

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE LAHORE
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
HELD ON 19.06.2021 AT 1130 HOURS
IN AMIN HALL, LCCI BUILDING**

| <u>S.No.</u> | <u>Name</u> | <u>Designation</u> | <u>Name of Member Organization</u> |
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| 1. | Mian Tariq Rehman (In Chair) | President | Pharmasales International (Pvt) Ltd |
| 2. | Mr. M. Nasir Hameed Khan | Sr. Vice President | S. N. Traders |
| 3. | Mr. Tahir Manzoor Chaudhry | Vice President | Lever Engineering Industries |
| 4. | Mr. Ali Hussam Asghar | E.C. Member | Ali Commercial Corporation |
| 5. | Sh. Muhammad Ibrahim | E.C. Member | Cannon Foam Industries (Pvt) Ltd. |
| 6. | Mr. Nusrullah Mughal | E.C. Member | Al-Fatah Industries |
| 7. | Mr. Shafiq Ahmad Butt | E.C. Member | Ayesha Fabrics |
| 8. | Mr. Amir Anwar | E.C. Member | Crescent Dyeing & Embroidery (Pvt) Ltd. |
| 9. | Mr. Fiaz Haider | E.C. Member | BB Chempack Industries (Pvt) Ltd. |
| 10. | Dr. Riaz Ahmed | E.C. Member | Sharooq Pharmaceuticals (Pvt) Ltd. |
| 11. | Malik Muhammad Khalid | E.C. Member | Gojjar Electrical Company |
| 12. | Mr. Khadim Hussain | E.C. Member | Hussain Trading Co. |
| 13. | Sh. Sajjad Afzal | E.C. Member | M/s Afzal Machinery Stores |
| 14. | Haji Muhammad Asif Sehar | E.C. Member | Haji Asif Group International |
| 15. | Mr. Zeeshan Sohail Malik | E.C. Member | M/s I.Z. Traders |
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| 21. | Malik Riaz Iqbal | E.C. Member | Nadir Saidjan Industries |
| 22. | Mr. Mubashar Naseer Butt | E.C. Member | Body Media International (Pvt) Ltd. |
| 23. | Mr. Muhammad Kashif Bashir | E.C. Member | Muhammad Kashif Bashir |
| 24. | Mr. Maqbool Siddique | E.C. Member | Mian Cables |
| 25. | Mr. Saleem Asghar Bhatti | E.C. Member | Goshi Electronics |
| 26. | Mr. Shahzad Butt | E.C. Member | Ferista Enterprises |
| 27. | Mr. Muhammad Naeem Hanif | E.C. Member | Hian Communication (Pvt) Ltd. |
| 28. | Mr. Muhammad Ali Afzal | E.C. Member | Afzal Sons |

Mr. Shahid Khalil Secretary General LCCI

1. Recitation from the Holy Quran

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honor it. Mr.Nasrullah Mughal said that it is a prestigious house and President is our leader and we should give him due respect. He further said that as per his opinion there will be an appreciation for the Lahore Chamber for organizing this event particularly when a large number of Presidents of other Chambers will be participating in this event.

3. Approval of the Minutes

The minutes of Executive Committee meeting held on 26.04.2021 were approved by the house with the following observations:-

- 3.1 Mr.Khadim Hussain again requested to write a letter to DG LDA for acquiring map of private area near Ganda Singh, Kasur. The Chair informed the house that LDA Facilitation Desk has been established at LCCI. He said that LDA staff deputed at Facilitation Desk and he would be asked to arrange this information.
- 3.2 Mr. Khadim Hussain further said that the issue of drug addicts at Ferozepur Road is still pending and called for its out-of-box solution. The Secretary General briefed the house about measures to overcome the challenge.
- 3.3 The Vice President suggested that LCCI should request Commissioner Lahore to constitute a Committee comprising TMO, AC, SP along with concerned members for resolving drug addicts issue Ferozpur Road.
- 3.4 Mr. Mardan Zaidi suggested to get LCCI Executive Committee Member nominated at Price Control Committee on permanent basis so that the issues related to Prices could be resolved.
- 3.5 The Vice President endorsed the view point of Mr.Mardan Ali Zaidi regarding Price Control Committee and suggested that members of Price Control Committee should be from the business community only.
- 3.6 Mr. Mardan Zaidi said that it was discussed in a meeting with Mr. Saleem Mandviwala, the then Deputy Chairman Senate, that FBR Standing Committee would be constituted. He requested for its follow-up so that their issues related to FBR could be resolved.
- 3.7 Mr. Naeem Hanif said that the issue of mobile phone signals could not be resolved so far while all our businesses depend on internet. The Chair said that in the meeting Chairman PTA expressed that the mobile signals problem would be resolved within six months. Mr. Naeem Hanif further said that CNICs and Thumb impressions are being misused by the SIMS vendors and suggested to write letters to NADRA and PTA in this regard. He also endorsed the view point of Mr.Mardan Ali Zaidi regarding LCCI nomination on Price Control Committee.
- 3.8 The Vice President suggested that the Federal Minister for Telecommunication should be invited at LCCI to discuss the issues related to PTA and signals problem raised by Mr. Naeem Hanif. He said that LCCI highlights signal problem but media

sahib did not match with the Mic System therefore it could not be installed and it is available in LCCI Store. The SVP asked the Finance Manager to check the said expense in the ledger. Secondly the SVP said that an amount of Rs.593,725/- mentioned for Solar System has actually been spent for repair of steel structure of Fifth Floor. He suggested that its head should be changed accordingly.

- 3.17 Mr. Naeem Hanif suggested that prior approval should be sought from the EC for internal expenses of the Chamber to avoid any mistake so that we could save ourselves if an audit is conducted in future. The Chair asked Vice President to explain in this regard. The Vice President said that the Accounts Statement is presented in EC meetings and expenses are also mentioned for approval of the EC which are implemented after EC approval and the remaining expenses are budgeted which are already approved by the Budget Committee. He further said that the approval of other expenses is required from the EC and if EC is not in favor of expenses then EC should not approve the expenses.
- 3.18 The Vice President requested that the members should focus on agenda item and check that if the minutes have been recorded correctly or not and the points other than agenda should be discussed in 'Any Other Item'.

4. Implementation of the Decisions of the EC

Implementation Report on the decisions of the previous Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting was approved by the house with the following observations:-

- 4.1 Sh. Sajjad Afzal said that he had requested to arrange his meeting with Chairman FBR to discuss tax related issues but neither meeting was arranged nor letter was sent. The Secretary General replied that the Chairman FBR is reluctant to have a meeting due to COVID but letter would be sent.

5. List of Activities

The house approved the activities of the Chamber for the period 05.04.2021 to 12.06.2021 with the following observations:-

- 5.1 The Vice President pointed out that an Adhoc Committee was constituted for "Establishment of Industrial Estate in Private Sector" which should be changed with "Special Economic Zone" and same should be changed in the list of Activities accordingly. The Chair agreed.
- 5.2 The Chair said that the Vice President, LCCI chaired several meetings of Special Economic Zones and in this regard some members from Export Processing Zone Karachi are interested to jointly work with LCCI. He has advised them to have a meeting with the Vice President who is heading SEZ Committee for further discussion on the subject and if they want to work with LCCI, it will be beneficial for us.
- 5.3 Dr. Riaz Ahmed said that a DRAP meeting was held at LCCI but it was not in the Daily Engagement Sheet nor the concerned persons were informed. He said that since

- 6.3 The Vice President said that last year LCCI received millions of rupees in respect of security of visa recommendation letters and Achievement Awards from the members but unfortunately the said amount had to be returned to the members and it is a main reason of decrease in short term investment.
- 6.4 Mr. Wasif Yousaf asked about the budget of Cleaning and Sanitation which was Rs.10 lakh while Rs.29 lakh have been spent upto May. The Finance Manager explained that normally budget was allocated as per previous practice but due to COVID-19, the expenses increased for purchasing of sanitizers/masks, cleaning and disinfectant sprays in LCCI, therefore the budget has gone in negative.
- 6.5 Mr. Muhammad Ali Afzal pointed out that there was no need to spend a huge amount on disinfectant sprays in LCCI while LCCI is in deficit. The Chair said that it is not only spray but they are using deep disinfection system at discounted rates. The Governor House, CM House and Gymkhana Club paid much more for this deep disinfection. He invited all EC members for checking the disinfection system as and when they are available.
- 6.6 The Vice President said that on page 9 of Accounts Statement under the heading of Membership Services, the budgeted amount was Rs.90.363 million while we received Rs.41 million and we are facing shortfall of Rs.42.8 million due to decrease of income from membership services.
- 6.7 Mr. Wasif Yousaf suggested that when LCCI expenses exceed budget amount it should be brought to Executive Committee for discussion and approval of the house.
- 6.8 Mr. Abdul Wadood Alvi said that we are discussing the deficit budget but we should find the solution that how we can increase income. The Chair said that LCCI has tried its level best to generate maximum revenue and in this regard organized various Seminars, Foreign Language Courses, Training Programs and IT Awards. Mr. Abdul Wadood Alvi further suggested that annual membership subscription should be increased in the forthcoming AGM to meet the expenses of the Chamber. The Chair said that the permission of Leaders of both the groups would be required to increase annual membership subscription.
- 6.9 Sh. Muhammad Ibrahim also shared his views saying that we should not criticize the Office-Bearers as they have a lot of experience and running their own businesses in a good manner and if they make any decision, we should honor them.
- 6.10 Mr. Muhammad Nadeem Qureshi suggested that when budget is sealed and later on the expenses increased, it must be approved by the house for the sake of future.
- 6.11 Mr. Amir Anwar suggested that LCCI is in deficit since last year, therefore we should curtail the unnecessary expenses.
- 6.12 The Vice President said that the EC members have the right to give proposals/ suggestions regarding accounts. He further said that the participation of EC members in the meetings is very disappointing and requested to attend the meetings at LCCI on regular basis.

9. **ANY OTHER ITEM**

The following additional items were brought for discussion with the permission of the Chair:-

- 9.1 Sh. Muhammad Ibrahim said that in the present budget government has imposed serious penalties on minor faults and especially most of our industry utilizes imported raw material. Secondly they demand that the packing list and invoice must be available in the container otherwise first time penalty would be Rs.100,000/- and second time Rs.200,000/- and up to Rs.500,000/- and after that the importer will be backlisted through WeBoc while it is the fault of the supplier. He requested to take up this issue with the concerned authorities. The Senior Vice President said that he discussed both issues some days ago with Mr. Shaukat Tareen, Finance Minister who informed him that the Section 203 would be withdrawn.
- 9.2 Sh. Muhammad Ibrahim further said that the government has also imposed tax on all Electronic Bank Transactions and in addition they have included 83 items in Schedule-3 for which taxes worth billions of rupees have been increased which is undue burden on the business community, particularly for industrialists. It is a serious issue which should be discussed with the concerned authority.
- 9.3 Haji Muhammad Asif Sehar said that his membership file was misplaced and requested to issue him a letter in this regard. He further said that he visited DGTO office to seek information about calling EGM to increase membership fee of foreign companies. The DGTO office told him that the Lahore Chamber can send Notices of EGM to some members for increasing membership fee. The Chair said that as per Trade Organization Rules the Notice of EGM is sent to all members of the Chamber instead of a few members. Secondly, Haji Muhammad Asif cannot visit the DGTO office without permission of LCCI Office-Bearers but only Secretary General LCCI is allowed to visit DGTO office on behalf of the Lahore Chamber. Haji Muhammad Asif requested the Chair to consider the issue of EGM.
- 9.4 Dr. Riaz Ahmed said that the Punjab Small Industrial Estate Kasur has intimated the plot owners that their plots would be cancelled if they do not start the construction by June 30, 2021. He requested the Chair to send a letter to MD, PSIC to extend the date for one year i.e. June 30, 2022 and also arrange a meeting with MD. The Chair directed the Secretary General to write a letter to MD, PSIC for extension of building period.
- 9.5 Mr. Khadim Hussain congratulated the President for establishing Vaccination Centre at LCCI which is a very good initiative and a big achievement of LCCI. The Chair also offered vaccination for member companies having 500 or above employees and said he will request DC Lahore to send mobile van for their vaccination. The house appreciated the Chair.
- 9.6 Mr. Khadim Hussain further suggested the Chair that the LCCI should request the government to increase the timings of markets up to 10pm. Secondly the Marriage Halls Association has not been allowed to open marriage halls so far while last year they were allowed with 50% of the capacity. The Chair said that he already had a

- 9.14 Mr. Mardan Ali Zaidi pointed out budget related issues and said that the adjustment of input tax was 90% but if a company is registered with Stock Exchange/SECP it will claim 100% input. He suggested that the proposed allowance of 100% input adjustment of sales tax for public listed companies should also be extended to integrated retailers as their sales are being reported transparently in real-time to the tax authorities.
- 9.15 Mr. Mardan Zaidi said that the Punjab Government has increased rate of water for industry. He suggested that the increase on water should be rationalized. He requested to take up this issue with the concerned authorities.
- 9.16 Mr. Mardan Ali Zaidi said that the Government has increased about 70% Toll Tax and also tax exemption on loading vehicles has been withdrawn due to which inflation rate has increased. He further said that there was a different ratio of property tax on rented and owner of the property but now the government has imposed the property tax with the same ratio on rented and owner of the property instead of giving exemption during COVID. He suggested that it should be taken up with concerned authorities.
- 9.17 He said that LDA is serving notices to arrange lift, separate toilet and ramps for wheelchair users in all commercial buildings. He added that most of the buildings have old structure and there is no provision for installation of these facilities. He suggested that it should be applied only on construction of new buildings while the old buildings should be exempted. The Vice President endorsed Mr. Mardan Ali Zaidi regarding notices of LDA for commercial buildings and said that he also received notice of his residential building.
- 9.18 Mr. Mardan Ali Zaidi said that Aabyana on agriculture land has increased 100% from Rs.270/- to Rs.550/- and suggested to look into this matter. He also pointed out that the government has imposed Rs.500 CNIC receiving charges instead of providing this facility free of cost first time. He requested the Chair to raise the voice on these issues.
- 9.19 The Vice President said that Mr. Wasim Chawala visited LCCI and requested the President LCCI for construction of Cargo Terminal in Township Industrial Estate. He further said that he had two meetings with the Railway Minister to discuss the said matter and the Minister has issued instructions to Mr. Mazhar Hussain, Terminal Incharge and LCCI has also received a letter in this regard. He informed that the Minister accepted our both proposals i.e. Cargo Terminal at Township Industrial Estate and the proposal of Senior Vice President for Mughalpura Dry Port for which the Minister will visit both the sites. Moreover the Minister said that in Harbanspura there is a lot of Railway land and has desired to construct a State-of-the-Art Cargo Terminal and Traffic Police Office which is also linked with Motorway, Link Road and domestic road. He suggested that we should invite the Minister to visit the sites at Mughalpura Dry Port and then we will have a meeting with the Minister at LCCI.
- 9.20 The Vice President also informed that he has been approached by the LCCI members that the various Departments i.e. Income Tax, Sales Tax, Social Security etc. are issuing notices to the members near 30th June just to get the money for withdrawal of notices. They requested that LCCI should raise voice in this regard. The Chair directed Secretary General to note down the point.

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| 5. | Ch. Muhammad Nusrat Tahir | E.C. Member | CMI Poultry Farms Raiwind |
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| 15. | Mr. Yasir Khurshid | E.C. Member | Lead Concept |
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| 20. | Mr. Muhammad Naeem Hanif | E.C. Member | Hian Communication (Pvt) Ltd. |
| 21. | Mr. Shahid Nazir | E.C. Member | Filter House |
| 22. | Mr. Ali Afzal Chaudhry | E.C. Member | Afzal Sons |
| 23. | Mrs. Tehmina Saeed Chaudhry | E.C. Member | The Data Group |

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i) Approval of LCCI Election Schedule 2021

The Secretary General briefed the house that the LCCI Election process will start from 14th July, 2021 and Election Schedule would be placed on Notice Board of LCCI and website as per law. The provisional list of voters will be displayed on July 26 and final list of voters will be issued on August 28, 2021. The nomination papers will be received on 2nd September and withdrawal of nomination papers will be received on 18th September. The Election of Corporate Class and Associate Class would be held on 24th & 25th September, 2021 respectively and Annual General

Meeting will be held on 30th Sept. 2021. He requested the house for approval of the LCCI Election Schedule 2021. The house unanimously approved the Election Schedule 2021 without any amendment.

The Chair apprised the house that **Rs.25,000/-** will be charged from the candidates along with nomination papers (non-refundable) as Election Fee which was already approved by the Executive Committee and DGTO in 2020.

ii) **APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION COMMISSION**

Mian Tariq Misbah, President LCCI proposed the names of Engr. Sohail Lashari, Former President LCCI, Mr. Kashif Younis Mehar, Former Senior Vice President LCCI and Mr. Shahzad Azam Khan, Former Executive Committee Member LCCI as Election Commission Members for LCCI Election 2021. The house unanimously approved the above names for LCCI Election Commission.

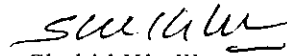
iii) **ADHOC COMMITTEE FOR PREPARATION OF STATUTORY REPORT & AUDITED ACCOUNTS**

The Chair proposed following names of the Executive Committee Members on Adhoc Committee for preparation of Statutory Report and Audited Accounts for the year 2020-21 to be presented in the forthcoming Annual General Meeting of the LCCI.

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| 1. | Mr. Tahir Manzoor Chaudhry (V.P.) | Convener |
| 2. | Mr. Khadim Hussain | Member |
| 3. | Mr. Muhammad Nadeem Qureshi | " |
| 4. | Mr. Wasif Yousaf | " |
| 5. | Mr. Abdul Wadood Alvi | " |
| 6. | Mr. Yasir Khurshid | " |

The house unanimously approved the above names for Adhoc-Committee.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to Chair.


Shahid Khalil
Secretary General