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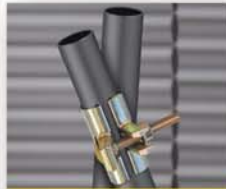
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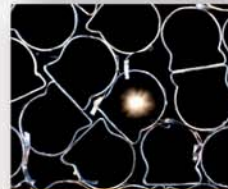
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Convener's Note



Empower the investors

The year 2019 was like a roller coaster ride for the construction industry as whole with many challenges and check-lists at hand for economic planners and stake holders, to accomplish. The economic situation of the country, as projected by global institutions, hasn't been at its best. The Asian Development Bank has predicted that the economic growth rate in Pakistan will be 2.8% and the inflation rate will be 12% the highest in the block of eight nations in this fiscal year, 2019-20. It is high time that the government must support local investors, particularly the construction sector that has been a major contributor to the national economy, to effectively address prevailing economic challenges. Construction sector absorbs the unskilled workers and the country has many men and women as unskilled. These workers over time learn construction skills through on-job training. In terms of innovations and use of tech, the economic planners should realise that future economic development would be largely based on technology and creativity and would be led by the young generation based in Asia where countries like India and Pakistan enjoy demographic advantage. At the same time, it is also commendable that Prime Minister has declared construction sector the status of an industry and it was imperative for promotion of the sector. The government must now simplify construction-related laws and do away with the condition of unnecessary approvals and no-objection certificates (NOCs). There is also a need of the hour to introduce short, medium and long-term roadmap for improving ease of doing business in construction sector, alongside introduction of latest technology to ensure transparency and make simpler the procedures in the construction industry. The national economy has full potential to recover on its own, provided that right and judicious decisions are taken keeping in view the recommendations of all stake holders who are serving the country with sheer passion and patriotism.

Engr. Zaheer Qadri

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Co-convener's Note



Strategic envisioning

The Association of Builders and Developers of Pakistan (ABAD) clutches on to a major role in giving forward thrust to the economy as the guild is a platform of more than 1000 members of top builders and developers of the country. Along with major responsibility on its shoulders, the Association also faces numerous challenges when it encounters red-herrings from government institutions in doing their job. ABAD pursues its key function to unite all builders and developers as well as allied industries on a single platform with an aim to address problems faced by them and ensure resolution to issues in no time. The Association also held annual elections in September 2019 in which a new team of office-bearers was elected at the helm. The outgone team also performed dedicatedly to resolve various issues, while the newly-elected team has several challenges at hand and they are fully capable to get through existing issues with steadfastness. One of our burning issues is the ban on converted plots in Karachi, which the new team will effectively go after to the fullest of its capabilities and ensure revocation of the ban that is hurting the construction sector on financial and development front. I also congratulate Mr. Mohsin Sheikhan on being elected as Chairman ABAD for the term 2019-20 and I earnestly hope he along with his new team will take ABAD to the new heights of success.

Engr. Kaleem-uz-Zaman
Co-Convener Shelter & Publication Sub-Committee



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Developers of Pakistan
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A brief about ABAD



The Association of Builders & Developers of Pakistan (ABAD) is a national level representative organization of builders and developers, formed in the year 1972 with the aim and objective of unifying and streamlining the construction activities of private sector.

ABAD is registered under the Companies Ordinance, 1984 with Registration No. KAR No. 4967 of 1977-78

and licensed under Trade Organizations Ordinance, 2007 and it's affiliated with the Federation of Pakistan Chamber of commerce and Industry (FPCCI).

Today, ABAD has in its fold more than 1,000 leading construction companies of the country. Most of its members' offices are equipped with up-to-date systems of designing, cost control, project management

The principal aims and objectives of ABAD include

- **Unifying builders and developers for their collective good.**
- **Promoting housing industry in the country.**
- **Providing assistance to the Government in formulating its housing policies and plans.**
- **Co-coordinating between ABAD members, the Government and other agencies.**
- **Dealing with problems faced by its members in the execution of their projects.**
- **Organized research.**
- **Awareness and training program to promote the science and art of building.**
- **Working actively for eradication of unethical business practices from the housing and development field.**
- **Exploring the prospects of large-scale projects in the public sector and then acting as a consortium of ABAD members to secure and execute the projects.**

and latest civil engineering techniques to minimize the cost of construction. The association operates on democratic lines with election of One Chairman, Senior Vice Chairman, Vice Chairman and Managing Committees and One Chairman from each of its two regions i.e., Southern Region and Northern Region for a full term of year. The Chairman & Sr. Vice Chairman is elected among Full / Ordinary members and the Vice Chairman from Associate Members and One Chairman each from its two respective.

The Elected Office Bearers for the term 2019-20 are Mr. Mohsin Abu Bakar Sheikhan, Chairman; Mr. Muhammad Sohail Warrind, Senior Vice Chairman; Mr. Abdul Rehman, Vice Chairman; Mr. Muhammad Ali Ratadia, Chairman Southern Region; Engr. Akbar Sheikh, Chairman Northern Region (Lahore) and Mr. Moosa Memon, Vice Chairman Hyderabad Sub-Region.

As a representative organization of the country's builders and developers, ABAD has made a valuable contribution in the formulation of National Housing Policy and Sindh building Control Ordinance. It has also played a leading role in securing and increase in the House building Finance Corporation component of housing loans as well as the allocation to HBFC in

the Federal Budget.

In the provincial capital of Sindh, ABAD has played a pivotal role in procurement of land for its members and also for the issuance of no objection to them by Karachi Development Authority. Other major achievements of ABAD include increasing the covered area of flats, fixation of the selling price of housing units, inclusion of a provision of escalation, simplification of the procedure for the permission to mortgage and registration of leases, increase in the period of completion and streamlining of documentation procedures regularly. Although there is a pressing requirement for houses in the city yet on account of non-availability of infrastructure and other amenities, some schemes cannot be developed due to scarcity, efforts to remove these bottlenecks are continuing on all possible levels.

As a socially responsible organization in addition to the above core functions ABAD also extends donations and other kinds of support to deserving institutions and welfare organizations. A safe shelter to live in is recognized the world over as a fundamental human right and that is the vision behind ABAD's efforts and ventures.

Office-bearers of ABAD for the term 2019-20



Mr. Mohsin Sheikhani
Chairman ABAD

Mr. Mohsin Abu Bakar Sheikhani is a very distinguished builder with years of experience in the sphere. Mr. Mohsin Sheikhani has been elected as Chairman of ABAD in the previous terms for 2011-12, 2013-14, 2016-17 and now proudly serving for the year 2019-20.

Given his myriad services to the real estate industry, Mr. Sheikhani remains on the forefront in highlighting issues plaguing the construction sector and perseveres with efforts to improve industry's outlook. He is the Director of Hina Housing Projects and has several prestigious housing projects to his credit like the Al-Khaleej Towers and The Comforts.

He has also served ABAD in capacity of a Convener of various Sub-Committees including that of Law and Order, Revenue Land Matters, De-Freezing of Land by BOR. Mr. Sheikhani has been elected many times as member of ABAD's Central Executive Committee and Regional Executive Committee.



**Mr. Muhammad
Sohail Warind**
Senior Vice Chairman

Mr. Muhammad Sohail Warind is owner of Warind Builders and Developers. His firm has successfully completed many projects in areas including Gulshan-e-Iqbal, Federal B. Area, North Nazimabad and Gulistan-e-Jauhar.

Elected as Senior Vice Chairman of ABAD for the year 2019-20, Mr. Warind is a seasoned and dedicated professional with many years of experience in the real estate and the construction sector. He is well cognizant of the latest developments and trends in the housing industry.

He has also served as Convener of Law and Order Sub-Committee of ABAD. Mr. Warrind has also been very active as member of other sub-committees like KWSB, SBCA, Anti-Encroachment and Complaint & Membership Renewal Sub-Committee.



Mr. Abdul Rehman
Vice Chairman

Mr. Abdul Rehman is the Founder and CEO of Chayell Group of Pakistan. He has been associated with the construction business for over 40 years and has several projects including Chayell Skyline, Chayell Comfort, Chayell Corner and Chayell Apartments to his credit.

He is very actively participating / representing ABAD as Convener for North America and has represented the Association in many forums in Pakistan and abroad. Mr. Rehman is an active member of Canada Pakistan Business Council as well.

Mr. Rehman firmly believes that loyalty, respect, trust, responsibility, work quality, talent and teamwork are the core ingredients that establishes a name of builder in the sphere, and he strictly abides by the aforementioned values.



**Mr. Muhammad
Ali Taufeeq**
Chairman Southern Region

Mr. Ali Taufeeq is a dynamic person with vast experience in the construction field. He is the CEO of Al-Baari Builders. Mr. Ali Taufeeq is a very versatile builder and developer.

He has several projects completed namely Al-Baari Heights, Al-Baari Homes, Al-Baari Exclusive Towns and Sana Heaven. He is one of the most active members of Sub-Committees of ABAD and also worked in the Regional Executive Committee of the Association.

He regularly takes part in meetings of the Sub-Committees and at times led the delegation of ABAD in important meetings. His services to ABAD and fellow builders in resolution of their issues have always been appreciated by the Association.



**Engr. Muhammad
Akbar Sheikh**

Chairman Northern Region

Elected as Chairman Northern Region of ABAD for the term 2019-20, Engr. M. Akbar Sheikh is a Civil Engineer by profession with a Master's degree from McGill University. He has business interests in construction, property development, textiles, etc. He has also served as Chairman of Constructors Association of Pakistan (CAP) and Chairman of All Pakistan Textiles Mills Association (APTMA), Punjab.

He is the Chairman of Zaamin Group of Companies. Mr. Sheikh has served ABAD on different important positions for the Northern Region.



Mr. Faisal Moosa Memon

*Vice Chairman
Hyderabad sub-region*

Mr. Faisal Moosa Memon is elected as Vice Chairman as Hyderabad sub-region for the year 2019-20. He is the proprietor of M/S Faisal Engineering and Consultants. Being the member of sub-regional committee of ABAD, he is among the active and well-known builders in Hyderabad sub-region.

His company has completed several residential and commercial projects including S.M. Residency, Aman Residency, Burj-e-Moosa and Uzair Tower in Hyderabad.

Members of Central Executive Committee for the term 2019-20



**Mr. Muhammad
Hanif Gohar**

Mr. Hanif Gohar is the Chairman of Gohar Group of Companies. He is a veteran and very famous builder and developer with many successful projects like Gohar Pride and Shopping Mall, Gohar Heights, Gohar View, Gohar Terrace, Gohar Classics, Gohar-e-Nayab, Gohar Comforts and many others to his recognition. He is a seasoned and matured businessman.

He has also served as Chairman and Vice Chairman ABAD in the terms 2015-16 and 2013-14, respectively. He has also been an active member of various Sub-Committees of ABAD over the period of years. He has also served as Vice President of the FPCCI.



**Mr. Junaid Ashraf
Taloo**

Mr. Junaid Ashraf Taloo is a prominent name in the construction Industry of Pakistan. He is also a former Chairman of ABAD and senior member of the Association. Mr. Junaid represents the Taloo Builders and Developers, a well-known group in the construction sector. His company has several mega projects to its credit including Omega Mall, and Taloo Gold Residency. His firm is also actively involved in construction of housing project in Gwadar.

Mr. Taloo has also been vibrantly involved in different sub-committees of ABAD over the period of years and helped members with his visionary approach on a number of occasions.



Mr. Fayyaz Ilyas

Mr. Fayyaz Ilyas is the Managing Director of Al Tameer Properties, and as a member of Executive Committees of ABAD he has contributed a lot for the betterment of fellow builders.

He is well versed and dynamic personality among the builders and developers. He is widely extolled among the builders' guild because of the dedication towards the tasks assigned to him as a member of ABAD. His contribution has been immense in the sub-committees of the K-Electric, SSGC, Cantonment Board HBFCL, Revenue Land Matters and De-freezing of Land and Malir Development Authority.



Mr. Raheel Rinch

Mr. Raheel Rinch is an active and prominent member of ABAD and currently serving as Convener of the KMC Sub-Committee. He is also a Co-Convener of other Sub-Committees including the KDA, and the Law & Order. Mr. Rinch is the CEO of Aman Builders and Developers. His company has completed several famous projects in Karachi.

His dedication, commitment and perseverance to resolve issues faced by the members have been lauded by the Association on a number of occasions.



Mr. Noman Tabani

Mr. Noman Tabani is a well-reputed builder and a senior member of ABAD. He is a Business graduate from the University of Houston with Majors in Finance and MIS. Mr. Tabani is the CEO and director of Tabani Enterprises (Private) Limited and representing the First American Business Group, L.L.C. as well Mr. Tabani's other business activities include Mortgage banking, Retail Energy, Development, Textiles, Steel and Hospitality. He has also over 10 years experience in field of Valuation.

He has been serving ABAD in different sub-committees including the Federal Board of Revenue, Anti-Encroachment/Law&Order Cell, Finance, Accounts & ABAD Budget Committee, and Scheme Development.



Mr. Arif Sheikhani

Mr. Arif Sheikhani is one of the well-known builders. He is associated with Diamond Builders, a reputed firm in the industry. Mr. Sheikhani actively participates in different meetings of ABAD and enlightens members with his proficiency on different occasions. He is also the Convener of ABAD's Sub-Committee for Dangerous Buildings, and serves as the member of different sub-committees like Cantonment Boards, CPEC, Environment Protection & Safety Measurement, Master Plan & Development, Karachi Metropolitan Corporation (KMC) and Arbitration Sub-Committee.



Mr. Suffian Adhia

Mr. Suffian Adhia is an active member of ABAD, who holds command over legal matters and also served as Convener of the Legal Affairs Sub-Committee of ABAD in the year 2018-19.

Mr. Adhia frequently takes part in meetings of the Association and serves one of the key members in decision-making in important matters. He is the Director of his company named Country Housing, which has been dynamically involved in construction of different projects.



Mr. Khawar Munir

Mr. Khawar Munir is the son of renowned builder and a philanthropist, Mr. Munir Sultan. He is one of the young, energetic and enthusiastic members of the Central Executive Committee of ABAD.

He is the Director Finance in his Company titled 'Kay Kay Housing Services' that is a fastest growing developers group undertaking several projects and housing scheme across Pakistan.



**Mr. Muhammad
Haroon Karim**

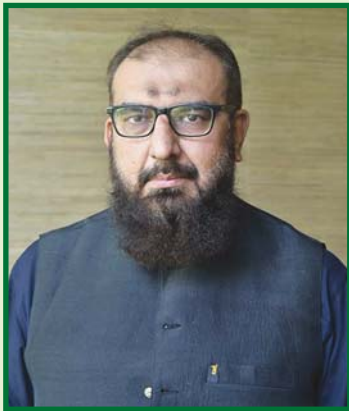
Mr. Muhammad Haroon Karim is a partner in Karim Associates. His company has made many famous projects in Karachi like Magna Shopping Mall, etc.

His active participation as a member of Central Executive Committee of ABAD has provided him space to help with his expertise to resolve issues faced by the members of ABAD. His participation in different sub-committees of ABAD has also been remarkable.



Dr. Talha Farooqui

Dr. Talha Farooqui is the prominent member of ABAD, who is quite active and has been taking part in different meetings. He is a doctor by profession and he has done his M.B.B.S. from Dow Medical College. Mr. Farooqui has also served as Chairman Southern Region of ABAD for the terms 2010-11 and 2012-13. He is the proprietor of King's Associate. He has been actively involved in Sub-Committees of ABAD including Updating Building Bye-Laws, SBCA, KWSB, and Law & Order Sub-Committee. He also served as member of the Central Executive Committee and Regional Executive Committee over the period of years.



Mr. Sohail Naviwala

Mr. Sohail Naviwala is a well-reputed builder and businessman and the Chairman of M/S Petal Associates. His company has completed several projects in Karachi.

He has been working in many sub-committees of ABAD including ABAD Expo Committee, Law & Order, Sports and Culture, Allied Industries, Cantonment Boards and Revenue Land Matters. He is one of the active and energetic members of the builders' guild.



Mr. Aqeel Ilyas

Muhammad Aqeel is the COO of Falaknaz Group. He is associated with ABAD for years, having vast experience in construction sector. He also has a considerable experience in marketing and advertising spheres.

He remains in contact with regulatory authorities like the SBCA to resolve issues related to his company and those of ABAD members. His company is proud of his dynamic guidance and strict supervision towards various activities of the company.



Mr. Muhammad Ejaz

Mr. Muhammad Ejaz is a member of ABAD's Central Executive Committee with years of experience in the corporate sector. Mr. Muhammad Ejaz is the Chief Executive of Arif Habib REIT Management Limited.

He is certified Financial Risk Manager and holds an MBA from IBA. He has over 18 years of experience in the fields of Treasury, Corporate Finance and Investment Banking. Mr. Ejaz has served in senior positions at leading local and international banks.



**Mr. Nazeer
Muhammad Ghauri**

Mr. Nazeer Muhammad Ghori is associated with Salman Builders and Developers - a firm working mainly in Hyderabad. His company has executed several key projects in Hyderabad and quite known in the city for its project.

Mr. Ghori has been inducted into the Central Executive Committee of ABAD for his dedication and contribution to the Association in undertaking different assigned tasks.



Mr. Malik Arshad Ali

Mr. Malik Arshad Ali is a known builder and developer, associated with ABAD for years.

He has been taking part in several meetings of ABAD as his experience in the field serves as a value addition in different decision making for the Association.

Members of Regional Executive Committee (Southern Region) of ABAD for the term 2019-20



Mr. Zeeshan Siddiqui

Zeeshan Siddiqui is the owner and proprietor of Farhan Construction Company, which has been serving the industry for several years and has made many successful projects in different areas of Karachi. Holding an MBA Degree in Finance and Economics and having enough expertise in Architecture, Designing and Town Planning, Mr. Zeeshan Siddiqui is elected as a member of CEC.

He is very young, energetic and dynamic person with having vast knowledge related to the construction industry. He has also been serving the New Membership sub-committee of ABAD as its Convener.



**Mr. M. Nadeem
Yousuf Jeewa**

Mr. M. Nadeem Yousuf Jeewa is an active and dedicated member of ABAD. He is the CEO of Apricot Builders & Developers. With his dedication, hard work and ambition, he became one of the prominent names of construction industry in Karachi.

He has been very punctual and conscientious in attending different meetings of ABAD. He has also worked in various Sub-Committees including ABAD House Maintenance, Complaint Sub-Committee, Law & order Sub-Committee, and CPEC Planning & Development Sub-Committee.



Engr. Danish Bin Rauf

A professional engineer, dedicated and dynamic person, Engr. Danish Bin Rauf is associated with Al-Rauf Builders and developers. He is among the young team members of ABAD and is playing active role in different sub-committees of ABAD, especially being the Convener of K-Electric Sub-Committee. Working in the capacity of convener and co-convener and as a team member of different sub-committees of ABAD, he has been very committed with the assignments given to him. He has proved his mettle in the ABAD Expo in organizing and managing successful seminars and workshops. His efforts in the high-profile exhibition of ABAD were also commendable. His company has completed many famous projects in different areas of Karachi.



Mr. S. Altaf Hussain

Syed Altaf Hussain is Associated with the Citizen Builders. He has many successful projects completed while others on-going under his company name. He is a senior member of ABAD and elected for another term as a member of REC (SR). He has very vast knowledge regarding the affairs related to the construction industry. Mr. Hussain's performance as Convener of the KWSB Sub-Committee of ABAD was highly regarded by the Association as he helped resolve a number of lingering issues with support of other members.

He also has very active participation in the matters related to the sub-committees of Malir and Lyari Development Authority, K-Electric and SSGC etc. He is also currently serving as Convener of the KW&SB Sub-Committee.



Mr. Mustafa Sheikhan

Mr. Mustafa Sheikhan is a senior partner in Al-Khaleej Builders and Developers. He is very young and dedicated member of ABAD. His contributions to the Research and Development Cell of ABAD as well as other Committees are laudable. Mr. Sheikhan's ardent efforts being the Convener of Sui Southern Gas Company Ltd. (SSGC) Sub-Committee of ABAD in the term 2018-19 were acknowledged by the Association to the core. His active participation in Sub-Committees like EXPO Committee, K-Electric, Valuation Table and others were also remarkable.



Mr. Abual Barkaat

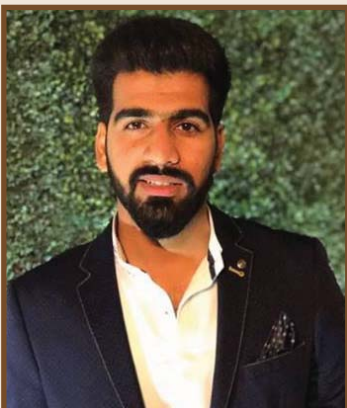
Mr. Abual Barkaat is the Chief Executive Officer of Barkaat Builders & Developers. His company focuses on acquiring, developing and managing multi-family investment projects nationwide. Barkaat Presidency is one of his recent successful projects constructed along the newly built Hyderabad Motorway.

Mr. Barkaat is one of the active members of ABAD, dedicatedly participating in different meetings of ABAD. He has also served as Co-Convener of the Research and Analysis Sub-Committee of the Association.



**Mr. Rameez
Qasim Gaziani**

Mr. Rameez Qasim Gaziani is a committed member of ABAD, who has vigorously been involved in taking up and completing tasks assigned to him. He is partner in Gaziani Associates and Gaziani Builders and Developers. He was also nominated as Vice Chairman of Standing Committee on “Sports and Culture” of FPCCI for the year 2015. Mr. Gaziani has also been a member of Regional Executive Committee (REC) of Southern Region of ABAD for 2014 – 2015. He has served as Convener of Sports, Culture and Entertainment Sub-Committee and Co-Convener of Legal Affairs Sub-Committee of ABAD for 2014 – 2015. He has also served ABAD in various sub-committees in different tenures.



Mr. Usman Khanani

Mr. Usman Khanani is young and energetic member of ABAD. He is the Chairman of Apex Land Solutions. Due to its quality service and operations, his company has emerged as a top real estate firm in the sphere.

Mr. Khanani has served as Co-Convener of ABAD International Expo Committee and has been an active member and participating in different meetings.



Mr. Uzair Shahid

Mr. Uzair Shahid is also a devoted member of ABAD with sizable reputation in the construction sector. He has served as Co-Convener of the Environmental Protection and Safety Measurement Sub-Committee, which was quite on its feet during the year 2018-19.

The Sub-Committee held several meetings with government functionaries concerned and hashed out several matters pertaining to environmental NOCs for projects.



**Mr. Muhammad
Khalid Razzak**

Mr. Muhammad Khalid Razzak represents the Al-Razzak Builders. He is a reputed name in the construction industry and his company has completed several projects.

Mr. Razzak is also an active member of ABAD and serves the Association to the fullest of his dedication and expertise.



Mr. Anwer Ahmed

Representing the Italo Builders and Developers, Mr. Anwer Ahmed is well-versed with construction affairs and the housing works. He ensures his presence in different meetings of ABAD and dedicates his time in taking part in activities undertaken by the Association.

His induction in the Regional Executive Committee is deemed as a valuable one for the Committee.

Members of REC (Northern Region) of ABAD for the term 2019-20



Dr. Sajid Saeed

Dr. Sajid Saeed represents the Abid Group of Companies, which is very well known group throughout Pakistan. He has also served as Chairman Northern Region of ABAD for the term 2017-18.

He has been working for the promotion of the industry since decades. He is a seasoned builder and has a good track record in the field. Having different successful projects in the north region of Pakistan, he has also been very active from the platform of ABAD.



Mr. Gohar Ejaz

Mr. Gohar Ejaz is the proprietor of Ejaz Developers and very well known for his projects, mostly in Lahore. He is one the active members of ABAD from the Northern Region.

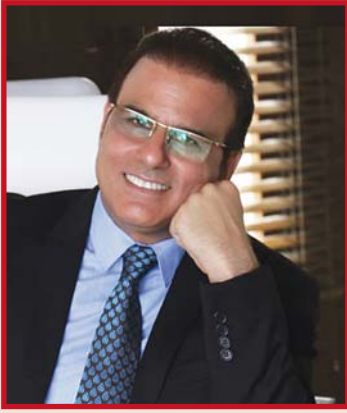
He has completed several successful projects in the North Region of Pakistan and the Lake City Holdings is one of the famous projects of his company.



**Mr. Sheikh
Muhammad Imran**

Mr. Sheikh Muhammad Imran is associated with ABAD for many years and his contributions to the construction sector from the Association's platform are commendable.

He has also been elected as member of ABAD's Northern region for the year 2019-20. His company has undertaken several projects in the Northern region. His dedication, services and experience hold immense value for the construction industry.



Mr. Sahir Rasheed

Mr. Sahir Rasheed is the CEO of Sahir Associates. He is a seasoned builder and developer and served ABAD in the capacity of Chairman Northern Region for the term 2014-15.

Having vast knowledge in the field of construction and housing sector, Mr. Rasheed has served the industry and the business community with his expertise for years. His company has completed several projects in Lahore.



**Mr. Raza Kuli
Khan Khattak**

Mr. Raza Kuli Khan Khattak, is a prominent businessperson and associated with ABAD for years. He completed his early education from Aitchison College Lahore and later he was enrolled in Brasenose College Oxford from where he graduated in 1961.

He subsequently joined his father in the family business and is presently the Chairman of Bibojee / Gen Habibullah's Group of Companies.



**Mr. Sheikh Shahid
Anwar**

Mr. Sheikh Shahid Anwar is an experienced person in the construction sector. He has completed several projects in the North Region of Pakistan and has been very active from the platform of ABAD.

His services to the social sector are also very remarkable and acknowledged in the sector.

Members of Hyderabad Sub-Region of ABAD for the term 2019-20



Mr. Iftikhar Ahmed

Mr. Iftikhar Ahmed is one of the known builders of Hyderabad, with considerable experience in the construction sector. He represents Friends Builders and Developers – a firm that has completed several projects in the city.

He is also an active member of Hyderabad sub-region and punctually takes part in meetings with an objective to play his role in resolving issues faced by fellow builders.



Mr. Naveed Ismail

Mr. Naveed Ismail is the proprietor of National Builders and Developers. His company has completed and delivered various projects in Hyderabad and enjoys a good reputation in the city.

He has been prompt in representing ABAD's Hyderabad sub-region in different meetings and expresses his dedication with his frequent appearances in meetings called by the Association. His induction in the sub-region committee of Hyderabad for the year 2019-20 will also be productive for fellow members.

ABAD Elections 2019-20

The Annual General Body Meeting

“The names of newly-elected office-bearers of ABAD for the term 2019-20 were announced in the AGM; the meeting also approved concept and plan for setting up ABAD Foundation; while the outgoing office-bearers recounted their achievements”



Outgoing office-bearers for the year 2018-19 with incoming office-bearers for the term 2019-20 along with newly-elected Chairman, Mr. Mohsin Sheikhani, at the AGM.

The Association of Builders and Developers of Pakistan (ABAD) pursues democratic course in holding elections every year to elect new body of office-bearers. The procedure to choose by ballot new members is conducted in a transparent manner and this practice is religiously adhered for years.

The Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) is a significant event of ABAD that is held every year, at the culmination of tenure of the outgoing office-bearers. The AGM for the tenure 2018-19 was held on September 30, 2019 (Monday) and was presided over by outgoing Chairman Mr. Muhammad Hassan Bakshi. The meeting was convened to approve various items on the agenda including approval of expenses incurred on ABAD House

extension, ratification for establishing ABAD Foundation and approval of budget for the upcoming year.

Shortly after recitation from the Holy Quran and offering of Fateha for the departed souls, the results for the election for the Central Executive Committee (CEC) and Regional Executive Committee (REC) for the term 2019-20 were announced.

Oath-taking ceremony

Thereafter, the newly-elected CEC and REC members were called out for oath-taking ceremony. Senior member ABAD Mr. Abdul Majeed Adhia administered oath to the newly elected members.

In the CEC oath-taking, Mr. Mohsin Sheikhani



Newly-elected office bearers for the term 2019-20 are taking oath.

was unanimously elected as Chairman ABAD, while Mr. Sohail Warrind was elected Senior Vice Chairman and Mr. Abdul Rehman as Vice Chairman.

Later in the oath-taking of REC, Mr. Muhammad Ali Ratadia was unanimously elected as Chairman Southern Region (SR), Mr. Faisal Moosa Memon as Vice Chairman Hyderabad Sub-Region. Meanwhile, Engr. Akbar Shaikh was elected as Chairman Northern Region (NR) by their members through voting in Lahore.

Outgoing chairman Mr. Hassan Bakshi, Senior Vice Chairman Mr. Anwar Dawood, Vice Chairman Mr. Abdul Kareem Adhia, Chairman SR Mr. Ibrahim S. Habib, and Vice Chairman Hyderabad Sub-Region Mr. Raheel Iqbal were also present on the occasion.

Shortly afterwards, Mr. Noman Tabani, the convener of FBR Sub-Committee of ABAD, presented audited accounts for the year 2018-19, which were approved after a brief discussion.

Discussion on ABAD Foundation

The House was also informed about a proposal to set up ABAD Foundation, as it had been discussed in earlier CEC and REC meetings.

Mr. Noman Tabani said ABAD currently cannot undertake any profit-making activity, hence the Foundation will provide this platform to take initiatives under corporate social responsibility.

“In future, we plan to build ABAD University of Technology and for that purpose Foundation will be needed to materialize the plan,” the outgoing chairman said.

He said the benefits of proposed Foundation will be visible in years to come. “Currently we are blackmailed by allied industries like those from cement, steel sectors... but once we establish foundation, we can set up our own industry,” Mr. Bakshi explained.

“The work we are capable to undertake, no other individual or institution can do that,” said Mr. Hassan Bakshi.

Mr. Mohsin Sheikhan added that the Foundation will have stake holders and it will have a structure like that of a corporate firm.

Mr. Younus Lakhani, a member of ABAD, stated that he made out from the speeches that Foundation will largely serve the individuals with greater wealth.

While, Mr. Ahmed Mustafa Thanvi said there

should be clarity in modalities of a proposed Foundation before we move forward.

Mr. Asif Sumsum, Convener of the Law & Order Sub-Committee, supported the idea, but said Foundations can't be profit-oriented. "Making a profit and establishing a foundation are different extremes, if we clarify definitions in this regard it will be helpful," he opined.

After gestures of support from most of the members, the concept and idea for setting up a Foundation was unanimously approved.

Renovation of police station(s)

Another point was taken up during the meeting regarding a proposal for voluntary contribution of members for renovation of couple of police stations.

After a little debate and exchange of views, the proposal for voluntary contribution of Rs 5,000 by members for renovation of police station of Bahadurabad/Ferozabad was approved.

Recounting achievements

In his speech, outgoing chairman Mr. Hassan Bakshi underlined achievements during his tenure which included protest rally against Karachi Sewerage and Sewerage Board (KWSB) on Nov 22, 2018

and resumption of NOCs issuance in its wake; extension of ABAD House, partnership between CDC and ABAD; opening of ABAD's regional office in Hyderabad, Representation of ABAD in PM's Task Force on Housing; and initiation of inquiries against cartels in steel, cement sectors on complaint of ABAD.

He, however, said he regretted that: "we were not able to eliminate corruption from this field."

He said the above benchmarks were achieved in just 28 percent of his chairman tenure as a fully-fit person. It is pertinent to mention here that later Mr. Bakshi had an accident and he suffered injuries in its wake, hence there was some recess in his activities due to health reasons.

Senior member ABAD, Mr. Altaf Hussain, also recorded his reservation to Mr Anwar Dawood, saying the latter's attitude with him throughout the tenure was not cordial. He recounted his achievements on the KWSB front, adding that it was regrettable that Senior Vice Chairman just highlighted his works and forgot the hard work done by others.

In his reply, Mr. Hassan Bakshi acknowledged the efforts put in by Mr. Hussain for ABAD. While, the Senior Vice Chairman said we all have worked harder in our capacity but he asked the House to





A glimpse of members of ABAD and other attendees at the Annual General Body Meeting.



clap for Mr. Altaf Hussain for his dedication and work as the Convener of KWSB Sub-Committee.

Mr. Anwar Dawood, in his speech, said we need to do away with the unjust tag of 'builder mafia'. He said just because of illegal work of some elements, the entire builders' community is seen with a suspicious eye.

He also suggested augmentation in work of the media section of ABAD.

He called upon the upcoming office-bearers to aggressively pursue campaign against illegal constructions and work to wipe out this menace once and for all.

Mr. Abdul Kareem Adhia thanked the outgoing office-bearers and shared it was a great working experience. He proposed that ABAD has built a state-of-the-art hall for holding events; hence we could rent it out for events to corporate sector.

The proposal was accepted unanimously by the members.

Mr. Ibrahim S. Habib thanked Mr. Shahid Khairi for his guidance and expressed gratitude to all office-bearers.

Addressing the occasion, Patron-in-Chief and newly-elected chairman of ABAD Mr. Mohsin Sheikhani said it was an honour for those who served or serving the Association in their respective capacities.

He said a member from Hyderabad Sub-Region will also be given representation in the CEC.

Mr. Sheikhani said ABAD had been largely covered by the media previously, adding that some areas have to be managed efficiently.

He explicitly said if any Convener was not willing or unable to work, he should give up the assigned task.

"We will also have to put in place a few restrictions for yielding intended results."

After discussion of all relevant points and discussion on pertinent matters, the meeting ended following outgoing office-bearers presented bouquets to newly-elected body of ABAD for the term 2019-20.

The problem of sprawling illegal constructions

By: Azhar Khan



Housing is one of the core necessities for people, and once inevitability of a shelter is gravely felt by citizens, especially those belonging to the downtrodden segment – some devious elements enter the game for their own gain.

Once the authorities falter in fulfilling the annual housing requirement of the masses keeping in view growing population, the rule of law gets in a fix and illegal constructions start to spring up in disguise of a safe haven, leaving people in the dark about reality of such buildings being actually death-traps.

The illegitimate builders do not adversely impact the economy by promoting the culture of kickbacks and flouting stipulated rules, but also hurt the legitimate business of builders and developers – especially those affiliated with the Association of Builders and Developers of Pakistan (ABAD) – and create obstructions in lawful construction activities.

It is a bleak reality that 54% of the population of Karachi does not have any shelter, access to clean water and basic facilities of life as guaranteed by Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan

Without following structure and building codes, illegal buildings are a serious life threat for millions of residents.

Tribulations faced by legitimate builders

The legitimate builders are bound to get approvals and NOCs from at least 18 institutions and departments before commencing a project and usually seeking such multiple NOCs frustrate the client, cause delay, surges construction cost, hence affecting the very foundation of an authorized constructions.



ILLEGAL

On the contrary, elements who build illegal structures and buildings are not entitled to follow the legal route and grease the palms of officers in regulatory authority, which is virtually a one-window for them. Since officers in the building control authority gobble such huge amount in kickbacks to permit illegal constructions, they sheerly neglect the genuine cases of legitimate builders, and on the parallel, illicitly demand money to process bona fide cases.

Illegal constructions are life-threatening

It is an undeniable fact that life of millions of people is at stake living in self-destructive buildings, which are unauthorized structures.

Besides, the infrastructure of these buildings does not allow any rescue operation in case of any emergency due to inaccessibility of ambulances and fire trucks, etc.

In case of any natural disaster these buildings will collapse like a pack of cards

For illegal constructors, no permit is required from any regulatory authority.

The term NOC does not exist in the norms of illegal construction. While no sign offs and super vision from Architect, Town Planner and Structural Engineers are conducted. It means no liability on anyone, in case of any disaster resulting in human catastrophe.

It is also a fact that authorities concerned do not sign any approval documents and take their share by over-looking the illegal activity.



LEGAL

List of NOCS Required for Legal Construction

- ✓ Mutations of the land by the lessor
- ✓ Ownership verification by the lessor
- ✓ Re-verification of ownership by the lessor
- ✓ Town planning NOC from SBCA
- ✓ Architectural NOC from SBCA
- ✓ Structural NOC from SBCA
- ✓ Final NOC from SBCA
- ✓ Sale NOC from SBCA
- ✓ Completion Certificate
- ✓ K-Electric NOC
- ✓ Karachi Water & Sewerage Board (KWSB) NOC
- ✓ Environment Protection Agency – SEPA NOC
- ✓ Traffic Study
- ✓ Sui Southern Gas Company NOC
- ✓ Survey of Pakistan NOC
- ✓ Civil Aviation – height clearance NOC
- ✓ P.A.F– height clearance NOC
- ✓ For laying of utility line road cutting
- ✓ NOC from local government department



Illegal construction requires **no NOC**

- Illegal building constructors don't acquire any NOC from regulatory authority.
- Illegal buildings are constructed without any supervision from architects, town planners and other relevant bodies.
- The illegal buildings are erected without necessary permits, thus putting lives of people at risk.



Central Executive Committee (CEC) meeting



The office-bearers address the CEC meeting

The first CEC meeting of the tenure 2019-20 discussed in detail modalities for formation of ABAD Foundation, and conversed about SBCA-related issues.

A meeting of the Central Executive Committee (CEC) of the Association of Builders and Developers of Pakistan (ABAD) was held at the ABAD House on Thursday (October 17) at 4pm to discuss issues faced by members related to the Sindh Building Control Authority and other correlated matters.

The meeting was presided over by Chairman ABAD, Mr. Mohsin Sheikhani, and attended by Vice Chairman Mr. Abdul Rehman; Chairman Southern Region, Mr. M. Ali Taufique; former chairmen Mr. Junaid Ashraf Taloo, Mr. Hanif Gohar; former Senior Vice Chairmen Mr. Fayyaz Ilyas, Mr. Anwar Dawood as well as other senior members of the Association.

At the outset of the CEC meeting, the cases of new memberships were presented before the House for approval by Mr. Zeeshan Siddiqui, Convener of New Membership and Renewal Sub-Committee.

Mr. Hanif Gohar raised an objection on couple of applicants with respect to title of their firms. He pointed out that aspiring members should have their company registered under a proper and standard name, instead of informal titles. "ABAD has its own stature and we must not approve membership requests from applicants with bizarre company titles.

Mr. Mohsin Sheikhani admitted the objections raised by the senior member and said the highlighted cases should be kept with the Sub-Committee for review.

Another membership case was pointed out by the Chairman that was deferred in the joint CEC-REC meeting pertaining to an applicant who had allegedly misbehaved with the ABAD Sub-Committee members.

Mr. Zeeshan Siddiqui told the House that our internal probe didn't find any misbehavior on part

of the applicant, hence his case could be considered.

The Chairman asked whether the Sub-Committee served any show-cause notice to the person responsible in the case. Vice Chairman Mr. Abdul Rehman also mentioned that he was part of the Committee tasked with probing the matter and the applicant was not found guilty.

Mr. Zeeshan said his Committee will prepare its report and submit to the Chairman.

Another member suggested the House that Sub-Committee for New Memberships must also vet land record of aspiring members before considering their cases.

The Chairman responded asked the Sub-Committee not to push the applicant into hassling situation by asking them to verify land record on their own. "It's our responsibility that a Committee member should

approach relevant authorities and get the land record and other details verified. We must not push away the applicants,” he observed.

SBCA issues

Discussing another agenda point regarding misinterpretation of court order by the SBCA, the Chairman said we are in contact with the relevant government officials and hoping for a favourable outcome.

Mr. Anwar Dawood suggested that ABAD could hold a few activities like arranging a walk to raise awareness about illegal constructions.

The Chairman responded some strategies were already afoot



names and instead induct new people.

A matter related to resignation submitted by senior member ABAD Mr. Asif Sumsum was also discussed by the House.

Mr. Fayyaz Ilyas asked whether there was provision in DTO rules that a member may submit resignation after completing one year term

CEC member induction

Mr. Sheikhani also drew attention of the House towards two vacant seats of CEC. He put up the name of Mr. Nazeer Ghauri from Hyderabad for one of the slots and it was approved unanimously.

He said the other member who has been the most punctual in recent meetings be selected for another vacant seat.

The Chairman announced that meeting of Conveners will be held every month and respective Conveners will submit their reports as well. He said there were instances last year when some of the Conveners didn't hold a single meeting. “Now we want results.”

Mr. Junaid Taloo urged the Chairman to mobilize a few quarters for investors in Gwadar making it mandatory for them to acquire membership of ABAD.

The Chairman replied that a delegation of Gwadar Development Authority (GDA) had met the relevant government officials and they were asked to bring ABAD with them for a discussion.

He told the House that we have sent letter to CDA, asking them to make ABAD membership obligatory.

After discussion of all agenda points, the meeting ended with a note of thanks from the Chair.



Members during the CEC meeting

including a comprehensive campaign to highlight downsides and consequences of illegal constructions.

“There are 350 dilapidated buildings in Karachi and we have to save lives of people and give solution to prevent losses in case any mishap occurs,” Mr. Shiekhani said.

The Chairman also called upon the members not to bow down to any pressure and he expressed resolve that he would stand by everyone in any situation.

Mr. Mohsin Sheikhani asked the members of the CEC and REC to hold a joint meeting and elect new members of the Sub-Committees. He told them to avoid repetition of

instead of two years.

He said it was being seen for some time that a new trend is transpiring when members complete their 12-month term and tender resignation.

Mr. Noman Tabani said DTO rules stipulate that members are elected for two consecutive one-year term. However, members have to submit consent at the time of nomination for completing term. He said our rules had some lacunas which we are rectifying.

The Chairman said resignation of Mr. Sumsum is accepted as per rules.

Regional Executive Committee (REC) meeting



Chairman Southern Region, Mr. Ali Taufique, addresses the REC meeting.

The maiden REC meeting of the year 2019-20 approved new membership cases and discussed issues related to regional members.

A meeting of the Regional Executive Committee (REC) was held on Thursday (October 17) with Chairman Southern Region Mr. M. Ali Taufique in the chair to discuss varied issues related to members of the Association.

Other members of the committee including Mr. Nadeem Yousuf Jeewa, Mr. Altaf Hussain, Mr. Mustafa Sheikhan, Mr. Rameez Qasim Ghaizani, Mr. Usman Khanani, and Mr. Zeeshan Siddiqui also attended the meeting.

At the start, the REC approved new membership requests to put them before the CEC for final discussion.

Initiating the discussion, Chairman Southern Region, Mr. Ali Tau-

fique, briefed the members about illegal constructions by some unscrupulous elements and its ramifications being faced by ABAD members who are legitimate builders.

He said our members are advised not to build more floors on ground plus one building, because it was being counted in the portions, thus creating problems as a whole.

Mr. Taufique said we need to address the problem from its root-cause and that is the only way to resolve the issue once and for all.

Mr. Zeeshan Siddiqui said portions were being built continually and authorities were not stopping them. He said we must primarily work on our targets on the parallel.

The Chairman SR said Mr. Mohsin Sheikhan was diligently working on resolution of SBICA-related issues and some positive outcomes were expected.

Mr. Altaf Hussain also asked about details of agenda of the REC since it was the first separate meeting of the Regional Executive Committee, Mr. Ali Taufique said from the next meeting the agenda, accounts and other related matters of the REC will be separately made.

The KWSB Convener, Mr. Hussain, appreciated the decision to hold separate REC meeting.

Mr. Altaf Hussain, however, recorded his observation saying the DG SBICA was invited here earlier this week, but we didn't



cial level whose head will be nominated by ABAD.

A member also asked a question from the Chair regarding sale NOC being sought by income tax officers. Mr. Taufique jotted down the point and said he would put it up before the CEC members to get a proper insight.

Mr. Altaf Hussain also highlighted that there were three to four petitions pending in the court regarding lease of land issues. "This is the issue we have been facing for long, and it can be resolved if we become a party in the pleas."

treat him graciously. He said guests should not have been pestered with questions regarding issues that we've been facing. "We can raise a lot of reservations and questions when we visit their office, but not on the occasion when we are inviting them."

He said SBCA was now covertly reacting to what happened and it was now nitpicking in our work.

Mr. Ali said it was in our knowledge that SBCA has prepared a list of legal buildings and sent it to NAB for probe. He added that none of members confronted SBCA officials during their visit to

ABAD House. He said it is our collective understanding that confrontation is not the solution.

He told the meeting that a task force was being formed at provin-

Mr. Mustafa Sheikhani informed the meeting that SBCA doesn't



consider an agreement signed between client and a builder; hence there should be some mutual understanding to give those agreements a bona fide status.

The Chairman noted down the points for raising them before the CEC members.

As all relevant points were discussed, the meeting ended with a note of thanks from the Chair.



THE CHALLENGE OF SLUMS

By Engr. Zaheer Qadri

It is a fundamental right of citizens to get a housing facility, but not at the cost of evading legalities of the process.

Amid growing need of houses in the country, some unscrupulous elements set up slums (Katchi Abadis) in connivance with government quarters, thus eventually compounding problems for legal builders.

Slums across the world

Around a quarter of the world's urban population lives in slums. And this figure is rising fast. The number of slum dwellers in developing countries increased from 689 million in 1990 to 880 million in 2014, according to the United Nations World Cities Report 2016.

In some cities in the developing world slum residents make up more than half of the population and often do not have adequate shelter, clean water and sanitation, education, or healthcare.

A lack of legal rights to land only makes the daily struggle worse, threatening people's homes and efforts to invest in essential services.

The situation in Pakistan

According to one estimate, approximately 35 to 40

million people in Pakistan are slum dwellers. This constitutes a small but significant share of the one billion slum dweller across the globe. The influx of migrants from other countries during the 1980s added to the number of katchi abadi inhabitants.

Because of it being unauthorized structure, the living conditions in these Katchi Abadis also speak appalling stories of deprivation. Not conforming to even the most basic requirements for a healthy human existence, people residing in slums experience a highly unhygienic habitat and are susceptible to terrible sufferings during extreme weather conditions. Living on the margins of our society, residents of slums are people deprived of sufficient means, often with no resources to maintain their own health as well as that of their children.

The state bears the responsibility to provide shelter to these people and take action to cap slums from springing up.

Article 38-D of the Constitution of Pakistan states, "The state shall provide basic necessities of life, such as food, clothing, housing, education and medical relief for all such citizens, irrespective of sex, caste, creed or race, as are permanently or temporarily unable to earn their livelihood on account of infirmity, sickness or unemployment."



The problems arising out of slums

According to Martin Ravallion, from World Bank, currently a quarter or 25% of the world's poor dwell in urban areas, and this percentage is going to be 50% by the year 2035.

Rape is another serious issue related to crime in slums. Absence of state's formal recognition results in little to no formal policing and there is no access to public justice institutions for slum dwellers.

Chronic paucity of resources in the household contributes to increasing marital stress, leading to domestic violence. Children seldom get early vaccination, increasing the incidence of polio, pneumonia, whooping and chronic cough and other respiratory diseases, given their proximity to industrial establishments and closeness to where the toxic waste is usually dumped. Thousands die annually due to these unhygienic and diseased dwelling conditions.

Adults and children in slums do not have adequate clothing for harsh climate extremes, frequently exposing them to many illnesses and diseases.

The weather is always quite a challenge, when there

are heavy rains our shack is filled with water, making it difficult to live in, and inhabitants have no other place to move.

Living with a large family it is really difficult to make ends meet. Some of children suffer malnourishment. Malnutrition is often fatal, especially for children. Because they are out through the day for vending, mothers are left with no time take care of children, resulting in malnutrition due to neglect.

What needs to be done?

To alleviate this, the government and the private sector must come together to address this issue. Given the dreadful trends and numbers, which are progressively despairing, the departments concerned cannot handle the issue on its own, for a number of reasons. In order to bring the private sector on board the administration must propose suitable incentives. Though housing is a major challenge, it can be tackled with a sound and planned response through a strong public-private partnership.

The authorities must take the first step by approaching the private sector with an open mind and the determination to change things in better interest of people and the society.



The baggage of garbage in Karachi

By: Engr. Kaleem-uz-Zaman

Garbage collection and disposal has emerged to be one of the plaguing issues of Karachi of late, and it pops every now and then, leaving citizens as ultimate sufferers.

Worldwide cities are rapidly expanding, creating visible environmental and social challenges. The generation of waste is one of the central concerns in urban agglomerations, particularly in the global South, where inadequacies, absences and weaknesses shape the local waste management system.

Tackling a ‘waste’ challenge

Waste constitutes a major challenge to city administrators and urban populations at large. Urban communities have a say in what happens to their waste and who has access to waste. Waste governance decisions need to also be based on “good governance” principles, including democracy and consensus orientation, participation, accountability, transparency, responsiveness, equity and inclusiveness, be effective and efficient and following the rule of law. These guiding principles should also be applied to waste governance and specifically applied in waste management.

What’s happening in Karachi?

Karachi’s waste management problem is nothing new, as around 13,000 tonnes of garbage generated daily in the city by a population of over 13 million residents. About 69-70 % of it makes it to two huge landfills in the city but around 30 percent remains on the streets.

The problems start to compound when ravaging monsoon season that hit the metropolis in July-September 2019, flooded streets, making it more difficult for municipal authorities to sweep roads to the core. While the response by the authorities to dispose of garbage from different places also raised questions on performance of the officials. A federal minister took the lead in the matter, coming up front with an assertion that he could clean up Karachi in two weeks as he called upon residents of the city to help where they could and asked for assistance from the Frontier Works Organisation (FWO).

The countrywide waste production It must be kept in view that Pakistan generates about 48.5 million tons of solid waste a year, which has been increasing more than two percent annually...(continued)

Like other developing countries, Pakistan lacks waste management infrastructure, creating serious environmental problems. Most municipal waste is either burned, dumped or buried on vacant lots, threatening the health and welfare of the general population.

The Government of Pakistan estimates that 87,000 tons of solid waste is generated per day, mostly from major metropolitan areas. Karachi, generates more than 13,000 tons of municipal waste daily. All major cities face enormous challenges on how to manage urban waste. Bureaucratic hurdles, lack of urban planning, inadequate waste management equipment, and low public awareness contribute to the problem.

Where does the problem lie?

Much of Pakistan's solid waste does not reach final disposal sites. In developed countries, most solid waste generated winds up in landfills, incinerators, or other recycling centers. In Pakistan, much of the waste generated is recovered for recycling, mostly by scavengers, before it ever reaches disposal points.

As put up on record by the Federal Minister of Maritime Affairs Mr. Ali Zaidi during his visit to ABAD House in September 2019, he shed light on various subjects including the cleanliness campaign in Karachi, hurdles faced by his ministry in garbage dumping as well as political matters impeding execution of works initiated by him.

Mr. Ali Zaidi said garbage collec-

tion and disposal was originally not the responsibility of his ministry, however, he was doing it for the sake of Karachi.

He said there were five garbage transfer stations (GTS) in Karachi



problems to city's infrastructure.

Karachi faces an assortment of challenges — ranging from garbage problems and lack of proper waste disposal systems to fumigation-resistant bugs, and such problems mainly occur due to political poor cleanliness condition.

The national census of 2017 has put Pakistan's population at 207.8 million. After last census conducted in 1998, the population of the country has grown by 57 per cent now. It is estimated that by 2025 nearly half the country's population will live in urban areas.

The remedy

The gravity of the situation now demands end to bickering between stakeholders. The authorities must have to work in unison to get the required funds and manpower to remove the garbage first and then create an appropriate waste man-

which were actually not adequate to cater requirement of the entire city.

It is also a shocking reality that Karachi almost consists of 55% slums and they need to be streamlined as their expansion is causing serious

agement infrastructure for proper and efficient disposal in order to resolve this issue once and for all.

Millions of informal waste pickers collect household waste daily in cities around the globe to earn a living. In doing so they contribute to reducing the carbon footprint of cities, recover resources, improve the environmental conditions and health in the city.

Recovering materials for reuse or recycling is a step towards that direction and helps avoid natural resource extraction. Inclusive recycling addresses poverty and unemployment issues. The work of informal recyclers, as resource reclaimers—for recycling and reuse—and the role they play as environmental educators can be extended to gradually recover more of the materials that are still wasted in landfills or incinerators, progressing towards more resilient and healthy communities; this implies a different, participatory waste governance.

Going the extra mile for members...

Inauguration of ABAD's sub-region office in Hyderabad

“The opening of new regional office of ABAD in Hyderabad was widely praised by the members as it was a plan conceived long ago.”



The Association of Builders and Developers of Pakistan (ABAD) firmly adheres to its vision for facilitating members in seeking their legitimate rights and ensuring that all builders and developers part of the guild work as a cohesive group to achieve all mutual goals.

ABAD also aims to expand its office across all major cities, and to pursue this vision, the Association materialized its plan and opened first regional office in Hyderabad.

It was no less than a landmark achievement for members of ABAD. The new regional office of ABAD was inaugurated in Hyderabad on August 22, 2019.

Honourable Sindh Minister for Local Government, Forest and Religious Affairs, Syed Nasir Hussain Shah, inaugurated the ABAD office. Chairman ABAD Mr. Muhammad Hassan Bakshi, former chairman Mr. Mohsin Sheikhan, Senior Vice Chairman Mr.

Anwar Dawood, Vice Chairman Mr. Abdul Kareem Adhia, Chairman Southern Region Mr. Ibrahim S. Habib, Vice Chairman Hyderabad Sub-Region Mr. Raheel Iqbal, Mr. Farooq Sheikhan, Mr. Zulfiqar Farooqui and other prominent members of the Central Executive Committee and Regional Executive Committee of ABAD were present on the occasion.

Expressing his views at the inauguration of ABAD office, the Minister vowed that the government will establish a 'Master Plan Authority' on the pattern of Sindh Building Control Authority to resolve problems and involve all stakeholders, especially builders and developers.

According to Mr. Shah, initially district level master plans would be finalised and then they would be replicated at town and taluka level to help resolve peoples' problems on a priority basis. He said that he believed Sindh



Sindh Minister for Local Government, Syed Nasir Hussain Shah, addresses media along with office-bearers of ABAD.

Building Control Authority should be strengthened to resolve various issues related to construction and builders.

Chairman ABAD Mr. Mohammad Hassan Bakhshi urged the minister to form a governing body of SBCA and induct ABAD in it. "All illegal works are being done and hindrances were being created to legal processes concerning construction," he stated.

Mr. Bakshi said that SBCA officers were minting money for doing favours in illegal matters because they did not have to sign papers in such cases. Establishment of a governing body of SBCA is essential, he said.

The Chairman of ABAD said that cities like Karachi did not have their master plans although every district having 1.5 million population must have its master plan. He demanded



that high-density zones should be identified in Hyderabad and Sukkur as well like Karachi.

He said that powers of SBCA should be delegated to regional offices of Hyderabad, Sukkur and Larkana so that people did not have to travel to Karachi for getting their matters resolved.

Former ABAD chairman Mohsin

Sheikhani stated that illegal projects continued to mushroom everywhere but builders were denied permission for their legal projects.



Federal Minister for Maritime Affairs, Mr. Syed Ali Haider Zaidi, visits ABAD House

“ABAD urged the Minister to raise the issue of ban on high-rises in Karachi with Prime Minister; Mr. Zaidi hoped that all problems related to the metropolis will be resolved soon”

The Honourable Federal Minister for Maritime Affairs, Mr. Syed Ali Haider Zaidi, visited the ABAD House on September 6 (Friday) at 5.00pm on the occasion of Defence Day.

The Minister was accompanied by Adviser Ministry of Maritime Affairs Mr. Mahmood Maulvi, Members Provincial Assembly of Sindh (MPAs) Mr. Jamal Siddiqui and Mr. Bilal Ghaffar.

ABAD was represented by office-bearers of the time, Chairman Mr. Muhammad Hassan Bakshi, Senior Vice Chairman Mr. Anwar Dawood, Vice Chairman Mr. Abdul Kareem Adhia, Chairman Southern Region Mr. Ibrahim S. Habib and other senior members of the Association.

At the outset of discussion, Mr. Muhammad Hassan Bakshi welcomed the delegation for sparing their valuable time to visit

ABAD House. Mr. Bakshi underlined that 6th September was a memorable day for Pakistan as it reminds the country of gallantry and heroism of its armed forces in battle against our enemy and its nefarious designs.

Talking about the ‘Clean Karachi Campaign’, the Chairman ABAD appreciated Minister Mr. Zaidi for stepping forward to rid the city of garbage and said we should help the Minister in our capacity to transform his campaign into a success story.

‘Declare Karachi as the second capital of Pakistan’: Mr. Hassan Bakshi

Mr. Bakshi said Sindh contributes 70% to the national economy inclusive of greater contribution from its capital. The chairman requested the Minister to convince his government to declare Karachi as the second capital of Pakistan,

keeping in the view the contributions made by the city on financial and development fronts.

Mr. Bakshi also drew attention of the Minister towards ban on construction of high-rise buildings in Karachi and urged him to raise the issue with Prime Minister of Pakistan, Mr. Imran Khan, for its earliest resolution.

He said ABAD members follow the legal procedure for building their projects and it takes them to acquire at least 18 no objection certificates (NOCs) that consumes around three years for completion of the process.

He also thanked the Minister and all those concerned for getting the Real Estate Regulatory Authority (RERA) proposal deferred from being discussed in the Cabinet meeting.

Senior Vice Chairman ABAD, Mr.



Federal Minister, Mr. Ali Zaidi, being presented memento of ABAD.

Anwar Dawood, said garbage all over the world was utilized and recycled for revenue generation however, in Pakistan it is disposed of.

He said garbage was not just a waste lying on streets, “those who construct illegal buildings and indulge in corruption are also no less than garbage, hence they should also be get rid of to overhaul the entire system.”

Mr. Dawood constructions in Karachi were often erected without proper planning and God forbid, in case an earthquake strikes a city “the loss will be horrendous”. He said the prime responsibility for the losses in case of any natural disaster will be on the government.

He stressed the need for formulation of proper planning in the long run to address problems faced by Karachi.

In his remarks, the Minister shed light on various subjects including the cleanliness campaign in Karachi, hurdles faced by his ministry in garbage dumping as well as political matters impeding execution of works initiated by him.

Mr. Ali Zaidi said garbage collection and disposal was originally not the responsibility of his ministry, however, he was doing it for the sake of Karachi.

He said awareness among people was vital to resolve these issues. “A couple of decades earlier, there was a subject called civic studies that used to be taught in schools, and once it’s abolished from the curriculum the children and in fact everyone are unaware of their civic responsibilities.”

He explained rational behind initiating cleanliness campaign in Karachi by showing a picture of a boy lying dead in a heap of garbage along a coastline. Mr. Zaidi said the deceased boy was a diver who would come with a foreign ship to clean garbage from beneath ships. “However, he lost his life due to our polluted sea and accumulation of garbage there.”

The Federal Minister said such situations also prompted him to launch the cleanliness drive.

‘Shortage of garbage transfer stations in Karachi’

He said there were five garbage transfer stations (GTS) in Karachi which were actually not adequate to cater requirement of the entire city. He said Sindh government had a list of GTS which mentions number of GTS in city at 11; however six of them don’t even exist.

He highlighted that Frontier Works Organisation (FWO) was roped in for Karachi cleanliness

drive and it lifted garbage at a cost of Rs 1.65 per kg from collection to disposal of trash to landfill sites. The Minister said it was astonishing to discover that Sindh government contractors were charging Rs 4 per kg for the same work.

‘Slums create more problems’

The Minister said the city consists of 55% slums and they need to be streamlined as their expansion was causing serious problems to city’s infrastructure.

He said as a result of works done through his campaign, none of the drains (Nullahs) were choked during rains and rainwater flowed smoothly without accumulating on streets.

To a question by a journalist regarding status of Rs 162 billion funds for Karachi, Mr. Zaidi said he would urge the Prime Minister to not release single penny to Karachi until a proper monitoring mechanism was established in order to prevent funds from being siphoned off.

He informed that Rs 100 million have been collected so far with donations from different organizations for ‘Clean Karachi’ Campaign.

The Minister said it would be totally up to ABAD if it donates any amount for the cleanliness work. The Chairman said the Association will assist in the cause.

At the end, Mr. Ibrahim Habib gave a vote of thanks to the Minister and his delegation for visiting ABAD House.



Canadian Diplomat and Senior Trade Commissioner, Ms. Mafgaux McDonald, *visits ABAD House*

The visiting dignitary discussed investment opportunities for Canadian investors in Pakistan's housing and construction sector.

A Senior Trade Commissioner in High Commission of Canada, Islamabad, Ms. Mafgaux McDonald, visited ABAD House on October 8, 2019 (Tuesday) and held a meeting with office bearers of Association of Builders and Developers of Pakistan (ABAD) to discuss emerging investment opportunities in Pakistan's housing and construction sector and bilateral trade ties between the two countries.

ABAD was represented during the meeting by its Senior Vice Chairman Mr. Sohail Warrind, Vice Chairman Mr. Abdul Rehman, Chairman Southern Region (SR) Mr. m. Ali Taufique, former chairman ABAD Mr. Hassan Bakshi, senior member ABAD, Syed Shahid Khairi and other office-bearers.

The Canadian Trade Commissioner was accompanied by Trade Commissioner of Canadian Commercial Office.

The meeting began with introduction of ABAD and its members by Vice Chairman Mr. Abdul Rehman.

He apprised the visiting dignitary about investment opportunities in Pakistan with a background of impediments existed until recently for foreign investors. "The milieu for investment has now changed and Pakistan is open for potential

stan was often projected in bad light in the electronic media, which is in negation of reality.

Ms. Mafgaux McDonald said it would be helpful if she could get a



investors to grow their businesses," Mr. Rehman told the Canadian Trade Commissioner.

The Vice Chairman said he has been involved in construction activities in Canada for years, and there was complete support from allied industries. He underlined that Paki-

proposal from ABAD, shedding light on investment prospects in the country.

The Vice Chairman of ABAD said we were waiting for tax-friendly regime before inviting foreign investors, and now things are feasible for foreign firms.



ABAD office-bearers presenting ABAD memento to Canadian diplomat.

Ms. McDonald observed that we need to diversify our trade partners, adding that Canada faced some challenges in trade ties with the United States, of late. “A lot of firms are also reaching out to Canadian companies for investment in their respective countries.”

Mr. Abdul Rehman said construction and material cost is jacking up in Pakistan. He proposed that Canadian Mortgage Companies can also offer their expertise to Pakistan and its untapped market.

The Trade Commissioner responded that Canadian banks had strict regulatory mechanism and they hardly go overseas. “That is one reason we [Canada] were not affected by recession that struck the US in 2008.”

She stated that Canada is looking to explore investment opportunities in Pakistan. “The market in Pakistan is high-risk, yet high-rewarding,” she remarked.

Former chairman, Mr. Hassan

Bakshi said Pakistan is ready to facilitate the foreign investors.

He said Pakistan is facing shortage of 12 million houses, while the demand of 0.3 million housing units is increasing every year. He stated that 58 percent of Karachiites live in slums (katchi Abadis), which reflects the grave dearth of houses in the metropolis.

The former chairman highlighted three areas there were holding the construction sector until recently that included Foreclosure laws, Federal Board of Revenue-related issues and local regulatory regime.

Mr. Bakshi said acquiring about 18 NOCs from different institutions for a project was hassling for builders, adding the things were changing now.

He informed the Canadian diplomat that change was in the bag and would be visible in a few months in Pakistan. He said sizable government land was also available in the country.

Mr. Hassan Bakshi also shared an example of China where use of advanced technology has reshaped the construction sector. He, however, added that investors from Pakistan couldn't rely on a single country; hence diversification in trade was the need of the hour.

Mr. Abdul Rehman said technology is evolving rapidly, saying some companies in China are proud to build '50 floors in 50 weeks' and using this phrase as their slogan.

Ms. McDonald remarked that there were firms introducing tech innovations, but “cheapest is not always the best.

She proposed ABAD to also visit Big-5 exhibition in Dubai that is held every year for exploring global construction sector. “We can help ABAD connect with Canadian investors through the Big-5 platform,” she suggested.

She also recommended arranging a webinar or video conferencing-like communication with ABAD to connect builders' guild with Canadian investors to build liaison among them.

After a detailed discussion on trade ties and investment opportunities, the meeting ended with a note of thanks from office-bearers of ABAD.

Later, the Senior Trade Commissioner Ms. Mafgaux McDonald was presented bouquet and memento of ABAD.



ABAD delegation meets Secretary Environment Sindh, Mr. Khan Muhammad Maher

“The delegation sought earliest solution of problem regarding pending NOCs with SEPA and discussed investment prospects along coastal areas of the province”

A delegation of the Association of Builders and Developers of Pakistan (ABAD) led by Mr. Muhammad Hassan Bakshi - the then Chairman - met Secretary Environment, Climate Change and Coastal Development Sindh, Mr. Khan Muhammad Maher, at his office on August 8, 2019 at 12.30pm to discuss issues pertaining to non-issuance of NOCs and lacunas in environment-related laws that hampers execution of different projects.

The ABAD delegation comprised Mr. Hassan Bakshi, Convener Environment Protection ABAD, Mr. Farigh Nadeem and another member of the Association. The meeting was chaired by Secretary Environment.

Mr. Hassan Bakshi informed the Secretary that around 50 no-objection certificates (NOCs) of different projects were pending for two and a half years despite fulfillment of all requirements of the projects.

Mr. Bakshi said NOCs should be issued forthwith keeping in view the fact that all projects are complying with stipulated legal requirements. He said the environment laws were

enacted some ten years ago and their review and upgradation has now become the need of the hour.

Mr. Hassan Bakshi proposed to the Secretary Environment that projects above 15 lac square feet should be sent for public hearing, while those below the above value must be decided internally by the competent authority.

Mr. Farigh Nadeem said builders have to pay Rs 4.5 million to Rs 5 million to authorities for Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), while fee prescribed under the law is Rs 100,000 for the same work.

Responding to the points raised by ABAD members, Secretary Environment Mr. Khan Muhammad Maher sought a detailed proposal from ABAD with their intended amendments in the law, adding that the proposal would subsequently be sent to provincial government for consideration and approval.

The Secretary assured that he would convince the Minister and other relevant government high-ups to approve proposed changes as per law.

Mr. Maher also suggested the ABAD delegation to invest in public projects along coastal areas like Keenjhar Lake, Haleji Lake, saying such areas have huge potential for investment.

Mr. Bakshi urged the Secretary to identify a piece of land of around 1,000 acres so ABAD members could invest on it.

The Secretary assured ABAD members of taking measures to begin one-window operation for ease of doing business.

Renovation of public park(s)

It was also decided during the discussion that a meeting would soon be arranged with Sindh Chief Secretary with an agenda to discuss issue of pending NOCs of ABAD as well as refurbishment of public parks with the help of ABAD.

At the end of the meeting, the Chairman ABAD thanked the Secretary Environment for sparing time for the meeting and assuring resolution of problems at the earliest.



ABAD delegation meets **DIG West Karachi,** **Mr. Amin Yousafzai**



The visiting delegation discussed progress of renovation of a police station being carried out by ABAD.

A delegation of the Association of Builders and Developers (ABAD) led by Mr. Asif Sumsum, Convener Law & Order Sub-Committee of ABAD, met Deputy Inspector General of Police (DIG) West Karachi, Mr. Muhammad Amin Yousafzai, at his office in Gulberg Town at 3.30pm to discuss and review renovation of a police station being done by ABAD.

The ABAD delegation comprised Mr. Asif Sumsum, Mr. Raheel Rinch, Mr. Nadeem Jeewa, Ms Umme Mansoor and Mr. Mumtaz Ghazi.

The meeting was chaired by DIG West Mr. Muhammaed Amin Yousafzai, and also attended by SSP Central Mr. Arif Aslam Rao.

The DIG begun the discussion by shedding light on renovation of Ferozabad Police Station being carried out by ABAD. He said the police department has planned to transform police stations of three zones into model police stations.

He informed that police stations of Ferozabad and Bahadurabad have been merged to form a single one. Similarly those of Liaqatabad and Super Market; and Clifton and Boat Basin's stations have also been amalgamated, respectively. He added that strength of the said police stations has also been increased simultaneously.

The DIG said bottleneck in government works often occur, hence we decided to seek help of ABAD for

speedy renovation of [specified] police stations.

Mr. Asif Sumsum said he has visited Ferozabad Police Station for more than couple of times recently and inspected renovation work.

Mr. Raheel Rinch suggested that a joint visit with a team of officers can also be paid to analyze and decide things.

Later, Mr. Asif Sumsum suggested Ms Umme Mansoor to visit the renovation site with respective officials, examine work and propose design of the building so that the construction could be done with incorporating input of the police department.



Meeting of ABAD delegation with Director General SBICA Mr. Zafar Ahsan

The members of ABAD sought SBICA action against thriving illegal constructions, and measures to resolve problems of Hyderabad builders

A delegation of the Association of Builders and Developers of Pakistan (ABAD) met the Director General of Sindh Building Control Authority (SBICA), Mr. Zafar Ahsan, at his office on August 6, 2019 at 3.00pm to converse over various issues faced by builders of Hyderabad and Karachi related to SBICA bye-laws and pending approvals of projects.

The then Chairman ABAD Mr. Muhammad Hassan Bakshi; Senior Vice Chairman ABAD, Mr. Anwar Dawood; Vice Chairman ABAD, Abdul Kareem Adhia; Chairman Southern Region ABAD, Mr. Ibrahim S. Habib; Mr. Rizwan Adhia, Hyderabad region representative, Mr. Farooq Sheikhani and other prominent members of the Association attended the meeting.

The Director General of the SBICA presided over the meeting.

The delegation apprised the DG SBICA of issues faced by members of Hyderabad regarding a few bye-laws as well as floor area ratio (FARs) that are hindering execution of projects.

Mr. Zafar Ahsan, the head of the SBICA, said rules can be amended to

streamline affairs. One of the SBICA members told the meeting that a Senior Director of Masterplan, who is part of a committee formed by the building control authority, has the powers to amend regional bye-laws and the case(s) could be forwarded to the said committee for review.

Zulfiqar Farooqui from Hyderabad suggested SBICA to empower director town planning to resolve cases pending for a long time.

He also requested the SBICA to probe whether the water commission was lawfully mandated to impose a ban on conversion of plots. "The suspension of construction work on the commission's order is delaying projects and inflicting financial losses," he told the SBICA DG.

The SBICA head responded that a committee was operating under Chief Secretary Sindh that examines cases, dealt by the Water Commission, every month.

The ABAD members said a meeting could be arranged with Sindh Chief Secretary to hash out the matter.

Mr. Anwar Dawood raised the issue of pending completion plans of

already approved projects as per law. He said the ultimate affectees of the problem created through SBICA order were allottees, adding that the matter should be considered and addressed at the earliest.

The ABAD delegation also pointed out several areas where illegal constructions were rampant. Mr. Bakshi asked the SBICA head whether he was supporting the Association of Builders and Developers in their fight against illegitimate constructions. Mr. Zafar Ahsan replied in affirmative and said his organization was also against any wrongdoing and will go all-out against it.

The ABAD members stated that some elements are indulged in illegal constructions and their unlawful activities is bringing disrepute to legitimate builders. The DG SBICA agreed upon the fact and assured to take necessary steps to address the issue.

The meeting ended after the SBICA team assured to look into problems raised by the ABAD delegation and resolve them before long.



Director General

Hyderabad Development Authority (HDA)

visits ABAD's regional office in Hyderabad



The meeting discussed various matters including ABAD's proposal to get representation in HDA governing body as well as identification of high density zones in Hyderabad

The Director General of Hyderabad Development Authority (HDA), Mr. Ghulam Muhammad Qaimkhani, visited the sub-region office of Association of Builders and Developers of Pakistan (ABAD) in Hyderabad on September 4 (Wednesday) to hold meeting regarding different issues faced by the members.

The meeting was chaired by Mr. Raheel Iqbal, Vice Chairman Hyderabad Sub-Region of ABAD.

The members of sub-region Hyderabad welcomed the DG HDA to the newly-inaugurated regional office of ABAD.

At initiation of the meeting, the Vice Chairman, in pursuance of agenda, mooted the demands and suggestions enlisted by ABAD.

He requested the DG that ABAD should be given representation in the Governing Body of Hyderabad

Development Authority. To which the DG replied that HDA will consider this proposal.

The Vice Chairman also sought formation of Master Plan for Hyderabad.

The members of ABAD called for conversion policy for residential plots and discussed strategy to deal with stay given by the Water Commission. The DG said the Authority had submitted its reply in the court regarding the matter, adding the response filed by HDA contained no negative observation.

The Vice Chairman of Hyderabad Sub-Region also clamoured for provision of basic infrastructure in Kohesar Extension, Gulistan -e-Sarmast and other HDA schemes.

The ABAD also demanded identification of High Density Zones in

Hyderabad and completion of development works at Bypass area by HDA including pending schemes of Hyderabad Development Authority.

The DG HDA said Master Plan Authority of Sindh was in the phase of formation and he nodded to have representation of three members from Hyderabad sub-region in the proposed Authority.

The Director General also informed that a water supply project at a cost of Rs 520 million was being initiated that will address water issues in the Bypass area. He added that another water supply project was being launched in Gulistan -e-Sarmast.

The head of HDA assured the ABAD members that all their problems will be addressed on priority basis.

The meeting later ended with a note of thanks from the Chair.

KWSB Sub-Committee



Senior Vice Chairman, Mr. M. Sohail Warind, addresses KWSB Sub-Committee meeting.

The issuance of no objection certificates (NOCs) to legitimate projects by the regulatory authorities has been a cumbersome process for a long period in the provincial capital of Sindh, and inordinate delay in this regard takes a toll on builders as well as general public who wait for completion of projects in time.

The Karachi Water & Sewerage Board (KWSB) Sub-Committee of ABAD strives to get such cases of its members resolved by remaining in contact with the KWSB head and other relevant officials.

A meeting of the KWSB Sub-Committee of ABAD was held on November 20 with Senior Vice Chairman ABAD, Mr. Sohail Warrind, in the chair.

The meeting was also attended by Vice Chairman Mr. Abdul Rehman, Chairman Southern Region, Mr. Ali Ratadia; Conve-

ner KWSB Sub-Committee and senior member ABAD, Mr. Altaf Hussain, Mr. Nusrat Chughtai, Mr. Younus Lakhani and other members of the Association.

Mr. Altaf Hussain said there 256 cases, of them NOCs have been issued in 203 cases, while 53 are pending.

He informed the House that 30 cases were new and 18 of them pertained to seeking new connection of above 18-inch diameter water line, which was not being issued by the KWSB to anyone.

Mr. Hussain said he has been meeting with Chief Engineer and other relevant officials of the KWSB to discuss and resolve cases of ABAD.

Vice Chairman, Mr. Abdul Rehman, said the KWSB must give new water connections to projects which have fulfilled all formalities.

Chairman SR, Mr. Ali Ratadia, suggested a group of affected builders must hold a meeting with KWSB high-ups to inform them about their cases for its earliest resolution.

Mr. Nusrat Mirza Chughtai said a time for meeting has been sought from Managing Water KWSB on Monday (November 25) to brief him about these matters.

Mr. Sohail Warrind said all persons concerned whose cases were pending should be roped in for the upcoming meeting with KWSB MD.

Mr. Younus Lakhani said his case was also pending with the KWSB, despite payment it's not yet resolved. He said challan has also been issued to him, but no further progress was made by the KWSB from its end.

SBCA Sub-Committee



Chairman Mr. Mohsin Sheikhani, addresses the SBCA Sub-Committee meeting.

A meeting of the SBCA Sub-Committee of Association of Builders and Developers of Pakistan (ABAD) was held on November 16, Saturday, with Chairman Mr. Mohsin Sheikhani in the chair to discuss issues related to the Sindh Building Control Authority braved by members of the Association.

The meeting was also attended by Vice Chairman, Mr. Abdul Rehman; Chairman Southern Region Mr. M. Ali Taufeeq; former Chairman Mr. M. Hassan Bakshi, former Senior Vice Chairman Mr. M. Anwar Dawood and other members of ABAD.

Initiating the discussion, the Chairman asked Mr. Dawood to brief the House about the complaints builders and developers have communicated to him.

Mr. Anwar Dawood said an

amendment has been proposed by ABAD in Regional Interim Building and Town Planning Regulations in the 'chapter of amalgamation'.

He said the existing law is causing hurdles in construction of building, hence amendments were needed in chapter 18 and 22 of the regulation was needed.

Similarly, he pointed out flaws in Chapter 25 of Karachi Building & Town Planning Regulation. He said the particular chapter was also causing hurdles to the members of ABAD and they have been complaining about foot-prints for a long time, adding that the foot-prints for large-sized plots should be minimized to meet the genuine requirement of builders.

Mr. Dawood stated that land in Karachi was now expensive, therefore we could also discuss

with SBCA regarding raising floor permission for 120 square yards plot from ground+2 to ground+3 floors. "We need this relaxation keeping in view expansion of the city and growing cost of land."

Mr. Anwar Dawood highlighted another issue pertaining to KDA, as the latter seek sub-lease charges in advance.

The Chairman said this should not be done, and asked Mr. Dawood to prepare a report so it could be raised with the Minister during a prospective meeting with him.

The members also raised issues related to issuance in sale NOCs, and conditions for NOCs. The Chairman asked them to jot down the issues faced by them so they could be pursued in upcoming meeting with SBCA team.

Law & Order Sub-Committee



Mr. Asif Sumsum during a Law & Order Sub-Committee meeting

A meeting of the Law & Order Sub-Committee of ABAD, presided over by Convener of the Sub-Committee Mr. Asif Sumsum, was held on November 20 (Wednesday) at ABAD House to discuss complaints submitted by members and measures taken by the Association in its wake.

The meeting was attended by Senior Vice Chairman, Mr. Sohail Warrind; Vice Chairman Mr. Abdul Rehman, Chairman Southern Region Mr. Ali Ratadia, Mr. S. Shahid Khairi and other members of ABAD.

At the outset of the meeting, Mr. Sumsum sought files of complaints submitted by members to discuss their progress.

Complainants put forward their issues which were resolved and also those whose resolution is awaited.

A case was brought up by Ruknuddin Private Limited before the House and the complainant, Mr. Chaudhry Arshad, said his case has been settled.

Mr. Asif Sumsum asked the complainant to submit a letter addressing to Chairman ABAD with a confirmation of his case status as resolved. He said we are in the process of wrapping up pending cases and all complainants whose cases have been resolved/settled should write a letter to ABAD Chairman, assuring in writing that their case has been settled. "It will help us prepare a log of resolved cases," said Mr. Sumsum.

Former Vice Chairman ABAD, Mr. Abdul Kareem Adhia, also raised his complaint regarding a dacoity on his site. He said the DIG West was well-informed about the case, however, neither geo-fencing of the area was conducted nor any progress was made.

Mr. Sumsum asked Mr. Adhia to once again contact the SP Investigation, today and tomorrow. "And if nothing happens for two days, I will accompany with you personally to the police high-up concerned to discuss the matter."

Another file of the case of member

Mr. Mumtaz Ghazi was brought to discuss, however, the complainant said his case had virtually been settled and it was in the court now.

Mr. Asif Sumsum asked Mr. Ghazi to send a letter to ABAD, addressed to its Chairman, confirming that the case has been settled.

Besides, another complainant affiliated with Central Builders and Developers raised his issue about encroachment on his plot in block-1 of Clifton, in front of Ziauddin Hospital.

Mr. Asif Sumsum responded that this case is near resolution, saying an anti-encroachment operation will be launched on the said plot to vacate it from encroachers.

Later at the end of the meeting, the Convener of the Sub-Committee also asked an officer of ABAD, Mr. Muzammil Sheikh, to prepare a note-sheet of complainant who didn't turn up in the meeting for future reference.

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CONSTRUCTION INNOVATION

CEMENT THAT GLOWS IN THE DARK



The way constructions are done across the globe is rapidly evolving and technology is playing a crucial part in reshaping the conventional methods of raising a building.

With changing times, new construction models are being introduced in different countries mostly the developed ones, where use of machines and advanced tech has a crucial role.

Over the past ten years the development of intelligent construction models, closely tied to energy efficiency, has introduced new materials that have one or more properties modified, in a controlled and partial way.

Introducing his own innovation, Dr. José Carlos Rubio Ávalos, a materi-

als scientist at the Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolas de Hidalgo, Mexico, has developed a cement with the capacity to absorb and irradiate light energy, in order to provide greater functionality and versatility to concrete in regards to energy efficiency.

The cement can be used to illuminate highways, bike paths, and buildings without the use of electricity.

The new smart material developed by Rubio Ávalos was released a few years ago, in an official press statement released by the Agencia Informativa Conacyt.

Rubio Avalos added photoactive materials to the cement to absorb and emit light, but the greatest challenge was to make the cement, an

opaque material, soak up UV rays. To do this, he had to alter its micro-structure.

In the beginning of the concrete-making process, cement powder is mixed with water and the material starts to gel. The gel makes it form crystals.

"They look a little like cornflakes," he says, and are an unnecessary byproduct.

In Rubio Avalos' concrete, these crystals have been removed, which allows the sunlight to enter the cement matrix without being reflected. The result: a material which absorbs UV rays during the day and releases light at night.

"Some say it is a completely new



is estimated to be greater than 100 years, according to its creator.

Charging the material using natural or artificial light, it hopes to offer new light and thermal functions to the most used construction element in the world in order to reduce the energy consumption generated by current light and thermal systems.

material," says Rubio Avalos.

At the time of its creation of illuminating cement, only marine blue and bright green were the colors available, but Rubio Avalos said he was working on cement that can glow white, red and purple. But he sought more funding for the purpose.

The researcher says that the technology works even on cloudy days. It can work indoors, as long as the UV rays come in through the windows.

The researcher claimed that the applications are very broad, and those which stand out most are for the architectural market: facades, swimming pools, bathrooms, kitchens, parking lots, etc. It would also be useful in road safety and road signs, in the energy sector, such as oil platforms, and anywhere you want to illuminate or mark spaces that don't have access to electricity since it doesn't require an electrical distribution system and is recharged only with light. The durability of light-emitting cement



Aerated Concrete Blocks :

A revolutionary construction material

Autoclaved aerated concrete (AAC) is a type of precast concrete that is now virtually revolutionizing the way constructions are undertaken.

AAC are composed of natural raw materials. It was first developed in Sweden in the 1920s, when an architect first combined the conventional concrete mixture of cement, lime, water, and sand with a small amount of aluminum powder.

The aluminum powder serves as an expansion agent that causes the concrete to rise, somewhat like bread dough. The result is a concrete that consists of almost 80 percent air. AAC concrete typically is made into blocks or slabs and is used to build mortared walls in a manner similar to that used for standard concrete block construction.

How Aerated Concrete is manufactured

Autoclaved aerated concrete begins with the same process used to mix all concrete: Portland cement, aggregate, and water are mixed together to form a slurry. Upon the introduction of aluminum as an expansion agent, air bubbles are introduced throughout the material, generating a low-density lightweight material. The wet concrete is molded into shapes using forms, then cut into slabs and blocks once partially dried. The units are then moved to an autoclave for full curing under heat and pressure, which takes only 8 to 12 hours.

AAC concrete units are highly workable and can be cut and drilled with conventional woodworking tools, such as band saws and ordinary power drills. Because

Aerated block



Traditional concrete block



it is lightweight and relatively low-density, the concrete must be tested for compressive strengths, moisture content, bulk density, and shrinkage.

Building with Aerated Concrete Block

AAC concrete can be used on walls, floor, roof panels, blocks, and lintels.

- Panels are available in thicknesses of between 8 inches to 12 inches and 24 inches in width, and lengths up to 20 feet.
- Blocks come in lengths of 24, 32, and 48 inches, and thicknesses of 4 to 16 inches; height is 8 inches.

Cured blocks or panels of autoclaved aerated concrete are joined with thin bed mortar, using techniques identical to those used with standard concrete blocks. For additional strength, walls may be reinforced with steel or other structural members run vertically through spaces in the blocks.



AAC concrete can be used for walls, floors, and roofs, and its light weight makes it more versatile than standard concrete. The material offers excellent sound and thermal insulation, and is strong and fire resistant.

However, in order to be durable, AAC must be covered with an applied finish, such as polymer-modified stucco, natural or engineered stone, or siding. If used for basements, the outer face of AAC walls must be coated with a thick layer of waterproof material or membrane. AAC surfaces exposed to weather or soil moisture will break down.

Interior surfaces can be finished with drywall, plaster, tile, or paint, or can be left exposed.
Features of Aerated Concrete

Inherently, AAC offers only moderate insulation values—about R-10 for an 8-inch-thick wall and R-12.5 for a 10-inch-thick wall. AAC offers an R value of about 1.25 for each inch of material thickness. But AAC has a high thermal mass, which slows the transfer of thermal energy and can greatly reduce heating and cooling costs. And AAC structures can be

made very airtight to reduce energy losses due to air leaks. AAC also creates an excellent soundproofing barrier.

Benefits of Aerated Concrete Block

Some of the benefits of using autoclaved aerated concrete include:

- An excellent material for soundproofing material and acoustic insulation
- Highly fire- and termite-resistant
- Available in a variety of forms and sizes
- High thermal mass stores and releases energy over time
- Recyclable material
- Easy handling and installation due to light weight
- Easy to cut for chases and holes for electrical and plumbing lines
- Economical shipping and handling when compared to poured concrete or concrete block

Are there any drawbacks?

Like all building materials, AAC has some disadvantages:

- Products often show inconsistency in quality and color.
- Unfinished exterior walls require exterior cladding to protect them from weather.
- If installed in high humidity environments, interior finishes require low vapor permeability and exterior finishes require high permeability.
- R-values are relatively low when compared to energy-efficient insulated wall construction.
- Cost is higher than a conventional concrete block and wood-frame construction.
- Strength of AAC is 1/6 to 1/3 that of traditional concrete block.



ABAD Welcomes New Members

MARVI ENTERPRISES

M/s. Marvi Enterprises is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a partnership firm in the name of Mr. Mahesh Kumar and Mr. Dileep Kumar.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Mahesh Kumar



Mr. Dileep Kumar

MUHAMMAD AMIN TAI BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Amin Tai Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Amin and Mr. Muhammad Moheed Tai is Manager.

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Mr. Muhammad Amin

NAULAKHA BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s Naulakha Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Ahsan and Mr. Muhammad Zakir Habib is manager.

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Mr. Muhammad Ahsan

CHAYELL ENTERPRISES

M/s. Chayell Enterprises is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Abdul Samad and Mr. Abdul Rehman

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Mr. Abdul Samad

ARS BUILDERS

M/s. ARS Builders is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Abdul Razzaq and Mr. Ali Haider Sarib is Manager.

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Mr. Abdul Razzaq

MEGA-TECH BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS (PVT) LTD

M/s Mega-Tech Builders & Developers (Pvt) Ltd is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a private limited firm in the name of Mr. Suresh Kumar and Mr. Dileep Kumar.

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Mr. Suresh Kumar



Mr. Dileep Kumar

DEFENCE BRIDGE VIEW APARTMENTS

M/s. Defence Bridge View Apartments is partnership firm. Mr. Muhammad Kassim and Mr. Muhammad Adeel are partners.

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Mr. Muhammad
Kassim



Mr. Muhammad
Adeel

HAMDAN ASSOCIATES

M/s Hamdan Associates is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. Its proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Hussain and Mr. Hamdan.

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Mr. Muhammad
Hussain



Mr. Hamdan

BANO BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Bano Builders & Developers is partnership firm. Mr. Malik Muhammad Akhter and Mr. Malik Hamza Javed are partners.

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Mr. Malik
M. Akhter



Mr. Malik Hamza
Javed

DREAM HOME BUILDERS

M/s. Dream Home Builders is a partnership firm. Mr. Muhammad Khalid, Muhammad Iqbal, Shah Faisel Habib Lodhikawala and Mr. Naseem Bano are partners.

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Mr. Muhammad Khalid



Mr. Muhammad Iqbal

AL-IMRAN BUILDERS

M/s. Al-Imran Builders is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Abdul Rehman and Mr. Imran Rehman.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Imran Rehman

ABID DANISH BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Abid Danish Builders & Developers is partnership firm. Mr. Muhammad Naveed and Mr. Muhammad Akram Memon are partners.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Muhammad Naveed



Mr. Muhammad Akram Memon

AMRAJ BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. AMRAJ Builders & Developers is partnership firm. Mr. Muhammad Ali Edhi and Mr. Mohammad Rabeet are partners.

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Mr. Muhammad Ali Edhi



Mr. Mohammad Rabeet

ALI SHAH BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Ali Shah Builders & Developers is partnership firm. Mr. Muhammad Ali Kashif and Mr. Syed Rashid Ali are partners.

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Mr. Muhammad Ali Kashif



Mr. Syed Rashid Ali

ALI-ZE BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Ali-Ze Builders is a new member of ABAD registered in 2019. Its proprietorship firm in the name of Ali Zafar Awan.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Ali Zafar Awan

AMK BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. AMK Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. Mr. Atif Majeed is owner and Mr. Kashif Majeed is alternate representative of company.

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Mr. Atif Majeed



Mr. Kashif Majeed

ZUDA BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Zuda Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Maqsood and Mr. Imran Abdul Sattar.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Muhammad
Maqsood

WAHEED ALI BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s Waheed Ali Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Waheed Ali Mallah and Mr. Faheem Ahmed Mallah is manager.

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Mr. Waheed Ali
Mallah



Mr. Faheem Ahmed
Mallah

USMANI BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s Usmani Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Ms. Yasmeen Usmani and Mr. Ahmed Sameer Usmani is principal representative.

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Ms. Yasmeen Usmani



Mr. Ahmed Sameer
Usmani

SHAIKHANI BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Shaikhani Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. Its proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Junaid Shaikhani and Mr. Fahad Shaikhani.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Muhammad Junaid Shaikhani



Mr. Fahad Shaikhani

RASHID ASSOCIATES

M/s. Rashid Associates is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. Its proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Farhat Rashid and Mr. Raja Ali Mansor is manager.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Farhat Rashid



Mr. Raja Ali Mansor

RHOMBUS BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Rhombus Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. Its proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Imran Muhammad Haroon and Mrs. Asma Imran.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Imran



Mrs. Asma Imran

QASWAA BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Qaswaa Builders & Developers is partnership firm. Mr. Nadeem Hussain Surahio is managing partner and Advocate Bilal Azam Shaikh is legal advisor.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Nadeem Hussain Surahio



Advocate Bilal Azam Shaikh

QWA ASSOCIATES

M/s. QWA Associates is partnership firm. Mr. Abdul Rehman Naqi and Mr. Muhammad Qasim Qureshi are partners.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Abdul Rehman Naqi



Mr. Muhammad Qasim Qureshi

PARADISE CITY & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Paradise City & Developers is private limited firm. Mr. Muhammad Jamshaid and Mr. Amir Jamshaid are partners.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Muhammad Jamshaid



Mr. Amir Jamshaid

POPULAR BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Popular Builders & Developers is partnership firm. Mr. Abdullah Nawab and Mr. Abdul Jabbar are partners.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Abdul Jabbar

PS ASSOCIATES

M/s. PS Associates is partnership firm. Mr. Abdul Rehman Naqi and Mr. Muhammad Amin are partners.

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Mr. Abdul Rehman Naqi



Mr. Muhammad Amin

ORBIT PROPERTIES

M/s Orbit Properties is partnership firm. Mr. Ghias ur Rehman and Mr. Muhammad Ashfaq are partners.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Ghias ur Rehman



Mr. Muhammad Ashfaq

DUA BUILDERS

M/s Dua Builders is partnership firm. Mr. M. Anwar Dawood and Mr. Muhammad Yaseen are partners.

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Mr. Anwar Dawood



Mr. Muhammad Yaseen

THE KARACHI CONSTRUCTIONS

M/s. The Karachi Constructions is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a private limited firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Shadab Khan.

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Mr. Muhammad
Shadab Khan

TAIBAH CONSTRUCTION GROUP

M/s. Taibah Construction Group is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Hani Anis Ahmedani.

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Mr. M. Hani Anis
Ahmedani

TWENTY ONE ASSOCIATES

M/s. Twenty One Associates is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a private limited firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Iqbal and Mr. Musammir Arif Siddiqui.

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Mr. Muhammad
Iqbal



Mr. Musammir Arif
Siddiqui

TARA CHAND BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Tara Chand Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Tara Chand is managing partner and Ms. Samirta Kumari.

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Mr. Tara Chand



Ms. Samirta Kumari

SHERATON ASSOCIATES

M/s. Sheraton Associates is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. Its proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Azam and Mr. Muhammad Ali Siddique is Manager.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Muhammad
Azam



Mr. Muhammad Ali
Siddique

S.M WASIQ ASSOCIATES

M/s. S.M Wasiq Associates is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Syed Muhammad Wasiq Iqbal and Mr. Shams Alam is manager.

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Mr. Syed M. Wasiq



Mr. Shams Alam

SHAHZAIN ENTERPRISES

M/s. Shahzain Enterprises is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Hassan Haider Shah and Mr. Syed Ali Haider Rizvi.

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Mr. Hassan Haider
Shah



Mr. Syed Ali Haider
Rizvi

SIGMA BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Sigma Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Kaleem and Mrs. Saima Kaleem.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Muhammad
Kaleem



Mrs. Saima Kaleem

SHARJAH ESTATE BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s Sharjah Estate Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Sadiq Baloch and Mr. Tahir Baloch is manager.

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Mr. Muhammad
Sadiq Baloch



Mr. Tahir Baloch

SAYA THE REAL ESTATE & BUILDERS

M/s Saya The Real Estate Builders is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Akif and Mr. Muhammad Umair.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Muhammad Akif



Mr. Muhammad
Umair

STONE BRIDGE BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Stone Bridge Builders & Developers is partnership firm. Mr. Sheikh Muhammad Shakeel and Mr. Muhammad Asif Liaqat are partners.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Sheikh M. Shakeel



Mr. Muhammad Asif
Liaqat

SAWA'S BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Sawa's Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. Its proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Shaban Amir and Mr. Ahsan Ahmed is manager.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Shaban Amir



Mr. Ahsan Ahmed

KAYBEE BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Kaybee Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a private limited firm in the name of Mr. Vinod Kumar and Mr. Ramchand.

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Mr. Vinod Kumar



Mr. Ramchand

KHURSHEED ENTERPRISES

M/s. Khursheed Enterprises is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. Its proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Noman Shaikh and Mr. Shaikh Owais.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Muhammad
Noman Shaikh



Mr. Shaikh Owais

IBRAHIM & SONS BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Ibrahim & Sons Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. Its proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Ibrahim and Mr. Muhammad Muzammil.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Muhammad
Ibrahim



Mr. Muhammad
Muzammil

I.A.G BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. I.A.G Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a private limited firm in the name of Mr. Faraz Iqbal and Mr. Fahad Iqbal.

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Mr. Faraz Iqbal



Mr. Fahad Iqbal

HATEEM BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Hateem Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Haji Muhammad Abid Chohan and Mr. Muhammad Ubaid Chohan.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Haji Muhammad
Abid Chohan



Mr. Muhammad
Ubaid Chohan

H.M.R DEVELOPERS (PVT) LTD

M/s. H.M.R Developers (Pvt) Ltd is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a private limited firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Rafiq and Mr. Muhammad Husnain.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Muhammad
Rafiq



Mr. Muhammad
Husnain

G & W ASSOCIATES

M/s G & W Associates is partnership firm. Mr. Zubair Ahmed and Mr. Muhammad Shoaib are partners.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Zubair Ahmed



Mr. Muhammad
Shoaib

F & F BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s F & F Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Farrukh Abid and Mrs. Asna Farukh.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Farrukh Abid



Mrs. Asna Farukh

EIZY BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Eizy Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Sohaib Asghar and Mr. Asghar Ali is alternate representative.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Sohaib Asghar



Mr. Asghar Ali

EMAARAAT BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s Emaaraat Builders & Developers is partnership firm. Mr. M. Amir Khan, Ms. Humaira Ali and Mr Kashif Ishtiaq are partners.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. M. Amir Khan



Ms. Humaira Ali

EASTGATE BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Eastgate Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. Its proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Syed Rehan Ahmed and Mr. Zahid Iqbal is office employer.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Syed Rehan Ahmed



Mr. Zahid Iqbal

ESSAM REHMANI COMPANY (PVT) LTD

M/s. Essam Rehmani Company (Pvt) Ltd is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. Its proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Essam Rehmani and Ms. Fozia Almas.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Muhammad Essam Rehmani



Ms. Fozia Almas

MUHAMMAD HASSAN BUILDERS & DEVELOPERS

M/s. Muhammad Hassan Builders & Developers is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. Its proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Kashif and Mr. Nawaz Mirani.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Muhammad Kashif



Mr. Nawaz Mirani

M.M.A ASSOCIATES

M/s. M.M.A Associates is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a partnership firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Ashraf and Mr. Faisal Iqbal.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Muhammad Ashraf



Mr. Faisal Shafi

LUCK ASSOCIATES

M/s. Luck Associates is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Arif Iqbal and Mr. Kashif Iqbal.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Muhammad Arif Iqbal



Mr. Kashif Iqbal

KOHSAR BUILDER

M/s. Kohsar Builder is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Muhammad Raees Abbasi and Mr. Naeem Ahmed Khan.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Raees Abbasi

M.R GROUP

M/s M.R Group is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. Rehan Ahmed and Mr. Rizwan Aqil is manager.

ABAD wishes them a great future ahead.



Mr. Rehan Ahmed

M.S.S ENTERPRISES

M/s. M.S.S Enterprises is a new member in ABAD registered in 2019. It's a proprietorship firm in the name of Mr. M.Salman Tariq and Mr. M. Saad Salman.

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Mr. Salman Tariq



Mr. Saad Salman

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روزنامہ جنگ کراچی منگل 03 ستمبر 2019ء

تعمیراتی شعبہ ہی صنعتی و معاشی انقلاب لاسکتا ہے، حنیف گوہر

چاروں صوبوں میں پبلک، پرائیویٹ پارٹنرشپ اتھارٹی قائم کی جائے

کراچی (اسٹاف رپورٹر) ایسوسی ایشن آف بلڈرز ڈیولپرز (آباد) کے سابق چیئر مین اور فیڈریشن آف پاکستان چیئرز آف کامرس اینڈ انڈسٹری کے سابق نائب صدر محمد حنیف گوہر نے حکومت سے مطالبہ کیا ہے کہ نیا پاکستان ہاؤسنگ اسکیم میں بلڈرز اینڈ ڈیولپرز کی شرکت داری کے لیے چاروں صوبوں میں پبلک ، پرائیویٹ پانرز شپ اتھارٹی قائم کی جائے۔ 10 سالوں میں 50 لاکھ گھروں کی تعمیر ترقیاتی شعبے کے تعاون کے بغیر نامکن ہے حنیف گوہر کا کہنا کہ صرف تعمیراتی شعبہ یا ایسا شعبہ جس سے ملک میں صنعتی اور معاشی انقلاب لایا جاسکتا ہے تعمیراتی شعبے کے فروغ سے دیگر 72 متعلقہ شعبوں کی ترقی ملتی ہے۔ دنیا بھر میں حکومتیں اپنے شہروں کو رہائشی بھولت اور روزگار فراہم کرنے کے لیے تعمیراتی شعبے کو امرعات دیتی ہیں لیکن پاکستان میں اس کے برعکس ہو رہا ہے یہاں تعمیراتی شعبے کی ترقی میں حکومتی ادارے رکاوٹیں پیدا کرتے ہیں جو نہایت ہی افسوسناک ہے۔

DAWN THURSDAY DECEMBER 5, 2019

Govt to sell unused state properties at Dubai Expo

ISLAMABAD: The federal government has decided to sell its precious unutilised state properties at the Dubai Expo to attract foreign and Pakistani investors to the country and the funds generated through the exercise will be spent on public welfare schemes related to education, health, food and housing.

It was decided at a meeting on abandoned state properties held at the Prime Minister Office on Wednesday. The meeting was presided over by Prime Minister Imran Khan.

"These unutilised state properties will be marketed at the Dubai Expo to attract foreign and Pakistani investors to buy these assets," Privatisation Secretary Rizwan Malik informed the prime minister during the meeting.

The prime minister directed the authorities concerned to sell all precious abandoned properties of the state and to spend the money to be

fetched from their sale on welfare of
 the masses.

The prime minister said that despite having properties worth billions of rupees, state institutions were bearing losses of billions of rupees every year.

"Utilisation of properties worth billions of rupees will help generate funds which will be spent by the government on public welfare schemes such as schools, colleges, hospitals. It is an important component of the government's policy," the prime minister said.

"Unfortunately, criminal negligence was done by the previous governments as they did not utilising these valuable properties. Despite billions of rupees' assets, various federal government institutions are bearing losses of billions of rupees every year," he added.

The prime minister warned that strict action would be taken against government officials who did not identify unused properties or tried to hin-

der the government move.

Mr Khan directed the Asset Management Committee and federal ministries as well as provincial governments to resolve all issues related to identified properties next week and implement the government decision immediately.

The meeting was attended by the Minister for Ports and Shipping, Ali Haider Zaidi, Minister for Privatisation Mian Muhammad Soomro, Assistant Secretary for Overseas Pakistanis Syed Zulfiqar Abbas Bukhari, Special Assistant to the Prime Minister on Information Dr Firdous Ashiq Awan, Spokesperson to Prime Minister Nadeem Afzal Chen and federal secretaries.

Privatisation Secretary Rizwan Malik informed the meeting about the progress made by government departments on the use of various properties positively and their possible privatisation.—Syed Irfan Raza



روزنامہ ایکسپریس، کراچی۔ ہفتہ، 12 اکتوبر، 2019ء

ایس بی سی اے نے صفائی کیلئے چیز میں آباد سے مدد مانگی لی

صفائی کے عمل میں حکومتی اقدام میں اپنا کردار ادا کریں، چیئر مین آباد کوٹھنٹ

تعمیراتی ملے و پھرے کی فوری منتقلی کو یقینی بنایا جائے، ڈی جی ایس بی اے

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ABAD's Jinnah Hall inaugurated

KARACHI: Patron-in-chief and former Chairman Dawood and Khawaja Muhammad Ayub, who are part of the team supervising construction of the ABAD House extension, for completing the hall in record time of nine months.

He congratulated Anwar Dawood and Khawaja Muhammad Ayub, who are part of the team supervising construction of the ABAD House extension, for completing the hall in record time of nine months.

He underlined that formation of ABAD in 1972 was aimed at uniting builders and developers on one platform and creating ease in doing business.

"ABAD achieved numerous milestones after its inception and construction of Jinnah Hall is part of the same process," added Mohsin Sheikhani.

In his address, Anwar Dawood said extension of ABAD House was planned keeping in view growing number of members of the association.

He said ABAD was grateful to former DG SBCA, Iftekhar Qaimkhani, who granted approval for ABAD House's extension through one-window operation in a day.

He, however, added that it was the only project that was approved through one-window, while approvals of several residential projects were still in the waiting.

He said builders initiate their projects by fulfilling all legal requirements, but due to illegal constructions by some elements the entire community is called 'mafia'.

Vice Chairman Abdul Kareem Adhia gave details of the ABAD House Extension programme and appreciated all who contributed for the early completion of Jinnah Hall.

Khawaja Muhammad Ayub said completion of construction of new floors at ABAD House in a short time was a big challenge, but it was accomplished due to concerted efforts of all office-bearers. Chairman SR Ibrahim Habib thanked all dignitaries and members of ABAD for their presence on this occasion.

Patron-in-chief Saylani Welfare Trust, Maulana Bashir Farooqui, said ABAD was providing livelihood to several people and appealed the members to initiate development projects without thinking to earning profit for the sake of providing jobs to people. —PR

قومی اخبار کراچی

اتوار 06 ستمبر 1441 06 اکتوبر 2019

قومی اخبار کراچی کے مدیران اور ایڈیٹرز نے ایک سال کی مدت میں قومی اخبار کی کامیابیوں پر غور کیا۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ قومی اخبار نے گزشتہ سال میں کئی تاریخی خبریں پیش کیں ہیں جن میں سے کئی نے بین الاقوامی سطح پر توجہ حاصل کی ہے۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ قومی اخبار کی کامیابیوں کا سبب اس کی صحافتی اور ادبی اقدار ہیں۔ انہوں نے کہا کہ قومی اخبار کی کامیابیوں کا سبب اس کی صحافتی اور ادبی اقدار ہیں۔

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اسلام آباد کے ماسٹر پلان پر نظر ثانی کیلئے وفاقی کمیشن کی عبوری رپورٹ منظور
نئے بانی لاز کے تحت بلیو ایر یا میں بانی راتر بلڈنگز کی حوصلہ افزائی کی جائیگی

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بقیہ
اسلام آباد ماسٹر پلان
قائد احمد نے بانی کی منظوری دی۔ نئے بلڈنگ بانی لاز کا اب باضابطہ تشکیل دیا جائے گا۔ نئے بانی لاز کے تحت بلیو ایر یا اور مادیو ایر یا میں بانی راتر بلڈنگز کی حوصلہ افزائی کی جائے گی اور مادیو ایر یا تناسب میں اضافہ کر دیا گیا ہے۔ وزیر اعلیٰ کا ویشن یہ ہے کہ عبوری بلڈنگز (Vertical) تعمیر کی جائیں۔ رہائشی مکانات کی کمی کے کورڈ ایر یا میں اضافہ کیا گیا ہے۔ چلی مرچ اسلام آباد ایکسپریس وے، مری روڈ، بکسر او روڈ، چنگ روڈ، مارک روڈ اور مٹی روڈ پر بلڈنگز کی تعمیر کیلئے بانی لاز بنائے گئے ہیں۔ یہاں بھی بانی راتر کی حوصلہ افزائی کی جائے گی لیکن اسے اس ایر یا میں ٹریٹنگ کے دباؤ اور ماحولیاتی اثرات سے مشروط کیا گیا ہے۔ پرائیویٹ ہاؤسنگ سوسائٹیوں کیلئے این او ای کو سامان بنایا گیا ہے۔ کم زائد کم 400 کنال اراضی کی شرط کو نرم کر کے 200 کنال کر دیا گیا ہے۔ پرائیویٹ ہاؤسنگ سکیموں میں بھی ورٹیکل یا عبوری بلڈنگز کی حوصلہ افزائی کی جائے گی۔ گرین کیرپوریٹری حوصلہ افزائی کی جائے گی۔

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- Managing the electrical works of the building and premises
- Taking care of the lighting and fixtures
- Providing with the emergency power supply
- Installing, maintaining and servicing the building plumbing system
- Providing gardening and lawn landscaping service
- Providing your building with the necessary woodwork

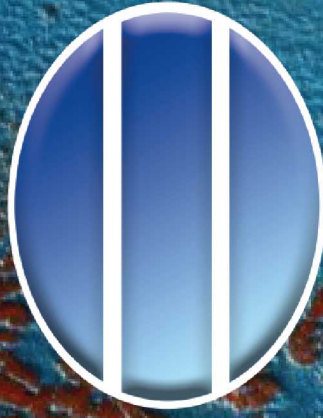
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