

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(66)/2023-TO

Islamabad, the December 6th, 2023

ORDER IN ORIGINAL NO 60/2023

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

Muhammad Ali Faroog nominee of Pakistan Electronics Manufacturers Association Versus

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

Present in the hearing.

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

.....Respondents

......Appellant/Complainant

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



By this order the undersigned intends to dispose of an appeal filed by Muhammad Ali Farooq nominee of Pakistan Electronics Manufacturers Association against decision of Election Commission of Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI) regarding inclusion of name of Mr. Hamid Waheed nominee of All Pakistan Solvent Extractors Association (APSEA). 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 Election Commission FPCCI, vide decision No. 34, dated 23-11-2023, included the name of M.r Hamid Waheed, nominee from APSEA in the provisional voters list, and upheld the decision of the Secretary General, FPCCI, and the appellant's appeal was dismissed.
- 3. The counsel of the appellant submitted that, APSEA nominated Mr. Hamid Waheed, CEO, H.M. Extraction Ghee and Oil Industries Pvt Ltd as Corporate for EC &GB, in FPCCI elections 2024-25. The NTN profile of said nominee reflects that the business concern does not meet the relevant business sector. The said representative does not possess any position of Director or CEO in the relevant firm / company against the nomination.
- 4. The counsel of the respondent submitted that M/s Hamid Waheed, fulfills the relevant criteria of membership and having business concern in his NTN profile. Furthermore, appellant failed to submit any document at the time of hearing before Election Commission and Secretary General, FPCCI.

FINDINGS:-

The respondents failed to provide any substantial evidence to show that his business is relevant to the Solvent Extractor sector. Hence, the instant appeal is liable to be allowed .

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. The decision of the Election Commission is hereby set aside. The Secretary General is directed to exclude the name of Mr. Hamid Waheed from the voter list of FPCCI election 2024-25.
- ii) The matter stands disposed of accordingly.

(Umar Dad Afridi) Regulator (TO)