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F. No. 6(53)/2023-TO

Islamabad, the December 6th, 2023

ORDER IN ORIGINAL NO 76/2023

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

Mr. Waheed Ahmed nominee of All Pakistan Fruit and Vegetable Manufacture
Association

Versus

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

Present in the hearing.

1. Mr. Ghulam Sabir, Advocate

.....Appellant/Complainant

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)

.....Respondents

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.

Date of issuance of Order: 06-12-2023

UMAR DAD AFRIDI
Regulator of Trade Organizations
Directorate General of Trade Organization
Ministry of Commerce, Islamabad

By this order the undersigned intends to dispose of an appeal filed by Mr. Waheed Ahmed nominee of Pakistan Fruit and Vegetable Exporters Importers and Merchants Association (PFVEIMA) against decision of Election Commission of Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FPCCI) regarding inclusion of name of Sh. Omer Sarfaraz nominee of Pakistan Steel Line Pipe Industry Association (PSLPIA). 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 declined the objection of the appellant and included the name of Mr. Omer Sarfraz nominee of PSLPIA on the basis that the Form A issued by the SECP shows that the Mr. Omer Sarfraz is one of the Director of M/s Eagle International Pvt. Ltd.

3. The Counsel for the appellant has argued that the NTN profile of Mr. Omer Sarfaraz M/s Eagle International Pvt. Ltd. reflects no such business registered with the name and style of M/s Eagle International Pvt. Ltd. Therefore, the said individual is not a Director of M/s Eagle International Pvt. Ltd nor he related to business of Steel Line pipe sector. Consequently, he cannot be a member of PSLPIA, hence, their nomination is liable to be rejected.

4. The counsel for the appellant further stated that as per Section 3(2)(d) of ToA 2013 the PSLPIA is organized for stakeholders of steel line pipe industry, therefore, the above mentioned business concern does not qualify to be a valid member. That the license issued to PSLPIA is expired, therefore, according to Article 3 of the M&AoA of FPCCI read with Article Section 10 of the TOA, 2013, the PSLPIA is not eligible to be enrolled / admitted as member of the FPCCI for the year 2023.

5. The Counsel for the Respondent has maintained that the nominees of the PSLPIA are bonafide members of the Association and fulfill the criteria of membership with PSLPIA. The Counsel for the Respondents further stated that the renewal of license is under process with the office of the Regulator TOs. Therefore, the allegations of the appellant are not valid.

FINDINGS:-

The license of the Pakistan Steel line Pipe Industry Association has been renewed up to year 2026. However, no documentary evidence showing that Mr. Sheikh Omer Sarfaraz has any relation with M/s Eagle International Pvt Ltd has been submitted with this office. Therefore, Mr. Sheikh Omer Sarfaraz the nominee of PSLPIA is liable to be excluded from the voter list of the FPCCI election 2024-25.



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 the decision of Election Commission FPCCI is hereby set aside. The Secretary General FPCCI is hereby is directed to exclude the name of Sheikh Omer Sarfaraz nominee of PSLPIA from the voter list of FPCCI election 2024-25.
- ii) The matter stands disposed of accordingly.



(Umar Dad Afridi)
Regulator (TO)

Announced Dated: 06-12-2023.

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