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MINUTES OF MEETING

Meeting: Pakistan Overseas Employment Promoters Association (POEPA)

Date: Tuesday, 9th May 2023

Time: 2:00 P.M

Location: POEPA Head Office, I-8 Markaz Islamabad

Agenda:

1. Approval of Accounts for MAR & APR 2023
2. Status and progress regarding POEPA regional offices in Rawalpindi, Peshawar & Karachi
3. Medical Center delays and issues
4. FORM-7 & BC related issues
5. Establishment of Gerry's office in Multan

Attendees:

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| 1. Mr. Aijaz Ahmed | (Chairman) |
| 2. Mr. Hafiz Faheem Iqbal | (Senior Vice Chairman) |
| 3. Mr. Asad Hafeez Kiyani | (Vice Chairman) |
| 4. Mr. Shakeel Ahmed Abbasi | (Member, E .C) |
| 5. Mr. Khawaja Khalid Ayaz | (Member, E .C) |
| 6. Mr. Syed Nizar Shah | (Member, E .C) |



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| 7. Mr. Abdul Rasheed Bhatti | (Member, E.C) |
| 8. Mr. Babar Feroz | (Member, E .C) |
| 9. Mr. Qaiser Ali | (Member, E.C) |
| 10. Mr. Malik Nauman Akram | (Member, E.C) |
| 11. Mrs. Rukhsana Asghar | (Member, E .C) |
| 12. Mrs. Hajra Tabassum | (Member, E .C) |
| 13. Mrs. Sofia Iqbal | (Member, E .C) |
| 14. Mr. Shahbaz Zeb Khan | Secretary General, POEPA |

MEETING PROCEEDINGS:

1. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR MAR & APR 2023:

The Secretary General presented the financial statements for the months of **March and April 2023**. After a thorough review and discussion, the executive committee unanimously approved the accounts for both months.

2. STATUS AND PROGRESS REGARDING POEPA REGIONAL OFFICES IN RAWALPINDI, PESHAWAR & KARACHI:

- The Secretary General provided an update on the status of the regional offices. It was reported that the issue of the Rawalpindi office is still unresolved, and the committee reiterated the importance of resolving this matter promptly.
- The committee was assigned the responsibility to actively work towards resolving the Rawalpindi office issue before the next meeting, but the committee has failed to negotiate with Mr. Aftab Khan for a resolve in to this matter, henceforward **Mr. Aijaz**



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Ahmed, Chairman POEPA has taken the responsibility of resolving the issue of Rawalpindi office through dialogues with the claimant Aftab Khan, and will find an amicable way out, it was assured by the Chairman that, Aftab Khan will handover the rightful property of POEPA.

- Regarding the Peshawar office, it was decided that **Mr. Qaiser Ali & Mr. Syed Nizar Shah** would continue efforts to sell out the Peshawar office, selling it at best value and submit reports to the POEPA executive committee in the upcoming meeting.
- The committee acknowledged that progress had been made regarding the Karachi office, with a rent agreement being finalised, and the committee approved the decision to commence rent payments from January 2023. The Chairman has apprised the members that he will deposit the rental payment from Jan 2023, in the POEPA official account and will send a copy of the rent agreement to Secretary General for official record & present the same formally to the executive committee in the next upcoming meeting.

3. MEDICAL CENTRE DELAYS AND ISSUES:

- The Secretary General briefed the committee on the delays and issues faced in establishing the proposed medical centres.
- The committee discussed the delays and issues faced in the issuance of medical reports by the medical centres in Peshawar and Multan.
- The committee highlighted an issue regarding certain employees within the medical centres who have been engaging in unethical practices. Specifically, they have been demanding additional payments through unofficial channels, which is causing delays and disruptions in the processing of medical reports. The committee expressed strong concern over these actions and stressed the need for immediate action. It was unanimously agreed that a thorough investigation should take place to identify the individuals involved. Additionally, strict measures, including enforcing regulations and taking legal



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action, should be implemented to ensure transparency and fairness in the medical assessment process.

- These individuals were also requesting repeat medicals and providing fake "unfit" reports as a means to create problems for intending emigrants and exploit them financially.
- The committee expressed strong concern over these actions and emphasised the need for strict actions against such employees and the implementation of a transparent and accountable process in the medical centres.

Decision:

It was decided that immediate measures should be taken to investigate and address these issues, including conducting thorough inspections, enforcing strict regulations, and taking legal actions against any individuals involved in fraudulent practices.

4. FORM-7 & BC RELATED ISSUES:

The committee discussed the ongoing issues related to the issuance of FORM-7 Bank Certificates and Birth Certificates (BC) from scheduled banks across Pakistan.

Decision:

The committee engaged in a comprehensive discussion regarding the persisting challenges concerning the issuance of FORM-7 Bank Certificates and Bank Certificates (BC) by scheduled banks throughout Pakistan. Recognizing the significance of resolving these issues promptly, it was unanimously agreed upon to establish a delegation. This delegation will actively collaborate with the State Bank of Pakistan and other pertinent authorities to effectively address these concerns and implement measures to streamline the entire process. The objective is to ensure a seamless and efficient issuance of FORM-7 Bank Certificates and Bank Certificates (BC) for the benefit of all stakeholders involved.



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5. ESTABLISHMENT OF GERRY'S OFFICE IN MULTAN:

- The Secretary General provided an update on the establishment of Gerry's office in Multan.
- The committee warmly welcomed this positive development and extended its full support for the establishment of the office in Multan.
- To ensure smooth progress in this endeavour, the Secretary General was entrusted with the responsibility of maintaining close coordination with Gerry's management through the Directorate General BEOE. Regular updates and effective communication channels will be established to facilitate the timely establishment of the office in Multan.
- This decision reflects the committee's commitment to expanding and improving the provision of overseas employment services, particularly in areas with increasing demand.
- The Secretary General was tasked with maintaining close coordination through DG Bureau with Gerry's management to ensure timely progress in establishing the office.

Conclusion:

The meeting concluded with a discussion on upcoming events and any other matters of importance. The Chairman thanked all attendees for their participation and active engagement throughout the meeting.



Shahbaz Zeb Khan

Secretary General, POEPA