

**GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
MINISTRY OF COMMERCE**

NOTIFICATION

Islamabad, 13th December, 2023

S.R.O. 1794(I)/2023.- WHEREAS, the Islamabad High Court vide order dated the 18th day of September, 2023 in Writ Petition No. 222/2023 titled Saad Hassan and another versus Directorate General of Trade Organizations and another was pleased to direct as follows:-

“For reasons to be recorded later, this petition is allowed. The office bearers will hold their offices for 2 years from the dates of their elections to their offices. The Federal Government is directed to amend rule 21(13) of the Trade Organizations Rules, 2013 (as amended) to provide that the 2 years tenure of any member of an executive committee, who was an office bearer at the time the Trade Organizations (Amendment) Act, 2022 was passed, shall ipso facto be deemed extended by such term as required for such executive member to complete his 2 years tenure as an office bearer.

2 Disposed of accordingly.”.

2. NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 31 of the Trade Organizations Act, 2013 (II of 2013), the Federal Government is pleased to direct that in the Trade Organizations Rules, 2013, the following amendments shall be made namely:-

In the aforesaid Rules, in rule 21, after sub-rule (13), the following new sub-rule (13A) shall be inserted, namely:

“(13A) Notwithstanding anything contained in any other law for the time being in force and Memorandum and Articles of Association of any Trade Organization, the office bearers shall hold their offices for two years from the date of their election to their offices and the two years tenure of any member of executive committee, who was either an office bearer or who was in the second year of his executive committee membership on commencement of the Trade Organizations (Amendment) Act, 2022 (Act No. XXVII of 2022), shall as a one-time special exemption only be deemed to have been extended by such term as required for such executive committee member to either complete his two years tenure as an office bearer or retire together alongwith the remaining executive committee members on the 30th day of September, 2024.”.

[F. No. 4(7)/2020-Exp-I]


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