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MEMORANDUM OF ASSOCIATION

OF

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NAME

1. The name of the Chamber shall be "The Multan Chamber of Commerce & Industry" hereinafter called the Chamber.

REGISTERED OFFICE

The Registered Office of the Chamber shall be situated in the Multan District.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

- The aims of the Chamber is non-political, is to unite the members in their common III. approach and for this purpose the objects of the Chamber are:-
 - To encourage unity, mutual understanding and high ethical standards (a) amongst its members.
 - To endeavor to improve the working conditions and facilitate effective input (b) for achievement of objects for which the Chamber has been established.
 - To take such steps as the Chamber considers desirable towards the promotion (c) of the interest of trade, industry, and services in Pakistan or outside Pakistan.
 - To place before Government and other public and official bodies the views of (d)members on matters affecting the interest of trade, industry and services.
 - To attempt to adopt unified approach in policies on all matters affecting the (e) interest of trade, industry and services in Pakistan.
 - To acquire immoveable properties by purchase, lease, hire, exchange or (f) otherwise and to demolish, erect, alter and/or maintain the same for the many Registra benefit of the Chamber.
 - To manage the movable and immove able properties of the Chamber. (g)
 - To seek representations on various/bodies dealing with issues of common (h) interests.
 - To discuss and deal with all questions that spent to be connected with or have (i) a bearing as such on trade, commerce and industry.

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- (j) To promote right understanding and unimity among business and industrialists in and outside Multan, on all subjects involving their common good and to safeguard the general mercantile interest in Multan and outside.
- (k) To do such other things as are necessary in the general interest of its members including the holding or participation in exhibitions within or outside the country.
- (I) To support or oppose legislative or other measures and procure change of law or practice affecting the interest of commerce, industry and services affecting the common interests of business community.
- (m) To secure adequate representation of the Chamber on Government, public or statutory bodies and on trade and business/industrial delegations.
- (n) To accept any bequest, gift, donation or subscription towards or to accumulate and provide a fund or endowment or waqf and to invest the same and apply the income arising there from or to resort to the capital thereof for any objects of the Chamber.
- (o) To resolve controversies and conciliate differences of opinion among members of the Chamber.
- (p) To promote education, awareness amongst the members by holding seminars and workshops conducting educational causes, inviting experts to deliver lectures.
- (q) To seek affiliation with federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce & Industry.
- (r) To accept, deposit of money or goods for any objects of the Chamber as may be deemed fit.
- To subscribe to and become and continue to remain member of Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce & Industry and to procure from and communicate to any organization of trade and industry in Pakistan or abroad such information as may be Conductive to the attainment of the objects of the Chamber.
- (t) To subscribe to any local or other charity and to grant any donation for any public purpose and to provide provident or superannuation fund or funds for the servants of the Chamber or otherwise to assist any such servants, their widows and children.



- (u) To communicate with Federal and Provincial Governments, Chambers of Commerce and Industry or other commercial and public bodies and to contact and promote measures for the protection of the aforesaid interests.
- (v) To file, prosecute, defend or contest, join or aid in filing, prosecuting and defending any such actions, suits, applications, appeals or other proceedings as the Chamber may think proper or which may be conducive to the attainment of the objects of the Chamber.
- (w) To play all costs, charges and expenses, preliminary and incidental to the promotion formation, establishment or registration of the Chamber and the conduct of the affairs thereof.
- (x) To collect, circulate and disseminate statistics and other information relating to Commerce, Industry, Trade or Services.
- (y) To enter into any arrangement with any Government Federal or Provincial or Authority, Municipal, local or otherwise that may seem conducive to the objects of the Chamber or any of them and to obtain from any such Government or Authority rights, concessions, privileges which the Chamber may think fit to obtain and to carry out any such arrangement, rights, privileges and concessions.
- (z) To sign, seal, execute and deliver all instruments, deeds, documents and writing whatsoever that may be found to be necessary or expedient in realization of the objects of the Chamber or conduct of its affairs.
- (ab) To frame from time to time, such rules and laws as the Chamber may deem fit or proper for all or any of the objects, and to comply with all the requirements of the Trade Organization Act, 2013.
- (ac) And generally to do all acts, deeds, and things which may be incidental or conducive to the attainment of all or any of the objects stated herein above.
- (ad) To protect and promote the trade and to secure cooperation among general and those dealing in these lines in particular.
- (ae) To establish just and equitable principles in industry and services.
- (af) To form a code or codes or practices to simplify and facilitate transaction of business.
- (ag) To undertake special inquiries and action for securing redressal of legitimate grievances of the member of the Chamber.



- To establish and maintain information bureau, to print and publish journals, (ah) periodicals, newspapers, books, pamphlets, leaflets, directories etc., and to establish and maintain and the objects reading rooms for the promotion of the objects of the Chamber.
- To arrange and convene conferences, lectures, shows, meetings on the (ai) subject affecting the interest of the members of the Chamber.
- To obtain any order; provisional or otherwise or any legislative enactment, for (aj) enabling the Chamber to carry out any of the objects into effect, or for effecting any modification of the Chamber's constitution or for any other purpose, which may seem expedient, and to oppose any proceedings or application which may seem calculated directly or indirectly to prejudice the Chamber's objects.
- To affiliate with any international organizations excluding foreign national (ak)body having objects altogether or in part similar to those of this Chamber for the purpose of securing the aims and objects of this Chamber.
- To subscribe to become member of, subsidies and cooperate with any other (al)chamber or association, whether incorporated or not, whose objects are altogether or in part similar to those of this Chamber and to procure from and communicate to any such chamber or association, such information as may be likely to promote the objects of the Chamber.
- To amalgamate with, affiliate, join, take over any other chamber or (am) association, whether incorporated or not, whose objects are altogether or in part similar to those of this Chamber upon such terms and conditions, including those for any additional alteration or modification of the name of this Chamber as may be mutually agreed.
- To license brokers, mucaddams, weighmen and samplers upon such terms (an) and conditions as to fees and other, as the Chamber may from time to time prescribe; and to provide for sampling and weighing of commodities and for carrying on all or any of the functions usually associated with such weighing or sampling upon such terms and conditions as to fees payable by members or otherwise as may from time to time be determined by the Chamber.
- To carry out measurement and weighment of cargo, survey of merchandire (ao) and for that purpose or otherwise to issue certificates of quality, certificates or origin and such other certificates sasc may be required under the international rules and usages.
- To aid in subscribing money to any charitable or benevolent purposes or for (ap) the promotion generally of any matters of charity or other useful objects with a view to establish harmony and business relationship amongst various mercantile communities in general and Pakistan community in particular.

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- (aq) To help aid and encourage manufactures of and dealers in industrial products and commodities in producing and improving their products, sale and proper distribution by.
 - (a) Suggestion and expert advice on the method of production, sale, cheap carriage etc.
 - (b) Maintaining laboratories and demonstration rooms and employing technical and industrial experts on the staff of the Chamber on payment or otherwise.
 - (c) Helping in the export out of Pakistan and import from other countries of all Industrial products and commodities in all possible ways.
 - (d) Advancing loans to or arranging loans for Pakistan and other dealers and manufacturers for consideration or otherwise.
 - (e) Adopting such means as would help the dealers and manufacturers in facing competition and dumping by regulating prices, or by such other means as may be deem necessary.
 - (ar) To take such steps by personal or written appeals public meetings or otherwise as may from time to time be deemed expedient for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the Chamber in the shape of donations, annual subscription or otherwise.
 - (as) To provide for help and encourage study and training in technical and commercial matters by granting scholarships, awarding prize stipends or giving other monetary aids to institutions through such other ways and means as may be determined from time to time.
 - (at) To run sections or departments including those relating to exports, imports, statistics, publicity and publications as may be determined from time to time.
 - (au) To arrange international exhibitions in Pakistan or abroad and/or to participate in international exhibitions or forum in accordance with the aims and objectives of the Chamber.
 - (av) To canvass, publicise, propagate and take all steps in the interest of the Chamber and for protection of the interests of the members and to consider, recommend and support all actions directed toward improvement in the condition of the trade.
 - (aw) To enter into any arrangements with government and public authorities municipal, port, railways, local or otherwise which may force and considerate the objectives of the Chamber or any of them whether individually or collectively for advancement of the interests of the trade.
 - (ax) To advance or borrow or raise interest free monies or secure the payment of such monies in such manner as the Chamber may think fit and in particular manner by creation and issue of debenture or debenture stocks, perpetual or

otherwise, charged upon all or any of the properties of the Chamber, present or future and to purchase redeem or pay such security or securities.

- (ay) If upon the winding up or dissolution of the Chamber there remains after satisfaction of all the debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to, or divided amounts the members of the Chamber and approved under the income tax ordinance, 2001 to be determined by the chamber at or before the time of the dissolution and in default thereof by such judge of the highest law court in the province of Punjab as may have or of Punjab as may have or acquired jurisdiction in the matter.
- (az) No addition, alteration and amendment shall be made in the Memorandum of association or in the regulations contained in the Articles of association for the time being in force unless the same shall have been previously submitted to and approved by the government.
- (ba) The territories to which the objects of the Chamber shall extend are the whole of Pakistan.
- (bb) The income and property of the Chamber whence-so-ever derived, shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Chamber as set forth in the Memorandum of Association. No portion thereof shall be paid or transferred, directly or indirectly by way of dividend or bonus or otherwise howsoever or by way of profit to the persons who at any time are or had been members of the Chamber or to any of them or to any persons claiming through them. Provided that noting herein contained shall prevent the payment in good faith of remunerating to the officers or employees of the Chamber or to any member thereof or other person in return for any professional services actually rendered to the Chamber, or the payment of interest on money borrowed or rent for premises demised to the Chamber.

AND it is hereby declared that the objects set forth in any sub-clauses of this clause shall not, except, where the context expressly so requires be in any similar limited or restricted by reference to or inference from terms of any other sub-clauses on by the name of the Chamber.

IV. The liability of the members is limited.

V. Every member undertakes to contribute to the assets of the Chamber in the event of the same being wound up during the time that he is a member or within one year after wards for payment of the debts and liabilities of the Chamber contracted before the time at which he cease to be a member and of the costs, charges and expenses of winding up the same and for adjustment of the rights, of contributories amongst themselves such amount as may be required but not exceeding rupees equal to the amount of their respective annual membership fee.



We, the several persons whose names and addresses are subscribed, are desirous of being formed into a Chamber in pursuance of this Memorandum and Association.

No.	Names, Description and address of the Promoters
1.	Farooq Ahmed Sheikh, Colony Textile Mills Limited, Ismailabad. President, Associated Chamber of Industries & Commerce.
2.	Muhammad HussainChishti. President, Chamber of Industries, Multan.
3.	Muhammad Baqir, Multan Chamber of Commerce and Industry.
4.	E. Dinshaw, Vice-President, Associated Chamber of Industries & Commerce.
5.	Khawaja Niaz Ahmed, Wool Merchant & Industrialist, Multan.
6.	Abdul Hafiz, Vice-President, Multan Chamber of Commerce & Industry.
7.	Sanobar Shah, Secretary, Associated Chamber of Industries & Complete.
Date	d, this 22 nd day of December, 1958

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ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF THE MULTAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY

REGULATIONS

 The Regulations contained in table C of the first schedule to the Companies Act, 2017 shall not apply to the Chamber except as laid down herein.

DEFINITIONS

- In the Article unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context.
 - (i) "Act" means the Trade Organization Act, 2013.
 - (ii) "Chamber" means the Multan Chamber of Commerce & Industry.
 - (iii) "Memorandum" means the Memorandum and Articles of the Multan Chamber of Commerce and Industry.
 - (iv) "Member" means a business concern whether Sole Proprietorship, Partnership, Association of Persons or a Company admitted as Associate or Corporate member of the Chamber.
 - (v) "Associate member" means a member of a trade organization which is not body corporate or a multinational or a sales-tax registered manufacturing concern or a sales-tax registered business concern having annual turn-over of Rs. 50 million or above;
 - (vi) "Corporate member" means a member of a trade organization which is either a body corporate or a multinational corporation with its head office or branch office in Pakistan or a sales-tax registered manufacturing concern or a sales-tax registered business concern having annual turn-over of Rs. 50 million or above;
 - (vii) "General Meeting" means a meeting of General Body whether ordinary, special or extraordinary.
 - (viii) "The Article" means the Articles of the Multan Charler of Commerce and Industry.
 - (ix) "The President" means the President of the Chamber.
 - (x) "The By-laws" means the By-Laws of the Chamber for the time being in force.



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- (xi) "The Committee" means the Executive Committee of the Chamber elected under these Articles and include any Regional Committee or Sub-Committee of the Chamber appointed by the Executive Committee.
- (xii) "Office Bearers" means the President, Senior Vice President and Vice President of the Chamber.
- (xiii) The "Secretary General" means the Secretary General of the Chamber.
- (xiv) "Year" means a year reckoned from 1" October to 30th September.
- (xv) "The Act" means the Companies Act, 2017 or any other statutory enactment in place of said Act for the time being in force.
- (xvi) "Register" means the Register of Members of Chamber kept in pursuance of Section 119 of the Companies Act, 2017.
- (xvii) "Town Association" means a Town Association, organized to represent trade, industry or service in a town, tehsil, taluka or a district where there is no Chamber and such town Association shall be affiliated with the Chamber of the concerned district.
- (xviii) "Regulator" means the Regulator of the Trade Organizations appointed by the Federal Government and includes an officer empowered by the Federal Government to perform the functions of the Regulator.
- (xix) "Resolution of Chamber" means any resolution passed at any meeting convened to take decision while adhering to the provisions of Section 131 to 151 of the Companies Act, 2017.
- (xx) "Rules" means the Trade Organizations Rules, 2013.

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- (xxi) "Word indicating the singular number shall, include plural numbers and vice versa, Words signifying persons shall apply mutatis mutandis to firms, corporations or joint Stock Companies.
- (xxii) "Word indicating masculine gender shall include taminine gender.
- (a) All other expressions defined in the Act shall have the meaning assigned to them in the Act and Rules.
 - (b) Where any provision of the Act is referred to, the references shall be to such provision as modified by any statutory enactment for the time being in force.

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LIMIT OF MEMBERS

4) For the purpose of registration, the Chamber hereby declares to consist of unlimited number of members.

PURPOSE

 The Chamber is established for the purposes expressed in the Memorandum of Association.

CALSSIFICATION OF MEMBERS

- 6) The Membership of the Chamber shall comprise two categories of members, namely
 - (a) Corporate Members of the Chamber which are either a Body Corporate or a Multinational Corporation having its Head office or Branch Office in Pakistan or a Sales Tax Registered Business concern or a sales tax manufacturing concern

having annual turnover of Rs. 50 million or above.

(b) Associate Members of the Chamber which are not a Body Corporate or a Multinational Corporation or a Sales Tax Registered Business concern or a sales tax manufacturing concern having annual turnover of Rs. 50 million or above.

ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP

7) A sole proprietorship firm or a partnership firm or an association of persons (AOP) or any other company or a business concern shall be eligible for membership of the Chamber, provided it fulfills the criteria as provided in Rules 11 (a to e) of Trade Rules.

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- (i) Every application for the membership of the Chamber shall be made on a form prescribed by the Chamber and submitted by the Applicant to the Secretary General together with the first year's Membership Fee subscription and the admission fee.
- (ii) Every individual business concern firm or joint stock company desirous of becoming a member of the chamber shall submit to the Secretary General, membership application form. The application so focused shall be placed before the next meeting of or circulated amongst the executive Committee which may accept or reject the same for the reasons specified in the rejection order.
- (iii) In case of rejection no further application shall be entertished for a period of one year reckoned from the date of such rejection and the fees paid by the applicant shall be refunded. The applicant shall be refunded by the approach the Director General whose decision in this regard shall be final and binding.



DURATION OF MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Chamber shall be for a period of one year and shall expire on 9). the 31^{st} day of March every year, irrespective of the date of grant of Membership.

RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP

- The Member ship shall be renewable on annual basis subject to fulfillment of the 10). following conditions:
 - Payment of prescribed fee within the time stipulated for the purpose but not (a). later than 31° of March; and
 - Proof of filing returns of Income Tax and Sales Tax if applicable, for the (b). preceding year.

ADMISSION FEE

11). Every member will be required to pay admission fee at the rate determined by the Executive Committee from time to time. Any firm being a member of the Chamber shall have, on changing the Firm's name or on change of constitution of the firm to put in a fresh application for membership. However, no admission fee shall be charged, provided the Applicant has taken over the assets and accepted the liabilities of the original firm. In any case the Executive Committee shall be competent to decide such cases on merit.

MEMBERSHIP FEE

12). In addition to the Admission Fee payable as provided in Article-11 every member shall annually pay Membership Fee by 31st March each year, for the year. The membership fee may be varied from time to time by the Executive Committee.

PRIVILIGES OF MEMBERSHIP

- 13). Every member of the Chamber shall be entitled:
 - To take part in the elections and cast vote to elect office bearers of the a). Chamber as per rules and regulations in force.
 - To take advantage of the information and record available with the Chamber b). under such limitation as the Executive Committee and prescribe.
 - To obtain a copy of the annual report and statement of acquints of the c). Chamber.
 - To obtain a copy of all publications of the Chamber either free of cost or at d). such prices as may be fixed by the Executive Committee from time to time. To Commis
 - to cause an ordinary or extraordinary General Meeting of the Chamber to be e). concerned in conjunction with other members of the Chamber in accordance with these Articles.

- To participate in the General Meetings of the Chamber.
- g). To stand or propose or second members for election to the Executive Committee of the Chamber.
- To stand for election as a representative of the Chamber on any non political public or private body.
- To seek assistance of the Chamber for securing all reasonable facilities for the development of his trade / industry.
- j). To inspect or examine books of accounts and other documents, registers or records of the Chamber subject to any rules, conditions or limitation that may be laid down in this behalf under the relevant law or by the Committee or by a resolution of the Chamber in a General Meeting.
- k). To be entitled to such other privileges as may be specified by the Executive Committee from time to time.

DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERS

- 14). Every Member shall have the following duties and obligations:
 - To make every effort to carry out the aims and objectives of the Chamber as set forth in the Memorandum of Associations.
 - b) To carry out and abide by the rules and regulations of the Chamber as laid down in these Articles or in the by-laws framed there-under from time to time.
 - c) Submit as far as possible all complaints, appeals, etc, in writing to the Secretary General.
 - d) To bring to the notice of the Executive Committee any matter likely to cause any loss or harm to the interest of the Chamber or its Members in whatever manner.
 - e) To pay the Membership fee of the Chamber regular
 - f) To accept and abide by the decision of the Executive Committee provided the decisions are not inconsistent with the provisions of the Manbrandum or the Articles of Association of the Trade Organizations or an equilibrium, instructions or directions issued thereunder:
 - g) To convey to the Executive Committee all information that may be considered necessary for promoting the aims and objects of the Chamber.



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- h) To take part in the deliberations of the meetings of the Chamber which he is entitled to attend and to abide by the rules framed for the conduct of the business of the meetings from time to time.
- i) To assist and cooperate with the Executive Committee in the field of trade, commerce and industry with specific reference to the trade or industry the Chamber is concerned.
- j) The proceedings of the Chamber, will be treated by members as strictly confidential and will not be discussed in public. Only the President (or his duly authorized nominee) will be entitled to make a public statement on behalf of the Chamber. If any member has failed to observe the rule requiring proceedings of the Chamber to be treated as confidential the Chamber may in writing call upon such member to resign from the Chamber.

ELECTIONS

- The election of the Chamber shall be conducted according to the procedure laid 15). down in the Articles of Association and according to a schedule approved by the Executive Committee between the first day of July and 30th day of September each year subject to the following wherever applicable:
 - a) The election of the Members of the Executive Committee excluding President, Senior Vice President and Vice President shall be held by secret ballot.

The members of Executive Committee so elected shall proceed to elect from themselves President, Senior Vice President and Vice-President and their final result shall be officially announced at the General Meeting of the Chamber called for this purpose within fifteen days of the date of polling but before or on 30th September of every year.

- b) On completion of their term the retiring members of the Executive Committee shall not be eligible to stand for election or co-option for the Executive Committee in any representative capacity for the next one year.
- No voting by proxy or postal ballot shall be allowed.

d) No member shall be entitled to vote at any meeting of Chamber unless all moneys due on account of Membership fee or otherwise have been paid to the Chamber by the due date.

e) Voting rights shall accrue only after two yearls standing is mentber, except, for the first elections after the incorporation.

SECP f) No member who has resigned or ceased to be member or has been expelled from the Chamber shall be entitled to attend or vote at any meeting of the Chamber.

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g) The President or whosoever be presiding over a meeting shall, in the case of equality of votes, have a second or casting vote except in the matter of any election of the Chamber.

ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE

- A member shall be eligible to vote in election of the Chamber after completion of 16). two years of membership in the Chamber provided such a member fulfills the conditions stipulated for the renewal of membership and the change of class of membership, if any, has been notified by the Secretary General with the approval of Executive Committee of the Chamber as the case may be, at least three months prior to announcement of election schedule.
- Every member eligible to vote shall deposit with the Secretary General of the 17). Chamber the specimen signature card along with his/ her photograph indicating his/ her status in the firm, company or concern. The right to vote shall be allowed only to the proprietor, partner or the director of the member firm or company, or a person not below the rank of General Manager, authorized by the Board of Directors of a public limited company or a Multi National Company, as the case may be.
- The Proprietor, partner or director of the member firm or company concerned or a 18). person not below the rank of General Manager authorized by the Board Directors of public limited company or a multinational company shall be entitled to cast his/ her vote at the time of election only if his or her name has already been registered with the Secretary General of the Chamber and his name appears on the list of voters. However, in the case of Associated Bodies, Chambers or persons a society or a trust etc, the member may be represented by an authorized person who is member of its Governing Body.

LIST OF VOTERS

- The Secretary General of the Chamber shall within seven days of the issuance of the 19). election schedule display a list of all members eligible to vote alongwith their National Tax Number, Sales Tax Registration Number, if applicable and the name and National Identity Card Number of their representative. Provided that every member of the Chamber will be entitled to obtain a copy of such list upon payment of the prescribed fee. The voters list shall be displayed at:
 - a) The Notice Board of the Chamber; and
 - b) The website of the Chamber.
- The change, if any, regarding name of representative appointing in the list of voters 20). shall be sent to the Secretary General of the Chamber along with a seesary proof of eligibility within three days of the announcement of election schedule.
- The members who have any objection to the entries / changes in the list of voters 21). shall send their objections in writing to the Secretary General within seven days of the issuance of the said list.

- The Secretary General will intimate action on the objections or changes sent by members within in five days from the last day under preceding clause.
- 23). In case of any dispute pertaining to eligibility of a member, the matter may be referred to the Election Commission of the Chamber by any person aggrieved by the decision of the Secretary General of the Chamber within three days which will decide that case within three days.
- 24). Within three days if the Election Commission fails to decide the representation or in case of the decision by the Election Commission, any person, aggrieved by the decision of the Election Commission may appeal to the Regulator who shall decide the appeal within ten days whose decision in this regard shall be final.
- 25). Within two days of the decision of the Regulator the final voters list shall be:
 - a) displayed at the notice board of the head office and regional offices of the trade organization,
 - b) displayed at the website of the trade organization; and
 - c) submitted to the Regulator:
 - Within four days of the display of the final list of voters, any person who is eligible to contest the election for the vacant post, shall send his nomination duly proposed and seconded by a duly registered voter and signed by the candidates to the Secretary General.

Within twenty-four hours of receipt of nomination papers, a copy of the final list of voters shall be provided to each contesting candidate.

- The nomination papers shall be scrutinized by the commission and list of candidates shall be displayed within twenty-four hours of the last date of receipt of nomination papers.
- iii. The objections, if any, to the nomination of the candidates can be filed to the election commission within twenty four hours of issuarce of the list of candidates, which shall be decided by the election commission within two days.
- iv. Within two days of decision of the commission or in case the commission fails to decide within the stipulated time provided in sub-rule (12), any candidate aggrieved by the decision of the commission may file an appeal to the Regulator, who shall decide within 7 days and his decision in this regard shall be final.

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- Within two days of decision of the Regulator the commission shall issue the ٧. final list of candidates.
- Provided that if no appeal has been filed to the Regulator, the final list of vi. candidates shall be issued within eleven days of the decision of the election commission under sub-rule (12).
- Within five days of display of final list of candidates, the polling for election of vii. members of Executive Committee shall be held.
- Within two days of the polling as provided in sub-rule (15), any person elected viii. as member of Executive Committee, shall send his nomination for election as an office bearer duly proposed and seconded by an elected Executive Committee member and signed by the candidate to the election commission.
- The nomination papers shall be scrutinized by the commission and list of ix. candidates shall be displayed within 24 hours of the last date of receipt of nomination papers.
- Within 2 days of display of final list of candidates, the polling for election of X. office bearers shall be held.

NOMINATION PAPERS

Within four days of the issuance of the final list of voters, any person who is eligible to contest the election for the vacant post, shall send his nomination duly proposed, 26). seconded and signed by the candidate to the Secretary General on the prescribed form in accordance with the Articles of Association or rules of the Chamber.

APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION COMMISSION

- Simultaneously with the approval of election schedule the Executive Committee of the Chamber shall appoint an Election Commission, subject to the following 27). conditions namely:
 - a) The Commission may comprise of three members;
 - consent in writing to their b) The members so appointed have submitted their appointment as such;
 - c) The members of the Commission, so appointed have not light any office of the Chamber for the preceding two years.
 - d) The members of the Commission shall not become a candidate in the election they are conducting;
 - e) The members of Commission shall act independently and impartially; and



f) The members of the Commission shall not canvass for any candidate or panels contesting the election, they are conducting.

BALLOT PAPERS

- The ballot papers shall be have duly numbered counterfoils and the votes shall sign or affix thumb impression thereon in the presence of the polling agents of the 28). candidates and the returning officer before the issuance of ballot papers to him/her.
- It shall be the duty of the polling officer to see the original identity card issued by the Chamber or National Identity Card or passport and or the driving license or any other 29). acceptable mode of identification of the voter and write the number thereof on the counterfoil.
- After comparing the signatures and photographs with the specimen signatures cards 30). the polling officer shall handover the ballot paper to the voter.
- The ballot paper shall be signed by the Secretary General or an officer of the Chamber duly authorized by the Commission in this behalf and shall also be signed 31). by the polling officer at the time when it is issued.
- The voter shall not be allowed to leave the booth after the ballot paper has been handed over to him until and unless he or she has inserted his/ her ballot paper in 32). the box placed before the presiding officer/ polling officer and polling agents of the candidates.
- Adequate arrangements shall be made to maintain the secrecy of the polls. 33).
- Proper account shall be maintained by a designated officer in respect of ballot 34). papers including used, unused, tendered, challenged or stray ballot papers.
- That challenged votes shall be kept in a separate sealed envelope duly signed and 35). sealed by the polling officer.
- The commission or an officer designated by the Commission shall decide about the challenged votes after verification of necessary information from the member firm, 36). company or concern before the official announcement of the results.

CONDUCT OF POLLING

The returning officer as appointed shall be in-charge of all aryangements connected 37). with such elections including counting of votes and announcement of results.

COUNTING OF VOTES

Counting of votes shall take place immediately after the polling hours under the 38). supervision of Returning officer in the presence of pooling agents of the candidates, if any, at the designated sites.



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PROVISIONAL RESULTS

Provisional results may be declared by the returning officer immediately after the 39). counting votes is completed.

INSPECTION OF RECORD OF ELECTIONS

The record of elections shall be open to inspection by the Members upon an 40).application made to the Returning Officer or his nominee in this behalf within seven days of the date of polling.

EQUALITY OF VOTES

In the event of Equality of votes between two or more candidates a lot shall be drawn by the retuning officer in the presence of candidates or their authorized 41). representatives / polling agents of such candidates and a record of the result thereof shall be made.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF RESULTS

- The final result of elections shall be announced at the Annual General Meeting of the 42). Chamber. Called for this purpose within fifteen days of the date of polling. But not later than 30th of September of the year, which shall be the material date for the purposes of clause (b) of Sub Rule (19) of Rule 18 of the Trade Organization Rules, 2013.
- The final election result announced at the General Meeting shall be displayed at: 43).
 - The Notice Board of the Chamber within two days; and (a)
 - Displayed at the website of the Chamber within two days; and (b)
 - Submitted to the Regulator within 7 days. (c)

REGISTER OF MEMBERS:

- A register of members in the form specified in Annex-I of Schedule-A of the 44). Trade Rules, shall be maintained at the Registered Office of the Chamber in which shall be set forth the names, addresses and other particulars of all the members, for the time being, and in which shall be recorded all charges in membership.
 - Every member shall have the right to have the name of his vits representative b) changed from time to time provided that no sourchange shall be effected during the period from the date on which the firm list of members and their representative has been circulated for the purpose of the Chamber until after the holding of the elections is

RESIGNATION, REMOVAL AND EXPULSION FROM MEMBERSHIP

Any member may resign from the Chamber by giving 30 days notice in writing 45). to the Executive Committee and upon expiration of the notice he shall cease to be member. The member who has resigned or whose name has been removed from the register for non-payment of subscription or for expulsion from the membership for the Chamber shall remain liable for all dues to the Chamber upto the date of resignation, removal or expulsion.

- b) Any member who has resigned or whose name has been removed from the register or who has been expelled from the membership of the Chamber shall not be entitled to refund of membership fee paid by him to the Chamber.
- A member shall be liable to be fined upto an amount equal to that of the Membership Fee or to be expelled from the membership of the Chamber or the rights and privileges of member shall be liable to be withdrawn by a resolution of the Executive Committee passed in a meeting specially convened for the purpose by two third majority of the members presents in person for any of the following reasons:
 - Neglect of or refusing to submit to, abide by, or carry out any decision of the Executive Committee taken within the limits laid down by the Articles of the Association or by the Trade Organization Act, or any rules, regulations, instructions or directions issued thereunder.
 - ii) Indulging in unethical practices.
 - iii) Intentional violation of the rules, regulations, or by-laws of the Chamber, provided that a member shall not be expelled by the Executive Committee unless he has been given an opportunity of explaining his position in writing and / or in person.

Provided further that the member so expelled shall have the right to appeal, within one month from the date of expulsion to the General Body of the Chamber.

Provided further that when such an appeal is made by the member, the Executive Committee shall arrange to convene a meeting of the General Body within 30 days from the date of receipt of the appeal, and the decision of the General Body in the matter shall be final.

Provided further that the aggrieved person shall have the right to appeal to the Regulator, whose decision shall be final and binding.

CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP

- 46). A member shall cease to be member of the Chamber for the following reasons.
 - (i) If he resigns from his membership as per clause (a) of Article 43 above, or
 - (ii) If he is expelled from membership as per clause (c) of Article 43 above or



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- If he fails to pay annual subscription or any other dues by a date determined. (iii) By the Executive Committee, despite notice for payment in this behalf, provided that the Executive Committee if it deems fit and proper shall have power to extend time for payment.
- If any change is made in the constitution of a firm or corporate name of a (iv) company, or corporation which substantially alters the composition of that firm, company or corporation or
- In case of an individual, if he is undischarged insolvent, or if he is adjudged by (v) a competent court to be of unsound mind, or if he is convicted of an offence involving moral turpitude, or
- In the case of a firm, when it is dissolved, or adjudged insolvent or the (vii) partners thereof are convicted of an offence involving moral turpitude,
- If he closes or transfers his business to a place outside Pakistan, or (viii)
- If he is expelled from membership of the Chamber under the Trade (ix) Organization Act, or any other laws and Ordinance issued from time to time governing the activities of Trade Chambers, or
- If he ceases to hold requisite permission or license for carrying out the (x) business of organizations.

RESTORATION OF MEMBERSHIP

- A member whose name has been removed from the register due to non payment of 47). subscription shell be eligible for re-enrolment on payment of an admission fee afresh and all arrears outstanding against him.
- Any vacancy caused by disqualification under the provisions of these articles in the 48). Executive Committee shall be filled for the remaining part of the term by the Committee in such manner as it decides.

- The Administration and management of the affairs of the Chamber shall vest in: 49).
 - Office Bearers including Executive Committee (i)

COMPOSITION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Chamber shall comprise a President, Senior Vice President, Vice President an 50). Executive Committee and the General Body. The General Body shall serve as the Electoral College for election of the Members of Executive Committee except for the seats reserved for women entrepreneurs for which the Electoral College shall be the Executive Committee.

- The Executive Committee shall comprise of persons elected by the General body from amongst its Members subject to the following;
 - The Executive Committee shall comprise of at-least ten and maximum thirty Members as determined by the General Body from time to time.

Provided that there shall be at least fifty percent of the Members of the Executive Committee from Corporate Members.

- (2) In addition to the number of Members of the Executive Committee mentioned in (1) above, two seats will be reserved for women Entrepreneur in the Executive Committee.
- (3) In addition to the seats provided in clause (1) and (2) above the immediate past president of the Chamber shall be an ex-officio member of the executive committee without voting right.
- (4) In addition to the seats mentioned herein above there shall be one seat reserved for nominee of each town association affiliated with the Chamber.
- If any seat reserved for any of the stipulate categories remains vacant, it shall not be filled with members from other category.
- 53). If the General Body comprises at-least fifty percent members from Associate members, there shall be rotation of office of President between the Associate and Corporate Members.
- Where there is rotation of office of President, the President and Senior Vice-President, shall not be from the same class of members.
- 55). The President, in addition to the functions and responsibilities assigned to them in the Memorandum and Articles of Association, shall be ex-officio member of the Executive Committee of the Chamber.

56). The tenure of all elected office bearers shall be one weaklegistration.

57). The tenure of the Members of the Executive Committee shall be two years subject to:

a) Fifty percent of the members of the Executive Committee shall retire every year;

b) After the first election of the Executive Communication the Trade Act a draw shall made to determine the fifty percent members who shall retire after expiry of first year.

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On completion of the term, office bearers and members of the Executive Committee 58). shall not be eligible to contest election or co-option in any representative capacity in the trade organization for the next one year.

Provide that the above condition shall not apply to the office bearers and members of the Executive Committee elected under the Trade Organizations Ordinance 1961.

SUB COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall be competent to appoint such sub-committees with such powers and duties as may be defined by the Executive Committee from time to 59}. time as deemed appropriate and nominate its Convener.

CHAIRMAN OF THE MEETINGS

In the case of Executive Committee, the President or in his absence the Senior Vice-President, Vice-President or in the absence of all of them any member of the 60). Executive Committee elected for the time being by a majority of votes shall preside at the meetings of the Executive Committee.

VACANCIES

Any casual vacancy caused in the office of the Senior Vice-President, Vice-President or any member of the Committee during the interval between two General Meetings 61). shall be filled in by the Executive Committee in such manner as it may decide.

APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

At each Annual General Meetings, the General Body shall appoint an Auditor or Auditors according to the provisions of the Companies Act. The Auditor or the 62). Auditors so appointed shall audit the accounts of the Chamber which will be placed before the General Body, in the Annual General Meeting held immediately thereafter.

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT

- The President shall perform such duties and have such powers as vested in the Chief Executive in terms of the Companies Act without prejudice to the generality, the President shall discharge the following duties, namely:
 - To preside at the meetings of the Executive Committee and / or meetings of Company Registra (i) the General Body.
 - To control and maintain decorum and discipling at the meetings. (ii)
 - To look after and supervise the working and activities of the Chamber. (iii)
 - To use his casting vote in case of equality of vote (iv) Commiss
 - To give precedence to any item of the Agenda and to give rulings to points (v) that may be raised in meetings.

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- To direct the Secretary General to call the meeting of the Executive (vi) Committee and the General Body, as the case may be.
- To adjourn or disperse unruly and indiscipline meetings. (vii)
- To lead the delegations and the deputations. (viii)
- In the absence of the President, the Senior Vice-President or in case of absence of 64). the Senior Vice President, the Vice President shall exercise all the powers of the President and discharge the duties in relation to the Chamber and the Executive Committee.

POWERS AND DUTIES OF SECRETARY GENERAL

- The Secretary General full time employee shall be incharge of the secretariat of the 65). Chamber and responsible for day to day operations of the Chamber and in his capacity as such shall be of the custodian of all record of the Chamber. Without prejudice to the generality, the Secretary General will perform the following duties:
- To issue notices and agenda for the meetings of the Executive Committee as the case (a) may be.
- To carry out the decision of the General Body, Executive Committee as the case may (b)
- To keep the office record properly and carry on correspondence on behalf of the (c) Chamber.
- To record or cause to be recorded the minutes of the meetings of the General Body. Executive Committee as the case may be and ensure their timely circulation to all (d) concerned.
- To prepare annual reports and accounts of the Chamber. (e)
- To sign all documents bills and letters either singly or jointly with any other office (f) bearer as may be decided by the Executive Committee.
- as fretermine by the Executive To incur urgent and necessary expenses to the exten (g) Committee.
- before the Executive To place and present the Report of any subject (h) Committee.
- SECA To sign cheques jointly with President, Senior Vice-President, Vice President or any (i) member of the Executive Committee duly authorized in this behalf.
- The Secretary General will also act as the Returning Officer in the Elections of the (j) Chamber.

AND GENERALLY exercise such powers and duties as may be incidental to the office of the Secretary General.

POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- Ordinarily the Executive Committee shall have the following powers and duties: 66).
 - to carry out all the rules, aims and objects of the Chamber. (i)
 - To look after and manage all the property; movable and immovable held by (ii)
 - To acquire, obtain, utilize and enjoy privileges, concessions, benefits and (iiii) rights extended to registered / recognized Chambers.
 - To approve and to keep regular record of the activities of the Chamber. (iv)
 - To appoint, suspend or dismiss any paid employee of the Chamber and to determine the terms and conditions of Employment of the employees. (v)
 - To cooperate with other persons or persons or Chambers in the interest of the (vi) Chamber.
 - To settle differences of opinion between members and to hear appeals whenever such appeals come to the Executive Committee under these (vii) Articles.
 - (viii) To recommend to the General Body to close enrollment or to change conditions for new enrollment.
 - To convene meetings of the General Body and to place proposals relating to (ix) the common problems of the Chamber.
 - To issue instructions and directions, to members of the Chamber. (x)
 - To interpret these Articles. (xi)
 - any Registrated that a vacancy in To fill any vacancy occurring among its members the office of the President shall be filled by the beneral Body in its General (xii) Meetings.
 - (xiii) To incur all expenses necessary for the carrying out of its functions.
 - (xiv) To fix the Admission & Annual Membership fees of the Members.

AND GENERALLY to decide all questions of policy affecting the Chamber.



- The Executive Committee shall keep or cause to be kept proper books of accounts in 67). which shall be entered full, true and complete account of the affairs and transactions of the Chamber whether at the head Office or the circle offices; specially the following:
 - Minutes Book for meetings of the General Body. a)
 - Minutes Book for Meetings of the Executive Committee. b)
 - Register of Members. c)
 - A register of members of the Executive Committee showing the names and addresses and all changes made therein from time to time. d)
- Every member shall be entitled to inspect the account books and other documents which shall be kept at office of the Chamber to such an extent as the Executive 68). Committee may from time to time determine. The Committee or the President or Senior Vice-President or Vice President shall have power to refuse inspection of any documents which at the time may be confidential and whose disclosure in its or his opinion is likely to prejudice the interests of the Chamber. Reasons for such refusal may be given in writing and the aggrieved party may appeal to the Executive Committee whose decision in the matter shall be final.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

- An Annual General Meeting shall be held every year at such place and time as the Executive Committee may consider convenient at which a Report of the proceedings 69). of the previous year and the audited yearly accounts shall be sent to the members in advance. The first General Meeting shall be held not less than one month, or more than three months after the incorporation of the Chamber.
- Accounting year of the Chamber will be closed on the 30th June every year and its financial statements duly audited by a chartered accountant alongwith a list of 70). members as on the 30th June shall be furnished by the Chamber to the Regulatory Authorities, within one month of AGM every year, mpany Registration

- The Executive Committee whenever it may deem fit may concerne a Extra Ordinary Meeting either for the purpose of transacting any special business or for placing 71). before the members review of the activities in the preceding months.
- SEC 72). A Extra Ordinary Meeting shall be convened by the Executive Committee upon the requisition of not less than one third of the members of the Chamber. The requisition so made shall state the object of the Extra Ordinary Meeting proposed to be called and shall be presented to the Secretary General of the Chamber.



- Upon receipt of the requisition under the preceding Article, The Executive 73). Committee shall forthwith proceed to convene an Extra Ordinary Meeting.
- Not withstanding provisions of the preceding articles and subject to the provisions of 74). the Act as to the power to alter regulations by Special Resolution, at least twentyone days notice, specifying the place, the day and the hour of the meeting and of the nature of the special business shall be given or any Special Meeting convened to revise, alter or amend the regulations of the Chamber.
- The non-receipt of a notice convening any General Meeting by any member shall not 75). invalidate the proceedings of any such meeting.

QUORUM

- In the case of the Executive Committee 5, or 1/3rd members whichever is 76). (a) higher in number shall form quorum.
 - One fourth members present personally and entitled to vote at the General (b) Body meetings shall constitute a quorum.
- If within half an hour appointed for a General Meeting, a quorum of members is not present the meeting if not convened on the requisition of members, shall stand 77). adjourned to the same day in the following week at the same time and place provided that if it falls on public holiday, the meeting shall take place at the same time and place a week after and if at such adjourned meeting, the quorum of members is not present, the business on the agenda will be transacted by the members present there or through video link or other verifiable media whatever be their number. The meeting convened on requisition of members shall stand dissolved for want of quorum.
- Every question referred to a General Meeting shall be decided by the majority of 78). members present and voting at such meeting.

AMENDMENTS IN THE ARTICLES AND MEMORANDUM

Amendments in these Articles or memorandum can be effected only by a Resolution passed by the Extra-Ordinary General Meeting of the thamber convened specially for this purpose, in accordance with these Articles. Wordposa for amendments in the Articles shall be passed by % majority of the Members present and voting at such a meeting, provided that all amendments shall be subject to the approval of government and shall also be made by government.

The funds of the Chamber shall be deposited in a scheduled bank or Banks. 80).



SEALS

The Executive Committee shall as soon as practicable provide for a common seal of 81). the Chamber. The seal shall be deposited with the Secretary General and shall never be affixed to any document except in pursuance of a resolution of the Executive Committee. Deeds, bonds and other documents to be made under the Seal shall be deemed to have been duly executed on behalf of the Chamber, if sealed with the common seal of the Chamber, and signed by the President, Senior Vice-President or Vice President and countersigned by the Secretary General or by the person acting as Secretary General.

GENERAL

The members who have subscribed to the Memorandum and Articles of Association 82). shall constitute the Adhoc Committee of the Chamber and shall exercise all the powers of the Executive Committee until such time as office bearers of the committee are elected in terms of these Articles after the registration of the Chamber.

INCONSISTENCY

Not-withstanding anything contained in these Articles, the Provisions of Trade 83). Organizations Act, and Rules will prevail to resolve any inconsistency.

The provisions of the Companies Act, 2017 as amended from time to time regarding the winding up of a private company shall apply to the winding up or dissolution of 84). the Chamber.

That upon the winding up or dissolution of the Multan Chamber of Commerce and Industry there remains, after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid to or distributed among the members of the Multan Chamber of Commerce and Industry, but shall be given or transferred to some other institutions having objects similar to the objects of the Multan Chamber of Commerce and Industry and question of similarity in subjects shall be determined by the majority of the members of the Multan Chamber of Commerce and Industry with the approval of Regulator, at the time of dissolution or by such judge of the Lahore High Court, Physical who may have or acquire jurisdiction in the matter.

The President, Senior Vice President, Vice President, Segretary General, members of the Executive Committee and all officers of the Champar from time to time acting in 85). relation to any of the affairs of the Chamber shall be indemnified out of the funds and assets of the Chamber against all flabilities which they or any of them may incur by reason of any act done or action taken in their aforesaid capacity in the Execution of their duty including defending all legal proceedings before any Court of Law.



We, the several persons whose names and addresses are subscribed, are desirous of being formed into a Chamber in pursuance of this Articles of Association.

No.	Names, Description and address of the Promoters
1.	Farooq Ahmed Sheikh, Colony Textile Mills Limited, Ismailabad. President, Associated Chamber of Industries & Commerce.
2.	Muhammad HussainChishti. President, Chamber of Industries, Multan.
3.	Muhammad Baqir, Multan Chamber of Commerce and Industry.
4.	E. Dinshaw, Vice-President, Associated Chamber of Industries & Commerce.
5.	Khawaja Niaz Ahmed, Wool Merchant & Industrialist, Multan.
6.	Abdul Hafiz, Vice-President, Multan Chamber of Commerce & Industry.
7.	Sanobar Shah, Secretary, Associated Chamber of Industries & Commerce.

Dated, this 22nd day of December, 1958

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CERTIFIED TO BE TRUE COPY

FOZIA PERVEEN

ADDITIONAL JOINT REGISTRAR OF COMPANIES
COMPANY REGISTRATION OFFICE,
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE
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MULTAN.

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