

## Government of Pakistan **Directorate General of Trade Organizations** (Office of Regulator of Trade Organizations) Ministry of Commerce,



State Life Building No. 7, 2nd Floor, Blue Area,

F. No. 6(86)/2023-TO

Islamabad, the December 6th, 2023

## ORDER IN ORIGINAL NO 35/2023

# Passed by Mr. Umar Dad Afridi, Regulator of Trade Organizations

Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar nominee of Jhelum Chamber of Commerce and Industry Versus

Election Commission of Federation of Pakistan Chamber of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI)

### Present in the hearing.

1. Malik Ghulam Sabir, Advocate (on behalf of appellant)

2. Mr. Wagar Ahmed Secretary General **Ihelum CCI** 

3. Malik Sohail

1. Ms. Mahreen Razzak (on behalf of Secretary General FPCCI)

2. Mr. Arshad Khurshid (Member Election Commission of FPCCI)

3. Mr. Anjum Rasheed Bawa (Member Election Commission of FPCCI)

4. Mr. Ali Nawaz Kharral, Advocate (on behalf of Respondents)

......Appellant/Complainant

.....Respondents

Date of Hearing:

30-11-2023

Place of Hearing:

OFFICE OF REGULATOR OF TRADE ORGANIZATIONS, DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF TRADE ORGANIZATIONS, STATE LIFE BUILDING NO.7, 2ND FLOOR, BLUE AREA,

ISLAMABAD.

Date of issuance of Order: 06-12-2023

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By this order the undersigned intends to dispose of an appeal filed by Mr. Ishaq Dar nominee of Jhelum Chamber of Commerce and Industry (JCCI) against decision of Election Commission of Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI) regarding exclusion of his name from the voter list of FPCCI. The case was fixed for hearing on 30-11-2023 which was attended by both sides.

- 2. The background of the case is that the Secretary General, FPCCI, dated 15-11-2023 excluded the name Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar, Corporate Class, from JCCI from the voters list.
- 3. The appellant submitted that he is a bonafide member of Jhelum CCI and having business concern in the relevant District. That during the hearing before the Secretary General, the appellant has submitted, income tax return, NTN profile, showing that the appellant is a bonafide member of Jhelum CCI and fulfills the criteria of Corporate Class.
- 4. The Respondent submitted that the appellant failed to avail the remedy under Rule 18 (6) of ToRs 2013, and hence did not appeal before the Election Commission FPCCI. Therefore, the instant appeal is not maintainable at this stage.

#### FINDINGS:-

- i. As per record submitted by the appellant it is clear that the appellant qualifies to be a corporate member of the Jhelum CCI as per Rule 2(1)(g) of ToRs 2013.
- ii. Hence, the appeal is liable to be allowed and decision of the Secretary General FPCCI set aside.

#### **ORDERS:-**

Arguments heard, record perused and relevant provisions of law examined in light of the above the following orders are passed:

- i) The instant appeal is allowed and Secretary General is directed to include the name Ishaq Dar M/s Kodak Express Color Laboratory nominee of Jhelum CCI in the voter list of FPCCI election 2024-25.
- ii) The matter stands disposed of accordingly.

(Umar Dad Afridi) Regulator (TO)

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Announced Dated: 06-12-2023.