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## MCB cancels recruitment process to fill up 11 posts

MEERUT: On Monday, Meerut Cantt Board (MCB) cancelled the entire recruitment process for posts with it. The decision came in the wake of the recent arrest of an official who was caught red handed by the CBI accepting bribe of Rs 10 lakh for allegedly providing a job to an aspirant.

Spokesperson and office superintendent of MCB, M A Zafar, said, "Chief executive officer (CEO), Rajeev Shrivastava, who is the competent authority, found no irregularity in the examination process leading to the written test, but considers that it is expedient in all fairness that the written test and the entire recruitment process be cancelled. Accordingly, the CEO has cancelled the recruitment process as well as the written test held on September 17 for all the 11 posts vacant in MCB."

The test was held to fill up posts of assistant teachers, Hindi translator, junior grade clerks and motor pump attendants.

On questioning why the recruitment process was cancelled when the MCB authority was fully confident that there were no negligence at any level and the recruitment process was completely transparent, Zafar explained, "We are still of the view that the written test has been conducted in a fair, transparent and impartial manner. The answer sheets were received in a sealed cover from the exam centre and have not yet been opened for evaluation. Meanwhile, one of our staff has been arrested by the CBI on allegations of corruption and the matter is being investigated."

Seven of aspirants, have demanded the district magistrate to cancel the written test as they were not intimated by the MCB regarding the written test through post well in advance.

"We were asked to submit our applications offline, through post, while the admit cards of the written test were uploaded on website to download. Besides, we were never asked to check the website to follow instructions at regular intervals. Over 800 aspirants of the total 1,400 couldn't appear in the exam as MCB didn't send admit cards through post. So we request that the exam be cancelled and conducted again after informing all the aspirants by post," the letter read.