



KARACHI CUSTOMS AGENTS ASSOCIATION

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Dear Member,

After taking the charge of the Karachi Customs Agents Association it was the first priority and desire of the Care Taker committee to hold the fair and free General Election of the K.C.A.A., within 30 days of taking charge irrespective of the fact that the care taker committee was directed by the Honorable High Court of Sindh vide order dated 4th March 2009 to hold the election within 90 days.

However, irrespective of the desire of the care taker committee, it was not possible to hold the election within 30 days due to the following reasons:-

- That As all the Members of Karachi Customs Agents Association are aware that the office of the Association was comprising of complete 2nd Floor, of Burhani Terrace, Bohri Road, opposite Custom House, Karachi, consisting of separate rooms for President, General Secretary, Office Secretary, Counters, Corridor, Library, Meeting Hall, Bath Rooms, and office for the ministerial staff / Accountant.
- That as you were also aware that this caretaker committee was given the charge of only one small room which was previously in use of the ministerial staff / Accountant situated on behind of the staircase of 2nd floor of the Burhani Terrace, as before forming of caretaker committee the previous managing committee gave the charge only of the said small room to the official assignee appointed by the Honorable High Court of Sindh.
- That When it was pointed out to the official assignee that the entire 2nd floor of Burhani terrace belongs to Karachi Customs Agents Association and more than 2000 members of this association are the co-owner of the said property, it was advised by him that the care taker committee may take matter at it's own, as he is handing over the same office which is handed over to him by the previous managing committee.
- That on further enquiry it was disclosed before this care taker committee that the entire 2nd floor except the room provided to the KCAA is now declared as the property of "so called" All Pakistan Customs Agents Association, this was done by the All Pakistan Customs Agents Association with the connivance of the previous Managing committee of the K.C.A.A., for the reasons God Knows better, this act in the eyes of general members is nothing but the reflection of their dishonesty and malpractices.
- The matter is being taken by the Care Taker committee in addition to the fact that the said issue was placed before the senior members of the Karachi Customs Agents Association, who contacted and tried to convince the previous managing committee and self employed office bearers of so called All Pakistan Customs Agents Association to leave / surrender the QABZA of the premises as the same was acquired by the fund raising /contribution of senior members of then Karachi Customs Agents Group, but the result was zero and it was acknowledged by the senior members that they were tried to play the flute (BANSRI) in front of buffalos.

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- That in the above mentioned circumstances, we regret to inform you that it was nearly impossible even to sit in such small room as the capacity of the room is about to place only one (01) table in the said room, however within the capacity of the room the affairs of the group are being managed by the caretaker committee. This CARE TAKER COMMITTEE DO HERBY INVITES ALL THE MEMBERS OF KCAA TO VERIFY THIS SITUATION BY VISITING THE KCAA'S OFFICE.
- That it is also a question that after elections where the elected body comprising of 20 persons will sit as presently the room provided to this Association is insufficient even to accommodate the care taker committee comprising of six persons only.
- That till today it is also a question that what will be the place to conduct the general elections, as in the past all elections of Karachi Customs Agents Group or Karachi Customs Agents Association were held in the office situated at Burhani Terrace being the property of the Association, and now the said property in not under the control of the KCAA.
- That there were two options for this caretaker committee, first to re-acquire the premises of the Karachi Customs Agents Association which is in the QABZA of "so called" (with no legal entity) All Pakistan Customs Agents Association, and call the General Body meeting of the Members of Karachi Customs Agents Association to take the decision about the QABZA of the property, Secondly announce the General Election and put up the matter as an item of Agenda in the Annual General Meeting of the members at time of handing over the charge to the forthcoming elected representatives of this Association, after realizing that 1st option is time consuming as we had to serve the notices to all the general members 21 days prior to the General Body meeting, and after taking decision of the General Body, further time to implement the decision was also unpredictable.

Keeping in view the above mentioned circumstances, this care taker committee took decision in it's meeting, first to announce the General Election and leave the matter to take the decision by the General Members of the Karachi Customs Agents Association as an item of Agenda in the Annual General Meeting of the members.

At the end this Care taker committee is pleased to announce the date of General Election scheduled for 30th May 2009.

However in compliance of the requirements under Article 28 and 29 of the Articles of Association, detailed Election Notice along-with Election Procedure/schedule and notice for Annual General Meeting will served in the near coming days as soon as we arrange a proper place to hold the elections as at this time, due to QABZA by the others who are not realizing the efforts and contribution for this property.

Regards,
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