

MINUTES OF THE FIRST MEETING FOR THE TERM 01-10-2021 TO 30-09-2022 OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF ALL PAKISTAN LPG DISTRIBUTORS ASSOCIATION HELD ON THURSDAY 27 OCTOBER 2021 IN ALL PAKISTAN LPG DISTRIBUTORS HEAD OFFICE AT KARACHI.

PRESENTS

ABDUL HADI KHAN	Chairman
MUHAMMAD ALI HAIDER	Senior Vice Chairman
MUHAMMAD SHOAIB HASSAN	Vice Chairman

TUFAIL AHMED
QADIR SHAH
GUL MUHAMMAD KHAN
MEHMOOD KHAN
HAJI AMIR NAWSHAD
RIAZ HUSSAIN
ZARDALI KHAN
MALIK MUHAMMAD IQBAL
RAJA JAVED IQBAL NASIR
INAM ULLAH KHAN
MUHAMMAD UMAIR
EHSANULLAH
MUHAMMAD NOMAN KHAN
HAYAT KHAN SASOLI
ABDUL WAHID KHAN

ZAHID AHMED (SECRETARY GENERAL)

The meeting started with recitation of the Holy Quran after this the Chairman Abdul Hadi Khan welcomed the participants and emphasized upon the members to actively participate in this important forum and make suggestions / proposals for better development of this Association.

INTRODUCTION OF MEMBERS TO EACH OTHER.

All the members of the committee introduce to each others and briefly explain their business nature and the importance of their companies. All the members promised to consider the stakeholders' views seriously in all policy formulation and hoped some good recommendations, that are truly implementable will emerge from the deliberations of the meeting instead of 'ideal' viewpoints which do not deliver concrete results.

DISCUSS THE RULES, REGULATION & OBJECTIVE OF COMMITTEE

The Chairman Abdul Hadi Khan chaired the committee and said that every matter regarding LPG should be communicated under the plate form of this committee. He said that many years, LPG has played a valuable role in meeting the world's energy needs. In the future, LPG has the opportunity to enhance this role by also helping combat global climate change. This committee always draw key policy makers, and the highest level of industry leaders to explore the future of LPG industry, discuss its growth potential, and forge new business relationships. We are interested in exchanging knowledge and experiences with all LPG stakeholders at every level and in all sectors of the business. Our goal together is to grow the business more and engage fully with all our stakeholders.

MAIN AGENDA AND TARGETS OF THE COMMITTEE FOR ITS TENURE

In the meeting the Senior Vice Chairman M.Ali Haider explained the main agenda and target of the committee he said Pakistan faces a large and growing energy deficit during the next 15- year period. While this gap will partly be bridged by planned Thar coal and nuclear projects, the remaining deficit will need to be met by increasing imports of LPG. Our main focus is to provide cheaper LPG to our valuable consumers because the LPG is 20 percent cheaper than compressed natural gas (CNG) and safer one due to its low pressure.

The Chairman Abdul Hadi Khan further added that the demand is increasing and we want a complete framework on safety standards, regulations and proper enforcement. In this regard, the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority

(OGRA) have sought views from all stakeholders, which should be submitted accordingly. He said that the LPG sector's commitment to keep the demand and supply gap in check is evident from the record-high LPG imports made during the calendar year by a variety of private sector parties at their own initiative under the existing policy framework.

The Chairman said even after various problems the LPG demand is increasing and users are not switching to other fuels because it suits them, and it is our main target to control the prices, he further added that we have gas, oil and other natural resources in abundance, which need to be exploited properly, it should have been done earlier to meet "our existing energy requirements." He said "the LPG import costs more than two and half times of our own produce."

The Vice Chairman Mr. Shoaib Hassan said that Marketing Companies have invested huge amounts in building of LPG filling Plants, Storage Tanks, Transportation vehicles, Manpower have paid huge Signature Bonus to get allocation of LPG quota from the Local Producers. If the cheaper imports scenario continues, the local plants would suffer huge losses. It is therefore suggested that the Government has to make pricing policy in a manner that gives at least 20% cost benefit to the Locally produced LPG. This will give competitive edge to the local producers, and the Importers will get the LPG at competitive prices from the exporters.

Mr. Malik M. Iqbal said GST on LPG should be removed. Since this is poor man's fuel there should be no GST. GST is consumption tax and since the Government wants to uplift the poor man, the GST on LPG should be removed totally. It should be made 0 rated. This will make the LPG cheaper as compared to non-conventional fuel like coal and wood and will also preserve our trees and forests. Presently there is no GST on Kerosene so there should be no GST on LPG as well. If GST on locally produced LPG is not reduced to 0%, at least it should be reduced to 10% to keep the local product cost in line with Imported LPG.

At the end the chairman Abdul Hadi Kahn Chairman thanked members and looked forward to their continuing support.

Secretary General

Chairman