

PSMA/X-169/M  
2<sup>nd</sup> Jan 2019

MINUTES  
OF

THE MEETING OF THE PAKISTAN STEEL MELTERS ASSOCIATION WAS HELD  
IN HEAD OFFICE OF THE ASSOCIATION ON 2<sup>nd</sup> Jan 2019 AT 4 PM.

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1. **Attendance.** Annexure -‘A’

2. **Agenda.**

1. FATA/PATA has been Exempted by all kinds of taxes & duties.
2. Steel and its goods manufactured in FATA/PATA are cheaper by Rs 20,000/= as compared to steel and its goods in Taxable Areas
3. Cheap billets are being dumped in taxable areas like KPK, Hattar, Islamabad, Gujranwala and Lahore.
4. Huge amounts of smuggling from Area Chamman, Taftan and Torkham deserve to be stopped Forthwith.
5. Issue of steel melting furnaces in premises of Sugar Mills, Chemical Industries and Textile Industries. Taxes are not paid. Accounts are muddled up.
6. Issue of Self Generating Units which need to be taxed.
7. Issue of Small Furnaces which also need to be taxed.
8. Finalization of Slogans for the banners.
9. Any other points with the permission of the chair.

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MR. LIAQAT ALI  
VICE CHAIRMAN  
PRESIDED OVER THE  
PROCEEDINGS

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**3. Recitation** The proceedings commenced with the recitation of the Holy Quran, by Ch Sarwar.

**4.** The house was of the opinion that immediate measures were required of the government to look into different reasons of closing of the steel melting furnaces all over Pakistan. SRO 1212 (I) 2018 had made the furnaces in the tax paying areas non competitive. Steel melting furnaces installed in sugar mills premises were not paying the prevalent sales tax @ Rs 13/= per electricity unit consumed. Self generating units running on B-2 electricity or utilizing other fuels were non registered. They were also evading the said sales tax.

**5.** It was finalized by the house to conduct a demonstration before the Lahore Press Club Lahore after Friday Prayers at 3 PM.

**6.** Figures regarding import of scrap from Karachi, Port Qasim and Via Taftan were discussed. Yearly Productions consequent to it were also discussed Production details and its method of checking were highlighted to the house by this office.

**7. Closure** There being no other point the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

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