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

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F. No. 6(46)/2023-TO

ORDER IN ORIGINAL NO 71/2023

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

Mr. Omer Sarfaraz nominee of Pakistan Steel Pipe Line Industry Association Versus

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

Present in the hearing.

1. Mr. Ali Nawaz Kharral, Advocate (onAppellant/Complainant behalf of Respondents) 1. Ms. Mahreen Razzak (on behalf ofRespondents

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

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

4. Mr. Ghulam Sabir, Advocate (on behalf of Respondents)

5. Mr. Subhan Zahir Butt

6. Mr. Saeed Ahmed Butt

Date of Hearing:

01-12-2023

Place of Hearing:

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

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Date of issuance of Order: 06-12-2023

By this order the undersigned intends to dispose of an appeal filed by Sh. Omer Sarfaraz nominee of Pakistan Steel Pipe Line Industry Association against decision of Election Commission of Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI) regarding inclusion of nominees of Pakistan Pottery Manufacturers Association. The case was fixed for hearing on 01-12-2023 which was attended by both sides.

- 2. The background of the case is that the Election Commission FPCCI included the name of Mr. Saeed Ahmed Butt M/s Saeed and Brothers nominee of Pakistan Pottery Manufacturers Association on the basis that the he fulfilled the eligibility for the respective classes.
- 3. The Counsel for the appellant has argued that Mr. Saeed Ahmed Butt nominee of Pakistan Pottery Manufacturers Association does not qualify to become the member of Pakistan Pottery Manufacturers Association on the grounds that his business is not relevant to the pottery manufacture. Therefore, he does not fulfill the criteria of membership as per Rule 3(2)(d), Rule 11 and Rule 15 of Trade Organizations Rules, 2013.
- 4. The Counsel for the Respondent has maintained that Mr. Saeed Ahmed Butt is a bonafide member of the Pakistan Pottery Manufacturers Association and fulfills the criteria of membership of PPMA.

FINDINGS:-

As per record of FBR taxpayer profiles online, the respondent Mr. Saeed Ahmed Butt M/s Saeed and Brothers Pottery have valid business in the Pottery sector and therefore the respondent fulfills the criteria of membership of the Pakistan Pottery Manufacturers Association, as per Rule 3(2)(d) of TOR 2013. Hence, the appeal is liable to be dismissed.

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 dismissed and the decision of Election is hereby upheld. The Secretary General is directed to include the name of Mr. Saeed Ahmed Butt M/s Saeed



and Brothers nominee of Pakistan Pottery Manufacturers Association in final voter list of the FPCCI for the year 2024/25.

ii) The matter stands disposed of accordingly.

(Umar Dad Afridi) Regulator (TO)

Announced Dated: 06-12-2023.

UMAR DAD AFRIDI
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