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MINUTES

Pursuant to the Agenda Notice dt 25/07/2023 the 13th Executive Body Meeting of The Surgical Manufacturers & Traders Association was held on Wednesday , 02 August 2023 at 5.00 PM at registered office of the association, 60 Darya Ganj , New Delhi-110002

The Following members were present

1 : Mr Pradeep Chawla (in the chair)

2: Mr.Puneet Bhasin

11: Mr. Vishal Anand

3: Mr. Harpreet Singh

4: Mr.Anurag Seth

5: Mr.Arun Sharma

6: Mr. Jasmeet Singh

7: Mr. Rakesh Sawhney

8: Mr.Rajesh Sawhney

9: Mr. Rajesh Narula

10 : Mr. Karan Blr Suri

Regrets: Mr. Satish Mahajan , Mr. Ramesh Bhasin ,Mr. Ashu Sareen , Mr. Ashok Sareen , Mr. Prashant Narula , Mr. Rakesh Arora , Mr. S.B.Sawhney

Obituary :

The President informed the house about the sad demise of Sh. Kuldeep Khanna of M/s Kuldeep Surgicals , Bhagirath Palace Delhi & Sh. Devender Kumar Vadhera of M/s Prowhite Dental Pvt. Ltd . , .

The members present chanted the Gayatri Mantra and prayed for the departed souls .

AGENDA ITEM 1 : Welcome Address by the President

President Mr. Pradeep Chawla welcomed all the members to the 13th Executive Body Meeting of the Association and requested the Secretary to start the meeting as per agenda

AGENDA ITEM 2 : Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Executive Body Meeting

The Minutes of the 12th Executive Body meeting held on 22 April 2023 were circulated vide circular No SMTA/MAY .2023/EBM/Min-12 dt 01-05-2023 the same were read by the secretary and there being no objection raised and none on the records , the minutes were confirmed and adopted .

AGENDA ITEM 3 :To finalise the accounts for the year 2022-23

It was informed to the house that books of accounts have already been sent to our CA and as and when the treasurer Mr Satish Mahajan ji is available in Delhi the matter would be taken up and finalised .

AGENDA ITEM 4 :To Discuss the status of publication of Directory

It was decided to auction the premium pages of the directory namely Back Page , Back Inner 2 pages , Front inner 2 pages , Book mark with reserve bid prices which shall be informed shortly by the Directory Committee Chairman Sh Rajesh Sawhney . It was further decided to add the name of Sh Rajesh Sawhney as the admin in the broadcast group to facilitate the work related to directory publication. It was also decided to send the new directory to The Commercial Attache of all Embassies and High Commissions offices in india for promotion of the trade of our members .

It was also brought to notice that E directory should also be brought in as decided during publication of previous directory and that surplus funds from directory publication should be used for improving , upgrading and promoting the SMTA website for the benefit of the members of the association .

AGENDA ITEM 5 :To Discuss the matter of holding the AGM

It was decided to hold the AGM tentatively on 16th September 2023 subject to availability of appropriate space which has been entrusted to our ever dependable Vice President and Chairman Entertainment Sub Committee SH. Puneet Bhasin ji . It was decided to sanction a budget of Rs 8 lacs for the AGM . The House declared Elections along with the forthcoming AGM and It was further decided to Appoint Sh . Ramesh Bhasin ji as the Election Officer for the same .

A panel of judges comprising of Shri Rakesh Sawhney , Shri Ramesh Bhasin and Shri Ashok Sareen was constituted unanimously to select the awardees. It was also decided to award three Trophies as usual , viz; The Alderman Award , The Udyog Award & The Sarvotam Seva Padak . The panel of judges shall be headed by Shri Ashok Sareen Ji .

The sponsorships for drinks and awards should be invited and it was decided to send a letter to all the members & interested members may give their confirmation at the earliest for the same .

AGENDA ITEM 6 :To Discuss matters related to E WASTE NOTIFICATIONS (EPR)

It was informed to the house that a representation to exclude the medical devices from the ambit of plastic waste EPR has been sent and is being regularly followed up . It has been also urged to the authorities to bring in a simple online registration system with ZERO FEES for all enterprises having plastic waste of less than 1 tonne annually . It was also decided to discuss the E waste issue more thoroughly and then send our representations.

AGENDA ITEM 7 :To Discuss the matter of QCO requiring mandatory BIS certification for many products for which drafts have been issued and for 4500 more products are under process

It was informed to the house that QCO requiring mandatory BIS certification is a a very costly and onerous burden on the micro and small enterprises and a meeting was held with Sh A.R.Unnikrishnan Senior Director & Head (Medical Equipment & Hospital Planning Department) of the BIS to see if MSME can be exempted from the same . Mr Jasmeet singh ji had facilitated the meeting where 4-5 members of our executive body attended the said meeting last month . It was informed to the house that apart from fee reduction and test charges which has been reduced by 80% for the micro , small units the department cannot withdraw or exempt the micro / small enterprises as the QCO has been issued by the Ministry of Commerce and the matter needs to be taken up with them . It was decided to pursue the matter further with Sh Piyush Goyal ji , Honourable Minister of Commerce & Industry .

AGENDA ITEM 8: To Discuss all Pending Matters of CDSCO/ NPPA / MDR

The House was informed that the proposed New drugs , medical devices and Cosmetics bill 2023 has been tabled in the parliament for passing and we have sent our objections chiefly on two grounds that medical devices should be regulated under a separate act and not under or along a drug act . Secondly the criminal provisions in the act have been strongly objected and have requested that only fines commensurate with risk classification of device should be levied . We have also sent a copy of our detailed objections / suggestions to the draft act sent last year along with our current email representations to various ministers and parliamentary committees .

It was decided to again organise a meeting with NPPA as their MRP calculation formula has inherent defects which are against the interests of the micro / small enterprises . Clarification for the annual MRP increase were also to be discussed with them .

It was informed to the house that recent RTI filed with CDSCO has been replied with vague, incomplete and incorrect replies and an appeal will soon be filed .

AGENDA ITEM 9: Any other matter with the permission of the chair

SUB AGENDA ITEM 1 Resignation of Members : Resignation was received from M/s Shakti Medical & Surgical Stores , 2nd floor , 11/28 , Site IV , Sahibabad , Ghaziabad , UP and another resignation was received from M/s Shivam Medicals 1933/7 , Mohan Bazar , Bhagirath palace , Delhi-110006 . The same was deliberated and accepted with a heavy heart .

SUB AGENDA ITEM 2 Change in name and address of Members : letters were received from the members below informing that their address has changed as mentioned herewith :

1: M/s Ideal Enterprises

T-1 (305) , 3rd Floor , LSC No.3 , Balaji Plaza , Sec -8 , Rohini , Delhi-110085

Ph: 011-43527811 , Mobile : 9811426676 , 9811116303

2 : M/s Alfa Surgical Traders

First Floor Office No. 144 Vardhman Fashion Mall , Road No 43 , Pitampura , Delhi =110034

SUB AGENDA ITEM 3 : COMPLAINT from member : A complaint was received from Mr Vinay Panagasa of M/s Raghav enterprises , Bhagirath Palace New Delhi via whatsapp which is reproduced as follows: “ **This is to bring to your attention that the surgical trade is being hampered due to under invoicing of imported medical devices . Import / Manufacturing and trading of medical devices without proper licences and quality. Fake gst invoicing . the association must take appropriate steps to safeguard the members and the trade “**

They have also forwarded a complaint regarding misuse of ISI mark by M/s Lord Krishna Surgicals on clinical thermometer.

The matter was deliberated and it was decided that in interest of trade a letter from M/s Raghav Enterprises may be taken in this regard along with all supporting documents and same may be forwarded through SMTA and sent to BIS office for necessary action .

SUB AGENDA ITEM 4 : New office premises : Mr Rakesh sawhney ji informed the house of an office for sale at 2nd floor of building in darya ganj of approx 815 sq feet super area . It was decided to request the Chairman Land & Building Sub Committee Sh Rakesh Arora ji to make a visit to the office along with few members from darya ganj area and apprise the house of its suitability for the purpose of association office .

There being no other matter , the meeting came to an end with special thanks to all members present for attending today's meeting & especially to the President Sh. Pradeep Chawla ji for especially attending the meeting despite law and order disruptions in Gurugram that day.

For The Surgical Manufacturers & Traders Association,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Harpreet', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Harpreet Singh

Secretary