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NOMINEES FROM KHANEWAL CCI

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## DECISION # 50 (077 – 219)

### 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 Mr. Zain Iftikhar Ch., nominee of Khanewal CCI, against the decision of the Secretary General of FPCCI, as follows:

#### Decision of the Secretary General:

“After going through the said arguments and the documents referred/ submitted, my finding is as follows;

1. That the nominee Consul has submitted two NTN status, one of the nominee and one on behalf of M/s. Welcon Chemicals Pvt. Ltd. Whereas the personal NTN status of the nominee does not disclose his business address, whereas the second NTN verification does not show that he has any business address of Khanewal.
2. Whereas the other issue raised by the Complainant in his complaint, i.e. list of member and website of the said chamber is not functional.
3. The judgment cited by the complaint, as referred in the complaint is applicable on FPCCI.

The nomination of Mr. Zain Iftikhar nominee on Corporate Class from Khanewal CCI is found to be invalid. Accordingly the objection(s) are allowed.”

#### Hearing Proceedings:

Hearing was conducted on 20<sup>th</sup> November 2023. During the hearing the learned Counsel for the Appellant produced an Iqramama (dated:10-07-2020) shows that the nominee on Corporate Class of the said chamber has an office address at Khanewal and his nomination is also from Khanewal. In support of his nomination, he produced a number of documents which shows that he is running business in different cities.

The learned Counsel for the Respondent objected that main unit of the nominee company are situated at Lahore and Multan, as such he has no business interest in Khaniwal. He pointed out toward the Punjab Rented Act 2009, only recognizes agreements which are duly registered. He emphasized that even in the Tax Profile of said nominee there is no mentioned of the address at Khanewal, and his company is paying taxes at LTO Lahore. He further argued that in terms of Section 3 (2) of the TO Act, the definition of chamber is given and as such the Appellant do not fall under the said definition. He relied upon the decision passed by the Hon'ble Islamabad High Court in this regard.

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

Keeping in view the documents submitted, it appears that the Head Office of the nominee's Company is at Lahore. The said company also has bank account at Lahore whereas his manufacturing unit is situated in Multan. Only issue is a rented premises at Khanewal, which cannot be termed as valid nomination from the said chamber.

In the light of above, we do not find any merit in this appeal and the same is declined, and Mr. Zain Iftikhar, nominee on Corporate Class from Khanewal CCI is still stands invalid.

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




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