

THE KARACHI COTTON ASSOCIATION

(The Cotton Exchange, I.I. Chundrigar Road, Karachi)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 10 OF 2022-23

MINUTES

A **REGULAR MEETING** of the 91st Executive Committee of The Karachi Cotton Association was held in the Board Room of the Association, The Cotton Exchange, I.I. Chundrigar Road, Karachi on **Tuesday, May 23, 2023** at **12:30 hours** to consider the following Agenda:-

P R E S E N T

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| 01. | Mr. Muhammad Atif Dada | -Chairman |
| 02. | Mr. Rizwan Iqbal Umer | -Vice-Chairman |
| 03. | Mr. Asif Inam | |
| 04. | Mr. Abdul Jabbar | |
| 05. | Mr. Amir Javed | |
| 06. | Mr. Altaf Hussain | |
| 07. | Mr. Imran Maqbool | |
| 08. | Mr. Muhammad Asif | |
| 09. | Mr. Muhammad Adil Osawala | |
| 10. | Mr. Premchand | |
| 11. | Mr. Sharik Bashir | |
| 12. | Mr. Waqas Anwar | |
| 13. | Khawaja M. Zubair | -(Zoom) |
| | & | |
| 14. | Mr. Aftab Alam | -Secretary General |

The meeting started with the recitation from the **HOLY QURAN**.

MINUTES (51)

01. **To confirm minutes of the meeting No. 09 of the Executive Committee held on 27-04-2023.**

As no objection to the minutes of the Regular meeting No. 09 of the Executive Committee held on 27-04-2023 was received, the same were confirmed by the Executive Committee and signed by Chairman in token of confirmation.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE ASSOCIATION

02. (a) **To consider application dated 03-02-2023 from M/s. Al-Shahbaz Cotton Ginners & Oil Mills, for admission as member of the Association.**

The Executive Committee interviewed Mr. Ramesh Lal, Authorized Representative of M/s. Al-Shahbaz Cotton Ginners & Oil Mills who appeared before the Executive Committee via Zoom Link.

RESOLUTION NO. 84: After consideration, it was decided to ballot the application of M/s. Al-Shahbaz Cotton Ginners & Oil Mills for membership of the Association in the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

- (b) **To consider application dated 05-05-2023 from M/s. Piracha Sons Company, for admission as member of the Association.**

The Executive Committee interviewed Mr. Muhammad Arif Piracha, Authorized Representative of M/s. Piracha Sons Company.

RESOLUTION NO. 85: After consideration, it was decided to ballot the application of M/s. Piracha Sons Company for membership of the Association in the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

**PROVISION TO INCREASE AMOUNT OF GRATUITY PAYABLE
TO THE EMPLOYEES OF THE ASSOCIATION**

03. **To consider Office Note dated 12-05-2023 on the above subject.**

The Executive Committee considered an Office Note dated 12-05-2023 on the above subject.

The Executive Committee also considered, in detail, Statements showing actual Profit and Loss Account of the KCA for the last 05 years and projected Profit and Loss Account for the next 05 years placed before the Executive Committee in pursuance of E.C. Resolution No. 78 dated 27-04-2023 for consideration.

Chairman informed the Executive Committee that a short Sub-Committee, constituted by the Human Resource Committee in its meeting held on 08-06-2022, made extensive working on the subject matter in its various meetings and recommended that an amount of Rs. 3.00 million be allocated / given proportionately to all 10 Regular employees of the Association whose names were mentioned in the attached list, in addition to their gratuity amount as per KCA's prevailing calculation method for gratuity and their actual gratuity dues be calculated upto 30-06-2023 and the same be paid to all 10 Regular employees alongwith their share to be calculated proportionately out of Rs. 3.0 million and thereafter the chapter of gratuity in respect of all Regular employees be closed for future.

It was also recommended by the Short Sub-Committee that the Regular employees retiring earlier than 30-06-2023 would off-course have cut of date as per their last day in service.

RESOLUTION NO. 86: After consideration, the Executive Committee decided that special amount of Rs. 3.00 million be allocated / given proportionately to all 10 Regular employees of the Association whose names were mentioned in the attached list, in addition to their gratuity amount as per KCA's prevailing calculation method for gratuity and their actual gratuity dues be calculated upto 30-06-2023 and the same be paid to all 10 Regular employees alongwith their share to be calculated proportionately out of Rs. 3.0 million and thereafter the chapter of gratuity in respect of all Regular employees be closed for future.

The Executive Committee desired to keep in record that the above referred special amount was being approved by the Executive Committee due to the current economic situation and the highest inflation going on.

The Executive Committee also decided that the Regular employees retiring earlier than 30-06-2023 would off-course have cut of date as per their last day in service

PROVIDENT FUND ACCOUNT

04. **To consider Office Note dated 12-05-2023 on the above subject.**

The Committee was informed that the Executive Committee vide its Resolution No. 05 dated 01-10-2022 was resolved as under:-

“RESOLUTION No. 05: Resolved that Mr. Muhammad Atif Dada, Chairman, Mr. Humayun Zafar, Senior Vice-Chairman, Mr. Rizwan Iqbal Umer, Vice-Chairman (Trustees of the Provident Fund Account) be and are authorized alongwith Mr. Aftab Alam, Secretary General or Mr. Hassan Haider, Accounts Officer to operate jointly KCA Provident Fund Account and Investments Accounts with Bank or Post Office Saving Bank”.

The Committee was also informed that due to cumbersome procedure being followed by the Banks , it is not possible for the KCA to complete the process of biometric of all authorized signatories of the Trustees of Provident Fund Account in one day because one of the signatory of the Provident Fund Account namely Mr. Humayun Zafar, Senior Vice-Chairman is residing at Lahore

It was, therefore, proposed to the Executive Committee that in supersession of E.C. Resolution No. 05 dated 01-10-2022, a fresh Resolution be passed / adopted as under:-

RESOLUTION Resolved that Mr. Muhammad Atif Dada, Chairman, Mr. Rizwan Iqbal Umer, Vice-Chairman (Trustees of the Provident Fund Account) be and are authorized alongwith Mr. Aftab Alam, Secretary General or Mr. Hassan Haider, Accounts Officer to operate jointly KCA Provident Fund Account and Investments Accounts with Bank or Post Office Saving Bank.

RESOLUTION NO. 87: In supersession of E.C. Resolution No. 05 dated 01-10-2022, the Executive Committee resolved that Mr. Muhammad Atif Dada, Chairman, Mr. Rizwan Iqbal Umer, Vice-Chairman (Trustees of the Provident Fund Account) be and are authorized alongwith Mr. Aftab Alam, Secretary General or Mr. Hassan Haider, Accounts Officer to operate jointly KCA Provident Fund Account and Investments Accounts with Bank or Post Office Saving Bank.

**SETTING-UP 160KWp ON-GRID SOLAR PV SYSTEM
WITH NET METERING ON THE ROOF OF THE COTTON EXCHANGE,**

05. **To approve recommendations of the Committee, constituted in pursuance of E.C. Resolution No. 128 dated 24-09-2020, as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 11-05-2023 on the above subject.**

Chairman briefly apprised the Executive Committee about the progress made so far regarding Setting-Up 160KWp on Grid Solar PV System with Net Metering on the Roof of the Cotton Exchange Building.

RESOLUTION NO. 88: After consideration, the Executive Committee approved the recommendations of the Committee, constituted in pursuance of E.C. Resolution No. 128 dated 24-09-2020, as contained in its minutes of the meeting held on 11-05-2023.

BUILDING AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

06. **Recommendations of the KCA’s Building and Finance Committee as contained in the minutes of the meeting held on 18-05-2023.**

While considering the recommendation of the Building and Finance Committee dated 18-05-2023 against Agenda Item No. 01, Mr. Rizwan Iqbal Umer and Mr. Waqas Anwar suggested that in addition to the Banks earlier approved by the Executive Committee for making investment of the KCA in their Mutual Fund, Allied Bank Limited and Meezan Bank Limited respectively should also be approved for making investment of the KCA in their Mutual Fund.

Chairman informed the Executive Committee that the Executive Committee vide its Resolution No. 79 dated 27-04-2023 resolved to open Accounts of the KCA in HBL, MCB, NPB, Bank Alfalah, Bank Al-Habib and UBL for making its investments in their Mutual Fund.

He stated that the above referred suggestions of Mr. Rizwan Iqbal Umer and Mr. Waqas Anwar should be considered in the next meeting of the Building and Finance Committee.

RESOLUTION NO. 89: After consideration, the Executive Committee approved the recommendations of the Building and Finance Committee, as contained in its minutes of the meeting held on 18-05-2023.

**REVISION OF FEE FOR PARKING OF MOTORCYCLES IN
THE OUTER GALLERY OF THE COTTON EXCHANGE BUILDING**

07. **To consider matter relating to revision of fee for parking of Motorcycles in the outer gallery of the Cotton Exchange Building facing Habib Bank Plaza.**

The Executive Committee considered the matter regarding fee for parking of Motorcycles in the outer gallery of the Cotton Exchange Building facing Habib Bank Plaza.

Secretary General informed that the Executive Committee vide its Resolution No. 89 dated 24-05-2022 allowed parking of motorcycles in the outer gallery of the Cotton Exchange Building facing Habib Bank Plaza by charging a parking fee @ Rs. 400/- per motorcycle per month in advance for a period of one year ending 30-06-2023. Accordingly, 125 motorcycles were allowed to park in the Parking area referred to above on payment of Rs. 4,800/- (each Motorcycle) for the year 2022-23 (July-June) in advance.

The Committee considered, in detail, statement showing projected Profit and Loss of the Motorcycle Parking for the period from July 2023 to June 2024.

RESOLUTION NO. 90: After consideration, the Executive Committee, taking into the consideration of statement showing projected Profit and Loss for the year 2023-24 (July-June), allowed parking of motorcycles of Members/Tenants/Cotton Brokers and their employees only, in the outer gallery of the Cotton Exchange Building facing the Habib Bank Plaza by charging the existing parking fee @ Rs. 400/- per motorcycle per month in advance for a further period of one year (July 2023 to June 2024) commencing from 01-07-2023.

RATES COMMITTEE

08. **To appoint the Rates Committee for the month of June 2023.**

RESOLUTION NO. 91: After consideration, it was decided by the Executive Committee that the existing Rates Committee might continue for the month of June, 2023.

COTTON SITUATION

09. **To discuss the cotton situation.**

The Executive Committee observed that crisis in the Textile Sector was getting deepened because the concerned authorities was not paying attention to the issues of the Textile Sector owing to this, the exports of the country would further decrease as the result of non competitive energy and gas rates etc.

The Executive Committee also observed on the basis of Reports circulating in the Trade that current Cotton Crop was progressing well in the country.

RESOLUTION NO. 92: Noted.

GRANT OF LEAVE TO THE MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

10. **To grant leave of absence to the Members of the Executive Committee from attending the meeting of the Executive Committee.**

RESOLUTION NO. 93: The Executive Committee granted leave of absence to Mr. Humayun Zafar, Mr. Abdullah Hashwani, Dr. Jassu Mal, Mr. Muhammad Adil Naseem and Mr. Shahid Raza from attending to-day's meeting of the Executive Committee on the intimation received on telephone regarding their pre-occupations on other assignments.

Thereafter, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

-Sd/-
(AFTAB ALAM)
Secretary General
KARACHI: 23-05-2023

-Sd/-
CHAIRMAN
