

“President’s Speech At 3rd Annual General Meeting of Flexible Packaging Entrepreneurs’ Welfare Association (Regd.) Delivered on 19.04.2008.

Dear Friends,

I feel honoured & have proud privilege to welcome you all to the 3rd Annual General Meeting of “Flexible Packaging Entrepreneurs’ Welfare Association (Regd.)” which was set up in April 2005. I would certainly like to place on record, my appreciation to my entire team of office bearers and also to all of you fellow members for your wholehearted support & cooperation, without which we would not have been able to achieve success in our various targets. It is a matter of great satisfaction that our Association has been gaining strength from year to year. It is being recognized as a mouthpiece of Packaging Industry in the Country.

Last year, it was decided to start a Quarterly Magazine both in English & Hindi for the benefit of its members and Flexible Packaging Industry. After due diligence at large the Magazine’s first volume was finally published in January 2007. After getting overwhelming supports for our Journal, Its circulation was increased from 500 copies to 1000 copies approx being sent to various Packaging Industries/ Traders spread over in Delhi, NCR & all over India. The fifth Quarterly Issue of Our Magazine “PACKAGING VISION” has already been sent to you last month..

It is a matter of great pleasure that the Flexible Packaging Entrepreneurs Welfare Association has given its formal support to Print Packaging.Com (P) Ltd, the organisers of “INDIA PACKAGING SHOW 2007”. This Mega Event was held at Pargati Maidan from 24-27 August 2007. Our Association actively participated alongwith 207 Exhibitors from all over India & abroad. Entries made in Association’s Visitor’s Book shows that more than 200 visitors connected with Packaging Industry/ Trade visited the Association’s stall and they appreciated Associations achievements and future aims & goals. As a compliment Association’s Magazine & other literature were distributed free of cost to the visitors. With the overwhelming response received, the organizers have again requested us to participate in the “INDIA PACKAGING SHOW 2008” being organized at Pragati Maidan from 7-10 August 2008.

The Executive Committee decided to create a Website for the Association in order to bring the Indian Flexible Packaging Industry to the International Forums. It is a matter of great satisfaction that after the launch of Association Website, we got overwhelming Advertisement support not only from our Members & non-members but also from International Tourist & Travel carriers like the Cox & King (I) Ltd. & SOTC for the forthcoming "Inter Pack- 2008", to be held in Dusseldorf Germany from 24th –30th April 2008.

The Executive Committee Meeting held on 15 February 2008 decided to celebrate second "Holy Mangal Milan Eve" on 15 March 2008, at Essex Farm, New Delhi. The Colorful Celebration started with the excellent performance of India's Renowned Musical Group followed by a Cultural Programme & Cocktail Dinner. More than 200 member/ guests invited alongwith their families enjoyed this memorable cultural evening till past midnight.

I wish to bring to the notice of the members that the expenses encored on Yearly Holy Mangal Milans & etc are always contributed by members of the Executive Committee. Even the major expenses for incurred Annual General Meetings, are also contributed by the Executive Committee Members **as a goodwill gesture**. Only the Hall booking Charges & Tea, Coffee & Snacks etc are debited to the Associations Account's.

Friends, having become 3 years old now, we have set target & goals for the coming years, which are elaborated as under: -

1. To interact and associate with the Global Packaging Associations to increase our functions.
2. To organize technical Seminars so as to impart technological changes in the working of the industry.

3. To set up a Testing Laboratory for the benefit of the members of the Association and Industry as a whole.
4. To get advertisement support for the Magazine "Packaging Vision".
5. Further steps to strengthen the Association by increasing its membership.

I would like to bring to your notice that in order to further expand the activities of the Association, I have written a DO letter dated 30 Jan 2008, to Sh. Mangat Ram Singhal, Minister of Industries/ Land & Building, Govt. of NCT Delhi, requesting him for allotment of a piece of land for constructing a proper Associations Office, Testing Laboratory, Tanning Center & an Auditorium for the Association. Copy of this letter was also sent to Sh. Manoj Parida, IAS, Managing Director DSIDC with similar request.

Dear friends, as you know "Union is Strength". Therefore we shall endeavor to double our present strength. We have already sent letters to about 200 Non members/ guests inviting them to join our association. I request every Member to sponsor at least two new members to join the Association.

I once again emphasize that "Advertisement Support" by the members to mobilize & generate funds for the Association is absolutely essential to fulfil the dreams of arranging the seminars and multiplying our activities. Therefore, I request Members to offer maximum advertisement support to Association Magazine.

Audited Balance Sheet & Income & expenditure Accounts for the Financial Year 2007-08, duly approved by the Executive Committee, are presented. I would like to have them as read & adopted by the Members. These shall be published in the next issue of our Magazine.

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I would also like to thank the Hony. Executive Secretary Sh. I.S. Chawla and Sh. Deep Chand, Assistant, for their dedicated services to the Association.

Now, I invite & request all of you friends and special guests to join me for the sumptuous Dinner.

Thank you

New Delhi
19 April 2008

(V. K. Kochhar)
President

To,

All Members