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18th November 2023

Through E-mail, Website

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HEARING # 17 (038 – 130)

HEARING CALLED BY THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF FPCCI (FPCCI ELECTIONS 2024-2025)

Please refer to the Appeal dated Nil received on 18th November 2023 in FPCCI Head Office Karachi from Mr. Muhammad Ali Farooq, representing Pakistan Electronics Manf. Association, to the Election Commission of FPCCI, against the decision of the Secretary General of FPCCI.

The Election Commission of FPCCI is pleased to grant the appellant(s) and the respondent(s) a **hearing opportunity in person** or through their **authorized representative** (with letter of authorization from the Appellant(s) / Respondent(s)) before the Election Commission of FPCCI alongwith all original / relevant documents, as per following schedule:

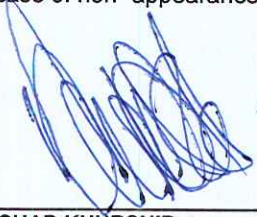
Day & Date: **Monday, 20th November 2023**
Time: **Between 12:00 a.m. to 01:00 p.m.**
Venue: **Basement 2, FPCCI Head Office Karachi**

FPCCI has arranged special Zoom link facility for the outstation Appellant(s) / Respondent(s). Those who are unable to attend physically may avail the hearing via Zoom Link, by the following link:

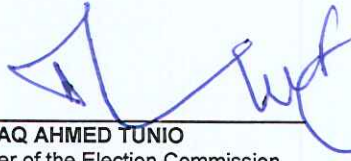
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Punctuality of time is requested. Also you are requested to be precise and brief.

In case of non- appearance, the case shall be decided ex-parte.



ARSHAD KHURSHID
Member of the Election Commission



ASHFAQ AHMED TUNIO
Member of the Election Commission

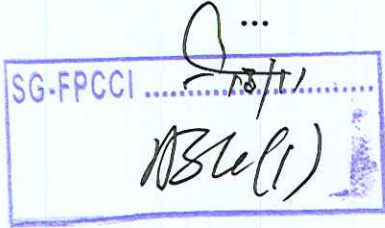


ANJUM RASHEED BAWA
Member of the Election Commission

Copy to: Directorate General of Trade Organizations, Islamabad
Secretary General FPCCI

**BEFORE THE ELECTION COMMISSION OF THE FEDERATION OF PAKISTAN
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.**

Muhammad Ali Farooq director, M/s. Pakistan Airconditioning and Refrigeration Corporation (Pvt.) ltd 11-Modern Co-operative Housing Society, Main Tipu Sultan Road, Karachi



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... APPELLANT

Versus



1. Ms. Quratulain Zahid (Associate) as EC & GB.
2. Mr. Faisal Salim Vohra (Corporate) as GB as director M/s Advance Corporation, Room No.30, First Floor Arkey Square, Shahrah-e-Liaqat, Karachi.
3. Federation of Pakistan Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Federation House, Main Clifton, Block-5, Abdullah Shah Ghazi, Road, Karachi, Through, its Secretary General.

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RESPONDENTS

**APPEAL UNDER RULE 18(6) OF THE TRADE ORGANIZATIONS RULES, 2013
AGAINST THE ORDER PASSED BY THE SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE FPCCI.**

Respectfully Sheweth:

- 1). That through the instant appeal the appellant respectfully seek to impugn the Order dated 05-11-2023 ("the **Impugned Order**"). Through the impugned order the Secretary General of the FPCCI, rejected the objection filed by the appellant.
- 2). That the Appellant filed the objection before the Secretary General of the FPCCI against the Respondent No. 1 & 2 , that for purposes of enrolling or renewal of membership of the FPCCI it is condition precedent that the Trade Organization have valid licence under section 3 of the Trade Organizations Act, 2013.

That the licence issued to the Pakistan Agriculture and Dairy Farmers Association ("PADFA") has been cancelled/expired therefore according to Article 3 of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the FPCCI read

with Article Section 10 of the Trade Organizations Act, 2013 the PADFA is not eligible to be enrolled/admitted as member of the FPCCI, consequently is not eligible to participate in the elections of the FPCCI for the year 2023. It is further submitted that the conduct of the Secretary General and the other staff of the FPCCI be inquired regarding issuance of the renewal of the PADFA with FPCCI in violation of the Trade Organizations Rules, 2013 as well as the Memorandum and Articles of Association.

That the Pakistan Agriculture and Dairy Farmers Association (PADFA) nominated Ms. Quratulain Zahid (Associate) as EC & GB but no business of related to dairy farming is mentioned in the provisional voter list. The NTN profile of the above said nominee reflects that it does not have any business of Agriculture and Dairy Farming. The as per the Section 3(2) d of the Trade Organizations 2013 is organized to represent the stake holders of Agriculture and Dairy Farmers therefore the above said business concern is not a valid member as the above referred business concern does qualify the criteria of the PADFA as provided in the Articles and Memorandum of Association read with Rules 2(c)(g) and 3(2) (a) of the Trade Organizations Rules 2013. Consequently, the above said nominee could not be nominated as representative of the PADFA hence the said nominee is not eligible to participate in the FPCCI's election and his nomination is liable to be rejected.

That PADFA also nominated Ms. Faisal Salim Vohra (Corporate) as GB as director M/s Advance Corporation which related to dairy farming is mentioned in the provisional voter list. The NTN profile of the above said nominee reflects that it does not have any business of Agriculture and Dairy Farming. The as per the Section 3(2) d of the Trade Organizations 2013 is organized to represent the stake holders of Agriculture and Dairy Farmers therefore the above said business concern is not a valid member as the above referred business concern does qualify the criteria of the PADFA as provided in the Articles and Memorandum of Association read with Rules 2(c)(g) and 3(2) (a) of the Trade Organizations Rules 2013. Consequently, the above said nominee could not be nominated as representative of the PADFA hence the said nominee is not eligible to participate in the FPCCI's election and his nomination is liable to be rejected.

That Section 3(2) (d) read with section 7(3) of the 2013, Act and Rule 2(c) of the 2013 Rules provides that an Association is organized to represent specific trade, industry or services. The above said representatives does not have any business of Agriculture and Dairy Farming therefore are not a valid member of the PADFA are not eligible to be nominated as representative of the PADFA for the FPCCI's election for 2023.

- 3). That the Secretary General of FPCCI through the impugned order failed to appreciate the vital question of law and facts that were urged before the Secretary General Respondent and is liable to be set aside on the following amongst other grounds:-

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- a). That the impugned order is against the law, facts and circumstances of the case available on record.
- b). That the Secretary General while passing the impugned order did not apply its judicial mind and rendered the order contrary to the law hence the impugned order is not sustainable in the eyes of law.
- c). That the impugned order was passed without application of mind and reasoning while deciding the objection, thus the same is non speaking order and cannot be sustained in the eyes of law.

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- d). That the impugned order was passed out side of the scope and limitations of the law and is not sustainable.
- e). That the Secretary General FPCCI passed the impugned order in sheer violation of the Trade Organizations Rules, 2013 and the Trade Organization Act, 2013, which provides the complete mechanism for the inclusion/ exclusion /deletion of any entry in the Provisional/ Final voter list hence the impugned order is not sustainable in the eyes of law.
- f). That the impugned order was passed in violation of Fundamental Rights and Principles of natural justice. That Rule of Justice demands that before any adverse order, penalty or liability was passed or imposed upon a party, it should be afforded full opportunity to meet the case and rebut the evidence used against it hence the impugned order is not sustainable in the eyes of law.

- g). That the learned Secretary General while passing the impugned order overlooked the factum that the Trade Organization Act, 2013 which stipulates the procedure in case of contravention of any provision of the Act or any rule or order or instruction, the impugned order was passed by the learned Election Commission arbitrarily, illegally and tantamount to abuse of law, authority as well as the infringement of constitutional and fundamental rights of the appellant ensured under the constitution of Pakistan, hence the impugned order is void, unfair, unjust, unwarranted, arbitrary, malafide, illegal and ineffective qua the rights of the petitioner.
- h). That the impugned order was passed without application of his independent mind and without even realizing that the impugned order not only illegal but also against the Article 17 of the Constitution of Pakistan, 1973, hence the respondent failed to discharge his duties as per exigencies of his statutory responsibilities and acted in excess of their statutory responsibilities and acted in violation of his lawful authority and in violation of law and constitutional mandate. Therefore, the conduct of the respondent no.1 & 2 is violative of the dictates of the Honble Superior Court and needs to be judicially reviewed by this Learned Authority.
- i). That the impugned order is based on conjectures and surmises which is not sustainable in the eyes of law.
- j). That while deciding the case and passing the impugned order, the Secretary General did not properly appreciate the documents/evidence on record hence the impugned order is the result of misreading and non-reading of the evidence.

Prayer

In view of the foregoing, it is therefore, most respectfully prayed that while accepting the present appeal the impugned order may kindly be set aside in the interest of justice and the names of the Respondent No. 1 & 2 may kindly be excluded in the Final Voter List of the FPCCI.

Any other relief that this Authority Court deem fit and proper may also be granted to the Appellant Company.

APPELLANT

Through


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 Advocate High Court