

**SENATE SECRETARIAT**

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**“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”**

*to be asked at a sitting of the Senate to be held on*

**Friday, the 17th April, 2009**

***DEFERRED QUESTIONS***

*(Question Nos.4, 6 and 21 were originally set down for answering on 27th January, 2009 during 50th Session but were deferred)*

4. **\*Dr. Khalid Mehmood Soomro:** (Notice received on 01-11-2008 at 13:00 p.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state whether it is a fact that telephone call charges for USA and Great Britain are low as compared to Saudi Arabia and UAE; if so, its reasons?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** Yes. It is correct that outgoing telephone call charges from Pakistan to USA and UK are cheaper than calling UAE & Saudi Arabia.

Competitive networks in America and Western Europe offer very competitive call termination rates, thereby lowering the rate at which calls get terminated into their countries while competitive networks do not exist in Saudi Arabia and UAE. Saudi Arabia and UAE have recently opened their markets to competition but cannot afford as high number of operators as USA, UK or Pakistan.

6. **\*Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 03-11-2008 at 10:35 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the number of posts lying vacant in CDA at present with quota-wise break up?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** Presently, 814 posts are lying vacant in CDA. The quota-wise break-up is annexed.

21. **\*Mir Wali Muhammad Badini:** (Notice received on 13-11-2008 at 08:17 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

*(a) the number of contracts of various projects/works awarded by CDA during 2007-08 indicating also the names of firms/ contractors to whom those contracts were awarded; and*

*(b) the procedure adopted for awarding the said contracts?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) CDA has awarded 83 contracts for various projects during 2007-08. Details of firms/contractors is at Annex 'I'.

(b) The contracts have been awarded to contractors as per PPRA Rules (Annex 'II').

*(Annexures have been placed on the Table of the House as well as Library).*

1. **\*Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 30-01-2009 at 13:00 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance and Revenue be pleased to state:*

(a) *the date on which the basic pay scales of government employees were revised last time; and*

(b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the government to revise the said scales and to include special additional allowance, special relief allowance, adhoc relief and dearness allowance etc. in the basic pay, if so, when?*

**Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar:** (a) The Basic Pay Scales of Federal Government employees have been revised @ 20% w.e.f. 01-07-2008 vide Finance Division's O. M. No. F. 1(1)Imp/2008 dated 30-6-2008 (**Annex-A**).

(b) No proposal is presently under consideration of the Government to revise the existing scales and to include Special Additional Allowance, Special Relief Allowance, Ad-hoc Relief and Dearness Allowance in the basic pay of Federal Government employees. However, a Pay & Pension Commission – 2009 has been constituted vide Finance Division's Notification No. F. 1 (1)Imp/2009 dated 06-04-2009 (**Annex-B**) to evaluate the salary structure including compensatory allowances to assess the need for their revision and to rationalize the existing pension system of the Government servants. Further action will be taken by the Government on receipt of recommendations of the Commission.

2. **\*Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 31-01-2009 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

(a) *the steps being taken by the Government for Human Development in the country; and*

(b) *the amount allocated for the said purpose during the last three years and the heads under which the same was utilized?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) *Human Development Concept as per UNDP Definition.*—Human development includes life expectancy, literacy, educational attainment, health care and GDP per capita as a standard means of measuring human development – a concept that, according to the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), refers to the process of widening the options of persons, giving them greater opportunities, in order to determine whether a country is a developed, developing, or underdeveloped country.

\_\_\_\_\_ *Ministries Working Directly for Human Development.*—There are number of ministries/departments/organizations working directly or playing a catalyst role for human

development in the country. The major ministries fall in the category are Ministries of Education, Health, Social Welfare, Women Development, Manpower & Overseas Pakistanis, Youth Affairs at the federal and their counterpart departments at provincial levels. Each of these Ministries /departments has their exclusive sectoral mandate and budget allocated for the purpose.

\_\_\_\_\_ *NCHD- a Support Organization*.—Pakistan is the first country to establish a Public-Private Partnership viz: National Commission for Human Development (NCHD) under the aegis of Cabinet Division to mobilize global resources for Human Development. The NCHD is a Federal autonomous body of the Cabinet Division, Government of Pakistan, established in July 2002 as fast tract initiatives *vide* Ordinance No. XXIX of 2002. It was mandated to support the line departments for improved social service delivery by filling the gaps, mutually identified through a consultative process at the grassroots levels, mainly in the following sectors:—

- (i) Universal Primary Education and Literacy,
- (ii) Primary Health Care,
- (iii) Capacity Development and Training at Grassroots,
- (iv) Volunteerism for Community Development,
- (v) Community Technology Learning Centers,
- (vi) Global Resource Mobilization.

The program interventions of the Commission have been designed in a way to fill the implementation gaps in social sector delivery and to help the Government of Pakistan in achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). The guiding principle of NCHD Strategy revolves around:

- Social Mobilization / Community Participation
- Implementation Support at Grassroots
- Filling the Gaps in delivery of Social Services
- Operation Flexibility “What Works”
- Strengthening and Capacity Building of Public Sector.

(b) NCHD had been allocated Rs. 6.9 Billion during the last three years against which an amount of Rs. 4.25 billion has been released by the Government. The amount utilized during three years was Rs. 5.1 billion. Head wise comparative allocation, releases and utilization position is at **Annex-I**.

3. **\*Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 02-02-2009 at 08:45 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the volume of export and import of the country since July 2008; and*
- (b) *the steps being taken by the Government to improve the balance of trade?*

**Makhdoom Muhammad Amin Fahim:** (a) The volume of export and import since July, 2008 to January, 2009 was US\$10.934 billion and US\$21.661 billion respectively.

(b) The Government has taken the following steps to curtail imports and increase exports for the purpose of improving for the trade balance:

- Import duty on consumer items was raised in the federal budget 2008-09;
- Regulatory duty ranging from 15% - 50% has been imposed on import of 397 consumer items;
- L/C margin of 35% has been imposed on import of all non-essential items.
- Incentives to the exporters for boosting exports such as concessionary financing, zero rating of exports by refunding whole amount paid as indirect taxes, duty free import of raw material under temporary importation scheme, Duty and Tax Remission for Exports (DTRE) and duty drawback scheme.

4. **\*Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 03-02-2009 at 14:15p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance and Revenue be pleased to state:*

(a) *whether it is a fact that a new post of Chief Operating Officer has been created in the National Bank of Pakistan, if so, the procedure laid down for appointment against that post; and*

(b) *the name, educational qualifications, experience and special expertise of the incumbent of the said post?*

**Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar:** (a) Yes, National Bank of Pakistan has created a new post of Chief Operating Officer & Head of Credit/Risk Management in the Bank. In terms of powers vested under Section 11 (5) of Banks (Nationalization) Act, 1974, the Board of Directors, is competent to create the post and: make appointment against it. Therefore, the Bank has made appointment against the newly created position for a period of three years on contract basis with the approval of the Board of Directors.

Name:

- Mr. Qamar Hussain

Educational Qualification:

- MBA (International Business & Finance) from McGill University, Montreal Canada and
- B.Com, from Concordia University Montreal Canada.

Experience:

- 22 years banking & 3 years others experience.

Special expertise:

- Expert in the Credit/Risk Management.

5. **\*Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 03-02-2009 at 14:15 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance and Revenue be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the State Bank of Pakistan has suspended payment of deposits to the account holders of Indus Bank Ltd., if so, the time by which those deposit will be paid back to them; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to compensate those depositors, if so, its details?*

**Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar:** (a) Yes, the process of payment to depositors of Indus Bank Limited (IBL) was stopped due to the stay order issued by the Supreme Court in March 2003, which has not yet been vacated. Joint Official Liquidator will start payment to depositors immediately after vacation of Stay Order by Supreme Court of Pakistan.

(b) Since payment is held up in compliance with the orders of apex court, the process will be initiated after the vacation of court order and in light of court direction.

6. **\*Hafiz Rasheed Ahmad:** (Notice received on 04-02-2009 at 13:40 p.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the names, designation, BPS and place of domicile of the officers working in OGRA indicating also the salary, allowances and other fringe benefits admissible to them; and*
- (b) *the names, designation, BPS and place of domicile of the persons appointed in OGRA during the last one year and the name of appointing authority separately in each case?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) Attached as Annex-A.

(b) Attached as Annex-B.

7. **\* Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 06-02-2009 at 11:55 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the present status of the project of construction of tunnel through Margalla Hills to link Haripur and Islamabad;*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that the said project has not yet been approved by ECNEC; and*
- (c) *the sources of budget/finance for the said project?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) No such proposal is under consideration of CDA.

(b) The project has neither been taken up nor approved.

(c) Not applicable in view of serials (a) and (b) above.

9. **\*Hafiz Rasheed Ahmad:** (Notice received on 12-02-2009 at 11:50 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

(a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to construct an over-head bridge for pedestrians on I.J. Principal Road Islamabad near Pindora Chungi; and*

(b) *the number of such bridges constructed on the said road so far?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) Yes. The construction of an over-head bridge for pedestrians on I.J. Principal Road, Islamabad near Pindora Chungi is under consideration.

(b) So far, four pedestrian bridges have been constructed on the I.J. Principal Road.

10. **\*Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 13-02-2009 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance and Revenue be pleased to state:*

(a) *the revenue collected by CBR during the last three financial years with province wise break up; and*

(b) *the amount collected as customs duty at KPT and Port Qasim during the said period?*

**Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar:** (a) Under the existing tax laws FBR collects tax on Federal basis. In view of the complex nature of tax incidence FBR is not in a position to classify, categorize and compile tax data on provincial basis. FBR tax collection for the years 2005-06 to 2007-08 is given below:

(Rs. in million)

<u>Years</u>	<u>Collection</u>
2005-06	713.4
2006-07	847.2
2007-08	1007.6

(b) Customs Duty Collection from Port Qasim and other Customs Collectorates at Karachi for the last three years is given below. It may be mentioned that KPT is not a separate entity with respect to revenue collection. However, Customs duty collected at entry points under the jurisdiction of Customs Collectorates at Karachi is tabulated below:

(Rs. in billion)

<u>Year</u>	<u>Port Qasim</u>	<u>Customs, Karachi</u>	<u>Total</u>
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2005-06	33.4	71.4	104.8
2006-07	27.5	71.9	99.4
2007-08	29.9	82.3	112.2

\*Customs Karachi includes Appraisalment, Preventive, Export and Model Customs Collectorate.

11. **\*Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 13-02-2009 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the number of officers/officials of CDA visited abroad on government expense during the last three years and the expenditure incurred thereon separately in each case?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** 13 officers/officials of CDA visited abroad on government expenses during the last three (3) years i.e. 2005-2008. Total expenditure to the tune of Rs. 15,27,939 in local currency and US\$ 16,665 in foreign currency was incurred. The detail of visits alongwith expenditure is annexed.

12. **\*Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 16-02-2009 at 09:30 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the number of complaints received by CDA regarding the use of sub-standard material in the construction of roads during the last five years indicating also the action taken against the contractors concerned?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** No direct complaints were received by CDA during the last five years from any outside sources regarding the use of sub-standard materials in the construction of roads. However, during the spot checking and based upon the data received from the CDA field staff, a number of tests were carried out and in 98 tests, use of sub-standard material was found out. Requisite actions were taken against the contractors concerned and sub-standard material was removed and replaced with the specified material at their risk and cost as per the provisions of the contracts.

13. **\*Mr. Wasim Sajjad:** (Notice received on 21-02-2009 at 11:50 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government has issued instructions to all Government departments to carry out career planning for their officers;*
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the said planning has not been carried out for the officers of Staff Welfare Organization, if so, its reasons; and*
- (c) whether it is further a fact that a number of officers of that organization have not been promoted for the last 19 years, if so, the names, educational qualifications and experience of such officers and the reasons for not promoting them so far?*

**Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division:** (a) Instructions were issued on 22-08-1984 (**Annex-A**) to frame recruitment rules for various posts/cadres with great care to serve, on the one hand, as instrument of career planning for the officials concerned and on the other, be tailored around the job requirements particularly in technical cadres. Accordingly Recruitment Rules were framed by the Staff Welfare Organization on 26-04-1988 with the concurrence of Establishment Division/FPSC. (**Annex-B**). Promotion policy has also been framed by the Government from time to time, lastly in 2007.

(b) No. The career planning for officers of Staff Welfare Organization is in accordance with its Recruitment Rules.

(c) There is only one officer namely Mr. Humayun Iqbal Shami Deputy Director (BPS-18) who could not be promoted for the last 19 years. His bio data is at **Annex-C**.

#### REASONS FOR NON-PROMOTION

Mr. Humayun Iqbal Shami could not be promoted because the Recruitment Rules do not make him eligible for promotion as Director, Staff Welfare Organization in BPS-19. However, a case regarding up-gradation of the post of Deputy Director (BPS-18) to BPS-19 personal to Mr. Humayun Iqbal Shami is under process in the Establishment Division.

Extract from Esta Code 2000  
Estt. Div. O.M. No. 9-1/73-R-S dated 22-8-1984

3. All the instructions, issued by the Establishment Division on the subject from time to time, may be deemed to have been superseded to the extent they are inconsistent with the instructions contained in this Office Memorandum.

[*Authority.*—Estt. Division O.M. No. 11/1/81-R. 5, dated 20-8-1981].

Sl. No. 4

*Framing of Recruitment Rules.*—The methods of appointment of Federal civil posts are regulated under the provisions of the Civil Servants (Appointment, Promotion and Transfer) Rules, 1973 framed under Section 25 of the Civil Servants Act, 1973. As these rules provide the basic framework for appointment to Federal civil posts, instructions were issued *vide* Establishment Division O.M. No. 9/1/73-DV., dated 29.11.73 (Sl. No. 21) laying down a simplified format for notifying recruitment rules since the earlier pattern or detailed recruitment rules for various posts/cadres was no longer considered necessary. The system has its advantages but over the years, the framing of recruitment rules has become an increasingly mechanical exercise and is now reduced to simply inserting uniform standards (of educational requirements, experience, age limits, etc) for equivalent posts in various departments. As a result, the recruitment rules are no more viewed as important and essential, instruments of career planning nor do they properly reflect the job requirements particularly in technical posts/cadres. This trend should be reversed and recruitment rules for various posts/cadres should be framed with greater care to serve, on the one hand, as instruments of career planning for the officials concerned and on the other, be tailored around the job requirements particularly in technical cadres.

2. It is, therefore, requested that while framing recruitment rules due consideration should be given to job descriptions for laying down the qualifications/experience for posts and the composition of cadre for prescribing percentage, for direct recruitment and promotions. Efforts

should be made to safeguard both the department's interest in raising a fully qualified and experienced cadre and the career and its of the members whose promotions are governed under the provisions of recruitment rules.

3. Establishment Division has also noticed that some Division/Departments have framed requirement rules for isolated posts or very small cadre, (comprising 3.1 posts like telephone operator, lady health visitors, teachers of departmental schools, etc. This is not a satisfactory arrangement because such isolated posts or tiny cadres do not offer adequate prospects of promotion to the incumbents. In such cases it would be advisable to fill the posts by having officials on deputation from departments which have large cadres operating in the relevant field. such as T&T Department in the case of telephone operators. Federal/Provincial Health/Education Departments in the case of lady health visitors and teachers, etc. The Divisions/Departments are, therefore, advised not to frame separate recruitment rules for their isolated posts or very small cadres where officials with requisite skills are available in other federal/provincial departments. The posts of the type under reference may be filled by deputation on tenure basis.

4. As a matter of general policy a person below the age of 18 years cannot be employed as a Government servant. Other than this limitation, prescribing minimum age limits for each post is not only unnecessary but leaves the possibility of denying opportunity to some otherwise qualified and capable candidates on a mere technicality. It has, therefore, been decided that while framing recruitment rules, no conditions regarding minimum age be mentioned. In the existing cases, Ministries/Divisions may consider the matter and take steps to amend the rules, wherever necessary.

[*Authority.*—Estt. Division O.M. No. 9/1/73 R 5, dated 22-8-1984].

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It has been observed that the Ministries/Divisions resort to making ad hoc appointments either in the absence of Recruitment rules or during the course of finalization of these Rules. It has also been observed that the finalization of recruitment rules take.

**KARACHI, SUNDAY, MAY 15, 1988**

**Statutory Notifications containing Rules and Orders issued by all Ministries and Divisions  
of the Government of Pakistan and their Attached and Subordinate Offices and the  
Supreme Court of Pakistan**

GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN  
**CABINET SECRETARIAT**  
(Establishment Division)  
STAFF WELFARE ORGANIZATION

NOTIFICATION

*Islamabad, the 26th April, 1988*

**S. R .O. 42(KE)/88:**

In pursuance of sub rule (2) of Rule 3 of the Civil Servants (Appointment, Promotion and Transfer) Rules, 1973, the following method, qualifications and other conditions are laid down for appointment to the posts in BPS-16 and above in the Staff Welfare Organization under the Establishment Division.

S. No.	Name of the post	BPS
1	2	3
1.	Director Planning Programming, Coordination and Implementation, Monitoring and Evaluation	(BPS-19)
2.	Deputy Director	(BPS-18)
3.	Chief Welfare Officer	(BPS-18)
4.	Staff Welfare Officer	(BPS-17)
5.	Assistent Director	(BPS-17)

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**3. Conditions for Promotion.**—Promotion to the post in column 1 below shall be made by selection from amongst the persons who hold the posts specified in coloumn 2 on a regular basis and possess the qualification and experience in column 3:—

Name of post	Person eligible	Conditions of eligivility	S. No.
1.	Director (BPS-19)	Graduate Chief Welfare Officer (BPS-18)	12 years service in BPS-17 and above or 7 years service in BPS-18 and above in case of initial recruits.
2.	Dy. Director (BPS-18)	Accounts Officer (BPS-17)	5 years service in BPS-17.
3.	Chief Welfare Officer (BPS-18)	Staff Welfare Officer/ Asstt. Director (BPS-17)	5 years service in BPS-17.
4.	Staff Welfare Officer (BPS-17)	Welfare Officer (BPS-16)	3 years service in BPS-16.
5.	Asstt. Director	Welfare Officer (BPS-16)	3 years service in BPS-16.

	(BPS-17)		
6.	Accounts Officer (BPS-17)	Superintendent (BPS-16)	3 years service in BPS-16.
7.	Principal (BPS-17)	Instructor (BPS-16)	3 years service in BPS-16.
8.	Superintendents (BPS-16)	1. Stenographer 10% (BPS-15)  2. Assistant 90% (BPS-11)	5 years service in BPS-15.  from persons who have successfully completed a training course as required by the department from time to time.
9.	Welfare Officer, (BPS-16)	Assistant Welfare officer (BPS-11)/ Lady Supervisor Intermediate (BPS-11)	5 years service as Assistant Welfare Officer/Lady Supervisor (BPS-11)
10.	Instructor (English/Urdu) (BPS-16)	Instructor (BPS-14) or Instructor (BPS-11) if no BPS-14 incumbent is available.	5 years service in BPS-11 and above

**MR. HUMAYUN IQBAL SHAMI**  
(Deputy Director BPS-18)  
Staff Welfare Organization

Date of Appointment in Present Grade ----- 31-05-89

**ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION**

- (i) M.A. In Economics (PUNJAB).
- (ii) L.L.B. (Punjab).
- (iii) Diploma in Banking from the Institute of Bankers in Pakistan Karachi.

**PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION**

- (i) Training in Port Management and Operations from Port of Singapore Authority Training Institute, Singapore.
- (ii) Six months comprehensive banking course from the institute of a leading bank of the country.
- (iii) Qualified in CSS examination two times in past.
- (iv) Completed several courses in different disciplines of computer.
- (v) Completed 2nd unit course in French Language.

**Experience**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Joined Habib Bank Ltd. as Bank officer in Feb. 1976 & served there till 31-5-89.

2. Selected as Deputy Director by FPSC in Staff Welfare Organization and joined on 31-5-89 where serving till date in the capacity of Deputy Director (Admin) since there is no avenue or promotion for the Deputy Directors in Staff Welfare Organization. A case for upgrading the post of Deputy Director as Director (BPS-19) was sent to the Establishment Division on 22-03-08 which is yet to finalize.

Name Muhammad Rafique Baloch  
Service Ex-cadre

Date of Joining Govt. Service 21-02-1977

Date of Appointment as Chief Welfare Officer (BPS-18) in Staff Welfare Org. 25-05 -1989

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

No.	Name of Institution	Subject	Year	Degree/ division
1.	Jamshoro University	M.A (Sociology)	—	—

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1. Welfare Officer-cum-Administrative Officer in the Directorate of National Institute of Sports and Culture, Islamabad from 21-02-1977 to 18-07-1980.
2. Social Welfare Officer in Directorate of Sindh Social Welfare from 14-06-1982 to 05-06-1984.
3. Instructor (Assisant Director) Social Work in Directorate General for Rural Development Department of Sindh Govt. from 07-06-1984 to 24-05-1989.
4. Chief Welfare Officer in Staff Welfare Organization in BPS-18 since 25-05-1989.
5. Staff Welfare Officer in Staff Welfare Organization since 07-07-2006 after reversion to BPS-17.

15. \_\_\_\***Prof. Muhammad Ibrahim Khan:** (Notice received on 24-02-2009 at 11:52 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the names of foreign countries with which Pakistan has signed agreements in different fields during the year 2003 to 2008; and*
- (b) *the details of the those agreements?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) The list is placed at Annex-I.

(b) Details are given at Annex-II.

*(Annexures have been placed on the Table of the House as well as Library).*

16. \_\_\_ **\*Prof. Muhammad Ibrahim Khan:** (Notice received on 13-03-2009 at 10:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance and Revenue be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the amount received as customs duty on the import of used vehicles during the last two years; and*
- (b) *the rate of customs duty levied on the said vehicles?*

**Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar:** (a) The amount received as customs duty on import of used vehicles during last two financial years and this year up to March 2009 is as under:—

Year	Customs Duty (Rs. in million)
2006-07	6774.958
2007-08	5259.255
2008-09 (up to March. 09)	1709.572
<b>Total:</b>	<b>13743.785</b>

(b) During past two financial years, customs duty was 20% on buses, 60% on light trucks and 30% on heavy trucks (gross weight above 5 tons). However, customs duty on cars and jeeps was in the range 50% to 75% in 2006-07, 50% to 90% in 2007-08 and 50% to 150% in 2008-09. Detail is given in **Annex-I**.

17. **\*Dr. Abdul Khaliq Pirzada:** (Notice received on 31-03-2009 at 14:40 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance and Revenue be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to regularize services of the persons working in grade 1 to 15 on contract basis in the Industrial Development Bank of Pakistan, if so, when?*

**Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar:** There is no such proposal under consideration. The bank is under re-organization and restructuring and three VSS have already been offered to the staff. At present there are only 11 permanent staff on IDBP role. Regularization of contract staff would defeat the purpose of previous VSS and would adversely impact on the value of bank if it is privatized.

18. **\*Engr. Rashid Ahmed Khan:** (Notice received on 01-04-2009 at 02:00 p.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that CDA has installed search lights in various residential Sectors in Islamabad; and*

(b) *whether it is also a fact that those lights have not been installed in Sector G-10/3, Islamabad, if so, its reasons and the time by which those lights will be installed in that Sector?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) No search lights have been installed in residential Sectors in Islamabad except few multi storied blocks in sub-Sector G-9/2, I-9/4, I-8/1 and G-8/2 where no service road exists.

(b) Search lights in Sector G-10/3 including blocks in the said Sector are not required as there exist service roads on which street lights have already been installed.

ISLAMABAD :  
*The 16th April, 2009.*

RAJA MUHAMMAD AMIN,  
*Secretary.*

**SENATE SECRETARIAT**

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**“UNSTARRED QUESTIONS AND THEIR REPLIES”**

**For Friday, the 17th April, 2009**

1. **Prof. Muhammad Ibrahim Khan:** (Notice received on 04-02-2009 at 11:25 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance and Revenue be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the names, educational qualifications, experience, special expertise, status, responsibilities, date of appointment and tenure of office of the incumbent Chairman and other members of the Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP) indicating also the pay, allowances and other fringe benefits admissible to them; and*
- (b) *the procedure adopted for the appointment of those persons and the name of their appointing authority?*

**Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar:** (a) (i) There are five Members of the Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP) including the Chairman. Their names are as under :

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|------------------------------|-----------------|
| (a) Mr. Khalid Aziz Mirza    | <i>Chairman</i> |
| (b) Mr. Abdul Ghaffar        | <i>Member</i>   |
| (c) Ms. Rahat Kaunain Hassan | <i>Member</i>   |
| (d) Dr. Joseph Wilson        | <i>Member</i>   |
| (e) Ms. Maleeha Mimi Bangash | <i>Member</i>   |

(ii) The other information regarding qualification, experience, special expertise, status etc. of Chairman and Members of CCP are given at Annex-I.

(iii) The Prime Minister has approved the following pay scales for the Chairman and Members of the Commission:

**Chairman: Maximum of MP-I**

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|------------------------|-------------|
| 1 Salary               | Rs 240000/- |
| 2 House Rent Allowance | Rs 105000/- |
| 3 Utilities            | Rs 12000/-  |

**Members : Median of MP-I**

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|-------------------------|--------------|
| 1. Salary               | Rs. 217500/- |
| 2. House Rent Allowance | Rs. 75000/-  |
| 3. Utilities            | Rs. 9750/-   |

(iv) The tenure of office of the Chairman and Members is three years. Two Members namely Mr.Khalid Aziz Mirza and Mr.Abdul Ghaffar were appointed on 2nd October, 2007 whereas, the remaining three Members were appointed on 12th November, 2007.

(v) The Commission comprises Chairman and four Members. The main responsibility of the Chairman and Members is to enforce Competition Ordinance, 2007 as a quasi-judicial, quasi-regulatory and law enforcement agency.

(b) Sub-section (2) of Section 14 of the Competition Ordinance, 2007 states that “the Members shall be appointed by the Federal Government and from amongst the Members of the Commission, the Federal Government shall appoint the Chairman.”

The Chairman and Members were appointed by the Federal Government with the approval of Prime Minister.

2. **Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 11-02-2009 at 09:10 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

(a) *the names, location and length of roads constructed in Islamabad during the last eight years indicating also the name of contractor in each case; and*

(b) *the original cost of each of the said road and the revised cost, if any?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** The information is being collected which will be furnished as and when received.

3. **Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 11-02-2009 at 10:50 a.m.) .

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state:*

(a) *the number of persons appointed through Task Force on Employment (now disbanded) with scale-wise and district-wise break up;*

(b) *the procedure adopted for those appointments; and*

(c) *the budget allocated for and utilized by the said Task Force during the current financial year?*

**Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division:** (a) The Task Force on Employment was a separate and independent entity. According to the advertisements made by the Task Force, all the applications were to be received by the respective Ministries, Divisions and Departments. Tests, interviews, selection and then subsequent appointments were to be made by the concerned Ministries, Divisions and Departments themselves. Therefore, no record of any appointment made by them is available in Establishment Division.

(b) After the centralized advertisements of vacant posts in BS-1 to 16, Ministries / Divisions etc. were advised to make appointments in accordance with the recruitment procedure that was already prevalent under the existing rules and policy. However, Ministries / Divisions etc. were requested to finalize all recruitments, after obtaining NOC from Task Force on Employment.

(c) No separate budget was allocated to the Task Force, however, the following expenditures have been met out from the Budget 2008-09 of the Establishment Division in the shape of pay and allowances, POL, and purchase of Stationery / Misc. items:—

Rs.1,796, 516/-

4. **Prof. Muhammad Ibrahim Khan:** (Notice received on 06-03-2009 at 10:10 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the number of posts allocated for CSS examination, 2007 with province-wise break-up;*
- (b) *the names and place of domicile of the candidates who passed the written part of the said examination; and*
- (c) *the names, parentage and place of domicile of those candidates who were finally selected for appointment on the basis of the said examination?*

**Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division:** (a) 299 posts of different Occupational Groups/Services were allocated for CSS Competitive Examination, 2007. Province/Region-wise break-up of 299 posts is at Annex-I.

(b) 194 candidates qualified in written part of the said examination. The names and place of domicile of these candidates are given at Annex-II.

(c) The name, parentage and place of domicile of 189 candidates who were finally selected for appointment on the basis of said examination are at Annex-III.

5. **Dr. Safdar Ali Abbasi:** (Notice received on 31-03-2009 at 12:25 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance and Revenue be pleased to state the names, grades, place of domicile and date of appointment of persons appointed in the National Bank of Pakistan since 1st January, 2008?*

**Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar:** (a) 288 persons have been appointed as Management Trainees in the National Bank of Pakistan since 1st January, 2008. List containing their names, grades, place of domicile and date of appointment is at Annex-I.

(b) 81 persons have been appointed on contract basis in the National Bank of Pakistan since 1st January, 2008. List containing their names, designation/ grades, place of domicile and date of appointment is at Annex-II.

*(Annexures have been placed on the Table of the House as well as Library).*

6. **Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 03-04-2009 at 10:45 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to refer to the Senate unstarred Question No. 9 replied on 9th May, 2007 and state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the of construction of overhead bridge and bus stop on Islamabad Highway near Gangal has not been started so far, if so, its reasons;*
- (b) *the names and designation of the officers responsible for the delay in execution of the said work and the action taken against them; and*
- (c) *the time by which the said work will now be started and completed?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) The construction of overhead bridge and bus stop on Gangal has not been started so far. The overhead pedestrian bridges and bus stops at the subject locations were to be constructed after the completion of Islamabad Expressway. Since, the Expressway was completed in November, 2008, the planning of bus stops and pedestrian bridges at various locations on Expressway has been finalized in consultation with traffic police and the residents of the area and the case for tendering of the subject work is under process. However, it involved some time due to requisite shifting of 11 KV IESCO distribution line. The concerned IESCO authorities have already been requested to shift the subject line at the earliest in order to enable CDA to start installation of remaining bridges on Islamabad Expressway.

(b) No officer is responsible for delay in execution of the said work. Initially, the under-passes were planned for safe and convenient cross pedestrian movement which were to come up simultaneously with the construction and completion of the Expressway. However, the security agencies did not allow construction of under-passes for security reasons. The CDA was then left with the option of construction of overhead pedestrian bridges which were negotiated with M/s. H.M.C. for immediate installation. Two pedestrian bridges have been installed followed by three to be completed by 15th July, 2009 and out of total planned 9 bridges, remaining four bridges including the overhead pedestrian bridge at Gangal shall be completed by the end of this year.

- (c) The subject work will be started and completed by the end of this year.

ISLAMABAD :  
*The 16th April, 2009.*

RAJA MUHAMMAD AMIN,  
*Secretary.*