

Commissioner of Income Tax Inland Revenue
Enforcement & Collection Division-I
RTO Karachi.

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Subject: MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD BY THE COMMISSIONER INLAND REVENUE/COORDINATOR SALES TAX AND FEDERAL EXCISE, ENFORCEMENT AND COLLECTION DIVISION-I, RTO, KARACHI ON 9TH FEBRUARY, 2010 AT HIS OFFICE ON 9TH FLOOR, TAX HOUSE, REGIONAL TAX OFFICE, SHAHRAH-E-KAMAL ATTATURK, KARACHI.

On the specific request of the Chairman Towel Manufacturers' Association, Karachi, the Commissioner Inland Revenue, Enforcement & Collection Division-I, RTO, Karachi held a meeting with the Towel Manufacturers' Association on 9th February, 2010 at his office on 9th floor, Tax House, Regional Tax Office, Shahrah-e-Kamal Attaturk, Karachi for resolution of certain important matters of the members of the Associate. The list of participants is enclosed as "Annex-A".

Mr. Waqar Alam, Chairman Towel Manufacturers' Association, Karachi at the outset thanked the Commissioner Inland Revenue, Enforcement & Collection Division-I, RTO, Karachi for sparing some time to listen and resolve some of the issues of their members.

The Chairman Towel Manufacturers' Association of Pakistan Mr. Waqar Alam requested the Commissioner Inland Revenue, Enforcement & Collection Division-I, RTO, Karachi to inform them as to where their sales tax matters will be settled in the new setup after amalgamation of the function of sales tax and income tax. The Commissioner Inland Revenue comprehensively briefed them that earlier the jurisdiction of Sales Tax Enforcement was with the Collectorate of Sales Tax and Federal Excise (defunct) near NIPA, Karachi. Now the jurisdiction has been divided into five

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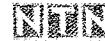
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Enforcement and Collection Divisions, in accordance with their corresponding Income Tax jurisdictions. They were also briefed regarding the matters of audit and were informed them that similar to Enforcement and Collection Divisions, the corresponding five Audit Divisions will conduct matters related to audit of Sales Tax.

The Commissioner Inland Revenue further informed the delegation that the counters for receiving of refund claims of Sales Tax for Enforcement and Collection Division-I, II, III and IV have been established at ground floor, Regional Tax Office Building, Karachi and are operative since last one month. Enforcement and Collection Division-V has been established at the office of the defunct Collectorate of Sales Tax and Federal Excise (defunct) near NIPA, Karachi.

The delegation was also briefed that respective refund Divisions have been established by each Enforcement and Collection Division, Regional Tax Office, Karachi. It was further informed that the Units of Enforcement and Collection Division-I are in the process of checking and monitoring of proper filing of Sales Tax returns and since there is a huge gap between the taxpayer enrolled with Income Tax and those registered with Sales Tax, the Units are identifying such non filers and short filers.

2. Upon the delegation's request, the Commissioner Inland Revenue informed that current refund applications are being processed daily. With respect to the back log of pending refund claims, the Commissioner Inland Revenue commented that since the refunds have remained pending for too long, in most cases for more than two years, the genuineness and veracity of such cases will be scrutinized in details. However, even in this respect the records are being requested from the defunct Collectorate. The updates of these actions have already been uploaded at the FBR web site.

3. The delegation requested the Commissioner Inland Revenue to allow them either a monthly or bi-monthly meeting as it was practice in the defunct Collectorate.

The Commissioner Inland Revenue informed the delegation that there is no need for such formal arrangement and that his office is open to all the taxpayers, all the time. He stated that his time is the time of Government of Pakistan and thus of the taxpayers and it would be highly satisfying for him if the problems of the taxpayers are redressed by him and they are facilitated to the utmost.

4. The delegation request their apprehension regarding the fact that due to the shifting of records their files may not get misplaced. The Commissioner Inland Revenue assured them that the records are being carefully transferred by the Information and Processing Division, Karachi and in case a file is not located the taxpayer will be facilitated if he provides proper evidence of submission of files.

5. The delegation requested the Commissioner Inland Revenue to sort out the matter of un-honoured cheques of sales tax refunds by the State Bank of Pakistan. The Commissioner Inland Revenue informed them that SOP has already been laid down in this respect and such taxpayers may apply to their respective Commissioners for processing of their cheques.

6. The Commissioner Inland Revenue further informed the delegation in order to further facilitation the taxpayer that claim of utility can now be clubbed with the normal claims.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

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DEPUTY COMMISSIONER (HQ)

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1. The Chief Commissioner Inland Revenue, Regional Tax Office, Karachi.
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ANNEXURE-A

List of participants.

1. Mr. Waqar Alam, Chairman
2. Mr. Mon Razzk, Vice Chairman
3. Mr. Samad Khalil, Secretary General
4. Mr. Nisar Ahamed, Member
5. Mr. Asif Jamali Deputy Commissioner (HQs)
6. Mr. Noor Hassan Senior Auditor

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