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RESPONDENTS

HEARING # 69 (118 - 291)

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 Mirza Ishtiaq Baig, representing Pakistan Denim Manufacturers 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: Venue: Between 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. 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:

Zoom ID:

764 276 3799

Password:

fpcci1214

Link:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/7642763799

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

118 (291)

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

Mirza Istiaq Baig Director PDL Denim (Pvt) Ltd, Baig Tower, Plot #E-6, Block 7 & 8, Central Commercial Area, Main Shahrah-e- Faisal, Karachi, nominee of Pakistan Denim Manufacturers & Exporters Association for EC and GB of FPCCI.

APPELLANT

SG-FPCCI ASh(1)

Versus



- Shoaib Ahmed Proprietor M/s S.S. International Trading Corporation 1307/1308, 13th Floor High Q Tower, Jail Road Lahore, nominee of All Pakistan Car Dealers and Importers Association
- 2. Mr. Muhammad Kamran Khan (Associate) as GB Proprietor M/s Kry Car, nominee of All Pakistan Car Dealers and Importers Association.
- Federation of Pakistan Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Federation House, Main Clifton, Block-5, Abdullah Shah Ghazi, Road, Karachi, Through, its Secretary General.

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/appeal filed by the Appellant.
- 2). That the Appellant filed the objection before the Secretary General of the FPCCI against the Respondent No.1 namely Mr. Shoaib Ahmed (Corporate)

as EC & GB Proprietor S.S International Trading Corporation as nominee of APCDIA. The NTN profile of above said individual reflects that the said business concern is sole proprietor and the said business concern is neither a body corporate nor a sales tax registered manufacturing concern as well as not have an annual turnover of 50 million therefore does not fulfill the criteria of corporate member consequently could not be a member of All Pakistan Car Dealers and Importers Association (APCDIA) and Mr. Muhammad Kamran Khan (Associate) as GB Proprietor M/s Kry Car. The NTN profile of above said individual reflects that the said business concern is not related to a business of Car Importer and section 3(2) (d) read with section 7(3) of the 2013, Act and Rule 2(c) and 3 (2) (d) of the 2013 Rules provides that an Association is organized to represent the stakeholders of specific trade, industry or services. The business of the above said respondents does not related to Car importer therefore does not fulfill the criteria of being member of APCDIA. The respondents nominations are in violation of the Section 10 (2) (a) of the Trade Organizations Act, 2013 ("2013 Act") read with Rule 2(g), 11 and Rule 15 of the Trade Organizations Rules, 2013, ("2013 Rules").

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.

That the Respondent No. 1 & 2 failed to provide the any documents showing that the said respondents are related to business of car importer as well as the Respondent No. 1 is have not provided its return for the preceding year showing that he fulfills the criteria of being a corporate member, the Respondent No. 3, illegally and unlawfully rejected the objection filed by the Appellant. That in light of the judgment passed by the Honourable Islamabad High Court in Writ Petition No. 4172/2019, titled as Aftab Ahmed Barlas vs Director General Trade Organizations and Others (2021 CLD 204), if a

member is not qualified to be member of the trade body, then it would also not be eligible to represent that trade body in the FPCCI elections.

- 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 Secretary General 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 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 name of the Respondent No.1 and 2 may kindly be excluded/deleted 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

MALIK GHULAM SABIR
Advocate High Court