

**Government of Himachal Pradesh**  
**Irrigation and Public Health Department**

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No. IPH (A)(2)B(5)-52/99

Dated Shimla-2 15-3-2018

**ORDER**

WHEREAS Sh. Pritam Singh Dhanotia, Executive Engineer, IPH Division Dalhousie, Distt Chamba was transferred to IPH Circle Reckong Peo vide this department notification No. IPH (A)-B(6)-1/2018 dated 22.02.2018 ;

WHEREAS, against the above orders, he filed OA No. 669 of 2018 before the Hon'ble HP Administrative Tribunal Shimla which has been disposed of on 28.02.2018, with the following directions:-

*"...In the facts and circumstances of the case, the original application is disposed of with a direction that the applicant may file a comprehensive representation alongwith certified copy of this order for cancellation of his transfer or suitable adjustment to 1<sup>st</sup> respondent through the Principal Secretary (I&PH) to the Govt. of HP within five days. 1<sup>st</sup> respondent shall decide the same after affording an opportunity of being heard to the applicant as well as private respondent No. 3, if so desired, by 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2018.*

*Till decision of the representation, notification dated 22.2.2018, Annexure A-1, qua the applicant shall stand stayed..*


*Pending miscellaneous application(s), if any, also stands disposed of..."*

WHEREAS in pursuance to the direction of Hon'ble Tribunal, Shimla, the applicant tendered his representation dated 5.3.2018, which was received in this department on 09.03.2018 ;

WHEREAS the applicant was given an opportunity to be heard in person on 13.3.2018. During personal hearing, the applicant requested that he is at the verge of retirement. He is suffering from disc problem and also facing adverse family circumstances. His spouse is also in Government job. Moreover, he is likely to be promoted to the post of Superintending Engineer, being the seniormost Executive Engineer in the IPH Department. Hence, he urged that his transfer orders from IPH Division Dalhousie to IPH Circle Reckong Peo may be cancelled OR he may be adjusted nearby in view of above submissions ;

AND WHEREAS, I have gone through the relevant record of the case in detail and found that there is dispute in the seniority position of Executive Engineers and it may take time to promote the officer. Moreover, he has not completed the requisite 7 years service as Executive Engineer, as prescribed in the R&P Rules for promotion to the post of post of Superintending Engineer. However, keeping in view the circumstances stated by the officer and after taking lenient view, it has been felt that since the Private Respondent No.3 i.e. Sh. Sarwan Kumar Thakur, Executive Engineer has already joined at IPH Division, Dalhousie 24.02.2018 and as such, it will not be appropriate to cancel his transfer orders. One post of Executive Engineer in IPH Circle, Chamba is lying vacant which is adjacent to Dalhousie against which the Applicant can be considered to be posted.

NOW THEREFORE, after considering the request of applicant, Sh Pritam Singh Dhanotia, Executive Engineer, who is under orders of transfer to IPH Circle Reckong Peo, is hereby adjusted at IPH Circle, Chamba against vacant post. He is directed to take over his new assignment immediately and send joining report. Accordingly, the representation is considered and disposed off.

  
(DEVESH KUMAR)  
Secretary (I&PH) to the  
Government of Himachal Pradesh

Sh Pritam Singh Dhanotia,  
Executive Engineer,  
IPH Division Dalhousie,  
Distt Chamba (HP)


Endst. No. As above

Dated Shimla-171002, the

15/March, 2018

Copy to :-

1. The Engineer - in -Chief, I&PH Department, U.S.Club, Shimla-1.
2. The Superintending Engineer, I&PH Circle Chamba/Reckong Peo.
3. Personal file of the officer.
4. Guard file.

  
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