



# PAKISTAN OVERSEAS EMPLOYMENT PROMOTERS ASSOCIATION

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## MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD ON

WEDNESDAY, 7th Apr 2021 AT 02:00 PM POEPA HEAD OFFICE

ISLAMABAD.

Respected Members,

1. The meeting Chaired by the Chairman, Mr. Muhammad Usman was held in the Meeting Room of POEPA Head office, ISLAMABAD on Wednesday, 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2021. Following officials and members had participated in the meeting:-

1. Mr. Muhammad Usman (Chairman)
2. Mr. Capt Naseem Akhter Mehmood (Senior Vice Chairman)
3. Mikaeel Khan Bangash (Vice Chairman)
4. Mr. Munawar Agha (Member, E.C)
5. Mr. Muhammad Feroz Khan (Member, E.C)
6. Mr. M. Rafiq Janjua (Member, E .C)
7. Syed Athar Iqbal (Member, E .C)
8. Mr. Sheikh Ali Sher (Member, E .C)
9. Muhammad Kabeer (Member, E.C)
10. Muhammad Riaz Khan (Member, E .C)
11. Mr. Dawood Khan (Member, E .C)
12. Mr. Abdul Rasheed Chaudhry (Member, E .C)
13. Mr. Umer Iqbal Warraich (Member, E .C)

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| 14. Qaiser Naeem Malik     | (Member, E .C)           |
| 15. Ghulam Hassan Jhangail | (Member, E .C)           |
| 16. Khalid Javed Malik     | (Member, E .C)           |
| 17. Qaiser Mehmood Kiani   | (Member, E .C)           |
| 18. Syed Khalid Jamal      | (Member, E .C)           |
| 19. Mr. Shahbaz Zeb Khan   | Secretary General, POEPA |

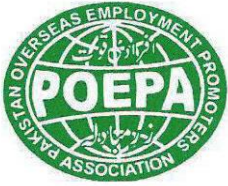
The meeting deliberated on the following agenda items:-

<b>AGENDA</b>	<b>Approval of accounts of incurred expenses in the month of (Feb-March</b>
<b>NO.1</b>	<b>2021) &amp; Minutes of Meeting (13<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021)</b>

The executive committee had thoroughly examine the expenses occurred in the preceding month of Feb-March 2021, the account sheets were circulated among all the members, Secretary General had briefed all the expenditures occurred in the aforementioned months for scrutiny & perusal, after the discussion over all the head of accounts the committee had unanimously approved the accounts for the month of Feb & March 2021.

### **Decision:**

The executive committee has unanimously approved the expenses occurred in the preceding months of Feb & Mar 2021. Furthermore the committee had approved the Minutes of meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021.



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<b>Agenda No.2</b>	<b>Appeal in Newspaper or press conference for reopening of Flight Operations and uplifting of travel restrictions.</b>
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Chairman had given the briefing over the meeting held in Saudi Consulate Islamabad 24<sup>th</sup> Nov and the commitments which were made in the meeting were unfortunately not filled due to change of the Head of the consulate section, but unfortunately the travel restrictions had halt the procedures and the process of the Consulate and Embassy. POEPA had sent several request letters to all the competent authorities to make fruitful efforts and policies to uplift the travel restrictions from Pakistani intending emigrants. The suggestions were rendered via letters to formulate the strategy of vaccination of all the intending emigrants on priority basis enabling them to join their employment abroad at the earliest possibility. Proceeding further, it was suggested to publish an appeal to the Prime Minister in a leading newspaper.

## **Decision:**

A unanimous decision by the executive committee was taken to publish an appeal in two leading newspaper, both in English & Urdu, it was further decided to limit the expenses, the appeal should be on quarter page of the newspaper, but the supplement publish in color and would be disseminated among the members for approval before publishing it in newspaper.

<b>Agenda No.3</b>	<b>Meeting Agenda with D.G Bureau &amp; SAPM</b>
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**The Chairman** had briefed that the meeting held with the D.G. Bureau & SAPM, all; the related issues were thoroughly discussed and debated in the meeting, possible solutions for the problems were recorded and the quick resolutions were directed by

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the SAPM to be followed and it was further committed that, POEPA can hold meetings after every six weeks, to bring forward the issues and predicaments of the OEPs, intending emigrants & Overseas Pakistanis community.

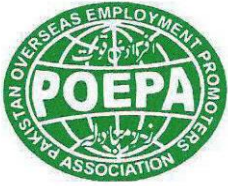
## DECISION:

It has been decided that POEPA Chairman along with executive committee members will held a frequent meetings after every six weeks with SAPM along with the D.G Bureau Secretary to resolve all the reservations of the Manpower promotion community.

<b>Agenda No.4</b>	<b>Meeting with the Ambassador KSA.</b>
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The Chairman had briefed about the efforts which were made to resolve the impending issues solely related to Saudi Embassy Islamabad, consecutive letters, follow up meetings, request through FPCCI and an unofficial meeting with the Ambassador at Movenpick hotel, but unfortunately due to some unavoidable reasons, we were not provided the time for meeting with the Ambassador, KSA. Whereas a meeting with Head of Consulate Section was held, but most of the burning issues are still anticipating to be resolved.

Mr. Mikael Khan Bangash had briefed the members that he had held the meeting with the Ambassador and Head of Consulate section to resolve the issues of Agreement (aqad amal), Blacklist agencies and issues related to Medical centers and he assures that soon, our requests and the issues of the OEP community will be resolved as per the commitments of the higher authorities in Embassy of Saudi Arabia.



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## DECISION:

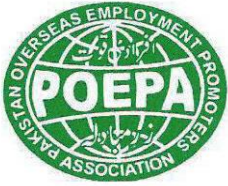
The committee had decided to continue efforts to resolve the issues related to Saudi Embassy Islamabad, through consecutive letters to Embassy, taking on board the Ministry and FPCCI to overcome the burning issues, likely to resolve with continuous efforts of the esteemed authorities.

<b>Agenda</b> <b>No.5</b>	<b>Proposals on Prime Minister office letter for regulatory difficulties being faced by the private businesses.</b>
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The Chairman had briefed the members regarding the meeting held with the Prime Minister's office team, in which certain reservations were recorded faced by OEP community. As for now the Prime Minister's Office had appointed a task force to collect the data of primitive issues and regulatory hindrances faced by the private sector in Pakistan, and find simplified and automated solution for unnecessary regulatory requirements. For this purpose a Performa was attached to be filled addressing all the unnecessary regulatory requirements and proposal for simplification, automation & elimination of primitive regulatory hindrances.

## Decision:

The executive committee had decided to circulate this Performa in the OEP community through various resources, and allow them to address all the hurdles and unnecessary obstacles of some rules and regulations by the Government, that needs to be simplified or eliminated to ensure the smooth functioning of the private sector manpower promotion sector.



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<b>Agenda</b> <b>No.6</b>	<b>Installation of CCTV cameras in POEPA head office.</b>
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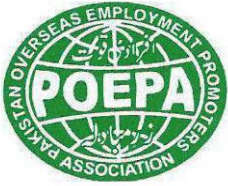
The requirement of the CCTV cameras were addressed by the Chairman, due to surveillance of the staff members and other security purposes, some of the committee members have opposed the installation of the CCTV cameras in association office.

### **Decision:**

1. It was decided to finalize the installation of CCTV cameras in association office by the vote poll, wherein the majority of the committee members were in favor of installing the CCTV cameras, henceforth it was decided to install the 4-channel CCTV cameras.

<b>Agenda</b> <b>No.7</b>	<b>Sindh High Court Petition4083/2020. Swat Court Casae and OEC W.P. in IHC</b>
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The Chairman had briefed the committee regarding the latest date of Hearing in SHC case, in which the reply of the regulator Trade organizations is pending, the secretary general had visited the RTO office, but due to surge in COVID cases the staff members are on leave and rotations, therefore certain tasks are still pending. Further SWAT court case for contempt of court was filed by Mr. Habib Ali Shah for which the advocate was paid Rs. 30,000/- to finalize the case as before that it has jurisdiction by the law. Moreover the W.P. of OEC is preceded further but the Ministry of OP & HRD had asked for more time for submitting their reply. The next hearing date for OEC case is not announced due to COVID surge, as the court will resume the new date will be



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announced at the website of IHC and will be informed by the notification to the counsel.

## Decision:

The executive committee had decided to pursue the pending cases, of SHC and Swat and find quick resolution, whereas as soon as the IHC resume its operations the attorney hired for the case, must render the application for hearing date for W.P 4276/2019.

<b>Agenda No.8</b>	<b>Reimbursement of Previous Loans and clearance of account payable on POEPA.</b>
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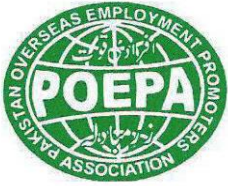
## Decision:

The committee had approved the accounts payable of R.s. 700,000/- on miscellaneous expenses mentioned tentatively in the accounts statements circulated among the members for approval as for now the association account had received a substantial amount in the membership renewal subscription fee. Therefore unanimous decision was taken to reimburse/clear all the accounts payable & outstanding dues till date.

<b>Agenda No.9</b>	<b>Status of renting POEPA Rawalpindi office, handing over of POEPA office in Karachi &amp; rent status of POEPA Lahore office.</b>
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The secretary general had given the detailed presentation on the rent received by the Lahore office and the pending rent till the month of April 2021. Wherein, Mr. Abdul Rasheed Chaudhary, member executive committee had cleared the outstanding dues and provided all the receipts of dues and expenses occurred in the month of November

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2020. It was also committed to provide the registry of the Lahore office for the POEPA official records. Further the rent till April 2021 was cleared for Lahore office. The case of renting out of Rawalpindi office was discussed in the meeting, wherein a committee formed in the previous meeting headed by Mr. Mikael Khan Bangash & Sheikh Ali Sher along with members from ISD/RWP zone were directed to acquire the keys for POEPA Rawalpindi office and rent out the premises at the earliest possibility. Furthermore the Chairman had briefed the committee about the matter of handing over Karachi office, he told the members that some senior members of our OEP community wanted to resolve this matter without any dispute and will amicably handover the premises to POEPA, only a final sitting/meeting is required to be happen before the settlement, which got delayed due to illness and surge in COVID-19 cases. He further mentions that, we have high hopes that soon we will be able to give good news to the community regarding the possession of Karachi office.

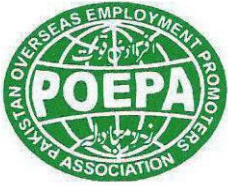
<b>Agenda</b> <b>No.10</b>	<b>Unnecessary blacklisting of OEP agencies</b>
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The executive committee had highly condemn the unnecessary blacklisting of OEP agencies by the KSA embassy, this practice had spread fear among the community members, although we are facing big hurdles and setbacks by the working environment of the embassy , since the new practice of unnecessary blacklisting of agencies had become an alarming situation for the OEP community business

## **Decision:**

After the detailed discussion, the executive committee had unanimously approved to send a letter to the Embassy to kindly record reasons on blacklisting of any agencies, unnecessary blacklisting is quite unfair and injustice. Further we will request the embassy to restore the agencies blacklisted before without any valid reason.





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<b>Agenda</b> <b>No.11</b>	<b>Appreciation of POEPA staff</b>
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The Chairman POEPA, had applauded and commended the performance of POEPA staff in membership renewal for the year 2021-22, proficient & competitive management, well-mannered dealing with the OEP community, he further emphasized that, not even a single complaint of delays or mismanagement was reported this year, which is highly acknowledged and accredited. The executive committee had valued & respected the team work displayed by the POEPA staff under the dynamic leadership of POEPA's Secretary General. The well-organized & efficient work presented by Mr. Faisal Pervez Abbasi & Jamil Ahmed in issuance and deliverance of Membership certificates and cards on time was highly appreciated by the executive committee, & further it was decided unanimously to give an increment to POEPA staff on this year's bonus/allowances and appreciation award/souvenirs at the occasion of Annual General Meeting 2021.

There was no further point to discuss. The meeting was adjourned with the greetings from/to the Chair.

**CC:**

- 1. Regulator TOs, Directorate General of Trade Organization.**
- 2. All members of Executive Committee.**



**(Shahbaz Zeb Khan)**  
Secretary General.