ANAND KUMAR GOENKA'S VICE PRESIDENT REPORT AT 2nd MC MEETING 2023-24 BEING HELD AT MEERUT.

I was nominated by my home association Calcutta Paper Traders Association to serve as Vice President from Kolkata for the year 2023-24 during the 62nd Annual General Meeting held at New Delhi on 29th December 2023

a. Names of the Affiliated Associations under your jurisdiction:

- Calcutta Paper Traders Association, Kolkata
- West Bengal Paper Traders Association ,Howrah
- Mahakaushal Paper Dealers Association, Jabalpur
- Indore Paper Traders Assocation, Indore
- Bhopal Paper Merchants Association, Bhopal

b. Whether you have visited any of the Associations during the quarter, if not the reasons.

Leaving aside my home association and as well West Bengal Paper Traders Association being in the same geographical location, I was unable to attend the other Associations that fall under my purview. Nonetheless, I maintained constant communication with the key individuals from the afore mentioned associations, sharing our perspectives on the market and inspiring them to take part in the FPTA's diverse events.

Having the opportunity to be the President of my home association I have been instrumental in holding regular meetings of our association to plan forthcoming programmes. Regular interactions have been made with West Bengal Paper Traders Association and have cherished their full support.

On the social front our association was fortunate to organise a free food distribution and medical camp on 11/1/2024 for the pilgrims of Gangasagar Mela which is the 2nd largest congregation of mankind after Kumbh mela.

c. What are the views of the Associations be it on trade, the functioning of FPTA, Government policies etc.

The associations are happy on the working of the FPTA and the regular updates on taxation matters, paper market trends etc and the various webinar conducted on Zoom platform are well appreciated. All associations have felt a sluggishness in the market demand.

d. Whether you are in touch with the President and FPTA Secretariat regularly. Yes under the leadership of Shri Dalipji Bindal, he has been constantly motivating us to have more member participation in the FPTA activities as well as to have the KYC compliance in place.

e. Whether you have attended the Managing Committee Meeting of FPTA held during the Quarter and if not the reasons.

I have attended the AGM along with the 1st MC meeting of FPTA held at New Delhi and will be attending the 2nd as well.

f. What is your assessment with regard to the functioning of FPTA – whether you have any suggestions which would give a boost to its working

I feel FPTA is doing a commendable job binding the paper trade into one and being its voice to the industry level as well as the government in the best interest of its members. Its effort for Public Awareness of Paper as Sustainable and Green in nature and the educational Programme conducted by them in collaboration with some marquee institutes is well appreciated. Its timely Taxation updates are of great help.

g. Any other suggestions.

Regular updates on domestic and international market trends in different segments of the paper trade, would be well appreciated by all.

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