THE SIALKOT CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY Minutes of Meeting of the Executive Committee Held on June 29, 2024

- **01.** A Meeting of the Executive Committee of the Sialkot Chamber of Commerce & Industry was held on June 29, 2024 at 02:30 pm at Sheikh Muhammad Shafi Hall of the Sialkot Chamber.
- **02.** Mr. Abdul Ghafoor Malik, President of the Sialkot Chamber of Commerce & Industry presided over the meeting. He thanked the members for attending the meeting.
- **03.** The proceedings of the meeting started with the recitation of the Holy Quran by Mian Fiaz Ahmed.
- **04.** The following members attended the meeting:

•	Mr. Abdul Ghafoor Malik	President
•	Mr. Wahub Jahangir	Senior Vice President
•	Mr. Amer Majeed Sheikh	Vice President
•	Mr. Ahmed Imtiaz Khan	-Member-
•	Mr. Awais Ahmed	-do-
•	Mr. Choudhry Jahangir Rashid	-do-
•	Mrs. Gulzaib Waqas Awan	-do-
•	Ms. Lubna Tubsim	-do-
•	Mian Fiaz Ahmed	-do-
•	Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz	-do-
•	Mr. Naeem Yousaf	-do-
•	Mr. Peeter John	-do-
•	Mr. Toheed Nasir	-do-

05. <u>Leave of Absence</u>

•	Mr. Adnan Yousaf	-Member-
•	Mr. Jawad Hussain	-do-
•	Mr. Matloob Ahmed Qureshi	-do-
•	Mian Imran Akbar	-do-
•	Mr. Saleem Akhtar Bhutta	-do-
•	Mr. Saqib Ashfaq	-do-
•	Mr. Shoaib Imtiaz	-do-
•	Mr. Zain Ul Abideen	-do-

06. Members who could not attend the meeting

• Mr. Afzaal Bhatti -Member-

07. Special Invitees

• Mr. Rana Nadeem, Chairman Departmental Committee on District Affairs Liaison

- **08.** The Committee offered Fateha for departed souls and passed condolence resolution on the sad demise of the following: -
 - Mr. Kaleem Raza, M/s. Halifax and Co.
 - Mother of Haji Yagoob Virk M/s. Pak Virk Industries
 - Mr. Mubariz Pervaiz Ch., of M/s. Mellow Industry
 - Grandmother of Mr. Waleed Iqbal M/s. Raw Surgical Corp.

09. Point	Approval of minutes of meeting of the Executive Committee held
discussed.	on June 29, 2024.

Discussion

Mr. Naeem Yousaf said the discussion of the members mentioned on Page No. 7 Point No. 18 regarding Approval of Report of a Training Session on Medical Devices Regulation (MDR) was not written down in the EC Minutes accordingly. He said that a detailed discussion was held on the point.

The Secretary General replied that it would be checked to make necessary correction.

Participants	Mr. Naeem Yousaf and the Secretary General.
Approval	Approved.

10. Point	Approval of Statement of Accounts for the month of May 2024.
discussed.	

Discussion:

Mr. Naeem Yousaf said that that being Chairman Departmental Committee on Accounts he would not approve the Accounts Statement because the meeting of Accounts Committee was not convened, hence the minutes were not properly scrutinized.

Mr. Aamir Rasheed Wyne replied that there was an audit of two years of Gratuity Accounts, due to which he was very busy and could not call meeting. Moreover, he was also maintaining the accounts of Seerat Study Center and Women's Chamber.

The President said to Mr. Amir Rashid that, at least, he should have informed Mr. Naeem Yousaf about his schedule.

Mr. Neem Yousuf said that it was the practice to send him accounts statement through Email but this time he did not receive Accounts statement through Email.

Mr. Aamir Rasheed Wyne replied that Accounts Statement was completed at the time when agenda was finalized which was sent to all members, hence he did not send Email.

The Secretary General asked Mr. Amir Rashid Wyne to sit with the Chairman and finalize the Accounts.

Mr. Amer Rashid Wyne said that financial years' audited accounts would be put up in next meeting.

The President said that anyhow, he should have informed Mr. Naeem Yousaf. He said that Mr. Naeem Yousaf had come to the Chamber two or three times and he should have discussed the accounts with him. He suggested to Mr. Amer Rashid Wyne to sort out the matter with Mr. Naeem Yousaf, for approval.

Mr. Awais Ahmed complaint that he did not receive the agenda. He said that it happened first time during the last 3 years of his tenure of EC Member. Secondly, as concerned to the issue of Mr. Naeem Yousaf, he said that Mr. Naeem Yousaf should have instructed his Committee Secretary to convene the meeting instead of waiting of a call of his Secretary or depending upon him.

Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim also said that he did not receive the agenda.

The Secretariat replied that the agenda was sent by hand and through TCS Courier, the proof of delivery could be checked from the record. Moreover, the agenda was also sent to all members through e-mail on their given e-mail addresses.

The SVP, VP and some other members confirmed about receipt of agenda through e-mail.

Mr. Awais Ahmed replied that he did not check the e-mail because it was difficult to study the agenda on mobile. He used to study the agenda received in hard form.

Mr. Naeem Yousaf replied that it was necessary to complete the Account Statement to hold the meeting and if he would not receive the accounts statement well in time, then how he could instruct to call the meeting.

Mr. Amer Rashid Wyne said that he would be careful to complete the Accounts Statement well in time.

Mr. Awais Ahmed asked about the high expense in the head of Printing & Stationery of Rs. 1,705,613/- during the month of May. He said that last month, an expense of Rs. 861,531 was made, for which it was explained that the expense was made for purchase of Membership Certificate.

Mr. Amer Rashid replied that the details of expense was mentioned on page 8-21. He said that the main expense was made on printing of SCCI Circular.

Mr. Awais Ahmed replied that he did not receive the bulletin.

Mr. Amer Rashid Wyne replied that the duty of Accounts Department was to make the payment of bill with the approval of the management, while delivery was a different issue. Most of the members present in the meeting complaint that they did not receive Chamber's bulletin.

Mr. Abdul Rauf informed that the bulletin was published after every two months.

The President said that a big amount was paid for the printing of bulletin which was waisted due to not delivery to members properly, therefore, it should be published once in a year.

Mrs. Gulzaib Waqas Awan and Miss Lubna Tubsim endorsed the suggestion of the President.

Mr. Awais Ahmed suggested to publish it after 6 months.

Mr. Naeem Yousaf suggested that a PDF file of the bulletin could be uploaded on Website instead of printing.

Mr. Amer Majeed Sheikh suggested that legal aspect should be considered before taking any decision.

The Secretary General said that it was charged from the members in the head of publication charges.

Mr. Amer Majeed Sheikh suggested to print the bulletin after every four months.

Mr. Naeem Yousaf said that the main issue was the delivery of bulletin to members because even he did not receive bulletin during the last 3 years.

After thorough discussion the house approved that the bulletin would be published after every four months.

Mr. Wahib Jahangir said that it had to be looked into why the members were not receiving the bulletin.

Mr. Abdul Rouf said that the matter of delivery of the bulletin had already been discussed many times in the Departmental Committee Meetings and with concerned authorities of Pakistan Post Office. The bulletin was dispatched to members by ordinary mail of Rs. 2 tickets for which no proof of delivery was received. The Officials of the Post Office had suggested to avail the services of Registered Post Mail of Post Office to ensure the delivery of bulletin. Moreover, the services were hired from TCS and other courier companies but they also failed to deliver the bulletin to members especially in rural areas.

The President said that Registered Post charges could be afforded, in case the bulletin was published after four months.

The Secretary General informed that the bulletin in PDF format was regularly uploaded on website, on regular basis as informed by Mr. Faraz, IT Incharge.

Miss Lubna Tubsim said that the agenda and other letters were received to all members regularly, so why the same source, to deliver the Chamber's bulletin to members, was not availed.

Mr. Toheed Nasir Mirza said that record of delivery of bulletin should be checked.

Mr. Wahab Jahangir said that cheap service was being availed which did not have tracking facility.

Mr. Awais Ahmed said that definitely some amount would be saved due to extend the period of printing of bulletin and it could be spent for getting better service to deliver the bulletin by paying extra charges.

The President agreed to the proposal of Mr. Awais Ahmed.

Mr. Abdul Rauf informed that the Registered Postal Service was the best option to deliver the bulletin which could be availed.

The Secretary General asked Mr. Abdul Rauf to post the next bulletin through Registered Postal Service.

Mr. Toheed Nasir Mirza said that Bulletin should be printed, twice a year, and poste by Registered Postal Service to get proof of delivery. He added that every month PDF file of Bulletin should be uploaded on the Chamber's Website for members to download from there. He said that the PDF file could also be sent to members through Email or WhatsApp.

Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim said that there were many SMEs who did not have computers or laptops etc., and could not afford to buy the system for checking bulletin online. The publication charges were charged from members and according to Trade Ordinance Rules, the Chamber was liable to print the bulletin. The members also published their advertisement in the bulletin by paying advertisement charges which was a source of income. He added that the matter was already discussed, in detail, during the tenure of Mian Imran Akbar and the Committee recommended to print 6 bulletins annually. Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim suggested that the bulletin should be printed regularly instead of printing after six months by keeping in view the facts. He said that there was a need to improve its delivery to members and, in this regard, the services could be hired from the service providing companies who delivered WAPDA/Sui Gas bills to homes.

Mr. Ahmed Imtiaz Khan said that the Officials of the Post Office had suggested to avail the services of Registered Postal Service of Post Office to ensure the delivery of bulletin.

Mr. Amer Majeed Sheikh said that Registered Postal Service could be availed from Pakistan Post Office and, in this regard, a meeting could be held with Post Office officials to finalize the charges and delivery assurance.

Mr. Taheed Nasir said that first of all detail of amount that had been spent in the head of bulletin postage should be checked. After that, the expenditure to be incurred on the Registered Postal Service should be put up in the house for further discussion and final approval. Secondly, as mentioned by Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim about the facility of computer or laptop, everybody was aware to use Social Media application like Facebook, WhatsApp etc.

After thorough discussion the house approved that the bulletin would be published after every four months and would be dispatch through Registered Postal Service of the Post Office.

Mr. Amer Majeed suggested Mr. Abdul Rauf to hold meeting with the concerned authorities of Post Office by getting onboard Sheikh Faisal Naveed, Chairman Departmental Committee on Post Office.

Participants	The President, Mr. Wahub Jahangir, Mr. Amer Majeed Sheikh Mr.
	Awais Ahmed, Mr. Naeem Yousaf, Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim,
	Mr. Toheed Nasir Mirza, Mr. Ahmed Imtiaz Khan, Miss Lubna Tubsim,
	Mrs. Gulzaib Waqas Awan, The Secretary General, Mr. Abdul Rauf
	and Mr. Amer Rashid Wyne.
Approval	Approved.

11. Point	Approval of minutes of Pre-Departure Meetings of Trade Delegation
discussed.	to Japan held on June 06, 2024.

Discussion:

Mr. Qaiser Baig said that visas for six delegates to Japan had been issued while the remaining visas would be processed by next week. The delegation would leave on July 15, 2024.

Mr. Naeem Yousaf asked how many persons from the Staff and Office Bears were going with the delegation.

The President replied that Mr. Amer Majeed Sheikh and Mr. Ammar Khan were going with the delegation. Mr. Amer Majeed Sheikh would lead the delegation.

	The President, Mr. Qaiser Baig and Mr. Naeem Yousaf.
Approval	Approved.

12. Point	Approval of minutes of meeting of the Departmental Committee
discussed.	on District Affairs Liaison held on June 07, 2024.

Discussion:

Mr. Nadeem Ahmed said that the meeting was arranged, on an emergent basis, to address the single-point agenda regarding sealing of Industrial Units within Sialkot District due to non-payment of conversion/building fees by the owners of Industries in Sialkot. Mr. Ulfat Shahzad, Chief Officer, District Sialkot was invited in the meeting and the matter was discussed in detail. After detailed discussion, it was

decided that the Department would stop sealing the industries and after Eid-Ul-Azha both SCCI and District Council, Sialkot would work jointly to resolve the issue amicably. Mr. Nadeem said that after the meeting, till date the department was in liaison with this Chamber and no industrial unit was sealed.

Miss Lubna Tubsim said that many Departments like Education, Women Empowerment etc., were working under the District Council. Did the Committee of Chamber cover all these sectors as well?

Mr. Nadeem Ahmed replied that the Committee looked into the applications/issues received from members and if she had any issue, it might be sent to the Committee.

Miss Labna Tubsim said that the District Council had lot of funds and, in this regard, liaison of the Education Committee of this Chamber should be developed with them for the facilitation to achieve the objective in a broader prospective. She said that it should be checked as what kind of services, the District Council could provide to this Chamber. She further said that all the working of the District Council should be discussed in the house, so that all the members should know about the facilities that could be availed from them.

Mr. Nadeem Ahmed said that as the Chairman of the Committee, his duty was to develop liaison with the Department and if any proposal was received it would be discussed.

Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim said that it was requested to change the name of the Committee which was also approved by the EC. Secondly as briefed by Mr. Nadeem Ahmed, nowhere in the minutes was mentioned that the Department and the Sialkot Chamber would be on-board/in-touch with each other regarding the issues of members. As per the minutes Mr. Ulfat Shahzad stated that the District Council would have every right to take legal action under Section 183. The detail of the industries sealed were also not been mentioned in the minutes. He suggested that the minutes should be recorded according to the briefing of the Chairman Committee. Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz said that on Point No. 8 of the minutes of meeting, it was mentioned that it was decided that the Sialkot Chamber after Eid-ul-Azha both SCCI and District Council would work jointly to resolve the issue amicably. He said that Mr. Ulfat Shahzad or any other member did not endorse it. Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim said that anyhow, the department would not stop to take action after June 30 because they had achieved their target.

Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim said that the Department had a budget shortfall and to meet it, they harassed industry owners and without any assessment sealed the factories and imposed fines which he himself had faced. He said that there should be a clarity from the Department. He said that it was the prerogative of the Office Bearers to hold the meeting of District Affairs. He was also the Chairman of a Committee and he could not work under any other Committee's Chairman, so he had requested to terminate the Committee or change the name of the District

Affairs Committee with Coordinator to the President.

The President asked Mr. Nadeem Ahmed that his reference should had been mentioned in the minutes as he had accompanied him in the meeting with DC. He said that Mr. Nadeem informed him that his meeting with DC had been arranged, so he also accompanied with him. He said that what Mr. Nadeem had stated was discussed in the same way in the meeting. The President said that the position of the Department was that industrialists misbehaved with them and did not even open the gate, so what should they do about it? I requested them to stop the action till June 30. He told Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim that issue of his factory was also discussed to which the Department replied that the factory owners should take a fresh assessment by themselves.

Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim said that the concerned officers did not issue assessment, they demanded the money otherwise create harassment.

Mr. President asked Muhammad Shahbaz Saim to submit his matter in writing so that he could take up the matter with the concerned for action.

Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz replied that he had brought his matter to the notice of the President.

The President said that he should have submitted his complaint, in writing, so that he could discuss with DC that a matter also happened with his Executive Committee Member.

Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim said that he was talking about other members.

The President replied that as concerned to other members, he had requested the DC to stop the action till June 30, 2024 which was accepted by him and also instructed Mr. Ulfat Shahzad for not taking any action, as per the commitment with the President.

Mr. Ahmed Imtiaz Khan said that the house should appreciate the better work of the Chairman Committee. He said that he had referred a case to Mr. Rana Nadeem which he resolved amicably. He informed that he also accompanied with The President in meeting with DC and all the issues were discussed as had been informed by the President and Mr. Nadeem Ahmed.

The President suggested Mr. Nadeem Ahmed that all the points should have been mentioned in the minutes including the visit to DC.

The Secretary General said that the points that were discussed in the Committee Meeting could be mentioned in the minutes, apart from that a report of the visit to an office could be prepared.

Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz agreed and said that his point was that the Chairman should brief the house according to what was mentioned in the minutes.

The President said that it was an official meeting with DC.

Mr. Nadeem Ahmed said that some matters were discussed off the record and could not be notified, as the DC arranged Chamber's meeting with Mr. Shahzad Ulfat on the issue, but insisted that his name should not be mentioned. Secondly, as suggested by the Secretary General a report could be prepared and attached with the minutes.

Mr. Toheed Nasir said that instead of arguing, the members should follow the rules/policies of the government because the government had to implement its laws at any cost. It was a temporary favor to members for the time being on behalf of this Chamber.

The President said that the members should fulfill all the legal requirements, even if they built a new single room, necessary approval should be gotten form the Government. He further said that the Government had instructed that no construction should be done without approval.

Participants	The President, Mr. Nadeem Ahmed, Miss Lubna Tubsim, Mr.
	Muhammad Shahbaz Saim, Mr. Ahmed Imtiaz Khan, Mr. Toheed
	Nasir Mirza and The Secretary General.
Approval	Approved.

13. Pc	oint	Approval of minutes of meeting of the Departmental Committee
discussed.		on Sports Activities held on June 14,2024

Discussion:

Mr. Awais Ahmed said that Rs 2 lakh was released to the Sports Committee for the event with England Cricket Club but detail of expense had not been received.

The President replied that he had requested Mr. Asif Ali Chairman Committee to submit the details of the amount to the Accounts Department regarding which he replied that he would submit.

The Secretariat informed that Mr. Asif Ali was out of country.

The President instructed the Secretariat to get the details of the amount of Rs. 200,000/- from Mr. Asif Ali to clear the account.

Participants	The President and Mr. Awais Ahmed.
Approval	Approved

14. Point	Approval of minutes of meeting of the Departmental Committee
discussed.	on Media on June 05,2024.
Discussion:	

Discussion:

Mr. Awais Ahmed discussed the issue about award of the shields only to few Media Persons by Women Chamber of Commerce regarding We Exhibit 2024.

The President requested Mr. Awais Ahmed to arrange a program by inviting all Media Person, in this Chamber, at an available date as per the schedule, to Award them Shields and Lunch. He said that Dr. Mariam Siddiqa would also be invited. He added that Sialkot media persons always honoreded this Chamber and mentioned its news on main page. They did not write anything negative about this Chamber.

Mr. Amer Majeed Sheikh said that he had suggested to Mr. Awais Ahmed to print Appreciation "Certificate" for media persons and present them in his Committee Meeting.

Mr. Awais Ahmed replied that the Media Persons did not agree on Certificate. They requested to award them shields. He added that he had also been promised a shield but still did not receive.

Miss Labna Tubsim asked Mr. Awais Ahmed whether he had any defined eligible media persons list for reporting or not and if available, it might be shared with Sialkot Chamber and Women Chamber so that they could invite only those media persons according to list.

Mr. Awais Ahmed replied that there were 15-16 media persons who attended the programs regularly and they also gave coverage of We-Exhibit.

Mrs. Gulzaib Waqas Awan assured Mr. Awais Ahmed for his Shield. She said that she own/support the decision of Dr. Mariam Siddiqa regarding distribution of shields because a misunderstanding was created regarding the list of media person. It was informed that there would be long list which could not be handled properly. Moreover, the Women Chamber had limited financial resources. She thanked the President for support and for handling the matter amicably. She assured that the next time such situation would not be created.

Mr. Awais Ahmed informed that the Media Persons requested that Sialkot Chamber should issue press release of all the important meetings/visits to publish in the newspapers. The Media Persons also expressed concern on appointment of Mr. Abdul Wahab Mir in this Chamber.

The President replied that Mr. Abdul Wahab Mir was the employee of this Chamber.

Mr. Amer Majeed Sheikh informed that Mr. Abdul Wahab Mir was appointed at reception of the Membership Department. He said that Mr. Wahab was working efficiently.

Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim also said that Mr. Abdul Wahab Mir was doing good job. He informed that while discussing, in the meeting with media persons about shields, he said that number of people were associated with the Media who gave electronic/social/print coverage and the Chambers could not give shields to all of them. The Chamber had a committee who defined the person to qualify for

the shield on the basis of their performance. Hence, names of persons who had given the coverage of "We-Exhibit" on Print/Social/Electronic Media be shared with this Chamber, so that they could shortlist for shields which they agreed. He added that the media persons also requested for the arrangement of homes on which he replied that Mr. Junaid Aftab had requested Mr. Mohsan Naqvi, Former Chief Minister during his visit to Sialkot but he did not reply.

Mr. Ahmed Imtiaz Khan said that he did not attend the meeting but his name was mentioned in the attendance list.

The President requested Mr. Awais Ahmed to prepare the list of Media Persons for awarding them Shields. The President informed that Press releases in Urdu and English were issued, on regular basis, with his approval but some media persons called him to show their efficiency that they had translated press release by themselves.

Mr. Awais Ahmed said that the Media Persons requested to forward them Press Release from Chairman Committee.

The Secretary General instructed Mr. Umair Nisar to forward the Press Release to Mr. Awais Ahmed, as well.

Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim said that he had recommended in the Committee meeting that the Chairman Committee should create a social media group in which all the press releases be uploaded for further circulation on other media group.

Participants	The President, Mr. Amer Majeed Sheikh, Mr. Awais Ahmed, Mr.
	Muhammad Shahbaz Saim, Miss Lubna Tubsim, Mrs. Gulzaib
	Waqas Awan, Mr. Ahmed Imtaz Khan The Secretary Gneral
Approval	Approved

15. Point	Approval of minutes of meeting with a group of Fourteen Officers
discussed.	of Foreign Service of Pakistan undergoing training at Foreign
	Service Academy (MOFA-ISB) held on June 05, 2024.
Approval	Approved.

16. Point	Approval of minutes of meeting with H.E Rahmat Hindirata
discussed.	Kusuma, Charge D' Affaires (Acting Ambassador) of Indonesia to
	Pakistan held on June 06, 2024.
Approval	Approved.

17. Point	Approval of minutes of meeting with the Officers (BS-19) of 35th
discussed.	Senior Management Course, form the National Institute of
	Management (NIM) Lahore held on June 12, 2024.
Approval	Approved.

18. Point Approval of report of meeting organized to hear and view the **discussed.** Speech of Federal Budget 2024-2025 held on June 12, 2024.

Discussion:

Mr. Naeem Yousaf asked whether the Sialkot Chamber also prepared its Annual Budget.

The President replied that Accounts Statement of every month was presented in the Executive Committee.

Mr. Naeem Yousaf said that institutions prepared their annual budget to make expenses within the limits set in budget. He said that during his tenure being Executive Committee Member, he had not seen any such document.

The President said that many members were discussing that the sitting management had spent lot of money in the construction work of this Chamber. He said that he would spend further money on some other works in this Chamber and in this regard, he had gotten approval from the Executive Committee. He said that despite spending too much, a healthy bank balance would be left behind, on completion of his tenure. The President said that Mr. Amer Rashid Wyne, Accounts Officer was also very much concerned about the Accounts balance of SCCI but when he came to him to sign the Staff Eidi Check, he inquired him the report of balance statement which was very satisfactory. The President said that even some members had also conveyed to the leadership that Chamber had spent too much, on which the leadership asked him, how much money had been spent to which he replied that a better balance would be available at the time of completion of this tenure. He said that the leadership had all information about the working done in this Chamber.

The President also discussed about the renovation work of Sheikh Shafi Hall, as committed by the Management of Sialkot International Airport.

Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim praised the President and said that he was conducting all the matters of this Chamber with complete focus.

The President said that Mr. Wahub Jahangir looked after the matter of banks and had managed well. He confirmed him about the report presented by Mr. Amer Rashid. Mr. Wahub also said that the report of opening balance, at the time, of taking charge as Office Bearers, and closing balance on completed of their tenure and the work done during the tenure would be shared in Annual General Meeting. The President said that if the solar panel project was not installed in time, the Chamber would have to pay a bill of 15 to 20 lakh Rupees per month as per the current electricity rates.

The house appreciated the work done by the Office Bearers.

Mr. Ahmed Imtiaz Khan asked the President about the next plan of action of Sialkot Chamber on FTR because the matter was under discussion of Social Media Groups. The President replied that the Sialkot Chamber was the first Chamber to take initiative on FTR. On 12th June, 2024 when the Government announced the budgets, Mr. Vice President condemned the proposal of FTR presented in Budget. On 13th June a Press Conference was held and on 14th June a delegation went to Islamabad to meet with the Officials to get relief on FTR. Now that the Government had approved the Budget so nothing could happen on it for a year, hence the members should work and maintain their account books.

Participants	The President, Mr. Naeem Yousaf, Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim,
	and Mr. Ahmed Imtiaz Khan.
Approval	Approved.

19. Point	Approval of report on Post Budget Press Conference to condemn
discussed.	abolishment of Final Tax Regime held on June 13, 2024.
Approval	Approved.

20. Point	Approval of Minutes of Meeting of Departmental Committee
discussed.	Garrison Head Quarter held on June 24, 2024.
Approval	Approved.

21. Point	Approval of minutes of meeting of the Departmental Committee
discussed.	on Human Resource held on June 27, 2024.
Approval	Approved.

22. Point	Approval of minutes of meeting of the Departmental Committee
discussed.	on Membership/Bye-Laws held on June 28 , 2024.
Approval	Approved.

Any Other Point:

- **23.** Miss Lubna Tubsim asked about the action taken on the requests made by Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz in last Executive Committee Meeting:-
 - 1. To establish of Tank Filling Station for Rescue 1122 at Pasrur Road.
 - 2. To nominate a focal person on the issue of impounding of stocks on non-production of import documents with the Collector Customs.

Mr. Wahub Jahangir while replying on Point No. 2 of the appointment of focal person, said that Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim had given a reference to the meeting with the Collector Customs, and replied that he did not remember about

appointment of focal person but still it could be re-checked. He asked the Secretariat whether it was checked or not.

The Secretariat replied that the matter had been settled because the Collector Customs had informed that no action was now been carried out on the shops.

Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim said that a person who was sitting beside the Collector suggested to nominate a focal person as nominated by Gujranwala Chamber.

The President replied that after some discussion, it was decided that the President Chamber could recommend any such issue which would be acknowledged by the Department.

Regarding Point No. 1 to establish filling Tank, Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim said that he had recommended to establish Tank Filling Station for Rescue 1122 at Pasrur Road and Bherth Both Area. Choudhry Jahangir Rashid was endorsed his proposal and also shared incident of fire in his factory in 2005 which was situated at Pasrur Road. It was decided that a letter would be written to Deputy Commissioner Sialkot in which a request would be made to generate funds for the establishment of Tank Filling stations for the Rescue 1122.

The President agreed and said that the letter would be written. He also requested Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim to ask his Committee Secretary to draft the letter and get it signed from him.

24. Mr. Amer Majeed Sheikh said that an application for reimbursement of medical bill of Rs. 136,395/- of C-Section/Cesarean Operation of wife of Mr. Muhammad Rab Nawaz, Naib Qasid Ammar Ahmed Khan had been received which required approval from the house.

The house unanimously approved the medical bill of wife of Mr. Muhammad Rab Nawaz of Rs. 136,395/-.

25. Mr. Amer Majeed Sheikh said that an incident of explosion of the Cylinder occurred at the house of Mr. Naveed Akhtar, Library Incharge that caused lot of damage. In this regard, he had requested for some financial help from the Chamber which was approved. He had again requested for some more help because his loss was more than Rs. 650,000/-. Mr. Amer said that if the house allowed, he could be given some more amount.

Miss Lubna Tubsim suggested that some required products of home use that were destroyed could be given to him instead of giving money as help. In this regard, a list could be acquired from Mr. Naveed for purchase of those items.

Mr. Amer Majeed Sheikh agreed on the proposal of Miss Lubna Tubsim.

The President said that Mr. Naveed had shared the pictures of Fridge and Stove that were burnt.

Mr. Muhammad Shahbaz Saim suggested to authorize Mr. Amer Majeed Sheikh to look into the matter.

26. Miss Lubna Tubsim said that Miss Sana, peon of the Women Chamber had requested to sponsor education fee of her son which was Rs. 50,000/- per year. She requested the house that it should be approved.

The President suggested to submit the application on which Miss Lubna replied that the application was submitted but was returned back. The President suggested to Miss Lubna Tubsim to forward the application to him and he would refer to Dr. Khurram Anwar Khawaja with his recommendation to approve from Education Funds.

Mr. Abdul Rauf said that he had received the application but sent it back to get it recommended by the President of the Women's Chamber.

The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Minutes approved by the President, Sialkot Chamber of Commerce & Industry.