

# FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ELECTION COMMISSION – FPCCI

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NOMINEE FROM SARGODHA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

----- RESPONDENT

## DECISION # 14 (023 – 074)

### PASSED BY THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF FPCCI (FPCCI ELECTIONS 2024-2025)

Consequent upon Appellant's written representation / appeal to the Election Commission of FPCCI, received on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2023 in FPCCI Head Office Karachi from Malik Muhammad Khalid, nominee of the Lahore Chamber of Commerce & Industry, against the decision of the Secretary General of FPCCI, as follows:

#### Decision of the Secretary General:

"FPCCI has reviewed the nomination papers of Sargodha Chamber of Commerce & Industry, sharing herewith the following facts and findings:

1. That the nominee on EC&GB Corporate Class has provided with valid FBR documents proving that he is Sales Tax Registered.
2. The License of the Chamber is valid upto 29<sup>th</sup> August 2026, issued by the Ministry of Commerce.
3. The Chamber has provided all the basic documents as required for the verification of Member nominated.

The nomination of Mr. Tariq Yaqoob, Nominee on EC&GB (Corporate) from Sargodha Chamber of Commerce & Industry is valid and found well in order for needful inclusion in the Provisional List of Voters issued on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2023. Moreover, your objections are not substantiated with any prudent evidences and accordingly your objection(s) are declined."

#### Hearing Proceedings:

This appeal has been instituted by Malik Muhammad Khalid Proprietor M/s. Gujjar Electrical Company.

In order to provide both the parties an equal right of representation and plead their respective stances, the Election Commission of FPCCI granted both parties with the hearing opportunity on 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2023 at FPCCI Head Office Karachi.

Mr. Asad Ullah Jan, Advocate High Court, appeared for the Appellant while Ghulam Sabir Malik, Advocate High Court appeared on behalf of the Respondents. The main contention(s) of the Appellant are:

- The list of members of Sargodha Chamber of Commerce & Industry consists of persons who have no active business concern, currently engaged in trading in the territorial jurisdiction of Sargodha. It consists of random persons just to satisfy the requirement of Rules.
- The nominee does not have operational and active business within the territorial boundaries of the Chamber.

In response, the learned Counsel for the Respondents submitted list of Members of the Sargodha Chamber of Commerce & Industry showing business names and addresses. He also produced FBR profile showing the nominee as Income Tax Active and Sales Tax Operative, and business as Tariq Enterprises. He just produce Sales Certificates showing turnover greater than Rs. 50 million, but did not provide Income Tax, Sales Tax Return or Bank Statement of his Firm in support of his contention.

**Decision of the Election Commission of FPCCI:**

The documents provided are not enough to substantiate that eligibility as Corporate Class, hence the instant appeal is accepted and the name of Mr. Tariq Yaqoob is excluded from the provisional list.

This order is passed on Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2023.

  
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