VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 2021-22

By Subrata Sen

A) Associations under my jurisdiction which are :-

KOLKATA, WEST BENGAL, BIHAR, RAIPUR & BILASPUR (RAIGARH)

B) Whether I visited any of the association, if not the reasons:-

- I used to get in touch with all the associations under my jurisdiction on regular basis throughout the year and shared necessary FPTA information from time to time, requested all the 5 associations to participate in our conference to be held in Nagpur. I frequently visited to my home association CPTA & WBPTA during their different occasions.
- CPTA celebrated PAPER DAY on 1st August 2022, they distributed paper day stamps, badges, exercise books to more than 200 students in two schools, organized audio-visual presentation on paper making in school auditorium. I witnessed all these events.
- Our FPTA President Mr. Deepak Mittal attended AGM of CPTA on 12-11-2021. I coordinated with him. I also attended meeting of WBPTA along with FPTA President held on 13-11-2021.
- I organized a joint meeting on 18-12-2021 with the members of CPTA & WBPTA on Taxation matter when Mr. Alok Gupta, convener of FPTA Taxation Committee visited Kolkata.

C) What are the views of Association be it on trade, the functioning of FPTA, Government policies etc:-

Members are highly impressed by the webinars organized by FPTA as traders are getting future market feedback from the speakers. They learned a lot from the speakers from different segments. Government policies on MSME were not fully cleared by many members. They suggested to organize seminar specially on the issue of MSME.

D) Whether I am in touch with the President and FPTA Secretariat regularly?

I am in regular touch with the President and Secretariats of FPTA from time to time as and when required. Besides, I am also in touch with some FPTA past presidents and Presidents of the affiliated associations under my Jurisdiction.

E) Whether I attended the MC Meeting of FPTA held during the quarter :-

Yes - I attended all the virtual as well as physical meetings of FPTA including MC meetings, sub-committee meetings and webinars. Due to health condition, I could not attend the last MC meeting at Indore.

F) My assessment with regard to this functioning of FPTA –

The panic of Covid-19 has gradually gone during the last one year, but most of the traders in retailer and sub-dealer segment were badly affected due to blockage of their working capital by the consumers during the lockdown period. Collections of old outstanding from the consumers are drastically going down. If FPTA arrange more webinars with mill owners and consumes, traders will be motivated because they will get some guideline on future trade policies.

G) Any other suggestions

FPTA President should focus on more seminars on MSME & Arbitration as these two are the lifeline of most of the traders. Quarterly reports are essential to understand the activities of local affiliated associations. All the vice presidents should take the initiative.

Thank you Subrata Sen Vice President – FPTA (2021-22)