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Pursuant to Agenda Notice No.: SMTA/Jan.2018/Agenda-3, dated 3rd January 2018, **the 3rd Executive Body Meeting** of The Surgical Manufacturers and Traders Association was held on 11th January '2018 at the registered office 60, Darya Ganj, New Delhi - 02.

Following members were present:

1. Mr Rajesh Sawhney (In the Chair)

2. Mr. Puneet Bhasin

07. Mr. Rakesh Arora

3. Mr. Arun Sharma

08. Mr. Rakesh Sawhney

4. Mr..Ashu Sareen

09. Mr. Ramesh Bhasin

5. Mr. Harpreet Singh Bhatia

10. Mr. Satish Mahajan

6. Mr. Rajesh Narula

11. Mr. S. B. Sawhney

Regrets:

Mr Pradeep Chawla Mr. R.S. Pasricha, Mr Vijay Kr Aggarwal, Mr Anurag Seth, Mr Ashok Sareen, Mr Karan Bir Suri, Mr Naresh Grover, Mr R.C.Gupta, and Mr Ravi Awasthi had registered their inability to attend the meeting.

Obituary:

Mr. Rajesh Sawhney reminded the house about the sad demise of Shri Bal K. Pangasa, Father of Shri Vinay Pangasa of M/s Raghav Enterprises, Delhi and Smt Shanti Rani Grover Mother of Shri Naresh Grover, of M/s Surgico Medequip (P) Ltd, Delhi & Shri Rajesh Grover, of M/s Surgico International, Delhi. The Members Present chanted the Gayatri Mantra as a mark of respect to the departed souls.

Welcome Address by the President

Mr Rajesh Sawhney welcomed all the members and requested the Secretary to start the meeting as per agenda. However, he felt that its just a start of new term and the presence of executives in attending the executive meetings is on decline and should be improved upon.

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Confirmation of Minutes:

The minutes of the previous meeting held on 22nd November' 2017 and circulated vide circular no.: SMTA/Nov.2017/EBM/MIN-02 were read out. There being no objection to the same and none on record, the same were taken as confirmed and adopted.

Expomed Eurasia Turkey

President Shri Rajesh Sawhney informed the house that our Association had applied for the registration of our organisation with Ministry of MSME, Govt of India for its eligibility to represent the Indian pavilion at Expomed Eurasia – 2018 to be held in Istanbul (Turkey) from 22nd to 25th March, 2018. It was further informed that the same has been duly registered with the ministry. This, he said implies that anybody participating in the show from India would be doing so through the association.

It was decided to circulate the above information to all the members through email at the earliest. The house also approved a onetime fee of Rs 5,000.00 (Rupees Five thousand only) from non member participants as service charge to facilitate their participation and subsidy disbursement for this event. It was clarified that the said conditions were laid down for this event only. He stressed that under the MSME Scheme SMTA had limited stands available for participation at the Expomed. Therefore, our booking shall be confirmed on the basis of full payment in advance which is subject to availability and on first come first serve basis.

Review of Nepal Medical Show

Mr. Puneet Bhasin attended the Nepal Medical Show 2017 and informed that the participants appreciated the good turn out of visitors and hoped this will further boost business opportunities. The exhibition was said to be well organised in comparison to the last year's show. Stalls were well constructed and all facilities were excellent.

At the SMTA stall we had a fair amount of visitors, some of them were keen to join our Association as members.

Review of Working of Sub Committees

News Letter Sub Committee:

Everybody present expressed their appreciation as regards the content, presentation and professionalism apparently visible in the news letter edition sent to all members by e-mail.

While appreciating the publication, the president thanked all present on behalf of the Chairman-newsletter and his team. But, at the same time he reiterated that he could not feel proud about the readers, who utterly failed to recognize the sincere efforts of the team. Such brush offs usually result in diminishing morale of the sincere and dedicated volunteers.

Trade-Act Sub Committee:

Representations are being regularly made to the **GST Authorities & Income Tax Department** from time to time. All Information's received from various departments concerning trade are being circulated to members as and when received.

Publication/Website sub Committee:

The progress of SMTA Directory was taken up. The President Mr. Rajesh Sawhney who heads the Publishing sub-committee apprised the House that a circular was sent to all the members to inform the change in their address/data, if any. We, till date have received only 25% response to the circular. It was further decided to once again issue a mailer to all members with a request to respond immediately as printing of directory cannot be delayed any further. We have received some advertisements and are awaiting a response from the potential advertisers to speed up the process.

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Other matters

The Secretary informed the house regarding proposal received from M/s S. D. Promo Media Pvt. Ltd; who are holding **Indian Medical Show - 2018**, Exhibition in **Chandigarh** for the first time on 19th to 21st April 2018 and **Kenya Medical Show** to be held in **Nairobi, Kenya** on 10th to 12th May 2018.

The above matter was forwarded to Mr Ramesh Bhasin Chairman, Exhibition sub-Committee, to take necessary action in the matter.

A representation was made to Mr. Arun Jaitley Hon'ble Union Minister of Finance and Corporate affairs for reduction in GST rates and customs duty for Medical Devices, providing manufacturing assistance by way of subsidised land for factories and low interest bearing loans.

It was also felt that all matters related to information on GST / Income tax /Trade related information should be sent through SMS to all members.

A newspaper cutting on Department related Parliamentary standing committee on Health & Family welfare was taken up in the meeting and it was decided to send the representations on the same.

Arranging for **Holi Milan** was proposed and it was appreciated by the house. Mr Satish Mahajan and Mr Arun Sharma were entrusted with the responsibility to take up the matter, assess the probabilities and try to organise the same. A sum of **Rs 60,000.00** was sanctioned for Holi Milan to be held at Bhagirath Palace.

There being no other matter, the meeting came to an end with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

For THE SURGICAL MANUFACTURERS & TRADERS ASSOCIATION,

(PUNEET BHASIN)

Hony. SECRETARY

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