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PRESENT:

Syed Atif Mushtaq Gillani, Advocate for the appellant.

Mr. Muhammad Saghir Javed, Advocates for the respondents.

Kh. Muhammad Maqbool War, Advocate General.

Raja Waseem Younas, Advocate for Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education (BISE).

Secretary Higher Education, Secretary Elementary and Secondary Education, Chairman and Secretary AJK Text Book Board and Secretary BISE in person.

ORDER:

Currently, in some schools of the state the syllabus of Punjab is being taught, whereas, in others the syllabus of AJK Text Book Board is under study, which has given rise to an uncertain situation and the students are confused that in the coming exams which syllabus will be considered for preparation of papers. To make the things clear and certain, we have directed the Chairman BISE to submit his written suggestions, which have been filed. Today, the Secretary Higher Education, Secretary Elementary and Secondary Education and Chairman BISE are present. All of them are unanimous that the situation can be met by providing option to the students. While elaborating their suggestion, they have submitted that the admission form will contain an extra column providing option to the students either to choose the syllabus of AJK Text Book Board or Punjab and the papers will be prepared on the basis of option of the students. The written suggestion has also been submitted which is signed by both the Secretaries. In our opinion,

the suggestion appears to be convincing, therefore, the Chairman BISE is directed to implement the same. He is directed to submit the proposed admission form before the Court through the Additional Registrar. It is further directed that extra care should be taken to save the students from any anomaly. It is also clarified that no compromise on the transparency of the exams will be accepted at any cost and in case of any lapse the concerned will have to face the music.

During the course of arguments, Secretary Higher Education and Secretary Elementary and Secondary Education were confronted that in future which syllabus will be feasible for the students; they unanimously submitted that the syllabus of federal will be suitable as it will also save the students from double exercise of preparing the entry tests. They are directed to submit their written assertions in this regard within a period of one week. This matter shall be considered at the time of hearing of the case on merits.

The case shall be taken up on _____.

	CHIEF JUSTICE	JUDGE	JUDGE	JUDGE
Mirpur, 01.03.2023				