BARIDHARA DOHS PARISHAD DHAKA CANTONMENT PROCEEDINGS OF THE GENERAL MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 12TH DEC 2014 AT 3.00 P. M AT BARIDHARA DOHS CONVENTION CENTRE

- 1. **Attendance:** 205 Association Members of Baridhara DOHS were present in the meeting. Besides, three officer representatives, one from QMG's Branch of Army Headquarters and other two from Dhaka Cantonment Board were also present to witness the proceedings of the meeting. Only 27 Signatories were present in the meeting out of 58 Members requested for GM.
- 2. Col M Abdul Hai (Retd), the President of Baridhara DOHS Parishad presided over the meeting.
- 3. As the quorum for holding the meeting was present, President called the meeting to order and commenced the meeting.
- 4. Sr Muazzin Hafiz Mohammad Noor Ahmed recited the verses from the holy Quran with Tarzama.

Item - 1

Welcome address by the President

Bismillahir Rahmanir Rahim

Respected Members (both Ladies and Gentlemen),

- 1. Assalamu Alaikum and a very good afternoon. I welcome you all to the General Meeting (GM) of today which is first of its kind after Baridhara DOHS is created. In almost 2 years, present EC has conducted two AGM, one GM and 22 EC meetings where honourable Association Members helped us to maintain excellent environment and extended full support and approved various projects which we have executed based on practices of previous committees, with the best of our conscience, judgment and for the interest of the society. DOHS residents are now enjoying these facilities upto their utmost satisfaction. I am confident, this GM will also take place in a very congenial environment.
- 2. Today's GM has been requested by some honourable Members and we are here to erase their doubts regarding the matters which they have conveyed. Moreover, convener of the respective Sub-Committees will further elaborate if needed. I am sure, at the end of the Meeting you all will find that we have not deviated from the Constitution even a little though 15 to 20 years old Constitution is almost outdated now. This is the right time which requires its immediate rewriting, particularly matters concerned with the effective functioning of each and every EC Member. In the absence of any clear instructions, rules and regulations it often becomes highly difficult to get every Members moving together. We have been following all procedures which were set and practised by the previous Committees where ever applicable.
- 3. Present EC was formed with 15 Members elected from 3 panels. They so long are working together and giving out their maximum till now. All our deeds & actions are evident on the ground. Over the last almost two years, we have concertedly tried our

- best to clean up the sleazy environment wherever needed and changed the look of the DOHS into a remarkably habitable standard. Major Projects which were approved by the General Body are all completed and passed in the last AGM. Two honourable Association Members Col Mohd Ahsanullah, psc (Retd) and Ummul Khair Fatima (Eshita) highly appreciated and congratulated the present EC for doing a commendable job which are recorded in the AGM minute.
 - 4. Ladies and Gentlemen, let me keep my welcome address short today and without wasting time let us straightway go to the business. I would request you to kindly maintain a favorable environment for discussion. Let us not talk all at a time and one Member should not talk too many times. I would also request the Members to kindly remain seated with patience and wait for his turn. Thank you very much.

Item -2

To discuss the points conveyed by Col Mohd Ahsanullah, psc (Retd):

Col Mohd Ahsanullah, psc (Retd) the first signatory of the letter demanding the GM took the floor and hurriedly proposed the name of Brig Gen Enayet Hussain, psc (Retd) to give his views on the whole matter who contested in the last election for the post of President. Brig Gen Enayet Hussain, psc (Retd) then went to the rostrum and delivered a written speech for about 25 minutes on the subjects/points of Col Mohd Ahsanullah, psc (Retd) and on the activities of the EC in a manner which transpired to be a well prepared & a conspiring effort resulting out of hearsay and preconceived ideas. The speech also indicated his presentiment against the present EC, Presumably with ulterior motive as because the method applied to hold this GM does not deserve sanction at this time when the AGM is awaited to be held in the month of January as well as the EC Election scheduled to be held on 23 Jan 2015. Their attempt seem to have aroused question in the mind of honorable Members who are not involved in such unscrupulous activities to defame the Executive Committee.

An audit team headed by a Brig Gen, two senior officers from Army & Navy and a retired senior Finance controller from Military Account department as members completed the audit having worked for long four weeks and submitted their reports. They went into minor details and gave their observations which were mostly in suggestive nature. The audit report with appropriate replies have been circulated to all Association Members for their kind information. It is unfortunate, that an aspersion was cast by Brig Gen Enayet Hussain, psc (Retd) in his speech on the Audit team by demanding another audit composed of officers of their own choice. It is mentionable here, one more Audit Team headed by a very senior Army officer carried out audit of the mosque along with two senior members of Army & Navy as per recommendation of the Main Audit Team.

Though he spoke enough & tried his best to insist on the point of 'deviation' as he called it, yet could not pinpoint any such thing nor did suggest ways and means to retrieve those. The speech contained one tracked, headlong and incongruous information which generated mingled reaction as could be read from the face of Members present.

Soon after he finished his talk when President started thrashing out raised queries, then another Member Brig Gen ASM Mustafa Kamal Khan, ndc, psc (Retd) placed some misinformation about issue of 'Kotis' to Rickshaw pullers and system of payment to

Parishad. President amply clarified the matter at length by saying that the previous committee issued 160 pass to contractor and individual Rickshaw pullers and present committee is just following the same procedure. Now 151 Rickshaw pullers are using Kotis issued from Parishad having numbers 1-150. Two Kotis are having same numbers 141. 100 Kotis were given to a contractor through open tender by a board of officers. 21 offers were received and contract was signed with the 2nd highest bidder as the 1st highest bidder never turned up. 51 Kotis were issued to husbands of maids working in different houses of DOHS through lottery out of 100 requests received and lottery was conducted by a Board of officers. These Rickshaw pullers and contractor pay Tk. 1515.00 for one Rickshaw per month to the Parishad account by 7th of each month.

The President also extended his open invitation to the Association Members to visit Parishad office & see for themselves all original documents like Board proceedings, Lottery proceedings and original Agreement etc. President continued, DOHS Parishad has to follow some standard procedure to keep the number of Rickshaws as minimum as possible as more than 600 Rickshaw pullers want to drive their Rickshaws from Bot Tola to Baridhara DOHS only due to easy earning. Wives and Children of Rickshaw pullers continuously disturb Member Sy & Admin where ever they find him if some standard system is not followed. Present EC has same feeling as you have for these poor Rickshaw pullers but reality is different. Parishad has no intention to increase their fund from the money of Rickshaw pullers. However, all information given above are recorded in the last AGM minute and decisions agreed by all EC Members are also recorded in the Minutes of the EC meeting.

At this stage Lt Col Mahboob-ul-Alam, BP (Retd) in the course of deliberation expressed his opinion regarding the involvement of only a few persons who happened to have lost in the last election are behind this total episode. Though it created sensation in the mind of few resulting unusual shouting yet many expressed their similitude of opinion by silent observation honoring the inherent truth in his statement. Too many cross talk started amongst certain Members which gradually increased. As a result the mode of talks, it's style of presentation and art of deliberation started exceeding the barrier of parliamentary norms and turned the environment into a frenzied situation for a short time. Negligible number of Members who could not control themselves exhibited rowdy behavior with intention to create chaotic situation. When such was the situation, few senior officers being dictated by their conscience came to the rostrum or being in their respective places gave their sincere opinion with a view to defuse the tense situation and save it from incertitude:

- a. Maj Gen Khondker Md Nurunnabi (Retd)
- b. Maj Gen Kazi Ashfaq Ahmed, psc (Retd)
- c. Brig Gen Md Nurul Haque (Retd)
- d. Brig Gen Mustafizur Rahman, ndu, psc (Retd)
- e. Brig Gen Md Sayeedur Rahman, BP (Retd)
- f. Lt Col Mahboob-ul-Alam, BP (Retd)

Maj Gen Khondker Md Nurunnabi (Retd) came to the rostrum and requested all to maintain the dignity, poise and decorum. He pointed out categorically and disowned the act of circulating propaganda through Anonymous letter against the elected body and making other Members party to it without obtaining their consent. He indicated it to be an attempt by few to assassinate the character and reputation of an organized body which happened to have performed their best so far. He also expressed his annoyance and anguish that such activities would divide the unique home of ours. He requested all concerned to refrain from such activities and exert restrain.

Brig Gen Md Sayeedur Rahman, BP (Retd) expressed with remorse that in the past also some Members tried in the same way to blacken the good face of others which did not earn them any dividend at all. Rather he went on by saying that if such slimy practice is continued then good people will not come up for such voluntary works in future.

The President took over the control of the situation immediately and intervened with a proposal to bring an end to the whole gamut of drama anticipating the situation may further deteriorate. He proposed to the house to take up the matter with AHQ for neutral investigation which was accepted by the aggrieved Members. If something is found in such investigation then it will be retrieved by the Executive Committee and if nothing is found then the initiator of the letter should be asked to beg apology in writing to the Association Members. The President also assured the Members present that a Board of officers will be formed to rewrite the Constitution suiting our present and future need. Then draft Constitution will be placed in the EGM for adoption. The house whole-heartedly and unanimously accepted the proposal after which he thanked all Members for their kind presence in the meeting and declared the meeting closed.

Col M Abdul Hai (Rete

President 20 Dec 2014

Bog Gen Md Ismail Hossain (Retd)

Secretary
20 Dec 2014

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