

SUMMARY OF THE ACTIVITIES OF LIFE COMMITTEE

LIFE COMMITTEE

- Consequent to various efforts by the life companies the Sindh Revenue Board allowed exemption to Life and Health Insurance services for the period from 1st July, 2014 to the 30th June, 2015. The Committee felt that this exemption is only for this financial year therefore efforts be made for the permanent exemption. In this connection an emergent meeting of LC and CEOs of Life Insurance Companies was held on 9th January 2015 wherein it was agreed to hire M/s. M. Yousuf Adil Saleem & Co, Chartered Accountants (Deloitte).

The SRB vide notification No. SRB-304/11/2015 dated 4th August 2015 has exempted the Life and Health Insurance services from 1st July 2015 to 30th June 2016.

- Reference FBR's announcement to elicit suggestions from the general public on tax reforms, the Committee made suggestions for the Taxation Committee's consideration.

- In November 2014, subsequent to notices to life insurance companies regarding provision of information under Section 57(3) Punjab Sales Tax on Services, Act 2012 Sales Tax on Commission from the Punjab Revenue Authority (PRA) seeking information in respect of life insurance agents to indirectly imposing sales tax on insurance agents. M/s Deloitte on behalf of IAP addressed a detailed letter to the Chairman SECP requesting them to approach PRA and persuade them to help this sector exempted from sales tax is in line with tax policies followed in most countries of the world and other provinces of Pakistan.



Sitting from Left to Right:

Mr. Javed Ahmed (EC's Observer) Syed Shahid Abbas (Chairman),
Mr. Muhammad Danial Khan (Vice-Chairman) & Mr. Muhammad Rashid

Standing from Left to Right:

Mr. M. Numan Shaikh (Suptt. Accident & Life), Mr. Jalal Meghani,
Mr. Manzoor Ahmed & Mr. N.A. Usmani (Secretary General)

- In response to amendment in the Rule 26(b) of the SEC (Insurance) Rules, 2002 proposed by SECP the Committee finalized suggestions for submission to SECP.