

### **EC Meeting, held on Saturday May 6, 2023**

Monthly meeting of SANA's EC was held on May 6, 23, on zoom.

Presided by Dr. MAH and conducted by GS Mushtaq Rajpar

In attendance were Shahida Shaikh, Asghar Pathan, Aijaz Haq Memon, Ali Khaskheli and Rahul Bhimani

Surhan Memon and Iftikhar Memon were excused because of their travels and work.

### **Increase in SANA membership Fee.**

Keeping in view the long term financial viability and stability of SANA, EC has unanimously approved the increase in SANA's membership fee effective from July 1, 2023.

Effective from July 1, 2023, following will be the membership fee

Family Membership \$120, Single Membership \$60. Canadians will pay in local currency that would be \$120 and \$60 Canadian dollars for respective membership categories.

Life Membership fee remains unchanged at \$1,000.

EC estimates that SANA will have enough financial resources (At least \$50,000 per year) to cover operational expenses, its initiatives, and campaigns for Sindh and Human rights.

**Convention Program:** EC Reviewed the SANA's convention schedule, it will be released on May 15<sup>th</sup> to all members on SANA list. Most of the sessions and speakers were finalized.

**Request for Sponsorship to attend SANA convention by students:** A New York based PhD. Sindhi girl student requested EC for assistance to attend the convention, President Maqbool agreed to pay her registration fee.

**Financial Updates:** Treasurer will submit a quarterly report to membership on state of SANA finances.

**Website Update:** SANA's new website is under construction and will be launched by May 15, 2023.

**GTA Chapter Annual Function:** EC will be attending the GTA chapter's annual convention, President Maqbool, Ali Khaskheli and Shahida Shaikh will represent EC.

**SANA's Sindh Rehabilitation Program: House Construction:** EC was informed that our partner organization Ali Hassan Mangi Memorial Trust has completed construction of 75 homes, and these homes are inhabited by families. The remaining 32 homes will be completed before SANA's annual convention, and a complete report will be submitted at the Convention.

SANA has signed another MoU with Sindh based non-Profit Sindh Rural Support Program, Text of signed MoU will be shared with members soon, and Fund transfer has been started, but not completed yet. SANA is providing Rs. 15.6 million for the construction of 52 homes in Jacobabad. MoU draft includes house design, construction expenses breakdown and total construction room, veranda, kitchen, and a toilet.

**Unused Fire victim fund:** EC has decided to transfer the unspent Fire Victims Funds to SEHCAR Fund to be used for similar causes. SSDP could not locate victims' families in

K.N. Shah despite their two attempts. From the Fund, SSDP spent close to Rs 150,000 on transportation while trying to locate the family. Remaining Rs. 800,000 are being transferred to SEHCAR Fund.

***Financial Help to a widow in Sindh***

EC approved helping a young widow woman whose husband passed away while protesting for justice. Late Sarwar Dahri's wife will receive Rs. 200,000 from SANA's SEHCAR Fund. Some members have already donated \$200 for her.