

CHENNAI

10.08.2023

**Consolidated Report of P.Sriraman, Vice-President, FPTA, Mumbai to be incorporated in the Annual report of FPTA**

I was nominated as Vice President, FPTA Mumbai from our parent association MPMA for the year 2022-2023 in the Managing Committee Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at Nagpur. I was given the areas of MPMA, TDKVNS, DPMWA, PAMA, MPTA and SPMA.

MPMA association conducted the AGM on 30<sup>th</sup> Sep 2022 and new set of young team of office bearers were selected. They formed TASK-FORCE in which the office bearers and me was included to conduct various activities in a healthy manner. They conducted 1<sup>st</sup> M.C.Meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct 2022.

They conducted GST seminar on 17-10-2022 with Sri.Samsudeen as speaker regarding the latest changes in e-invoicing, question and answer session was conducted. 60 people attended the seminar at their association office. This was followed by Deepavali celebration and the function went very well.

They honoured senior people 70 years of age with garlands and shawl in order to show affection to them. Deepavali speech was delivered by Sri.Arul Praksam. He advised the traders unity and modern techniques to sell the products. Nice speech.

They have decided to participate in TCC, HCC, FMMMA, SICC to co-ordinate for various govt related and trade related local issues. We have participated SOUTH PAPEREX Chennai on 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022. Our FPTA has put the stall and it was inaugurated by Sri.Prof.Sulthan Ahmed, Tamilnadu Govt.State Planning Commission Head, Chennai. Our FPTA stall was instrumental to create more awareness about PAPER. Lots of mill people, printers, convertors and publishers attended the stall. Our FPTA President Sri.Aseem Bordiaji visited the stall and interacted with our PAST PRESIDENTS, CONSUMERS and Mills Representatives.

In the evening our President along with various team members discussed with agro based, waste paper based mills to interact for mutual benefits.

They had their M.C.Meeting with our FPTA President Sri.Aseem Bordiaji as Chief Guest along with other past presidents of FPTA. Our FPTA President gave special Momento to MPMA President Sri.Balaji. Our FPTA President gave nice speech about market condition.

**OTHER ASSOCIATIONS**

Our Arbitration committee Convener Sri.C.Balasubramanian sent letter reg. the committee members for his team. His guidance to me and to the trade is highly appreciable. Our other

association members namely Sri.Rajneesh of Trichy Kakitha Vyaparigal Nala Sangam, Sri.Tirumalaisamy of Dindigul Association, Sri.Mani of Madurai Association and Sri.Senthil Muthukaruppan of Sivakasi Association are all co-operative, sincere to the core and I interacted them about our FPTA webinars, GST issues and to their local and common trade related issues.

1. MPMA activities: They have organised Christmas and New Year celebration on 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022 with speaker Mr. Kanchi Kruba. He advised about the unity of members and change of tactics in the present trend of fast and quick decision making of our paper trade. All M.C members and our group Association MC member participated in the Webinar of EGM on 20<sup>th</sup> January 2023 .
2. They have organised children's family gettogether program on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2023 at Sagarika Garden, Kanathur. It was a fun for children of MPMA family members. Nicely organised with lunch and high tea. Lucky dip was conducted and 1 gram gold coin was presented to the selected family. Gold coin sponsored by ME. They have decided to bring in new members with some discount in subscription and enrolled 4 new members.
3. I saw a message from FPTA member Mr. Vishnukatharathi on 30<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023 in whatsapp group of FPTA regarding the barber Mr. Pon Mariappan's efforts of book reading at his shop. I went to Tuticorin along with my customer at Tirunelveli, garlanded him on 1-02-2023 with small contribution to buy more books for his efforts of book reading at barber shop
4. We started our visit to other associations along with FPTA President Sri. Aseem M. Bordiaji from 9<sup>th</sup> April 2023 to 11<sup>th</sup> April 2023. Details are as follows:

Tiruchirappalli Dist.Kakitha Vanigarkal Nala Sangam:

Myself along with FPTA president Sri. Aseem Bordiaji went to Trichy on 9.4.2023. Though it was Sunday maximum members attended the meeting. President Sri. Thyagarajan and Secy.Sri. Rajneesh organised very well. Unity among Traders, decent margin, in and out policy, present trends, GST issues etc discussed. President spoke about the market scenario, meeting ended with National Anthem followed by lunch.

5. Dindigul Paper and Allied Traders Association:

On 9.4.2023 evening meeting started with prayer. The meeting was coordinated by President and Secretary Sri.Tirumalaisamy. Our past FPTA President Sri. C.Balasubramanian spoke about the importance of Arbitrations. Our FPTA President Sri. Aseem Bordiaji spoke about the usage of recycled paper thus saving Foreign Exchange reserves. I spoke about the present market conditions and unity among all members.

Meeting held with press meet and some dailies namely Dinamalar & Dinakaran published the photos and articles were put on next day in their newspaper.

6. Salem Paper and Allied Traders Association and Erode District PSMA,10-04-2023.

The above 2 associations is not under my jurisdiction. During my visit along with President Sri.Aseemji they showed warm, nice and rich hospitality making it as a memorable and joyful one. Thanks to Salem Association President Sri.K.L.N.Balaji and Secretary Sri.Viswanathan and Erode Association President Sri.Boopathy Raja and Sri.Chokalingam for their kind gesture.

7. Paper and Allied Merchants Association,Coimbatore 10-04-2023,6.30 p.m.

The meeting was conducted in Rathna Residency with President Sri. C.K. Venkatesh and Secretary Sri. Ravi, other office bearers under the guidance of Sri. C. Balasubramanian, Past President FPTA. Nicely organised meeting. Open house was conducted about GST issues and answered. FPTA President Sri. Aseem Bordiaji spoke about the recent trends in paper industry. Meeting ended with National Anthem followed by dinner.

8. Madurai Paper Traders Association,11-04-2023,1.30 P.M.

On 11<sup>th</sup> April 23 myself and FPTA President Sri Aseem Bordiaji went to Madurai Association for meeting and Sri.Sankaranarayanan, President and Secy.Sri.Mani Coordinated nicely. Being Monday most of the members attended the meeting. We spoke about the insurance policy being introduced by some paper mills to avoid bad debts. Open house was conducted and lot of interaction with them. Our FPTA President spoke about the unity and usage of Indian paper rather than usage of other paper. Nice meeting ended with National Anthem Followed by lunch.

9. Sivakasi Paper Merchants Association: They conducted GST seminar and open house meeting on 30.12.2022 with Sri.Sundarrajan as Speaker. Further Sivakasi MLA Mr. AMMSG.ASHOKAN coordinated with GST department for various issues along with other association members of Sivakasi area on 21.01.2023.

On 11<sup>th</sup> April 2023, Sivakasi Paper Merchants Association conducted their meeting, even though it was a local holiday for them. Most of the members attended the meeting with Sri. Balaji, president, Sri. Senthil Muthukaruppan Secretary and other office bearers. Sivakasi Association is unique in nature, always GO FOR GROWTH POLICY. They visited Mumbai Paper Traders Association for exchange of views, trade issues, more awareness of big market of Mumbai etc. Our FPTA President Sri. Aseem Bordiaji spoke the importance of place by giving the historical importance about the Sivakasi. Discussed various issues and meeting ended with dinner.

MPMA Consumer meet was held on 12<sup>th</sup> Apr2023 at Hotel Marriott,Chennai.This meeting was attended by our President Sri.Aseem bordiaji, Sri.Bhavesh Gala, Secretary and Sri.Nirmalguhad, Convener, Consumer Awareness Committee apart from Past Presidents and other office bearers and members. It was a nice meeting conducted to create more awareness, sharing of knowledge, present difficulties in supplies and rates, introduction of new concepts, impact of GST, cluster formation to know about trade, pre-covid, post-covid situations etc were discussed. One thought provoking speech was given by Sri.Murugesan Annachi of Guna Vilas,Madurai (member of MPMA also)Notebooks Manufacturers Association towards the Importance of NOTEBOOKS INDUSTRY. This industry cultivates more reading and writing habits to gain knowledge and awareness. Even though this industry is facing labour issues.The importance of NOTEBOOKS have never gone down.

Our FPTA President Sri.Aseemji spoke about the recent trends in Paper Industry. Sri.A.Natesan,past president FPTA spoke about the international and domestic Market prices.Sri.Nirmal Guhad summed up the meeting.

The following associations participated in the consumer meet and their views are as follows:

1. Corrugated box association
2. Tamilnadu Wedding cards Association
3. Madras Printers and Lithographers Association
4. Book and Publishers of Associations of South India
5. Computer stationery manufacture Association
6. Note Books Manufacturers association

I attended webinar on SUCCESS MANTRAS for a Prosperous Family Business on 5<sup>th</sup> March 2023 along with other association members from Tamil Nadu. Our FPTA webinar on July 23<sup>rd</sup>,2023 for discussion on Celebration of NATIONAL PAPER DAY was attended by me.I also attended all the webinars of FPTA with our M.C members including the last webinar of Greening Mother Earth.All webinars are very much useful.

I attended 2<sup>nd</sup> M.C.meeting at Ahmedabad on 24<sup>th</sup> Dec 2022 and spoke about hardships in GST issues of our state.3<sup>rd</sup> M.C.meeting at Bangaluru on 10<sup>th</sup> June2023 was attended by me,gave speech about the benefits of MSME for our Traders.

NATIONAL PAPER DAY was celebrated on30th July23 to 1<sup>st</sup> August 23 by MPMA, visiting various schools, distribution of Pamphlets in Marina Beach area to create more awareness

about PAPER. Media coverage in Tamil Dailies was also done this time. All the other associations under my jurisdiction celebrated with National Paper Day in a grand manner. They honoured the motivator of National Paper Day, namely Sri.A.Natesan and Sri. A.Annamalai (Past Presidents of FPTA). They also honoured Sri.Muthuraman Annan, MPMA Pillar of National Paper Day Celebration Committee,Chennai.

Recently on 9<sup>th</sup> Aug23 SIVAKASI Association celebrated this festival by visiting Viswanatham Govt.School with myself as Chief Guest, gave prizes to school children. TheruKoothu an interesting way of easy approach to rural school children was conducted for awareness of PAPER.

**MY SINCERE THANKS TO FPTA PRESIDENT SRI. ASEEMJI FOR SPARING HIS VALUABLE TIME, SHARING OF KNOWLEDGE AND KIND COOPERATION DURING THE TOUR OF OTHER ASSOCIATION UNDER MY JURISDICTION.**

I sincerely thank MPMA,Chennai, TDKVNS,Tiruchirappalli, DPMWA,Dindigul, SPATA, Salem,ERPSMA,Erode,PAMA,Coimbatore, MAPA,Madurai and SIVAKASI PMA for giving this great opportunity for interaction. I cherish my memories. Thank you once again.

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