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## PRESS RELEASE:

It has transpired through electronic media that some disinformation is being spread on some TV Channels about the credibility of the result of Combined Competitive Examination (CCE) - 2021. It was therefore, felt imperative to dispel said malicious campaign against SPSC by informing the general public and aspirants/candidates that the said disinformation is based on a well thought out strategy to make the CCE result controversial to serve their nefarious designs.

Few candidates who have secured more than 600 marks out of 1,000 total written marks and have not been allocated any service/group is because of the fact that they have given very limited options like PMS or PMS/DSP only. On the other hand, their performance in the interviews was not up to the mark and they were rated as an average student. Had they given more options they could have been allocated any other service/group like Mukhtiarkar, Assistant Director (Labour), Assistant Registrar, Cooperative Societies etc.

The Commission has secured Video/Audio recordings of all interviews in compliance of the Orders of the Honorable High Court which are in safe custody and can prove to be a substantial evidence regarding performance of said candidates who have not been allocated service/groups due to their poor performance and limited options etc.

The Honorable Supreme Court in its various Judgments have substantiated that the wisdom of the Interview Committee cannot be challenged, to quote one of them, Honorable Supreme Court in the case of Muhammad Ashraf Sangri V, Federation of Pakistan (2014 SCMR 157) has ruled that:

" Essentially an interview is subjective test and it is not possible for a Court of law to substitute its own opinion for that of the Interview Board in order to give the petitioner relief. What transpired at the interview and what persuaded one member of the Board to award him only 50 marks is something which a Court of law certainly not equipped to probe and to that extent we cannot substitute our own opinion with that of the Interview Board . Obviously if any mala fides or bias or for that matter error of judgment were floating on the surface of the record we could have certainly intervened as Courts of law are more familiar rather than dilating into question of fitness of any candidate for a particular post which as observed above is subjective matter and can best be assessed by the functionaries who are entrusted with this responsibility....".

In view of above it is crystal clear that the functionaries/Members of the Interview Board/Committee are entrusted with the responsibility to assess candidates without any bias or error of judgment. Our neutrality, impartiality, transparency and fairness can be gauged from the fact that the video/audio recordings are available with the Commission to confront Unallocated/failed candidates about their dismal performance in the interviews at any legal forum.

Furthermore, without having any tangible evidence and knowledge about the veracity of the accusations maligning SPSC, a Constitutional Institution (established under Article 242 of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan) has been viewed very seriously by the management of the Commission and reserves its right to file defamation suits and other legal proceedings under relevant laws against those unscrupulous elements who are inclined to defame Constitutional Institution on hearsays and without any evidence based information.

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