 or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said Rule, the Inquiring Authority may hold the Inquiry against him ex-parte.
5. Attention of Shri Bihari Singha is invited to Rule 20 of the Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt in these proceedings, it will be presumed that Shri Bihari Singha is aware of such representation so that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 20 of the CCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.
6. The receipt of the Memorandum may be acknowledged.



Encls :- Annexure I to IV

T.No 172 Trade Electrician  
Shri Bihari Singha  
Q/R No MES-93/2, Dudgeon Lines, Shillong

  
(JS Bains)  
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding  
(Disciplinary Authority)

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ANNEXURE I

STATEMENT OF ARTICLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST T.NO 172 TRADE  
ELECTRICIAN NAME SHRI BIHARI SINGHA OF 106 STATION WKSP EMB. C/O 22 APO

ARTICLE CHARGE - I

That the said T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha while functioning as Civilian Electrician in 106 Station Workshop during the period Feb 2001 to Jun 2001 committed the following offences :-

"Gross misconduct" i.e

- (i) On 01 Jun 2001, at about 0935h created a riotous situation in the rest room while being instructed to go to the shop floor by JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath.
- (ii) Assaulting JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at 0935hrs approximately.
- (iii) An act subversive of discipline in that using abusive and filthy language against JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at 0935h approximately.
- (iv) Incited the industrial workers by inflammatory speech to join in a mass absence without leave or outpass on 28 May 2001 from 0930h to 1600h after marking their presence in the workshop. Thus 11 civilian workers left their place of work on being incited by him.
- (v) Continual and willful neglect of duty and absence from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 from place of work on all working days, refusing to accept any work and do any work.
- (vi) Continual and willful disobedience of orders by supervisory staff to proceed to place of work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 on all working days.

Thus he exhibited acts as unbecoming of a Government servant and committed offences violating the provision of Rules 3, 7 of CCS (Conduct) Rules 1964.

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STATEMENT OF IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT OF MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT  
OF THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FAMED AGAINST T.No 172 TRADE ELECTRICIAN  
NAME SHRI BIHARI SINGHA

ARTICLE OF CHARGE I

1. On 01 Jun 2001, JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath of this wksp went to civilian rest room at 0830h and requested the workers to come to the shop floor for work. There were few workers sitting there but T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha and T.No 169 Shri PC Das informed that they will not come out as they wanted to discuss about the picketing by KSU on 02 Jun 2001. JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath returned back and waited for them for one hour but 6 of them did not come to shop floor. JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath again went to the civilian rest room alongwith Nk Purn Singh, Nk SC Singh, Hav J Kushwaha and Hav Lalon Sah at 0930h on 01 Jun 2001. On reaching the rest room of civilian, all other workers except T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha and T.No 169 Shri PC Das left for the work.
2. On being asked by JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath, T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha refused to go to the shop floor and started shouting at Nb Sub RC Nath while reading a letter and said "Yeh Col Tiwari Gandu Offr Tha, Jisne Is letter ko Sign Kiya Hai, Hamara Kol claim Nahin pass hota". During discussion Shri Bihari Singha got wild and violent and started abusing. He raised both his hands in a violent gesture and assaulted Nb Sub RC Nath who saved himself by ducking. Shri Bihari Singha then thumped the table with both hands and showed his anger and violent behaviour and thus created a riotous and disorderly situation which could have further created an unruly and tense situation in the workshop.
3. Khasi Student Union had given a call for Meghalaya Bandh on 25 May 2001 and had announced picketing of offices from 28 May 2001 to 05 Jun 2001. Accordingly civilian workers of this wksp absented themselves on 25 May 2001. As there was disruption of transport a special casual leave was granted on 25 May 2001. On 28 May 2001, majority of the civilian workers of this wksp and other civilian establishments reported for duty. To get another day off T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha incited 11 workers to go out of the wksp at 0930h saying that they are afraid of KSU and will not perform their duties. T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha delivered a speech in front of main office and incited 11 workers to leave their place of duty and forced their way out of main gate at 0930h on 28 May 2001 after marking their presence.
4. T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha had been coming to the workshop on working days from 01 Feb. 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 but has not reported at the place of work on any working day and has absented himself continuously from place of work. Thus he remained absent from place of work for 21 days in Feb, 25 days in Mar, 20 days in Apr and 24 days in May 2001.

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5. T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha did not obey the orders of I/C's shop floors to go to the shop floor for work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 and remained sitting in rest room or moving around aimlessly in the workshop without accepting or performing any duty. Thus he disobeyed his I/C shop floors on all working days from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001.

6. Thus he, violated the provision of Rules 3 and 7 of CCS (Conduct) Rules 1964 and committed offences as under :-

(i) Created a riotous situation in the rest room of civilian worker on 01 Jun 2001 at about 0935h by refusing to obey the orders of JC-750768XNB Sub RC Nath to go to work.

(ii) Assaulting JC-750768XNB Sub RC Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at 0935h while trying to hit him with both hands who saved himself by ducking. He then thumped the table with both hands to show his anger and violent behaviour.

(iii) Committed an act subversive of discipline in that he used abusive and filthy language against a Junior Commissioned Officer being his superior Officer.

(iv) Inciting the industrial workers by delivering an inflammatory speech to join in a mass absence from duty without leave or outpass on 28 May 2001 from 0930h to 1600h.

(v) Continual absence from place of work on all working days from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001.

(vi) Continual disobedience of orders of superior off to proceed to place of work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 on all working days.

  
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Annexure III

1. List of documents by which the articles of charge framed against T.No 172 Trade Electrician Name Shri Bihari Singha are proposed to be sustained.

- (a) Complaint given by JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath dt 01 Jun 2001
- (b) Absent report submitted by Nk Rajan J, Caste NCO 306 Sqn Wksp EME on 28 May 2001.
- (c) Reports of disobedience and no output given by sec incharges..
- (d) Report of inciting of workers given by Nb Sub MDC Ahmed, I/C shop floor.

Annexure IV

1. List of witnesses by whom the article of charges framed against T.No 172 Electrician Shri Bihari Singha are proposed to be sustained.

- (a) No 14577561N Nk Purnan Singh
- (b) JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath
- (c) 14591478F Nk SC Singh
- (d) 14581821L Hav J Keshwaha
- (e) 14558493W Hav Lalan Sah
- (f) 14624820Y Nk D Palani
- (g) JC-753913P Nb Sub Jai Prakashan
- (h) JC-750236Y Nb Sub (Now Sub) MDC Ahmed
- (k) JC-754018W Nb Sub UP Mishra

Station : C/O 99 APO

Dated : 1 Jul 2001

(JS Bains)

Lt Col

Officer Commanding  
(Disciplinary Authority)

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CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL, GUWAHATI BENCH.

Original Application No. 150 of 2003.

Date of Order : This the 20th Day of November, 2003.

The Hon'ble Mrs. Lakshmi Swaminathan, Vice-Chairman.

The Hon'ble Mr S.K. Naik, Administrative Member.

1. Sri Bihari Singha,  
son of Late Kunjeswar Singha,  
Qtr. No. MES - 93/2 Deodgenline,  
Shillong Cantt.,  
Shillong, Meghalaya.

2. Sri Prabhat Ch. Das,  
son of late Gopal Chandra Das,  
resident of Qtr. No. DF 18/1&2,  
Burma Line, Shillong Cantt.,  
Shillong, Meghalaya.

...Applicants

By Advocate S/Sri S. Dasgupta, S. Chakraborty.

- Versus -

1. Union of India,  
represented by the Secretary to the  
Govt. of India, Ministry of Defence,  
New Delhi.

2. Director General FME,  
Master General of Ordinance Branch,  
Army Head Quarters,  
DHQ P.O. New Delhi-110011.

3. MGEME (Major General Electrical  
Mechanical Engineering),  
Head Quarters,  
Eastern Command (FME Branch),  
Fort William, Kolkata-21.

Officer Commanding,  
306 Station Workshop FME,  
C/o 99 APO.

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306 Station Workshop FME,  
C/o 99 APO,  
(Inquiry Officer).

...Respondents

By Shri A. Deb Roy, Sr. C.G.S.C.

O R D E R (ORAL)

MRS LAKSHMI SWAMINATHAN (V.C)

In this application the applicants have prayed for the following main reliefs :

i) Set aside and quash the exparte enquiry proceeding held against the applicants.

ii) Set aside and quash the appointment of Inquiry Officer.

iii) Direct the respondents to conduct a fresh enquiry by appointing a new Inquiry Officer.

iv) Direct the respondents to pay the due subsistence allowance to the applicants alongwith the arrears.

2. During the hearing, learned counsel for the applicants has submitted that he does not press prayer in clause (iv). He has submitted that in pursuance of Tribunal's order dated 25.7.2003, the applicants have since received the due subsistence allowance from the respondents. We have heard Mr S. Chakrabarty, learned counsel for the applicants. It is also relevant to note that the submissions of Mr A. Deb Roy, learned Sr. G.C.S.C. for the respondents that the amount due to the applicants as subsistence allowance was not paid to the applicants earlier, not due to the fault of the respondents but the applicants did not accept the same. However, we note the submissions of both the learned counsel that this part of the prayer no longer survives.

3. With regard to the main claims of the applicants, two main grounds have been taken by the learned counsel for the applicants, namely, (i) that the appointment of the Enquiry Officer, Sri Bidyut Panging, had never been informed to the applicants. They have also submitted that as he is the officer in charge of maintaining the Daily Register of Attendance and was the Supervisory Officer of the applicants, he is biased and therefore, unfit to be appointed as the Enquiry Officer. In this regard, learned counsel for applicants has submitted that the applicants had submitted a number of representations to the respondents to change the Enquiry Officer and has submitted that the applicants have no objection if the proceedings are continued by any



officer. The second ground taken by the learned counsel for the applicants is that they have been unfailry denied the assistance of one Sri M.P. Singha, UDA, who is admittedly working in 222 ABOD, Narengi, Guwahati. The learned counsel has submitted that it was only for the first time on 8.2.2002 that the respondents had informed the applicants that their request for availing of the service of Sri M.P. Singha, as Defence Assistant had been turned down on the ground that the officer's consent had not been attached with the letter and there was a long distance from the place of enquiry i.e., Shillong and the place of posting of the Defence Assistant at Guwahati. He was, therefore, advised to engage one of the officers at Shillong as Defence Assistant on the ground that sufficient time had already been granted to him and ex parte proceeding had already been started.

4. The respondents have controverted the averment made by the applicants. Sri A. Deb Roy, learned Sr. C.G.S.C. has drawn our attention to the averments made in the written statement and in particular, Paragraphs 10, 11 and 13. He has submitted that the contentions of the applicants that they were not informed about the commencement of the enquiry proceeding is not at all correct. He has submitted that they were intimated by registered letters at their residential addresses on 31.8.2001 about the same but these letters were returned undelivered by the postal authorities with the remarks "Refused". They have also annexed the copies of the letters sent by registered post to the applicants, including Annexures Q-1 and Q-2. He has also relied on the relevant instructions issued by the Government of India under Rule 38 of the CCS (CCA) Rules 1965.

According to the respondents, the enquiry proceeding was started by the enquiry officer on 29.1.2001 and applicant No. 1 had attended the enquiry on 11.3.02, 13.3.02, 15.3.02 and 20.3.02. Applicant No. 2 had attended the enquiry proceeding on 14.3.02 and 18.3.02. Learned counsel for the applicants has not denied these facts but has submitted that applicant No. 1 has attended the enquiry proceedings on various dates in March 2002, only on receipt of the information to attend the enquiry proceedings from the Enquiry Officer but has repeatedly contended that at that time, they had not received the letter from the disciplinary authority informing them of the appointment of the Enquiry Officer and Presenting Officer dated 30.8.2001. Learned counsel for the respondents has also stressed on the fact that the Enquiry Officer, Sri Bidyut Panging, does not maintain the Attendance Register which is kept at the main gate and maintained by the Gate NCO, who is the Supervisory-in-charge. In the circumstances, the learned counsel has submitted that there is no infirmity either in the appointment of the enquiry officer or proceeding held ex parte against the applicants after they stopped attending the enquiry. According to the respondents, the applicants were deliberately trying to delay the proceedings which fact has been denied by the learned counsel for the applicants in the oral reply, though no written rejoinder has been filed.

5. We have carefully considered the pleadings, the submissions made by the learned counsel for the parties as well as the relevant documents on record.

6. It is noted from the submissions made by the learned counsel for the applicants that they do not deny receipt of the letter from the disciplinary authority dated 18.4.2002

(though the date does not appear in Annexure - E) which was repeatedly referred to by learned counsel for the applicants. In this letter, the respondents have clearly stated that Sri Bidyut Panging was appointed as Enquiry Officer vide order dated 30.8.2001. They have also submitted that the copies of the appointment of the Enquiry Officer and Presenting Officer were sent to the applicants vide registered post. It is also relevant to note that the applicants have admitted that on subsequent dates in March 2003, they have appeared before the Enquiry Officer, which according to them is on the intimation received from that Officer. The respondents have, on the other hand, clearly stated that they have sent the necessary communications to the applicant by registered post, which has been refused by the applicants as indicated by the postal authorities. In the facts and circumstances of the case, we have no reasons to come to the conclusion that the respondents have not in fact sent the communications to the applicants by registered post, which were not <sup>refused by</sup> to be accepted by the applicants, for reasons best known to them. These facts have further been clarified in the aforesaid letters of respondents i.e., disciplinary authority, in which he has clearly stated in para 4 that "however, a xerox copy of appointment of EO and PO dated 30.8.2001 are again forwarded for information." He has also referred to the facts that the applicants had attended the enquiry proceedings <sup>12</sup> on various dates in March 2002 and these facts are not denied by the applicants. It is further relevant to note from the copies of letters received by the applicants and annexed by themselves in O.A. show that time and again, the respondents have advised the applicants to co-operate with the enquiry officer for early finalisation of the enquiry proceedings initiated on

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11.7.2001 against them. In the circumstances of the case, the contention of the learned counsel for the applicants that they were not intimated about the appointment of the enquiry officer is baseless and contentions to the contrary are accordingly rejected.

7. In the circumstances of the case, we are also unable to agree with the contentions of the learned counsel for the applicants that the explanation given by the respondents that as the enquiry officer is not the person who is to make the entries in the Daily Attendance Register he should be replaced by another Enquiry Officer. The reasons given by the respondents for rejecting the request of the applicants for change of enquiry officer cannot be held to be either unreasonable or arbitrary to justify any interference in the matter at this stage. In the circumstances of the case this contention of the applicants is rejected.

8. With regard to the appointment of the defence assistant to assist the applicants in the enquiry proceeding, we also find the reasons given by the respondents neither arbitrary nor illegal to set aside that decision. They have stated, inter alia, that the applicants should nominate any other defence assistant from the same Station where the applicants are posted, i.e., Shillong. We do not find any merit in the submission of the learned counsel for the applicants that merely because there is only a distance of 100 Kms between Shillong and Guwahati, the stand taken by the respondents is any way unjustified in the circumstances of the case. Besides no prejudice has been shown to be caused to the applicants.

9. According to the learned counsel for applicants, against the order passed by the disciplinary authority rejecting their request for appointment of another enquiry officer in place of Sri Bidyut Panging, A.E., the applicants had submitted an appeal before the appellate authority, which was also rejected by the order dated 23.5.2003. Admittedly, the applicants did not file any appeal against the rejection by the disciplinary authority of their request for appointment of M.P. Singha as defence assistant. Apparently, they have also not made any further request for appointing any other officer from the same Station to assist them in the pending enquiry proceedings inspite of reminders from the respondents that they ought not to delay the pending proceedings. We find the stand taken by the respondents that the pending enquiry proceedings should be completed, in accordance with rules expeditiously, in which the co-operation of the applicants have been sought, unexceptionable.

10. From the documents on record we are unable to come to the conclusion whether after the rejection of the applicants' request for appointment of a defence assistant in the enquiry proceedings from what date the ex parte proceedings were continued. It is seen from the letter issued by the respondents dated 8.2.2002 that they had again advised the applicants to engage a defence assistant from one of the local units to avoid further delay in the enquiry proceedings. It is further relevant to note that this O.A. itself was filed in the Tribunal on 26.6.2003 i.e. more than one year after the rejection letter issued by the respondents on 8.2.2002. It is also relevant to note that the applicants have not filed any appeal before the higher authority with regard to replacement of the defence assistant.

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in place of Sri M.P. Singha. Therefore, in the circumstances of the case, it appears that the applicants even after being informed that their request to engage Sri M.P. Singha as defence assistant was rejected did not take any further steps in the matter in accordance with the rules. In this view of the matter the further ex parte proceedings, if any, held by the respondents cannot be held to be arbitrary or against the relevant rules as sufficient opportunity of hearing had been afforded to the applicants which they chose not to avail. In the facts and circumstances of the case, we are unable to come to the conclusion that there has been any violation of the principles of natural justice or the relevant rules to warrant any interference in the matter on this ground also. Therefore, this ground also fails and is rejected.

11. In the facts and circumstances of the case, it is needless to add that the aforesaid pending disciplinary proceedings against the applicants should be completed in accordance with law, rules and instructions as expeditiously as possible and the applicants should also co-operate in the same.

12. In the result, for the reasons given above, we find no merit in the application. The O.A. accordingly fails and is dismissed. No order as to costs.

Sd/ VICE-CHAIRMAN

Sd/ MEMBER (A)

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ORDER BY THE APPELLATE AUTHORITY IN RESPECT OF APPEAL  
FILED BY  
T/NO 172 CIV/ELEC SHRI BIHARI SINGHA

ORDER

1. I have examined the appeal dated 06 Dec 2005 filed by T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha of Stn Wksp EME, Shillong against the order passed by disciplinary authority for dismissing the services of T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha and his prayer for setting aside the dismissal order No 10401/172/Civ/Inq/05 dated 15 Apr 2005 and for reinstating T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha. I have also examined his prayer for disposal of the appeal dated 06 Dec 05 at an early date, taking into consideration the present follow up submissions for reinstatement in service with all consequential benefits submitted vide his letter No Nil dt 18 Feb 06. I have also examined his appeal for release of his subsistence allowance as stated at Annexure A to his appeal dated 18 Feb 2006.
2. It is seen that the above appeal has not been preferred as per Rule 25 of the CCS (CCA) rules within a period of forty-five days from the date on which a copy of the order appealed against was delivered to the appellant T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha. However, notwithstanding the period of limitation, the appeal is hereby disposed off as under.
3. The appellant has prayed for following redressals: -
  - (a) To set aside and quash the order of disciplinary authority issued vide case No 10401/172/Civ/Inq/05 dt 15 Apr 05 being illegal and arbitrary.
  - (b) To reinstate the appellant/petitioner with all consequent benefit.
  - (c) To release his subsistence allowance.
4. At Annexure A to your Appeal dt 18 Feb.06, the appellant has asked for release of his subsistence allowance due to him. The collection of subsistence allowance wof 03 Oct 2003 to Feb 2005 has been intimated to the appellant by Stn Wksp EME, Shillong letter No 50602/ Civ dt 19 Nov 05. This has been repeated vide Stn Wksp EME, Shillong letter No 50602/Civ dt 03 Mar 06 (C-11111).
5. A perusal of letter No 10401/172/Civ/Inq/05 dated 15 Apr 05 shows that disciplinary authority had examined all the issues involved therein at

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grant length and disposed off all issues deliberately in detail. I have examined the contentions of the appellant against the order of the disciplinary authority in the light of connected records of the case and I find it being devoid of merit and entailing no interference at this count. The impugned order dated 15 Apr 05 is comprehensive and entails no illegality. The procedure was followed in accordance with the provisions of law affording all the applicable privileges and rights to the appellant. The order was preceeded by a detail inquiry, recommendation of inquiry officer, application of mind on the part of disciplinary authority and consideration of commensurating punishment under the provisions of Rule 13 of CCS(CCA) 1965 in shape of major penalty of dismissal from the service.

6. The contention of the appellant regarding biased approach on the part of the inquiry officer is not found justified as Shri Bidyot Penging, AEE (Inquiry), has no personal interest or bias of any kind in the matter and at the time of incident the said officer was away from unit. He, therefore, had no prior knowledge of the case and being impartial, was rightly appointed by the disciplinary authority. His appointment as inquiry officer was, therefore, found fair.

7. I have also examined the records of the case and I am of the opinion that the impugned disciplinary order against T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha has been issued in accordance with the provisions of CCS(CCA) Rules 1965 and the representation of the appellant does not warrant any consideration.

8. It is also seen that pendency of the writ petition, without any stay order or restriction, is no defence in any manner for the subject matter, is no rider on the disciplinary authority for refraining to take disciplinary action under CCS(CCA) Rules 1965 for which they are legally competent and justified. There is no bar on the appellant not to prefer an appeal within the stipulated time limit of 45 days as specified vide Rule 25 of the CCS (CCA) rules 1965.

9. It is further seen that there has not been any violation of procedure with regard to the formation of the Workers welfare Fund and that it is being managed properly and was always audited monthly at unit level and is also being audited at the formation level since quarter ending Dec 2001.

10. It is also seen that DA is being allowed at 12.5% of basic pay in accordance with current orders on the subject.

11. Further it is seen that the case was also examined at the ministry of Defence in letter No. 104718168'D(Lab) dt 25 Mar 1968 mentioning that the case is closed, if any, and the contentions of the appellant in the impugned order are not valid vide Army HQ letter No 37215/24/EME dated 10/11/68.





12. Whereas T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha of Station Workshop EME, Shillong issued with a memorandum of charges vide letter No 21208/172/Est/Inq/LC dt 11 July 2001 on six specific counts mentioned therein, disclosing gross misconduct in violation of provisions of Rule 3 and 7 of CCS rules 1964 and that the said T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha did not admit any of the charges vide his letter dated 28 July 2001. The disciplinary authority under the provisions of Rule 14 of CCS(CCA) 1965 appointed an inquiry officer who enquired into the matter and the proceedings conducted during 20-Sep 2001 to 25 Jun 2003 which has been duly recorded in detail consisting of statement of witnesses, exhibits, correspondence details, details of said T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha representations and various appeals and its disposal thereof and the findings arrived at by the inquiry officer wherein T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was found guilty of all the six charges by the inquiry officer.

13. I have perused the inquiry officers report, record of the inquiry and representation received from the charged official and the evaluation of the disciplinary authority on each article of charge and the subsequent order issued vide letter No 10401/172/Civ/Inq/05 dt 15 Apr 05 and I am of the opinion that the process of disciplinary case against T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha has correctly been followed as per provisions of CCS(CCA) Rules 1035. I am also of the opinion that the findings of guilty are consistent to the evidence and are thus just and legal and the representation being devoid of merit does not warrant any consideration. Hence the appeal is rejected in the interest of Govt service.

Station : Kolkata

Date : 20 May 06

(Harkirat Singh)  
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MG EME  
HQ Eastern Comd

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(Registered and Affiliated with AHA/IFA)

Registration No 511

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Dated 07 Nov 2003

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3. It has been decided to form the New body by next year January 2004.

4. The following points to be noted:-  
(a) Change of Union address from—to

All correspondents regarding the Union matters be communicated on the above new address and previous/existing address will be treated as cancelled from today onwards.

- (b) Circulations of resolutions of today's meeting to all concerned departments

5. The resignation of the Union President has been duly accepted by the present Union members.

There being no other points the meeting was ended by a vote of thanks.

Copy to :-  
Directorate General of EME/Civ  
Master General Of Ord Branch  
Army Headquarters  
DHQ, PO New Delhi-110011

HQ East Comd (EME)  
Fort William  
Kolkata - 21

✓ HQ 101 Area (EME)  
C/O 99 APO:

Gen (SWCWU)  
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# Station Workshop Civilian Workers Union

SHILLONG

(Registered and Affiliated with AIDEP)

C/O Advanced Electrical Stores  
Bara Bazar, Shillong -2  
(Meghalaya)

Registration No 65

Affiliation No 250

Ref No SWCW/11

Dated 01 Nov 2003

To

1. AIDEP  
Pune
2. Chief Labour Commissioner  
Govt of Meghalaya  
Shillong

Subject: Notice of General Body Meeting of Station Wksp Civilian Workers Union

Minutes of the Station Wksp CME Civ Workers Union held at Civ Recreation Room on 07 Nov 2003 at 10:30 hrs to discuss the following points:-  
Twenty five members out of thirty three members were present.

(a) Resignation of Union President Shri-K.M.Nath.

(b) A letter in "North East Reporter" newspaper dated 06-nov-2003

Asst Gen Secy, Com-B.Chatterjee of the union is proposed by Com-D.Deka to Preside over today's meeting and duly supported by all present members of the union

1. Allegations in the "North East Reporter" newspaper dated 06-nov-2003 are totally false and baseless because there are no union activities for last two and half years. It is only a misuse of power by the suspended Secy-P. Singh and Vice President P.C. Das. The above allegation given by suspended members of the Union were unknown to all members of the Union. No such resolutions were passed by the Union. It is clearly brought that there are no union activities for last two and half years and both the suspended comrades are misusing the name of the union. No such decision as mentioned in the newspaper has been taken by the union.

2. In view of the allegations above, all the above mentioned members agreed to reorganise the existing body of the Union

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STANDARD FORM FOR CHARGE SHEET FOR MAJOR PENALTIES  
(UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS (CC & A) RULES, 1965)

BY REGD POST  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

11 Jul 2001

MEMORANDUM

1. undersigned proposes to hold an Inquiry against T.No 172 Trade Electrician Name Shri Bihari Singha under Rule 14 of the Central Civil Services (Classification and Appeal) Rules, 1965. The allegations of mis-conduct, or mis-behaviour in respect of which the inquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of charge (Annexure I). A statement of the imputations of mis-conduct or mis-behaviour in support of each article of charge is enclosed (Annexure II). A list of documents by which and list of witnesses by whom, the article of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed (Annexure III & IV).
2. Shri Bihari Singha is directed to submit within 10 days of the receipt of this memorandum, a written statement of his defence and also to state whether he desires to be heard in person.
3. He is informed that an Inquiry will be held only in respect of those article of charge as are not admitted. He should therefore specifically admit or deny each article of charge.
4. Shri Bihari Singha is further informed that if he does not admit his written statement of defence on or before the date specified in para 2 above, or does not appear in person before the Inquiring authority or otherwise fails or refuses to comply the provisions of Rule 14 of the CCS (CC & A) Rules, 1965 or the orders/directions issued in pursuance of the said Rule, the Inquiring Authority may hold the Inquiry against him ex-parte.
5. Attention of Shri Bihari Singha is invited to Rule 20 of the Central Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside influence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any matter dealt in these proceedings, it will be presumed that Shri Bihari Singha is aware of such representation so that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule 20 of the CCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.
6. The receipt of the Memorandum may be acknowledged.



Enclosure I to IV

T.No 172 Trade Electrician  
Shri Bihari Singha  
Q/R No MES-93/2, Dudgeon Lines, Shillong

(JS Bains)  
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding  
(Disciplinary Authority)

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SINGHA OF 306 STATION WKSP EME, C/O 92 APOARTICLE CHARGE - I

1. The undersigned is a Civilian Electrician in 306  
station WKSP EME, C/O 92 APO. From Feb 2001 to Jun 2001 committed the following offences :-

(i) On 01 Feb 2001 at 0935hrs while being instructed in the rest room while being instructed by JC-750768X Nb  
JC-750768X Nb.

(ii) On 01 Jun 2001 at 0935hrs approximately.

(iii) On 01 Jun 2001 at 0935hrs approximately, using abusive and filthy language against JC-750768X Nb  
JC-750768X Nb.


(iv) On 01 Jun 2001 at 0935hrs approximately, by inflammatory speech to join in a mass absence without leave or  
JC-750768X Nb to 1100hrs after marking their presence in the workshop. Thus 11  
JC-750768X Nb work on being incited by him.

(v) On 01 Jun 2001 at 0935hrs approximately, from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 from place  
JC-750768X Nb, to accept any work and do any work.

(vi) On 01 Jun 2001 at 0935hrs approximately, by supervisory staff to proceed to place of work  
JC-750768X Nb on all working days.

(vii) On 01 Jun 2001 at 0935hrs approximately, permanent servant and committed offences violating the  
JC-750768X Nb (Conduct) Rules 1964.

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STATEMENT OF IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT OF MISBEHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT  
OF THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FAMED AGAINST T.No 172 TRADE ELECTRICIAN  
NAME SHRI BIHARI SINGHA

ARTICLE OF CHARGE I

1. On 01 Jun 2001, JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath of this wksp went to civilian rest room at 0830h and requested the workers to come to the shop floor for work. There were few workers sitting there but T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha and T.No 169 Shri PC Das informed that they will not come out as they are on strike about the picketing by KSU on 02 Jun 2001. JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath returned and waited for them for one hour but 6 of them did not come to shop floor. JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath then went to the civilian rest room alongwith Nk Puran Singh, Nk SC Singh, Hav J Kushwaha and T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha and T.No 169 Shri PC Das left for the work.

2. On 01 Jun 2001, JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath, T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha refused to go to the shop floor and started shouting at Nb Sub RC Nath while reading a letter and said "Yeh Col Tiwari ka letter hai, Hamara Kol claim Nahin pass hota". During this time Shri Bihari Singha got wild and violent and started abusing. He raised both his hands in a threatening manner and assaulted Nb Sub RC Nath who saved himself by ducking. Shri Bihari Singha then threatened him with both hands and showed his anger and violent behaviour and thus created a hostile and disorderly situation which could have further created an unruly and tense situation in the workshop.

3. The Union had given a call for Meghalaya Bandh on 25 May 2001 and had announced a strike of offices from 28 May 2001 to 05 Jun 2001. Accordingly civilian workers of this wksp observed Bandh on 25 May 2001. As there was disruption of transport a special casual leave was granted on 25 May 2001. On 28 May 2001, majority of the civilian workers of this wksp and other employees were reported for duty. To get another day off T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha incited 11 workers to go out of the workshop at 0930h saying that they are afraid of KSU and will not perform their duty. T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha delivered a speech in front of main office and incited 11 workers to leave their place of duty and forced their way out of main gate at 0930h on 28 May 2001 after marking the Bandh.

4. T.No 172 Shri Bihari Singha had been coming to the workshop on working days from 01 Feb. 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 but has not reported at the place of work on any working day and has absented himself from place of work. Thus he remained absent from place of work for 21 days in Feb, 20 days in Mar, 20 days in Apr and 24 days in May 2001.

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Where Shigla did not obey the orders of I/C's shop floors to go to the shop floor from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 and remained sitting in rest room or moving around shop floor without accepting or performing any duty. Thus he disobeyed his I/C shop floors from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001.

3. That he violated the provision of Rules 3 and 7 of CC3 (Conduct) Rules 1964 and committed following offences:-

(i) Created a riotous situation in the rest room of civilian worker on 01 Jun 2001 at about 0930h by refusing to obey the orders of JC-750768KNB Sub RC Nath to go to work.

(ii) Assaulting JC-750768KNB Sub RC Nath on 01 Jun 2001 at 0933h while trying to hit him with a chair which he saved himself by ducking. He then thumped the table with both hands in a most unruly and violent behaviour.

(iii) Intended to obstruct discipline in that he used abusive and filthy language to a Junior Commissioned Officer being his superior Officer.

(iv) Inciting the industrial workers by delivering an inflammatory speech to join in a mass absence from duty without leave or outpass on 28 May 2001 from 0930h to 1600h.

(v) Continued absence from place of work on all working days from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001.

(vi) Continued disobedience of orders of superior offr to proceed to place of work from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 on all working days.



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Annexure III

1. List of documents by which the articles of charge framed against T.No 172 Trade Electrician Nk Shri Bilhari Singh are proposed to be sustained.

- (a) Complaint given by JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath dt 01 Jun 2001
- (b) Absent report submitted by Nk Rajan J, Gate NCO 306 Stn Wksp EME on 28 May 2001.
- (c) Reports of disobedience and no output given by sec incharges..
- (d) Report of inciting of workers given by Nb Sub MDC Ahmed, I/C shop floor.

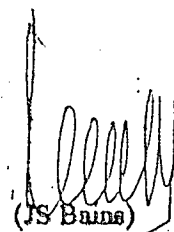
Annexure IV

1. List of witnesses by whom the article of charges framed against T.No 172 Electrician Shri Bilhari Singh are proposed to be sustained.

- No 14377561N Nk Purn Singh
- (b) JC-750768X Nb Sub RC Nath
- c 14591478F Nk SC Singh
- (d) 14581821L Hav J Kushwaha
- (e) 14554493W Hav Lalun Sah
- (f) 14624820Y Nk D Palani
- (g) JC-753913P Nb Sub J.L. Lakshman
- (h) JC-750236Y Nb Sub (Now Sub) MDC Ahmed
- (i) JC-754018W Nb Sub UP Mishra

Shri Bilhari Singh

Jul 2001



(JS Bains)

Lt Col

Officer Commanding

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Dir Gen of EME (EME Civ)  
MGO's Branch  
Army HQs  
New Delhi - 110011

ANNEXURE-6

VISIT REPORT : FWD OF

1. Refer to Army HQ letter No 20101/13-0/EME/Civ-1 dated 12 Jun 2001.
2. A copy of visit report of Assistant Labour Welfare Commissioner (Central) Shri D K Ghosh is fwd herewith as desired.

*(DK Ghosh)*  
(DK Ghosh)  
Asst Labour Welfare Commissioner  
(Central)

Encls :- (Three)

Copy to :-

HQ East Comd (EME)  
Kolkata

HQ Base Wksp Gp  
Meerut Cantt

HQ 101 Area (EME)

Station HQ, Shillong

306 Sln Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

for info wrt above quoted letter

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VISIT REPORT OF 306 STN WKSP EME

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1. Visit the 306 Stn Wksp EME from 25<sup>th</sup> Jun to 29 Jun 2001 in view of the Army HQ letter No 20101/13-0/EME Civ-1 dt 12 Jun 2001 Lt Col JS Bains is the OC of the unit, who joined on 31<sup>st</sup> Jan 2001 in the unit. The working hours of the unit are from 0800h to 1600h with one hr lunch break.
2. The nature of works of the unit is repairs of vehicle & equipments. On enquiry it is revealed that no welfare committee has been functioning since a long time in this unit. It is gathered, amounts of Welfare Fund is lying undistributed, resulting there has been functioning business of pit loan at an exorbitant high rate of interest making the situation worse.
3. There has been acute demand of Govt quarters for the employees as the rate of rented charges are very high at Shillong. One has to wait 12 or more years, still the Govt Quarters have not been allotted. There has been non implementation of ACP in (subject to passing supervisor) for some employees, and the workers has been advised for appearing in supervisory test as per departmental rules for ACP purposes.
4. On 25 May there has been a bandh by "Khasi Student Union" call and Spl Casual leave has been granted. On 28<sup>th</sup> May again there has been picketing by the same "Khasi Student Union" as a result employees reported duty and left at 9.30h. It reveals employees of other sister unit also attended office on 28<sup>th</sup> May. The OC of this unit is not in favour of to granting spl CL on that score. On that day, as the individuals had reported to wksp and left the wksp without gate pass/leave. Some of the workers have already applied for CL which has been granted by OC.
5. There has been order for the stoppage and recovery of SDA by CDA Guwahati. The employees went to the Spl Bench of the Shillong High Court at Shillong and got the stay order of the recovery as such recovery has been stopped by the OC.
6. As intimated by OC, Sri TB Tamang Chowkidar who died on 05 Feb 98 but his case was not processed due to non availability of death certificate. The death certificate was obtained and sent to the auth. Late Kashmira Safaiwala died on 11 Aug 2000 and GP Fund paid, Gratuity paid and pension has also been sanctioned. Late AK Singha VM died on 11 Dec 2000 GP Fund has been sanctioned, Gratuity cases at correspondence level, leave encashment & CGEIS paid. The other dues of Late AK Singha will be paid after finalisation of requirement of audit authorities. Compassionate appointment of Late Kashmira is pending for Educational Certificate & reminder issued to NOK to furnish. In case of DB Tamang no application has been recd, but OC has been requested to issue a reminder.
7. Medical re-imbursement bill/claim in r/o Industrial personnel Sri DK Gurung and SD Lakhar & others were forwarded in 1997 and is pending. No reminder has been issued during the last 3 years. OC has been requested to issue reminder.
8. Grievances relating to allotment of eligible Quarters to Sri KM Nath Welder, DK Gurung Carpenter, PK Das VM from type 'A' to entitlement type 'B' has been fwd to Stn HQs where seniority at station basis is maintained. The Defence Civ employees are authorized only 15% of the accommodation. If possible more quarters should be constructed for Civ at station basis.

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9. As per Army School Circular No AS/Adm/5003/13 dt 19 Mar 2001 children of certain categories of Defence est have to pay fees as per other civilians :-

	Officer	JCOs	ORs	Civs
1st Class	290	190	150	450

Which the civilian employees aggrieved. The OC of the unit stated the Defence employees civilian are now paying as per fees of OR's. I convened a meeting alongwith OC of this unit on 28 Jun 2001, in Conference Hall and explained to the workers present in the meeting. Each of the workers were interviewed & assured that,

- (i) all the workers should be activity associated with the works of the Welfare Committee & suggestion on their part should be included and they should fully co-operate with the management so that desired ends of their welfare aspects may be met. They should take interest free loan from the Labour Welfare fund incase of necessity which OC has agreed to increase the fund through various means.
10. The demands for house building forms will be delivered to the employees as they require.
11. Workers are advised not to nurture the habit of drinking and alcoholism. Some indoor games like carrom should be introduced.
12. As regards the union activities, nothing noticeable has been observed. The present union under the style named as "Station Workshop Civilian Workers Union," Shillong is functioning from C/O Advance Electrical Stores, Bara Bazar, Shillong-2 (Meghalaya) with Shri B Singha as General Secretary of the said union and issued letters for notice for agitational programme such from 18 Jun 2001 to 23 Jun 2001 campaign week by holding gate meetings, slogan shouting from 12 Jul 2001 during morning mustering hrs in front of the Defence Staff, massive rally from 16 Jul 2001 to 21 Jul 2001, Strike ballot under to be taken to observe 48hrs strike (02 days) on any day between this period. It appears from the letter pad of the Union that it is affiliated to AIDEF Pune and is registered but not recognized.
13. During the discussion, it was gathered that two employees have been suspended with effect from 01 Jun 2001 for some faults as noticed by the Administration. I made a round throughout this wksp and other ancillary section and found it is very neat & clean and situated within the construction of new buildings and is also spacious, which is lacking in other wksp.
14. OC of the unit Lt Col JS Bains joined in this workshop on 31 Jan 2001 merely 5 to 6 months back. The OC is making constant endeavour to improve the situation all around. There has been no welfare oriented activities in the last two years which brought the situation in such a state of affairs. I hope with the constant persuasion of the present OC, conditions and situations will improve. During my stay, I also met the Stn Commander, Brig SB Atri on 28 Jun 2001 and discussed the present position of the 306 Stn Wksp TME.
15. The unit is authorized 29 IP and 18 NIP personnel, but only 17 Industrial and 08 NIP are posted. Although a single clerk is authorized for managing such a large affairs, still no clerk has been posted; which is very urgently reqd to meet the situation.
16. As stated by OC, the major workload of the unit is VIP work load of 101 Area. The work load is as under :-

S.No	Type	Capacity	Held	Over load
(a)	Veh	LU 450-540	727.28	187.28
(b)	Telecom	TU 10501-15500	60818.00	45318.00
(c)	Inst	IU 15000-19990	25628.00	5638.00
(d)	Armr	RU 7801-10060	16277.60	6271.00
- As the work load is much more than the capacity; the deficiency of civ manpower should be made up to cope with the situation at the earliest.
17. As per the industrial relations, nothing undesirable has been noticed during my stay and the working environments in the wksp were found very peaceful and congenial. OC has agreed to vent their grievances for attaining objectives and welfare of the workers through peaceful methods.

Dated 15 Jul 2001

( DK Ghosh )  
Assistant Labour Welfare Commissioner (Central)

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From:

Nk Rajan J  
C. 2001  
306 C. 2001 TME  
C. 2001 TQ

To:


For Commanding  
in Wksp EME  
APO

ABSENT REPORT

1. The following individuals of this wksp reported for duty at 0800h on 28 May 2001 and left the workshop after marking their presence at 0930h on 28 May 2001. Necessary action be taken against them:-

Sr.No	TQNo	Title	Name
(a)	164	VM	Shri PC Das
(b)	173	VM	Shri D Deka
(c)	171	VM	Shri SN Das
(d)	189	TCM	Shri B Gogoi
(e)	170	Elect	Shri B Singha
(f)	170	Amr	Shri SD Kakhar
	171	Elect	Shri B Boruah
(g)	179	Wddr	Shri KM Nath
(h)	167	M/Smith	Shri P Ghosh
(k)	175	Labour	Shri SR Borah
(i)	14538739	Dvr	KB Thapa

Yours faithfully

  
(Nk Rajan J)

28 May 2001



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ORDERS BY THE APPELLANT AUTHORITY IN RESPECT OF APPEAL  
FILED BY T/NO 172 CIV/ELECT SHRI BIHARI SINGHA  
OF 306 STATION WORKSHOP EME

Tele No : 2790

Headquarters  
Eastern Command (EME Branch)  
Fort William, Kolkata -21

332270/172/EME CIV

23 Jun 2003

ORDER

1. I have examined the appeal dated 30 Aug 2002 file by T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha of 306 Station Workshop EME against the appointment of Inquiry officer on the ground of bias praying thereby for "Review" and fresh appointment of another person as the Inquiry Officer in place of Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE of 306 Station Workshop EME, C/O 99 APO, after setting aside and quashing the orders No 10401/172/Civ dt 03 Aug 2002 and of even No dt 08 Aug 2002.

2. It is seen that the above appeal has been addressed to DG EME, however, as per the provisions of CCS (CCA) Rule 1965 and the departmental arrangements in that behalf, MG EME, Eastern Command is the appellate authority in the matter. Accordingly the appeal is being taken as if addressed to him and being disposed off as under.

3. The appellant has prayed for following three redressals :-

(a) Order Nos 10401/172/Civ dated 03 Aug 2002 and 10401/172/Civ dated 08 Aug 2002 being illegal and contrary to the provisions of CCS (CCA) Rules 1965 be set aside.

(b) Inquiry Officer Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE to be replaced.

(c) To review the case and pass suitable orders.

4. A perusal of impugned letters 10401/172/Civ dated 03 Aug 2002 and 10401/172/Civ dated 08 Aug 2002 shows that said disciplinary authority had examined all the issues involved therein at a great length and disposed off each prayer of the representation deliberately in details. It is seen that Inquiry Officer was appointed on 30 Aug 2001, however, representation to object him was made on 29 Apr 2002 i.e. after a lapse of about eight months which appears to be an after thought. I have examined the documents forwarded by the disciplinary authority and records in that behalf including contents forwarded by the appellant and I find it being devoid of merit and warrants no interference at this count.

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5. Further Shri Bidyut Panging, AEE the Inquiry Officer has no personal interest or bias of any kind in the case and at the time of incident the said officer was away from the unit, therefore had no previous knowledge in the case and being impartial, rightly appointed by the disciplinary authority. His appointment as Inquiry Officer was just and fair and does not warrant any replacement at this belated stage, where Inquiry has reached at advance stage and more that six witnesses have already been examined.

6. I have perused the comments forwarded by Lt Col JS Balns, the disciplinary authority, the record of the case and I am of the opinion that the process of disciplinary case against T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha has correctly taken place as per the provisions of CCS (CCA) Rule 1965 and the representation being devoid of merit does not warrant any consideration. Hence, the appeal is rejected and inquiry should proceed with.



(UK Jha)  
Maj Gen  
MGEME  
Appellate Authority

Copy to :-

T. No 172 Civ/Elect  
Shri Bihari Singha  
C/O No MES 93/2  
Dudgeon Lines  
Shillong Cantt

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Dte Gen of SMC (EMS Cvt)  
Master Gen of Ord Branch  
Army Headquarters  
DHQ PO, New Delhi- 110 011

Officer Commanding,  
306 Sth Wasp SMC  
C/O 50740

For info and necessary action please.

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Recd By Post  
106 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

30 Aug 2001

APPOINTMENT OF PRESENTING OFFICER

1. Where an Inquiry under rule 14 of Central Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rule 1965 is being held against T.No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha.
2. And whereas the undersigned considers that a Presenting Officer should be appointed to present on behalf of the undersigned.
3. Now therefore, the undersigned, in exercise of the powers conferred by Sub Rule 5 (c) of Rule 14 of the said rules, hereby appoints JC-722950PNb Sub/SKT(MT) Amar Singh as the Presenting Officer.

Li Col  
Officer Commanding  
Disciplinary Authority

Copy to :-

JC-722950PNb Sub/SKT(MT)  
Amar Singh  
106 Stn Wksp EME

for info along with the following docs :-

- (a) Copy of memorandum
- (b) Copy of written statement of defence
- (c) A Copy of statement of witnesses.

Shri Bihari Singha  
T.No 172 Civ/Elect  
Qtr No ME 5 93/2  
Dudgeon Lines,  
Shillong Cantt.

for info.

Shri AEE Bidyot Panging  
Inquiry Officer  
106 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

for info.

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STANDARD FORM OF ORDER RELATING TO APPOINTMENT OF  
INQUIRY OFFICER UNDER RULE 14 (2) OF CCS (CC&A) RULES 1965

Regd by Post  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

10401/172/Civ

30 Aug 2001

ORDER:

1. Refer to this Workshop memorandum of Charge sheet bearing No 21208/172/Est AND/LC dt 11 Jul 2001.
2. WHEREAS an inquiry under rule 14 of Central Civil Services (Classification, Control & Appeal) Rule 1965 is being held against T.No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha.
3. AND WHEREAS the undersigned considers that an inquiry Officer should be appointed to inquire into the charges framed against him.
4. Now therefore, the undersigned, in exercise of the powers conferred by Sub Rule (2) of the said rule, hereby appoints Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE as Inquiry Officer to inquire into the charges framed against the said T.No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha.

(JS Bains)  
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding  
Disciplinary Authority

Copy to :-

Shri Bihari Singha  
C.No MES 23/2  
Dudgaon  
Shillong Cantt

Shillong Cantt

NOQ

Shri Bidyot Panging  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

for information and action alongwith a copy of charge sheet mentioned above.

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REGD POST  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

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Tele : 6177

10401/Civ/172/INQ

20 Sep 2001

T.No 172 Electrician  
Shri T. Hari Singha  
Qtr No MES 93/2  
Dudgeon Lines  
Shillong

**DEPARTMENTAL INQUIRY INTO THE CHARGES FRAMED  
AGAINST SHRI T. NO 172 ELECTRICIAN BIHARI SINGHA  
UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS (CCA) RULES 1965**

1. I have been appointed as Inquiring authority to conduct inquiry in the case above cited. vide Order No 10401/172/Civ dt 30 Aug 2001 issued by Lt Col JS Bains, OC of this unit, a copy of which has been endorsed to you.

2. Accordingly, a preliminary hearing of the case will be held by me on 08 Oct 2001 at 1100h at Office of Workshop Officer 306 Stn Wksp EME, C/O 99 APO. You should present yourself alongwith your defence assistant, if you so desire, in time to attend the preliminary hearing and wait until further directions. In case you fail to appear at the appointed date and time, proceeding will be taken ex-parte.

3. Instructions for getting your Defence Assistance relieved will be issued if his particulars and willingness to work as such alongwith the particulars of his controlling authority are received by me before 01 Oct 2001.

While nominating a Government servant as Defence Assistance the instructions on the subject should be kept in view.

5. Receipt of this notice may please be acknowledged.

B.P.  
(Bidyot Panging)  
AEE  
Inquiring Authority

Copy to :-

10-722950F Nb Sub/SKT(MT) Amar Singh -  
Presenting Officer  
306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

He is also requested to attend the preliminary hearing at appointed date and time alongwith all listed documents in Original.

B.P.  
(Bidyot Panging)  
AEE  
Inquiring Authority

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To,

The Inquiring Authority  
306 Stn Wksp. EME  
C/O 99 APO.

Sub :- DEPARTMENTAL INQUIRY INTO THE CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SHRI  
T. NO 172 ELECTRICIAN BIHARI SINGHA UNDER RULE 14 of CCS  
( CGA ) RULES 1965

Ref :- Your letter No 10401/civ/172/IND Dt. 20 Sep 2001 and  
received on 26 Sep 2001.

Sir,

While Acknowledging the receipt of your communication under  
reference, I am to state that within this short span, I am unable  
to manage Defence Assistance for my Defence.

I therefore request you to kindly extend 30 days so as to  
enable me to present myself with my Defence Assistance before the  
Inquiring Officer.

Thanking You Sir.

Dated :- 27th Sep 2001.

Your's Faithfully

*[Signature]*  
27/9/2001  
( BIHARI SINGHA )  
T NO. 172 Electrician  
Qtr No. MES 93/2  
Dudgeon Line  
Shillong.

*[Signature]*

(13) Engaging Defence Assistant posted in another station.—Sub-rule (8) of Rule 14 provides that a Government servant may take the assistance of any other Government servant posted at any other station on being permitted by the Inquiring Authority to do so. It does not totally prohibit having a Defence Assistant from any station other than the headquarters of the charged Government servant or the place of inquiry. It is open to the Inquiring Authority to permit the appointment of a Defence Assistant from any other station, having regard to the circumstances of each case. However, at present, there is no provision for appeal against the decision of the Inquiring Authority in the matter, should it decide to refuse permission.

2. It has been decided, that a Government servant should be allowed to make a representation to the Disciplinary Authority if the Inquiring Authority rejects a request for permission to take a Defence Assistant from a place other than the headquarters of the charged Government servant or the place of inquiry. Accordingly, in all cases where the Inquiring Authority rejects the request of the charged Government servant for engaging a Defence Assistant, from any station other than the headquarters of such Government servant or the place where the inquiry is conducted, it should record its reasons in writing and communicate the same to the charged Government servant to enable him to make a representation against the order, if he so desires, to the Disciplinary Authority. On receipt of the representation from the charged Government servant, the Disciplinary Authority, after applying its mind to all the relevant facts and circumstances of the case, shall pass a well-reasoned order either upholding the orders passed by the Inquiring Authority or acceding to the request made by the charged employees. Since such an order of the Disciplinary Authority will be in the nature of a step-in-aid of the inquiry, no appeal shall lie against that order.

[ G.I., Dept. of Per. & Trg., O.M. No. 11012/3/86-Estt. (A), dated the 29th April, 1986. ]

(19) Government servant under suspension eligible to function as Defence Counsel.—A question has been raised whether under the provisions of Rule 14 (8) of the CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965, a Government servant under suspension, is eligible to function as Defence Counsel, if his services are required by an accused official. The reply to the question is that, merely because an official is under suspension does not mean that he has ceased to be a Government servant, and as such, an official under suspension has full right to work as Defence Assistant. The question was recently examined by the Kerala High Court and it was opined that there is no rule that a person under suspension is not entitled to assist another Government servant in the enquiry proceedings.

2. The above ruling may be kept in view while deciding similar cases.

[ D.G., P. & T.'s Letter No. 201/15/75-Disc. II, dated the 2nd Feb. 1976. ]

(20) Conditions for engaging retired Government servant as Defence Assistant.—Reference is invited to the order of the Disciplinary Authority, dated the 10th February 1975, in which it was held that the Government servant concerned was not entitled to engage retired Government employees to assist their case in disciplinary proceedings.

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proceedings has been reviewed in the light of the demand of the Staff Side in the National Council of JCM for putting a ceiling on the number of cases a retired Government servant can take up as a Defence Assistant and in supersession of earlier orders on the subject, it has been decided in terms of Rule 14 (8) (b) of CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965, that assistance of retired Government servants may be taken subject to the following conditions:—

- (i) The retired Government servant concerned should have retired from service under the Central Government.
- (ii) If the retired Government servant is also a legal practitioner, the restrictions on engaging a legal practitioner by a delinquent Government servant to present the case on his behalf, contained in Rule 14 (8) of the CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965, would apply.
- (iii) The retired Government servant concerned should not have in any manner, been associated with the case at investigation stage or otherwise in his official capacity.
- (iv) The retired Government servant concerned should not act as Defence Assistant in more than five cases at a time. The retired Government servant should satisfy the Inquiring Officer that he does not have more than five cases at hand including the case in question.

[ G.I., Dept. of Per. & Trg., O.M. No. 11012/5/92-Estt. (A), dated the 22nd May, 1992. ]

(21) Permission to engage a legal practitioner for the defence.—Rule 14 (8) (a) of the CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965, provides, *inter alia*, that a delinquent Government servant against whom disciplinary proceedings have been instituted as for imposition of a major penalty may not engage a legal practitioner to present the case on his behalf before the Inquiring Authority, unless the Presenting Officer appointed by the Disciplinary Authority is a legal practitioner or the Disciplinary Authority, having regard to the circumstances of the case, so permits. It is clarified that, when on behalf of the Disciplinary Authority, the case is being presented by a Prosecuting Officer of the Central Bureau of Investigation or a Government Law Officer (such as Legal Adviser, Junior Legal Adviser), there are evidently good and sufficient circumstances for the Disciplinary Authority to exercise his discretion in favour of the delinquent officer and allow him to be represented by a legal practitioner. Any exercise of discretion to the contrary in such cases is likely to be held by the Court as arbitrary and prejudicial to the defence of the delinquent Government servant.

[ G.I., M.H.A., D.P. & A.R., O.M. No. 11012/7/83 Estt. (A), dated the 23rd July, 1984. ]

2. Assistance of legal practitioner to be decided on merits of each case.—The assistance of a legal practitioner should not be refused to the officer concerned if the Presenting Officer is a legal practitioner. The rule, however, vests discretion in the Disciplinary Authority to permit assistance

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C/O 99 APO

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22 Feb 2002

Post Master General  
NE Circle, GPO  
Shillong

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NON DELIVERY/LATE DELIVERY OF REGISTERED LETTERS

Dear Sir

1. It is for your information that two Civilian employees of the Workshop, as per the addresses given below have been suspended due to "Gross Misconduct" and inquiries as per CCS Rules have been ordered against them :-

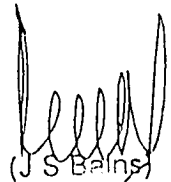
- (a) T/No 172 Shri Bihari Singha (Civ Electrician)  
Qtr No MES 93/2  
Deodgen lines  
Shillong Cantt
- (b) T/No 169 Shri PC Das (Civ Vehicle Mechanic)  
Qtr No DM 30/4  
Deodgen Lines  
Shillong Cantt

2. In connection with the inquiries registered letters are sent to the individuals but it has been seen that the letters are being delivered after a period of more than one month. Some of the examples are as under :-

<u>S.No</u>	<u>Our letter No and date</u>	<u>832 FPO RL No and date</u>	<u>Letter sent to and date of delivery</u>
(a)	10401/Civ/169/INQ dt 20 Sep 2001		
(b)	10401/Civ dt 19 Oct 2001	155 dt 20 Oct 2001	T/No 169 VM(MV) Shri PC Das Qtr No DM 30/4 Deodgen Lines, Shillong Cantt and recd on 21 Nov 2001.
(c)	10402/Civ dt 20 Oct 2001	176 dt 22 Oct 2001	
(d)	10401/169/Civ/INQ dt 23 Oct 2001	243 dt 25 Oct 2001	
(c)	10401/Civ/172/INQ dt 20 Sep 2001		
(f)	10401/Civ dt 19 Oct 2001	156 dt 20 Oct 2001	T/No 172 Elect (MV) Shri Bihari Sinha Qtr No MES 93/2 Deodgen Lines, Shillong Cantt and recd on 21 Nov 2001.
(g)	10402/Civ dt 20 Oct 2001	175 dt 22 Oct 2001	
(h)	10401/172/Civ/INQ dt 23 Oct 2001	244 dt 25 Oct 2001	

(j)	10401/169/Civ/INQ dt 24 Jan 2002	484 dt 28 Jan 2002	} T/No 169 VM (MV) Shri PC Das Qtr No DM 30/4 Deodgen Lines, Shillong Cantt and recd on 13 Feb 2002.
(k)	10401/169/Civ/INQ dt 31 Jan 2002	594 dt 02 Feb 2002	
(l)	10401/169/Civ/INQ dt 09 Feb 2002	930 dt 09 Feb 2002	
(m)	10401/172/Civ/INQ dt 24 Jan 2002	483 dt 28 Jan 2002	} T/No 172 Elect (MV) Shri Bihari Sinha Qtr No MES 93/2 Deodgen Lines, Shillong Cantt and recd on 13 Feb 2002
(n)	10401/172/Civ/INQ dt 31 Jan 2002	595 dt 02 Feb 2002	
(o)	10401/172/Civ/INQ dt 09 Feb 2002	931 dt 09 Feb 2002	

3. It will be seen from above that most of the letters have been delivered to the individual after more than one month, whereas the local dak should have been delivered within a period of 4-5 days, as both the individuals are living in MES quarters in Shillong. It seems that the local postal authorities at Bara Bazar Post Office are either not performing their duties or are in league with the above mentioned employees. You are requested to investigate the late delivery of letters, as it amounts to deficiency of service. If the individuals are not accepting the letters, these should be returned back undelivered as per the current rules and regulations. It is clear from Ser 2 (b) that letters are reaching in 3-4 days but are getting delayed at the Bara Bazar, Post Office. It seems that individuals are using Postal Authorities to delay disciplinary proceedings so that they can carry with their nefarious activities.

  
(J S Bains)  
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding  
VBL

Copy to:-

Superintendent Post  
NE Circle, GPO  
Shillong

The Post Master  
Bara Bazar  
Shillong

For information and similar action. Please investigate the complaint and instruct Post man to deliver the letters in time or return back if individuals are not accepting within a reasonable time.

832 FPO  
C/O 99 APO

- For information.

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48 BOSTON 1870

Regd.

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Is Bains

At Col. officer commanding

305 Stn Washington

Co 99A-60

Sub: - delay in delivery of Regd letters.

Ref: - your letter no 10/01/civ dtd 22-2-02

Sir, with reference to your letter above it is to intimate that delay in disposal of the legal letters was happened due to non availability of the addressees and could not return to sender as the Postmaster concerned are not aware of the Procedure.

However all the officials has been instructed suitably to follow the Procedure in future.

yours faithfully

W. Bureau of Post Office  
Regulation Division  
Washington - 20260

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(22) Assistance of legal practitioner to be decided on merits of each case.—The assistance of a legal practitioner should not be refused to the officer concerned if the Presenting Officer is a legal practitioner. The rule, however, vests discretion in the Disciplinary Authority to permit assistance of a legal practitioner having regard to the circumstances, that such assistance is justified. No orders exist laying down guidelines to the Disciplinary Authority as to in what circumstances such justification may be said to exist. The matter has been carefully considered and after taking into account the judgments delivered by some High Courts on this point, it has been decided that the Disciplinary Authority should bear, in each case, such circumstances in mind, as the status of the Presenting Officer, his experience in the nature of job and the volume and nature of documentary evidence produced in the case before taking a decision as to whether or not the services of a legal practitioner should be made available to the officer concerned. It is further decided that the discretion of the Disciplinary Authority is vast and it should exercise such discretion in the most impartial manner on the merits of each case and be guided solely by the criterion whether the denial of assistance of a legal practitioner is likely to be construed as denial of reasonable opportunity to the officer concerned to defend himself.

[D.G., P. & T., Letter No. 6377-Disc. I, dated the 29th August, 1972.]



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306 Stn Wksp EME  
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Also 172 Civ Elect (MV)  
Shri Bihari Singha  
On No MES 93/2  
Deodgen Line  
Shillong Cantt

SUPPLY OF COPIES OF APPOINTMENT IN RESPECT OF INQUIRY  
OFFICER AND THE PRESENTING OFFICER IN THE DISCIPLINARY  
PROCEEDING AGAINST T.NO 172 SHRI BIHARI SINGHA

1. Refer to your letter No Nil dated 21 Mar 2002.
2. It is for your information that AEE, Shri Bidyot Panging was appointed as Inquiry Officer vide order No 10401/172/Civ dt 30 Aug 2001 and JC-722950F Nb Sub/SKT(MT) Amar Singh of 306 Station Wksp EME was appointed as Presenting Officer vide order No 10401/172/Civ dated 30 Aug 2001. The copies of the appointment of Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer were sent to you vide Regd Post.
3. In fact, you have knowing been about the appointment of Inquiry Officer as you have been corresponding with him under intimation to this office. In this connection, zerox copies of your letter No Nil dated 23 Nov 2001 and 07 Dec 2001 are forwarded herewith to remind you that you know about the appointment of Inquiry Officer. You have been attending the inquiry on 11 Mar 2002, 13 Mar 2002 and 15 Mar 2002, as it seen from the gate passes. From the above it is clear that you have been trying to mislead the authorities and trying to delay the proceedings.
4. However a zerox copies of appointment of Inquiry Officer and Presenting Officer dated 30 Aug 2001 are again forwarded for your information.
5. You are advised once again to co-operate with the Inquiry Officer for early finalisation of court of inquiry.

(J S Bains)  
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding

- Encls : (a) Appointment of inquiry officer  
(b) Appointment of presenting Offr  
(c) Letter No Nil dated 23 Nov 2001  
(d) Letter No Nil dated 07 Dec 2001

Copy to :-

Shri Bidyot Panging  
AEE  
306 Stn Wksp EME

for info and finalising the Inquiry at  
earliest.

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ORDERS BY THE APPELLANT AUTHORITY IN RESPECT OF APPEAL  
FILED BY T/NO 172 CIV/ELECT SHRI BIHARI SINGHA  
OF 306 STATION WORKSHOP EME

Tele Mtl : 2790

Headquarters  
Eastern Command (EME Branch)  
Fort William, Kolkata -21

23 Jun 2003

332230/2/SBS/EME Civ

ORDER

1. I have examined the appeal dated 30 Aug 2002 file by T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha of 306 Station Workshop EME against the appointment of Inquiry Officer on the ground of bias praying thereby for "Review" and fresh appointment of another person as the Inquiry Officer in place of Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE of 306 Station Workshop EME, C/O 99 APO, after setting aside and quashing the orders No 1401/172/Civ dt 03 Aug 2002 and of even No dt 08 Aug 2002.
2. It is seen that the above appeal has been addressed to DG EME, however, as per the provisions of CCS (CCA) Rule 1965 and the departmental arrangements in that behalf, MG EME, Eastern Command is the appellate authority in the matter. Accordingly the appeal is being taken as if addressed to him and being disposed off as under.
3. The appellant has prayed for following three redressals :-
  - (a) Order Nos 10401/172/Civ dated 03 Aug 2002 and 10401/172/Civ dated 08 Aug 2002 being illegal and contrary to the provisions of CCS (CCA) Rules 1965 be set aside.
  - (b) Inquiry Officer Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE to be replaced.
  - (c) To review the case and pass suitable orders.
4. A perusal of impugned letters 10401/172/Civ dated 03 Aug 2002 and 10401/172/Civ dated 08 Aug 2002 shows that said disciplinary authority had examined all the issues involved therein at a great length and disposed off each prayer of the representation deliberately in details. It is seen that Inquiry Officer was appointed on 30 Aug 2001, however, representation to object him was made on 29 Apr 2002 i.e. after a lapse of about eight months which appears to be an after thought. I have examined the comments forwarded by the disciplinary authority and records in that behalf including contents forwarded by the appellant and I find it being devoid of merit and warrants no interference at this count.

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5. Further Shri Bidyot Panging, AEE the Inquiry Officer has no personal interest or bias of any kind in the case and at the time of incident the said officer was away from the unit, therefore had no previous knowledge in the case and being impartial, rightly appointed by the disciplinary authority. His appointment as Inquiry Officer was just and fair and does not warrant any replacement at this belated stage, where inquiry has reached an advanced stage and more than six witnesses have already been examined.

6. I have perused the comments forwarded by Lt Col JS Bains, the disciplinary authority, the record of the case and I am of the opinion that the process of disciplinary case against T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha has correctly taken place as per the provisions of CCS (CCA) Rule 1965 and the representation being devoid of merit does not warrant any consideration. Hence, the appeal is rejected and inquiry should proceed with.



(UK Jha)  
Maj Gen  
MGEME  
Appellate Authority

Copy to :-

T. No 172 Civ/Elect  
Shri Bihari Singha  
Qtr No MES 93/2  
Durdgeon Lines  
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Dle Gen of EME (EME Civ)  
Dle Gen of Ord Branch  
Army Hq  
HQ PO, New Delhi- 110 011

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For info and necessary action please.

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306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

10401/172/2401

31 Jan 2002

T/No 172 Civ Cdt (M7)  
Shri Bhari Singh  
C/O No MSC 99/2  
C. J. Singh  
Chilling J. A. IIDEPARTMENTAL INQUIRY INTO THE CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST T/NO 172  
SUBJ: (T/NO) SHRI BHARI SINGHA UNDER RULE 14 OF CCS (CCA) RULES 1955

## 1. Refer to:-

- (a) This workshop suspension order No 10401/Civ dt 01 Jun 2001.
- (b) This workshop letter No 10401/Civ dt 25 Jun 2001.

2. During the first 3 months of suspension, you were granted suspension allowance equal to half of your salary with appropriate allowances, which was subsequently increased wef 01 Sep 2001 to 50% of the subsistence allowance already being paid. It has however been seen that you are using delaying tactics to delay the inquiry by refusing to accept the registered letters being sent by the inquiry officer and the same are being returned by postal authorities with the remark "Refused". As you are adopting dilatory tactics the subsistence allowance increased by 50% than the initial subsistence allowance wef 01 Sep 2001 has been revoked and is hereby withdrawn. You will be now given the subsistence allowance of half of your salary with appropriate allowance wef the pay of Jan 2002 to be paid on 01 Feb 2002.

(J S Balns)

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Annexure P-3

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21092/24/EME Civ-3

Shri Bihari Singha  
T No 122 Elect (MV)  
Bhadgen Line  
Shillong Cantt  
Meghalaya

By Registered Post  
Directorate General of EME (Civ)  
Master General of Ordnance Branch  
Army Headquarters  
DHO PO, New Delhi - 110011

27 Mar 2002

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SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE

1. Reference your representation dated 19 Mar 2002 regarding non-payment of Subsistence Allowance.
2. It is intimated that your subsistence allowance has been under custody of the Wksp for quite some time. However, you have not yet reported to the Wksp for collection of subsistence allowance despite communicating the same to you through Registered Post. You are, therefore, advised to co-operate with the Wksp administration and collect your subsistence allowance as admissible without further delay.
3. In this connection, you are advised to desist from indulging in obstructive correspondence to various higher authorities in violation of CCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

(RS Reen)  
Lt Col  
JD EME (Civ)  
for DG EME

H.O.D.  
506 Sdn Wksp EME  
C/O-29 AFU

You are requested to handover  
the subsistence allowance as  
admissible as and when approached  
by the individual. (photo copy of  
application enclosed)

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Registered by Post

306 Sln Wksn EME  
C/O 99 APO

22 Jun 2002

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T/In 172 Civ Elect (MV)  
Shri Bihari Singha  
Qtr No MES 92/2  
Doodgen Line  
Shillong Cantt

SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE

1. Refer to Army Headquarters letter No 21392/24/EME/Civ-3 dated 27 Mar 2002.
2. It is to inform you that you have not been collecting your subsistence allowance since Jan 2002. The allowance is being claimed every month and is being deposited though, as you have not been reporting to the workshop on payment day. As you are aware, the payment to industrial personnel is done on 01<sup>st</sup> of every month or next day if 01<sup>st</sup> of the month happens to be holiday/Sunday. You are once again advised to collect your subsistence allowance.

(JS Pains)  
Lt Col.

Officer Commanding

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Copy to:-

101 Area (EME)  
C/O 99 APO

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10401/Sub/Civ

T/No 172 Civ(Elec)  
Sh Bihari Singha  
Qtr No AIES 93/2,  
Deodger Line  
Shillong Cantt

T/No 169 Civ(VNI)  
Sh PC Das  
DF-12  
Burma Lines  
Shillong

### SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE

1. Refer to letter No 10401/Sub/Civ dt 22 Jun 2002.
2. It is to inform you that you have not been collected your subsistence allowance since Jan 2002. The allowance is being claimed every month and is being deposited in bank through a TR which is not collected. You are hereby advised again to collect your subsistence allowance every month between 01 to 07<sup>th</sup> of the month.

(S Bains)  
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding

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C/O 99 APO

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306 Station Workshop EME  
C/O 99 APO

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T/No 172 Civ (Elec)  
Sh Bihari Singha  
Qtr No MES 93/2,  
Deodgen Line  
Shillong Cantt

T/No 169 Cl. (M)  
S. D. Das  
Df-18/182  
Cuma Lines  
Shillong

COLLECTION OF SUBSISTENCE ALLOWANCE

1. Refer to our letter No 10401/Sub/Civ dated 22 Jan 2002.
2. It is seen that you have not been collecting your subsistence allowance since Jan 2002. The allowance is being claimed every month and is being deposited through a TR in bank after 7<sup>th</sup> of the month, as both of you are not reporting to wksp for collecting the same on the pay day.
3. You are also advised to bring a non-employment certificate as per performa attached every month, to enable this wksp to make the payment. A certificate for non-employability be also given from Jan 2002 to July 2002, so that your subsistence allowance can be reclaimed through pay bill, as it has been deposited back.
4. In case you fail to bring non-employment certificate, the subsistence allowance cannot be paid to you.

Encl

(JS Balns)

Lt Col

Officer Commanding

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Regd. Post  
306 Sin Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

11 Mar 2003


ANNEXURE-24

10401/Civ

Civilian  
Sgt Bihari Singha  
No 23/02, Deodgan Line  
Shilong, Meghalaya

NON-PAYMENT OF RENT AND ALLIED CHARGES IN  
RESPECT OF S SINGHA Qtr NO MES 93/02

1. Further to our letter No 10401/SUS/Civ dated 29 Nov 2002.
2. It has been seen that you have not been collecting for your subsistence allowance since Jun 2002 and the same is being deposited through a TR in Govt Treasury. As you are not collecting your subsistence allowance, rent and allied charges as per the details given in Appx 'A' are out standing against you since Nov 2001. You are hereby advised to pay your rent and allied charges to this office by 25 Mar 2003 failing which eviction notice under PPE act through Sin Cell will be served on you to vacate the host accommodation.
3. It is also for your information that you are also not producing non-employment certificate, which is a pre-requisite for giving you the subsistence allowance.
4. You are therefore advised once again to:-
  - (a) Produce the non-employability Certificate.
  - (b) Pay rent and allied charges by 25 Mar 2003.
  - (c) Collect your subsistence allowances on 1<sup>st</sup> of every month or on the subsequent day if 1<sup>st</sup> happens to be a Sunday or a holiday.

  
(Lt Col)  
Lt Col  
Officer Commanding

025/12

Station Cell  
C/O 101 Area  
C/O 99 APO

For info and necessary action if the indl fails to deposit rent and allied charges amounting to Rs 4571.00 by 25 Mar 2003



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ORDER BY THE APPELLATE AUTHORITY IN RESPECT OF APPEAL  
FILED BY  
T/NO 172 CIV/ELEC SHRI BIHARI SINGHA

ORDER

1. I have examined the appeal dated 06 Dec 2005 filed by T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha of Stn Wksp EME, Shillong against the order passed by disciplinary Authority for dismissing the services of T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha and his prayer for setting aside the dismissal order No 10401/172/Civ/Inq/05 dated 15 Apr 2005 and for reinstating T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha. I have also examined his prayer for disposal of the appeal dated 06 Dec 05 at an early date, taking into consideration the present follow up submissions for reinstatement in service with all consequential benefits submitted vide his letter No Nil dt 18 Feb 06. I have also examined his appeal for release of his subsistence allowance as stated at Annexure A to his appeal dated 18 Feb 2006.
2. It is seen that the above appeal has not been preferred as per Rule 25 of the CCS (CCA) rules within a period of forty-five days from the date on which a copy of the order appealed against was delivered to the appellant T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha. However, notwithstanding the period of limitation, the appeal is hereby disposed off as under.
3. The appellant has prayed for following redressals: -
  - (a) To set aside and quash the order of disciplinary authority issued vide case No 10401/172/Civ/Inq/05 dt 15 Apr 05 being illegal and arbitrary.
  - (b) To reinstate the appellant/petitioner with all consequent benefit.
  - (c) To release his subsistence allowance.
4. At Annexure A to your Appeal dt 18 Feb 06, the appellant has asked for release of the subsistence allowance due to him. The collection of subsistence allowance from 03 Oct 2003 to Feb 2005 has been intimated to the appellant by Stn Wksp EME, Shillong letter No 50602/ Civ dt 19 Nov 05. This has been repeated vide Stn Wksp EME, Shillong letter No 50602/Civ dt 02 Mar 06 (Copy att).
5. A perusal of letter No 10401/172/Civ/Inq/05 dated 15 Apr 05 shows that said disciplinary authority had examined all the issues involved therein at

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great length and disposed off all issues deliberately in detail. I have examined the contentions of the appellant against the order of the disciplinary authority in the light of connected records of the case and I find it being devoid of merit and warranting no interference at this count. The impugned order dated 15/11/2005 is comprehensive and entails no illegality. The procedure was followed in accordance with the provisions of law affording all the applicable provisions of rights to the appellant. The order was preceded by a detail inquiry, recommendation of inquiry officer, application of mind on the part of disciplinary authority and consideration of commensurating punishment under provisions of Rule 11 of CCS(CCA) 1965 in shape of major penalty of ~~dismissal~~ from the service.

6. Further, the contention of the appellant regarding biased approach on the part of the inquiry officer is not found justified as Shri Bidyot Penging, AEE (now EE), the inquiry officer, has no personal interest or bias of any kind in the case and at the time of incident the said officer was away from unit. He, therefore, had no previous knowledge of the case and being impartial, was rightly appointed by the disciplinary authority. His appointment as inquiry officer was therefore just and fair.

7. I have also perused the records of the case and I am of the opinion that the process of disciplinary case against T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha has correctly taken place as per provisions of CCS(CCA) Rules 1965 and the representation being devoid of merit does not warrant any consideration.

8. It is also seen that pendency of the writ petition, without any stay order or restraining the despondence in any manner for the subject matter, is no rider on the disciplinary authority for refraining to take disciplinary action under CCS (CCA) Rules 1965 for which they are legally competent and justified. There is also no restriction for the appellant not to prefer an appeal within the stipulated time frame of 45 days as specified vide Rule 25 of the CCS (CCA) rules 1965.

9. It is further seen that there has not been any violation of procedure with respect to Defence Civilian Workers welfare Fund and that it is being managed efficiently and was always audited monthly at unit level and is also being quarterly audited at the formation level since quarter ending Dec 2001.

10. Further it is seen that SDA is being allowed at 12.5% of basic pay in accordance with current orders on the subject.

11. Further it is also seen that the case was also examined at the ministry of Defence in terms of their letter No 104718168/D(Lab) dt 25 Mar 1968 regarding the union activities, if any, and the contentions of the appellant in this regard were found non existing vide Army HQ letter No 37215/24/EME dated 31 Dec 94.

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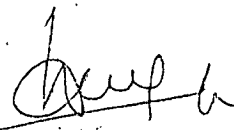
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12. Whereas T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha of Station Workshop EME, Shillong was issued with a memorandum of charges vide letter No 21208/172/Est/Inq/LC dt 11 July 2001 on six specific counts mentioned therein, disclosing gross misconduct in violation of provisions of Rule 3 and 7 of CCS rules 1964 and that the said T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha did not admit any of the charges vide his letter dated 28 July 2001. The disciplinary authority under the provisions of Rule 14 of CCS(CCA) 1965 appointed an inquiry officer who enquired into the matter and the proceedings conducted during 20 Sep 2001 to 25 Jun 2003 which has been duly recorded in detail consisting of statement of witnesses, exhibits, correspondence details, details of said T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha representations and various appeals and its disposal thereof and the findings arrived at by the said inquiry officer wherein T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha was found guilty of all the six charges by the inquiry officer.

13. I have perused the inquiry officers report, record of the inquiry and representation received from the charged official and the evaluation of the disciplinary authority on each article of charge and the subsequent order issued vide letter No 10401/172/Civ/Inq/05 dt 15 Apr 05 and I am of the opinion that the process of disciplinary case against T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha has correctly been followed as per provisions of CCS(CCA) Rules 1965. I am also of the opinion that the findings of guilty are consistent to the evidence and are thus just and legal and the representation being devoid of merit does not warrant any consideration. Hence the appeal is rejected in the interest of Govt service.

Station : Kolkata

Dated : 09 May 06

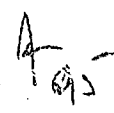


(Harkirat Singh)

Maj Gen

MG EME

HQ Eastern Comd



केन्द्रीय प्रशासनिक न्यायालय  
Central Administrative Tribunal

13 SEP 2006

IN THE CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL  
Guwahati Bench  
GUWAHATI BENCH GUWAHATI

Filed by the applicant  
through S. Nath.  
Atwade  
11/09/2006

In the matter of:-

O.A.No. 149/2006.

Shri Bihari Singha.

-Versus-

Union of India and others.

-And-

In the matter of:-

Rejoinder submitted by the applicant  
against the written statements  
submitted by the respondent.

The applicant above named most respectfully begs to state as follows:-

1. That with regard to the preliminary objection raised in the written statement, the applicant begs to state that the statements are not based on facts and judgment and order passed in Original Application No. 150/03 has no relevancy with the prayer in the original application. It is categorically stated that in the instant application, the application has challenged the order of penalty dated 05.04.2005, whereby the applicant is dismissed from service, as such plea of res-judicata is categorically denied, rather the order of the Hon'ble High Court passed in WP (C) No. 3 (SH)/2004, Sri Bihari Singha and Ors. -Versus- U.O.I and others against the judgment and order dated 20.11.2003 passed in O.A. No. 150/2003, which was dismissed by the Hon'ble High Court with the following observation:-

"WP (C) No. 3(SH)/2004

THE HON'BLE CHIEF JUSTICE MR. B. SUDERSHA  
REDDY AND THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE BP KATAKY

13.2.2006

It is brought to our notice by the learned Standing counsel for the Union of India and about which there is no dispute that subsequent to filing of this writ petition, the inquiry initiated against the writ petitioner herein has been completed and the disciplinary authority has passed orders dismissing the petitioner from service.

It is stated that the petitioner had already filed an appeal before the appellate authority challenging his order of dismissal. The appeal is stated to be under consideration. Suffice it to direct that the appeal filed by the petitioner shall be considered on its own merit, uninfluenced by the dismissal of this writ petition.

The cause in this writ petition does not survive since no relief as prayed for by the writ petitioner could be granted in this writ petition, as at present, the inquiry initiated against the petitioner herein had culminated in the final orders passed.

The writ petition fails. It shall accordingly stand dismissed without any order as to costs."

In view of the specific observation of the Hon'ble High Court again quoted herein below for the perusal of the Hon'ble Court.

"Suffice it to direct that the appeal filed by the petitioner shall be considered, on its own merit, uninfluenced by the dismissal of this writ petition."

Therefore, it is quite from the above observation read with prayer made in the instant O.A that the cause of action is different in the instant O.A. Hence, none of the preliminary objections raised in the written statements are maintainable in the facts and circumstances of the instant case.

2. That your applicant categorically denies the correctness of the statements made in para 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of the written statement and further reiterates the statement made in the original application.
3. That your applicant categorically denies the correctness of the statement made in para 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15 of the written statement and further reiterates the statement made in the O.A. However with regard to the statement made in para 11, it is submitted that the power of discretion vested with the Inquiry Officer/Disciplinary Authority regarding grant of permission for engaging a Defence Assistant from outside the station is not unlimited and such discretionary power must be utilized by the authority in a fair manner. But in the instant case, rejection of the prayer of the applicant to engage a Defence Asstt. From outside the local station is highly arbitrary and unfair. However, the contention raised in para 12 has been defeated and nullified by the letter issued by the postal authority, i.e. letter dated 14.03.2002, which rather support the case of the applicant. However, the respondent authorities are put to strictest proof regarding the allegation of connivance of the applicant with the postal authority as well as against the allegation of refusal of registered letters from the postal authority.

The Hon'ble Court be pleased to direct the respondents to produce all relevant records of the enquiry proceeding including the letters allegedly refused by the applicants and for verification of the date of registration from the dispatch register of the office of the officer commanding, Station Workshop, EME, Shillong. The applicant categorically denies the allegation of causing delay the proceeding as alleged in Para 13 of the written statement. Rather it is also evident that the order of appointment of the I.O was issued to the applicant for the 1<sup>st</sup> time on 18.04.2002 i.e. long back after the commencement of the enquiry proceeding. The allegation of assaulting the military officer i.e. J.C.O Sri Nath by the applicant that too in a military establishment as stated in para 15 of the written statement is a deliberate false charge brought against the applicant and the charges itself are contradictory to each other and also contrary to the records of the office of the Officer Commanding, Station

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Workshop, Shillong. It is categorically submitted that no reason has been recorded by the I.O, while rejecting the prayer of the applicant for engagement of Defence Assistant from Guwahati, on that ground alone the impugned order of penalty is liable to be set aside and quashed. Moreover the applicant also preferred an appeal against the prayer for engagement of Defence Assistant from Guwahati, but the said appeal was also rejected by the Disciplinary Authority on 03.04.2002 without assigning any cogent reason and on that score alone that the entire disciplinary proceeding is liable to be set aside and quashed.

4. That with regard to the statement made in para 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 of the written statement, the applicant categorically denies the correctness made in above paragraphs and further begs to say that the specific statement of the respondent made in para 16 to the effect that Sri Bidyut Ponging, AEE is not connected with all the matter/affairs relating to the departmental enquiry is a deliberate false statement made by the Lt. Col K. Srinivas presently working as Officer Commanding at Station workshop, as such he is liable for perjury as because said Sri Ponging is all along supervising the day to day work of the present applicant since March 2000, and during the alleged period of absence from duty w.e.f. 01.02.2001 to 01.06.2001 the applicant was also under the absolute supervision of Sri Bidyut Ponging, the then AEE, and definitely the charge of unauthorized absence from duty or continual and willful neglect of duty definitely has been framed on the basis of either written or verbal complain of Sri Bidyut Ponging. Therefore since Sri Bidyut Ponging, AEE have lodged the complain as the applicant was working under his supervision, therefore permitting said Sri Ponging to act as I.O is contrary to the rule of fair play and also contrary to the relevant provision laid down in CCS (CCA) Rule, 1965 As because, it would be evident from the letter no. 50902/FIKE dated 09.03.2000, No. 70301/WKSP dated 21.03.2000, 50704/CIV dated 17.04.2004, 8120/Comp/TS dated 19.10.2000, 50703/Civ dated 27.11.2000 and letter No. 24501/Est. dated 19.03.2001, it appears that the applicant was working under the absolute supervision of the I.O, even on the day of alleged incidence i.e. on 01.06.2001 said Sri

Penging was very much present in the office and he is also a party to the alleged incident. Moreover from 1<sup>st</sup> February 2001 to 01.06.2001, the applicant was working under the supervision of Mr. B. Penging, I.O, as such appointment of Sri Penging as I.O is contrary to the relevant provisions of CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965. So far statement made in para 17, it is categorically submitted that even after participation of the applicant in the enquiry proceeding when the date was fixed in his presence by the I.O on 22.02.2002 to the effect that the enquiry proceeding will be held on every alternative date, but the said order of holding enquiry on every alternate date has been deliberately violated by the I.O himself, that too without any intimation to the applicant pursuant to the order dated 22.02.2002, the applicant attended enquiry on 18.03.2002, again applicant went on 20.03.2002, but he was tortured by the Military personnel and detained him in the office without holding the enquiry proceeding and thereafter again enquiry proceeding held on 08.04.2002, 22.04.2002, 10.05.2002, 07.06.2002, 26.06.2002, 16.07.2002 and 03.08.2002 without any further intimation to the applicant, as such action of the respondents in holding the enquiry proceeding in violation of their own order dated 22.02.2002 that too without intimation is highly arbitrary, unfair and illegal and thereby reasonable opportunity has been denied to the applicant in defending his case. The contention raised in para 21 is categorically denied and reiterates the statement made in the O.A.

5. That with regard to the statement made in para 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27 of the written statements are categorically denied and save and except which are borne out of record. The applicant further begs to say that none of the grounds raised by the applicants against the irregularities and infirmities have been discussed in the enquiry report and the disciplinary authority mechanically accepted the findings of the I.O without any discussion of evidence and held that the charges have been proved against the applicant and no attempt is made to ascertain whether relevant procedure have been followed or not in conducting the enquiry against the applicant but imposed the penalty of dismissal from service without even properly looking into the records of the enquiry proceeding, evidences recorded



therein and also the documents examined in the enquiry, proceeding but imposed the penalty of dismissal. The applicant categorically denies the other contention raised in para 24, 25, 26, 27 and 28 of the written statement, wherein it is alleged that the Ministry of Defence as well as the Disciplinary Authority, Appellate Authority have considered the case in terms of the relevant provisions of CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 and provided all reasonable opportunities to the applicant, which is categorically denied.

6. The applicant categorically denies the statement made in para 29, 30, 31, 33, 34, 35, 36 and 37 of the written statement, save and except the statements which are borne out of records. The applicant further beg to say that none of the listed documents were examined, complaint against the applicant for non attending duty from 01.02.2001 to 01.06.2001 neither supplied to the applicant nor examined in the enquiry proceeding. There was no finding regarding examination of other witnesses and procedural infirmities pointed out by the applicant in his representation dated 29.11.2006 also not considered by the Disciplinary authority. The applicant is denied reasonable opportunity to defend his case and Sri J.S. Bains, Commanding officer deliberately acted as Disciplinary authority with a malafide intention, even though he is personally involved in the alleged incidence of 01.06.2001. In the circumstances, the impugned order is liable to be set aside and quashed.

It is relevant to mention here that on a careful reading of the depositions made by the state witnesses, it appears that there are contradictions with the deposition of witnesses. On a careful reading of the deposition made by Naib Subedar U.P. Mishra, who has claimed himself as section-in-charge for last 3 years, has started as follows on cross-examination.

"Question by the Inquiry officer

- 1.Q:- Did you ever seen Shri Bihari Singha doing any trade work?

Ans:- No, Shri Bihari Singha had not done any trade work in my entire service in this wksp. He used to sit in civilian rest room or roam around with Shri PC Das after giving attendance in the main gate during all working days.

2.Q:- Who is the incharge of his section?

Ans:- I am the incharge of his section for last three years.

3.Q:- Did you ever approach him for doing work?

Ans:- In number of occasion, I tried to give him work and expedite him to improve his work output. But, whenever I approach him, he used to refuse my order and raised his voice. If I insist him more Shri Bihar Singha used to reply that "Hum Laug busy hain, kampar nahi jayenge."

4.Q:- Have you reported the matter to OC?

Ans:- I reported this Maj. Babu George, then OC, 306 Sin Wksp, but he did not pay any attention. After taking the command by Lt. Col. JS Bains. I complained this to him also. As per our new OC's direction we started maintaining a section wise daily register w.e.f 01 Feb' 2001 to keep the record of work output of all industrial personnel.

5.Q:- After 01 Feb, 2001 did you noticed any change in his work?

Ans:- No. he used to be absent from his place of work and disobey my order thereafter also.

Therefore, it appears from the deposition of JC 754018 W Nb Sub (Elect), U.P. Mishra that the applicant never worked during his tenure as section in charge for last 3 years. But he has maintained a section wise daily register w.e.f 01.02.2001 to keep the record of work output of all industrial personnel and he never noticed any change in the work of the applicant. Thereafter, it appears that although applicant did not work for last 3 years, but no action was taken by the authority in spite of the report given by Sri U.P. Mishra, JCO. It further appears that the allegation of

absence in duty place shown w.e.f. 01.02.2001 to 01.06.2001, therefore it appears that following a direction of Col. J.S. Bains, Officer Commanding i.e. respondent No. 7 a section wise register has been maintained. Therefore the Hon'ble Court be pleased to direct the respondents to produce all relevant records including the order/direction of Col. J.S. Bains for maintaining section wise register and to produce the same before the Court for perusal.

It is pertinent to mention here that as per deposition of Nib Subedar K. Jaya Prakashan applicant is alleged to have been absent after 01.02.2001, said Sri Jaya Prakashan also said the applicant disobeyed the order issued by him. If the applicant has disobeyed the order of JCO K. Jaya Prakashan, whether Mr. Jaya Prakashan reported this matter to the OC. Therefore, those records of absence refusal to work and the action taken thereafter should be produced before the Hon'ble Court. The allegation of non preference of appeal within the period of 45 days is now irrelevant in view of the fact that the appeal have been disposed of by the appellate authority.

The applicant categorically denies the contention raised in para 35, 36 and 37 of the written statement and reiterates the statements made in the O.A.

7. That with regard to the statement made in para 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 45 and 46 of the written statement, the applicant denies the correctness of the statements made therein and further begs to say that both the impugned order of penalty dated 15.04.2005 and the appellate order dated 08.05.2006 is cryptic, non speaking and none of the grounds raised by the applicant were discussed in the impugned appellate order. Moreover there is a gross violation of Rule 27 of the CCS (CCA) Rules, 1965 by the appellate authority as because none of the requirement have been followed or complied with by the appellate authority while rejecting the appeal of the applicant. It is categorically stated that in para 4.29, in as much as 11 grounds have been shown, which was not followed while conducting the inquiry proceeding. Some of the grounds are give below:-

1. No intimation to the applicant regarding appointment of the I.O before commencement of the inquiry proceeding.
2. Non supply of listed documents to the applicant, which are relied upon by the Disciplinary Authority, in order to sustain the charges.
3. Deliberate non-implementation of date of hearing of inquiry proceeding and also delayed intimation received by the applicant i.e. after expiry of the fixed date of hearing.
4. Listed documents were not examined in the inquiry proceeding.
5. Out of 9 state witnesses only 7 were examined.
6. The allege absence of duty from 01.02.2001 to 01.06.2001 alleged to have been proved without examining any listed document in support thereof.
7. The enquiry officer failed to give any reasonable or specific finding in his enquiry report dated 10.07. 2003.
8. None of the grounds raised by the applicant in appeal were considered by the appellate authority, as required under the rule.
9. Appointment of Sri B. Panging as I.O being officer in charge of the Section and also being a complainant is highly irregular.
10. Col. J.S. Bains, Officer Commanding was directly involved in the incident, as such he his not entitled to be appointed as disciplinary authority in the instant case.

Moreover, both the Disciplinary authority as well as the I.O is directly involved with the incident allege to have been occurred on 01.06.2001 as such participation of Mr. B. Panging as I.O as well as participation of Sri J.S. Bains as Disciplinary Authority is contrary to the relevant provisions of the CCS (CCA) Rules 1965.

In the facts and circumstances stated above, the impugned order of penalty of dismissal dated 15.04.2005 and appellate order dated 08.05.2005 are liable to be set aside and quashed.

VERIFICATION

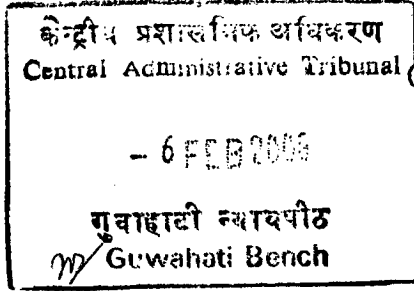
I, Shri Bihari Singha, S/o- Late Kunjeswar Singha, aged about 48 years, Qtr. No. MES 93/2, Deodgenline, Shillong Cantt., Shillong, applicant in the instant application, do hereby verify that the statements made in rejoinder in paragraph 1 to 7 are true to my knowledge and the rest are humble prayer before this Hon'ble Tribunal, and I have not suppressed any material fact.

And I sign this verification on this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 2007.

*Bihari Singha*

Addl. rejoinder filed today by Sh. S. Nath, Advocate.  
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IN THE COURT OF CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL  
GUWAHATI BENCH



O.A. No. 149 of 2006

Shri Bihari Singha

..... Applicant.

Vs

Union of India & Others

..... Respondents.

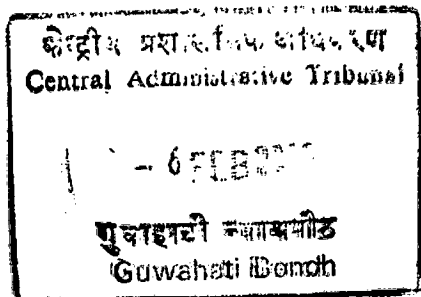
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Filed by

S. Nath  
06/2/08  
Advocate

IN THE CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL  
GUWAHATI BENCH: GUWAHATI



In the matter of:-

O.A.No. 149/2006.

Shri Bihari Singha.

-Versus-

Union of India and others.

-And-

In the matter of:-

Additional rejoinder submitted by the applicant against the written statements submitted by the respondent.

The applicant above named most respectfully begs to state as follows:-

1. That it is stated that in O.A. No. 149/2006, the applicant has very specifically stated that Sri B. Panging, AEE, who was appointed as I.O, in the disciplinary proceeding is closely related with the day to day work of the applicant as Workshop Officer. Sri Panging is also a witness of the entire incident and Lt. Col. J.S. Bains deliberately appointed Sri Panging as I.O in the disciplinary proceeding for inquiry. In the memorandum of charge sheet there are specific charges of continual absence from place of work on all working days from 1<sup>st</sup> February 2001 to 01.06.2001 and also allegation of continual disobedience of orders of superior officers to proceed to place of work from 01.02.2001 to 01.06.2001 on all working days. The relevant article of charge i.e. at Sl. No. 4 is quoted below:

"4. T. No. 172 Shri Bihari Singha had been coming to the workshop on working days from 01 Feb 2001 to 01 Jun 2001 but has not reported at the place of work on any working day and has absented himself continuously from place of work. Thus he remained absent from place of work for 21 days in Feb, 25 days, Mar, 20 days, in Apr and 24 days in May 2001."

*Bedari Singh*

Filed by me applicant -  
Mr. S. N. Singh  
Advocate. 275  
06/02/2006

The I.O after ex parte inquiry has held that all the charges are proved. The findings of the I.O as indicated in the inquiry report dated 21.11.03 is quoted below:-

"On the basis of documentary and oral evidence adduced in the case before me and in view of the reasons given above, I hold that all the six charges against T/No 172 Civ Elect (MV) Shri Bihari Singha."

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Central Administrative Tribunal

6503/2000

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Guwahati Bench

But surprisingly, on a careful reading of the Annexure- 32 i.e. Authority's letter bearing No. 24501/Est dated 19.03.2001, said B. Panging, AEE, I.O who was overall in charge of the workshop where the applicant was working, the I.O himself sent him for duty for collection/deposition of official documents of OC 306 Station Workshop, EME and pursuant to the said order, the applicant had reported for duty at CDA, Udayan Vihar, Guwahati in compliance with the instruction of Sri B. Panging, AEE. Therefore it is quite clear that the entire charge brought against the applicant is concocted and the vary charge of continuous unauthorised absence w.e.f. 01.02.2001 to 01.06.2001 is nothing but a blatant lie.

2. That the applicant further begs to say that the contention of the respondent raised in article of charge No. V and VI under the charge No. I that the applicant remained absent from duty and disobeyed the orders issued by the supervisory staff to proceed to place of work on all working days with effect from 01.02.2001 to 01.06.2001 is not factually correct as alleged by the disciplinary authority. In this connection it may be stated that Sri B. Panging, AEE, Offg. OC, who was applicant's Section Supervisor very often used to send the applicant outside duties which would be evident from the following letters:

- 1) letter No. 50902/FIN dated 09.03.2000.
- 2) letter No. 70301/wksp dated 21.03.2000
- 3) letter No. 50704/Civ dated 17.04.2000,
- 4) letter No. 81201/Comp/TS dated 19.10.2000,
- 5) letter No. 50703/CIV dated 27.11.2000,
- 6) letter No. 24501/EST dated 19.03.2001.

*Bihar Singh*



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Guwahati Bench

On a mere reading of the aforesaid letters ~~it would be evident~~ that Sri B. Panging is the supervising officer of the applicant in day to day work and he has utilized the services of the applicant all along inside the workshop and outside the workshop and he has never furnished any complain or report of non-performance of work either in duty place or outside the work place but it appears that in the article of charge it has been alleged that supervisory staff has reported non performance of work and disobedience of the orders of the supervisory staff, whereas it appears that Sri B. Panging, I.O was the supervisory officer of the applicant in day to day work and he has send the applicant even in the outside duties on different occasions vide letter dated 09.03.2000, 21.03.2000, 17.04.2000, 19.10.2000 and also on 19.03.2001, therefore the allegation of supervisory staff that the applicant did not perform the work with effect from 01.02.2001 to 01.06.2001 is not factually correct, more so when there is no allegation or report from Sri B. Panging actual supervising officer of the workshop centre. It is also stated that Sri B. Panging is closely associated with the work of the Electrician (MV) as well as with the work of the Vehicle Mechanic (MV) in the workshop. It is unfortunate that Sri Panging knowing fully well that the applicant is regularly discharging his duties without any sort of complain from any corner and he was never served with any memo, warning or show cause notice, explanation with regard to his day to day performance in the office. But in spite of knowing the entire fact the I.O on the dictation of the disciplinary authority obtained certain statements from the combatant employees of the workshop and in a very arbitrary manner without providing any reasonable opportunity held that all the charges have been proved against the applicant.

Therefore it is quite clear that all the charges brought against the applicant vide memorandum dated 11.07.2001 is false, misleading and concocted.

Copy of the authority letter dated 09.03.2000, 21.03.2000, 17.04.2000, 19.10.2000, 27.11.2000 and 19.03.01 are enclosed herewith and marked as Annexure- 32, 33, 34, 35, 36 and 37 respectively.

*Bidari Singh*

3. That it would be further evident from the disciplinary proceeding that not a single civilian employee out of 30 civilian employees of the workshop was made witness against the applicant as regard the alleged incident. In the 306 Stn Workshop EME as many as more than 100 combatant staffs are working and only about 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the combatant staffs are working as civilian employees. Moreover, witnesses in favour of the prosecution side have been selected on pick and choose basis without inviting any civilian employees to stand as witness for and on behalf of the prosecution side. As such where Lt. Col. J.S. Bains as well as Sri B. Penging, AE who was appointed as I.O are directly involved in the alleged incident, as such the whole inquiry has been vitiated and the same is nothing but fars. Since Lt. Col. J.S. Bains is disciplinary authority and Sri B. Panging who is immediate subordinate, who was working under the administrative control of J.S. Bains and closely related with day to day work of the applicant, as such the entire proceeding which has been initiated at the instance of Lt. Col. J.S. Bains with the aid and assistance of Lt. Col. J.S. Bains are liable to be set aside and quashed.
4. That it is further stated that the disciplinary proceeding has been initiated by the Lt. Col. J.S. Bains, Officer Commanding and the penalty order of dismissal from service has been passed by the Lt. Col. P.S. Kushwaha, 306 Stn. Wksp. EME, who is not the appointing authority of the applicant. As because Brigadiere B.P. Roy was the appointing authority of the applicant in the cadre of Civilian Electrician, M.V. As such on that score alone the impugned penalty order of dismissal dated 15.04.05 and the impugned appellate order dated 08.05.06 are liable to be set aside and quashed.
5. That it is stated that the Hon'ble Tribunal be pleased to direct the respondents for production of the following original documents/letter before the Hon'ble Tribunal at the time of hearing:
  - 1) letter No. 50902/FIN dated 09.03.2000.
  - 2) letter No. 70301/wksp dated 21.03.2000
  - 3) letter No. 50704/Civ dated 17.04.2000,
  - 4) letter No. 81201/Comp/TS dated 19.10.2000,
  - 5) letter No. 50703/CIV dated 27.11.2000,
  - 6) letter No. 24501/FST dated 19.03.2001.

*Bikari Singh*

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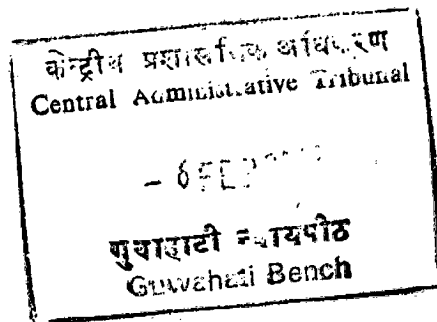
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6. That it is stated that in the written statement in paragraph 24 it has been stated by the respondent that the copies of appointment letter of the IO and P.O was sent to the applicant vide registered letter dated 31.08.2001, therefore Hon'ble Court be pleased to direct the respondents to produce the letter dated 31.08.2001 which is marked as refused.
7. That your applicant further begs to say that he has made some correspondences with the CPMG, Shillong on 14.12.2003 as well as on 02.11.2004 praying for issuance of certificate of services of the letters indicated in representation dated 14.12.2003 as the disciplinary authority are claiming that those letters have been served upon the applicant through registered post but surprisingly the Inspector of Post Offices vide letter No. CPT/MISC/RL. Etc. dated 22.01.04 informed the applicant that record pertaining to the relevant period has been disposed off, therefore in this stage it will not be possible to make any inquiry. As such it appears that the Postal Authority also refused to co-operate with the applicant since the Post office is located near about the campus of the office of Officer Commanding. Therefore it is abundantly clear that those letters as claimed by the disciplinary authority as served on the applicant through registered post is a false statement.

Copy of letter dated 14.12.03, 02.01.04, reply dated 22.01.04 are enclosed herewith and marked as Annexure- 38, 39 and 40 respectively.

8. That in the facts and circumstances stated above, the impugned order of penalty of dismissal dated 15.04.2005 and appellate order dated 08.05.2005 are liable to be set aside and quashed.

Bidari Singha



VERIFICATION

I, Shri Bihari Singha, S/o- Late Kunjeswar Singha, aged about 48 years, Qtr. No. MES 93/2, Deodgenline, Shillong Cantt., Shillong, applicant in the instant application, do hereby verify that the statements made in rejoinder in paragraph 1 to 8 are true to my knowledge and the rest are humble prayer before this Hon'ble Tribunal, and I have not suppressed any material fact.

And I sign this verification on this the 06<sup>th</sup> day of February 2008.

*Bihari Singha*

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Central Administrative Tribunal

306 Stn Wksp EME  
G/O 99 APO

- 6 FEB 2000

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Guwahati Bench

09 Mar 2000

50902/Fin

CDA Udayan Vihar  
Narangi, Guwahati

AUTHORITY LETTER

1. This unit Contingent Bill No 50902/TTG/03/99-2000 dated 30 Dec 99 for Rs 3000/- (Rupees three thousand only) fwd vide our letter No 50901/TTG/Fin dated 30 Dec 99.
2. This unit C.B No 50101/Misc/Exp Grant/07/99 for Rs 3000/- (Rupees three thousand only) was fwd vide our letter No 50101/Misc/Fin dated 18 Nov 99.
3. T/No 172 Civ Shri Bihari Singha of this unit is hereby authorised to collect the cheque/cheque slip on the above mentioned on behalf of this unit. His three specimen signatures are appended below :-

*[Signature]*

*[Signature]*

*[Signature]*



ABE  
Adm Officer  
306 Stn Wksp EME

Attested  
Bidari Singh

Attested  
Law  
Advocate

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ANNEXURE - 33

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306 Station Wksp EME  
G/O 99 APO

70301/Wksp

21 Mar 2000

CDA, Udayan Vihar  
Narangi, Guwahati

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Central Administrative Tribunal

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Guwahati Bench

AUTHORITY LETTER

1. No T-172 Civ/Elect B Singha of this unit is hereby authorised to draw/deposit documents from your office on behalf of this unit.
2. His three specimen signatures are appended below :-

*[Signature]*

*[Signature]*

*[Signature]*



B.P. —  
(Bidyot Panging)  
AEE  
Wksp Offr,  
For OC

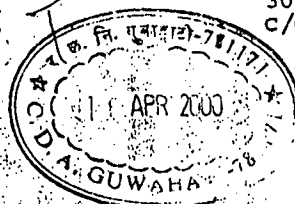
Attested  
Bidan Singh

Attested  
Sec.  
Admstr

Tele : 6177

306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

50704/civ



7 Apr 2000

CDA, Udyan Vihar  
Narangi, Guwahati

Central Administrative

TA/DA CLAIM IN RESPECT OF CIV/AEE SHRI BIDYOT PANGING

1. Please refer this unit letter No 50704/civ dt 20 Dec 99.
2. TA/DA claim (IAFT-1715) for a sum of Rs. 15864/- (Rupees Fifteen thousand eight hundred sixty four only) in respect of civ/AEE Shri Bidyot Panging of this unit alongwith its connected docus fwd to your office vide our letter under ref. But the same has not been passed so far. You are requested to pass the above bill at the earliest.
3. T/No-172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha of this unit is hereby authorised to collect the cheque/cheque slip on behalf of this unit. His three specimen signature are appended below :-

मुवाहाली नं- २४  
Guwahati Branch

*[Three specimen signatures of Shri Bihari Singha]*

B.P.  
( Bidyot Panging )  
AEE  
Adm Officer

Attested  
Bihari Singha

Attested  
Advocate

306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

81201/Comp/TS

CDA  
Udayan Vihar  
Narangi, Guwahati

19 Oct 2000

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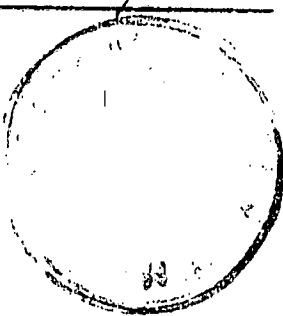
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Guwahati Bench

AUTHORITY LETTER

1. No. 172 Civ. Elect. B. Singh. of this unit is hereby authorised to draw/deposit the documents from your office on behalf of this unit.

2. His three specimen signatures are appended below :

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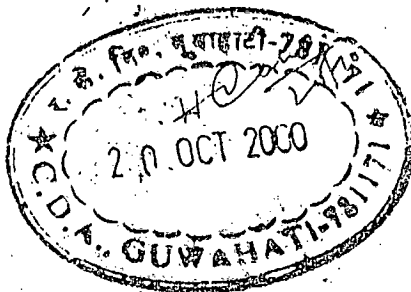


B P  
(Bidyot Panging)  
AEE  
Wksp Offr  
For OC

RECEIPT

Receipt of the following letter from T/No 172 Civ/Elect  
Bihari Singha of ~~xxxxxxx~~ 306 Stn Wksp EME :-

- (a) 81201/Comp/TS dt 16 Sep 2000
- (b) 81201/Comp/TS dt 19 Sep 2000

Received by

Attested  
Bihari Singh

Attested  
Luc.  
Advocate



Tele : 6177

306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

50703/civ

27 Nov 2000

CDA, Udyan Vihar  
Narangi  
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## AUTHORITY FOR COLLECTION OF CHEQUE/CHEQUE SLIP

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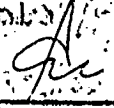
1. T/No 172 Civ/Elect Shri Bihari Singha of this unit is hereby authorised to collect cheque/cheque slip as per details given below :-

(a) Sy Pay Bill No 50703/02/2000/IP dt 18 Feb 2000 for Rs. 2817/- in r/o Civ/VM Shri SN Das

(b) Sy Pay Bill No 50703/08/2000/BS dt 14 Aug 2000 for Rs. 4983/- in r/o Civ/Elect Shri B Singha

2. His three specimen signature are appended below :-





( Bidyot Panging )  
AEE  
Adm Officer  
for OC

*Bidyot Panging*  
*Bidyot Panging*

*Attested*  
*Advocate*

306 Stn Wksp EME  
C/O 99 APO

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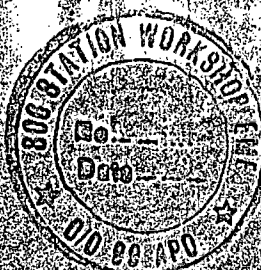
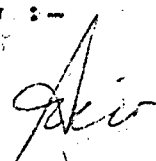
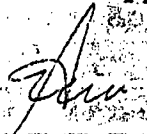
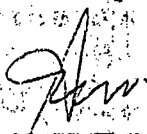
केन्द्रीय प्रशासनिक आयोग  
Central Administrative Tribunal

9 Mar 2001


CDA ('M' Section)  
Udayan Vihar, Guwahatiगुवाहाटी न्यायपीठ  
Guwahati BenchAUTHORITY LETTER

1. T.No 172 Civ Elect Bihari Singha of this unit is hereby authorised to collection/deposition of official docus on behalf of OC this unit.

2. His three specimen signatures are appended below :-



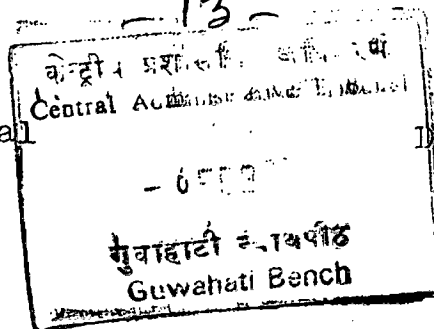
B. P.  
(Bidyot Panging)  
AEE  
Offg OC

  
Bihari Singha

Attested  
Sub.  
Advocate

To

The Post Master General  
General Post Office  
Shillong.



Dated : Shillong  
/ 4 / Dec. 2003.

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Sub : Verification of record and issuing certificate thereof.

Sir,

I beg to state that I have been placed under suspension wef. 01/6/2001 and Departmental Proceedings has been drawn against me. The Disciplinary Authority has been claiming that the following letters have been addressed to the undersigned by Registered Post as per details furnished below :-

- |                      |                    |
|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1. 10401/Civ         | dt. 25/6/2001,     |
| 2. 10401/Civ         | dt. 18/7/2001,     |
| 3. 10401/Civ         | dt. 30/7/2001,     |
| 4. 10401/Civ         | dt. 18/8/2001,     |
| 5. 10401/172/Civ     | dt. 30/8/2001,     |
| 6. 10401/172/Civ     | dt. 30/8/2001,     |
| 7. 10401/Civ         | dt. 01/9/2001,     |
| 8. 10401/X/Civ       | dt. 13/12/2001,    |
| 9. 10401/172/Civ/Inq | dt. 21/12/2001 and |
| 10. 10401/172/Civ    | dt. 03/4/2002.     |

That, I have not received the above letters, however, I shall be highly obliged, if you would be kind enough to make an enquiry and verification from your record and issue me a certificate to that effect and for this act of your kindness, I shall remain ever grateful to you.

Your's faithfully.

(Bihari Singh)

T/No. 172 Elect(MV) U/S  
Qtr. No. MES 93/2.  
Deodgen Line  
Shillong, Cantt.

*Attested*  
*Bihari Singh*  
*15/12/03*  
*Attested*  
*Shillong*



To

Dated : Shillong.

The Chief Post Master General,  
East Khashi Hills  
Shillong.

02 Jan.2004.

Sub :- VERIFICATION OF RECORD AND ISSUEING CERTIFICATE.

REMINDER THEREOF.

केन्द्रीय प्रशासनिक अदालत  
Central Administrative Tribunal

Sir,

I am enclosing herewith the photo copy of my earlier representation dtd. 14/12/2003 on the subject indicated above and also request you once again to issue me a certificate to that effect of the subject under reference and for this act of your kindness, I shall remain ever grateful to you.

Enclo: As stated above-1No.

Your's faithfully.

(Bihari Singha)

T/No. 172 Elect.(MV) U/S

Qtr. No. MES 93/2.

Deodgen Line

Shillong Cantt.

Received  
21/1/04



Attested

Bihari Singha

Attested  
Advocate



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Annexure-40

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(Extract)  
(Typed true copy)

Dept. of Posts  
SR. SUPDT. OF POST OFFICES  
MEGHALAYA DIVISION, SHILLONG-793001

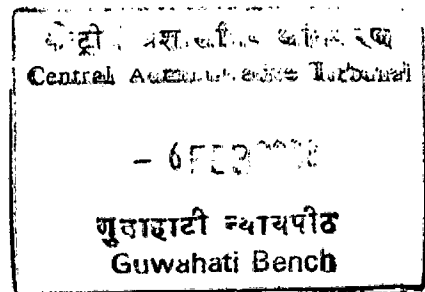
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Dated Shillong the 22.1.04

To.

Shri Bihari Singha (u/s)  
T/No. 172 Elect (MV)  
Qr. No. MES 93/2  
Deodgen line, Shillong Cantt.

2) Shri P.C. Das (u/s)  
T/No. 169 CIV-VM (MV)  
Qr. No. DF-18/1&2  
Burma line, Shillong Cantt.



Subj:- Verification of records- Cases of Regd letters booked during the  
year 2001 & 2002.

Ref:- Yr. Letter dated 14.12.03.

Sir,

With reference to your letter as above, I am sorry to inform you that  
records pertaining to the period already disposed off, therefore in this stage  
enquiry could be possible.

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22/1/04

Inspector of Post Offices (PGO)

Copy to:- The Postl. P.M.G (CPT) NE Region, Shillong for information wrt to  
his letter No. Cpt/4-5/II Dt. 5.1.04

*Attested  
Sd/-  
Advocate*