

Minutes of the 12th Meeting of VSHFA held on 12th September 2025 at 08.00 pm on Zoom.

- The meeting was called to order by President Dr. Gurmukh Jagwani.
- Roll call was obtained and the following Members were present
 1. Shri Shankar Lalwani (MP)
 2. Shri Gurmukh Jagwani
 3. Shri Rajaram Bhagwani
 4. Dr. Pitamber Peter Dhalwani
 5. Shri Lakhmichand Makrani
 6. Shri Ishwar Jhamnani
 7. Shri Vijay Pahuja
 8. Shri Manohar Mamtani
 9. Shri Mahesh Kumar Malkani
 10. Shri Kishore Kumar Parwani
 11. Dr. Ravi Prakash Tekchandani
 12. Dr. Vinky Rughwani
 13. Shri Satendra Kumar Bhawnani
 14. Shri Sunil Nenwani
 15. Shri J.C. Prakash
 16. Shri Vicky (Virendra) Kukreja
 17. Dr. Raju Manwani
- President Shri Gurmukh Jagwani welcomed all members.
- The minutes of the previous meeting were read by General Secretary Dr. Raju Manwani and it was unanimously approved by members present.

- Chief Advisor Shri Shankar Lalwani provided guidance. He appreciated the active involvement of all members during and after the Delhi event. He highlighted the enthusiasm and positive energy of the team and assured his full support in the future, particularly in carrying forward the Sindhiyat to achieve greater heights.
- The following points were discussed:
 1. The Code of Conduct has already been circulated in the group. Members may refer to it as needed.
 2. Invitations will be sent to associations to become members of VSHFA.
 3. The Google Form for VSHFA AGM participation (scheduled for 22nd–23rd November) has been approved.
 4. Once Vigyan Bhawan is confirmed as the venue in Delhi, the invitee list will be finalized in consultation with Shri Shankar Lalwani.
 5. Meanwhile, responsibility for four points was assigned as follows:
 - ❖ **Jhanki of Sindhi community on 26th January.**: To be handled by Dr. Ravi Prakash Tekchandani, assisted by Dr. Raju Manwani.
 - ❖ **Formation of a Council/Cell in the Ministry of Culture for Sindhi civilization and culture.**: To be managed by Shri Raja Ram Bhagwani, Shri Manohar Mamtani and Dr. Ravi Prakash Tekchandani
 - ❖ **Ensuring that brothers from Sindhi Educational Institutions receive the benefits available to minorities:-** To be managed by Shri Raja Ram Bhagwani , Shri Manohar Mamtani and Dr. Ravi Prakash Tekchandani
 - ❖ **Issuing the SC, ST, and OBC lists from among the 190 castes of the Sindhi linguistic community mentioned in the 1931 Census, so that during the upcoming Census, Sindhi individuals can specify whether they belong to SC, ST, or OBC when writing their caste:** - To be managed by Shri Raja Ram Bhagwani, Shri Manohar Mamtani and Dr. Ravi Prakash Tekchandani

- In the open house, all members present gave very valuable suggestions and guidance.
- Hon. Shri Shankar Lalwani requested that the letters for Jhanki and the Law Ministry be dispatched to Delhi at the earliest, so that he may forward them to the concerned authorities without delay.
- In his concluding remarks, Hon. Shri Shankar Lalwani assured full cooperation and support for all Sindhi-related matters. President, Dr. Gurmukh Jagwani, as well as Shri Vicky Kukreja, also provided valuable suggestions.
- A detailed discussion took place regarding the legal point with the Law Ministry. The discussion involved Shri Rajaram Bhagwani, Shri Manohar Mamtani, Shri Ravi Tekchandani, Shri J.C. Prakash, and Shri Vinky Rugwani. This was a very healthy discussion, and members are expecting results as soon as possible.
- Special invitee Shri Vijay Pahuja requested everyone that until results are achieved, the matters discussed should not go outside the committee. Sensitive issues that need to be kept confidential must remain within the group.
- A vote of thanks was given by the Dr. Ravi Prakash Tekchandani
- Meeting was adjourned by President Dr. Gurmukh Jagwani at 9:12 PM.