

**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*

**Tuesday, the 16th February, 2010**

@ 15. **\*Mst. Afia Zia:** (Notice received on 27-01-2010 at 09:30 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state whether it is a fact that two children of Dr. Afia Siddiqui are still missing, if so, the steps taken by the Government to trace them?*

**Mr. A. Rehman Malik:** Yes, as per Police report dated 8/2/2010. However, the efforts are being made by the M/o Foreign Affairs through diplomatic channel for tracing out the missing children.

55. **\*Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:**(Notice received on 22-01-2010 at 12:40 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Information Technology and Telecommunications be pleased to state:*

- (a) the number of persons working in Telephone Industry of Pakistan (TIP) on daily wages basis appointed through contractors;*
- (b) the monthly salary being paid to the contractors for those employees and the amount being paid to the employees by the contractors; and*
- (c) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to appoint those persons directly without involving the contractors, if so, when?*

**Sardar Muhammad Latif Khan Khosa:** TIP is a private limited company incorporated under the Companies Ordinance.

(a) (b) No person on daily wage basis has been appointed through contractor by TIP. However, a private security company (Akro Protection Services) is providing security and Fire Fighting Services to TIP they have to provide Eight Supervisors and forty two guards (total 50 Nos.) for this purpose.

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TIP is paying average Rs. 300,600/- per month (for above referred strength of 50 Nos.) to the private security company.

Fresh tender to provide security and fire fighting services has been called through press and is under process.

(c) No.

56. **\*Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 22-01-2010 at 12:42 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Narcotics Control be pleased to state the quantity of narcotics and number of vehicles seized in Makran, Panjgur, Turbat and Gwadar divisions during the last two years indicating also the number of persons arrested in those cases?*

**Minister for Narcotics Control:** The quantity of narcotics and number of vehicles seized in Makran, Panjgur, Turbat and Gwadar divisions are as under:

Year	Division	No of case	No of Persons Arrested	Quality of Drug recovered (in Kg)				Vehicles Seized
				Opium	Heroin	Hashish	Others	
2008	Turbat	4	2	0.200	0.000	3906.320	—	—
	Panjgur	3	2	2705.000	0.000	51.000	—	2x Vehicles
	Gwadar	4	6	37.100	0.000	2381.500	—	1 x M/Cycle
	Makran	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
2009	Turbat	4	4	105.600	0.000	2592.000	—	1 x Vehicle
	Panjgur	3	1	1459.000	0.000	5.000	—	1 x Vehicle
	Gwadar	0	0	0.000	0.000	0.000	—	—
	Makran	0	0	0	0	0	—	—
<b>Total</b>		<b>18</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>4306.900</b>	<b>0.000</b>	<b>8935.820</b>	<b>—</b>	<b>4 x Vehicles 1x M/Cycle</b>

57. **\*Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 22-01-2010 at 12:42 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state the rent of rooms and suites of the PIA hotels abroad with category-wise and hotel wise details?*

**Ch. Ahmed Mukhtar:** PIAC owns following two hotels through its subsidiary, PIA Investments Ltd:—

1. Roosevelt Hotel, New York
2. Scribe Hotel, Paris

The average projected rates of rooms and suites for the month of February, 2010 of the said hotels are as follows:—

**Roosevelt Hotel, New York**

Room Type	Total Rooms	*Average Daily Rate (In US\$)
Standard	178	208
Superior	635	228
Deluxe	154	248
Deluxe Queen	15	328
Hospitality Suite	28	728

Luxury Suite	05	2500
<b>Total</b>	<b>1015</b>	

### Scribe Hotel, Paris

Room Type	Total Rooms	*Average Daily Rate (In Euro)
Superior	49	590
Deluxe	112	680
Executive	44	750
Junior Suites	4	1200
Duplex	4	2350
<b>Total</b>	<b>213</b>	

\*Rates are set on the basis of seasonality and demand and thus vary from period to period.

58. **\*Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 22-01-2010 at 12:42 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state the number of persons appointed in the Ministry on regular and temporary basis during the last two years with grade-wise and province-wise break up?*

**Haji Ghulam Ahmed Bilour:** Following persons have been appointed during the last two years with grade-wise and province-wise break-up.

### Regular Basis

S. No.	Name	Designation	BS	Quota
1.	Mr. Mehboob Hussain	Stenographer	15	Merit (AJK)
2.	Mr. Muhammad Aslam	Stenographer	15	Sindh (R)
3.	Mr. Ghanim Ullah	LDC	7	Merit (NWFP)
4.	Mr. Abdul Qadir	LDC	7	Sindh (R)
5.	Mr. Shahid Hussain	LDC	7	Punjab
6.	Mr. Sadaqat Hussain	LDC	7	Punjab
7.	Mr. Muhammad Qibad	SCD	5	NWFP
8.	Mr. Malik Mumtaz	SCD	5	Punjab
9.	Mr. Akbar Zeb	SCD	5	NWFP
10.	Mr. Shahid Iqbal	Naib Qasid	2	Local Basis
11.	Mr. Zubair Hussain	Naib Qasid	2	Local Basis
12.	Mr. Muhammad Tanveer	Naib Qasid	2	Local Basis
13.	Mr. Muhammad Kamran	Naib Qasid	2	Local Basis
14.	Mr. Ghulam Abbas	Naib Qasid	2	Local Basis

15.	Mr. Mian Dad	Naib Qasid	2	Local Basis
16.	Mr. Muhammad Pervaiz	Naib Qasid	2	Local Basis

The following persons have been appointed on contract basis for two years according to Prime Minister's Package for children of employees who die during service.

S. No.	Name	Designation	BS	Quota
1.	Mr. Sohail Tayyab	Stenotypist	12	NWFP
2.	Mr. Imran Rafique	UDC	9	Punjab
3.	Mr. Imran Ali	Naib Qasid	2	AJK

59. **\*Mr. Abdur Rashid:** (Notice received on 22-01-2010 at 12:45 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the previous regime had approved establishment of an Engineering University in Bajor Agency, if so, the present status of this Project?*

**Mr. Najmuddin Khan:** Reply to the question has not been received from FATA Secretariat despite reminders.

60. **\*Mr. Abdur Rashid:** (Notice received on 22-01-2010 at 12:45 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state the number of Schools in FATA in which classes have not been started so far and the reasons for not doing so?*

**Mr. Najmuddin Khan:** Reply to the question has not been received from FATA Secretariat despite reminders.

61. **\*Nawabzada Mir Haji Lashkari Raisani:** (Notice received on 22-01-2010 at 12:47 p.m.)

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

*(a) the number of CNIC issued to Afghan Muhajireen so far; and*

*(b) the steps taken by the Government for checking / canceling those CNICs?*

**Mr. A. Rehman Malik:** (a) 92,802 Computerized National Identity Cards (CNICs) have been issued to Afghan Muhajireen, who have succeeded in obtaining CNICs on the basis of fake documents and attestations in the absence of Multi Biometric Technology.

After implementation of latest technology 85,032 attempts have been foiled prior to issuance of CNIC where such refugees tried to get registered. Such applications are deferred till verification.

(b) All such CNICs have been blocked and marked as "Fraud", therefore, these CNICs can not be used for any transaction or activity *i.e.* preparation of Passport, opening of bank account, acquisition of mobile phone connection etc.

62. **\*Nawabzada Mir Haji Lashkari Raisani:** (Notice received on 22-01-2010 at 12:47 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state the number of Afghan refugees staying in Pakistan at present and the mechanism devised for their monitoring?*

**Mr. Najmuddin Khan:** At present 1.720 Million registered Afghan refugees are residing in Pakistan. Another estimated one million un-registered Afghan refugees are also residing in Pakistan.

The registered Afghan refugees are repatriated through the Voluntary Repatriation Centers (VRCs) in Hayatabad, NWFP and Baleli, Balochistan with the help of United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR). The data of registered Afghans is maintained by NADRA. They are considered de-registered at the time of repatriation by marking the PoR cards. Iris recognition is carried out to ensure that the person has not received UNHCR assistance earlier and to identify the recyclers. Any illegal activities of the Afghan refugees are checked by the concerned Provincial Governments. Those Afghans who could not get themselves registered, are considered illegal immigrants and deported when apprehended.

A revised management and repatriation strategy/policy for afghan refugees in Pakistan for the years 2010-2012 has, however, been devised in consultations with the stakeholders, which is expected to be finalized soon by a high-level Committee constituted by the Cabinet on 6th January 2010.

63. **\*Nawabzada Mir Haji Lashkari Raisani:** (Notice received on 22-01-2010 at 12:47 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state whether it is a fact that a number of Burmee nationals have recently been issued Pakistani Passports, if so, the number of such persons to whom passports were issued?*

**Mr. A. Rehman Malik:** No case has been reported recently regarding issuance of regular Pakistani passport to Burmee nationals.

64. **\*Haji Ghulam Ali:** (Notice received on 22-01-2010 at 13:00 p.m.)

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

- (a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to abolish the department of Islamic Education in Pakistan Army; and*
- (b) the names and educational qualifications of officers and naib-khateeb appointed in the said department during the last five years?*

Reply not received.

65. **\*Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 23-01-2010 at 08:40 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:*

- (a) the number of official advertisements issued to electronic and print media during the last five years indicating also the amount paid for those advertisements with newspaper-wise and channel-wise break up; and*
- (b) the criteria laid down for issuance of the said advertisements?*

**Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira:** (a) The number and amount of Government advertisements released to the newspapers/periodicals during the last five years is as per statement at Annexure-I.

As regards the number and amount of Government advertisements issued to electronic media, the information is being collected from all concerned.

(b) Regarding criteria for release of Government advertisements to print media, they are released to only those newspapers/periodicals which are on the Central Media List. Efforts are made to ensure that advertisements are released in a judicious and transparent manner and in accordance with the specific requirements of the sponsoring departments/organizations. The disbursement of advertisements is ensured fairly to both the national and regional press under a broad based comprehensive, objective and balanced policy. Factors like circulation, standard, presentation, value, regularity and popularity of a publication forms an important yardstick for releasing the advertisements. Requirements and target area of the departments/organizations are also accorded priority in the selection of media. A 25% quota for regional press is allocated on the total quantum of advertisements.

*(Annexure has been placed on the Table of the House as well as Library)*

66. **\*Dr Khalid Mehmood Soomro:** (Notice received on 25-01-2010 at 10:20 a.m.)

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

- (a) the details of incidents of terrorism took place in Karachi during the last five years indicating also the date of occurrence, the number of persons killed and injured each case;*
- (b) whether any compensation has been paid to the families of the victims, if so, its details; and*
- (c) whether the culprits of the said incidents have been arrested?*

**Mr. A. Rehman Malik:** (a) The total (99) cases of terrorism reported in Karachi during the year 2005 to 2010 and number of person killed/ injured in the said incidents are attached as Annex 'A'.

(b) The compensation paid to the families of civilians/public persons are concerned with District Coordination Officer whereas Rs.300,000 to Rs.500,000 are paid to the effective families of each (Shaheed) Police Officer.

(c) The total (10) accused persons have been arrested who were involved in said incidents are attached as Annex 'B'.

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

67. **\*Mr. Abdur Rashid:** (Notice received on 25-01-2010 at 11:30 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state whether it is a fact that 100 employees of Parachinar Town Committee have not been paid their salaries for the last two years, if so, its reasons?*

**Mr. Najmuddin Khan:** Reply to the question has not been received from FATA Secretariat despite reminders.

68. **\*Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 26-01-2010 at 08:40 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state the details of income and expenditure of Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation during the last five years with head-wise and year-wise break up?*

**Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira:** The head-wise detail of income and expenditure of PBC during the last five years is enclosed at Annex- "A".

69. **\*Mst. Afia Zia:** (Notice received on 26-01-2010 at 09:30 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state whether all the railway crossing points in the country are under the supervision of Railway administration, if not, the name of department which is supervising these points?*

**Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour:** It is clarified that there are two types of Railway Level Crossings. *i.e.*:—

1. Manned level crossing.
2. Un-manned level crossing.

The responsibility of supervision of manned level crossing rests with Pakistan Railways. However, many level crossing are maintained at the cost of sponsors who pay for their maintenance and operating cost. As regard un-manned level crossing, they are maintained by Pakistan Railways but safe passage through these level crossings rests with the road users in terms of section 91/1 of Motor Vehicle Ordinance, 1965 which requires the motor driver to be vigilant, stop his vehicle and watch for the movement of the train from either side before negotiating the level crossing. The responsibility of up-gradation of such level crossings rests with the Provincial /District Governments being road-owing authority of roads passing through these level crossings in terms of provision of Section 12 to be read with section 11(3)(b) of the Railway Act 1890 (Act-XI of 1890) and statutory departmental rules contained in chapter-II of State Railway General Code.

70. **\*Mst. Afia Zia:** (Notice received on 26-01-2010 at 09:30 a.m.)

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

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to allow female employees of ICT police to wear shalwar kameez as uniform; and*
- (b) *whether the said personnel are provided transport facility?*

**Mr. A. Rehman Malik:** (a) Lady Police of Islamabad is at Liberty to wear either Shalwar Kameez or Shirt and Pants as per approved pattern and colour of uniform for Islamabad Police:—

- i. Kameez /Shirt Sky Blue
- ii. Shalwar/Pants Navy Blue

(b) the pick and drop transport facility is being provided to Lady Police during duty hours.

71. **\*Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 26-01-2010 at 15:05 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state the amount spent by the FATA Development Authority under the head of advertisements in print and electronic media during the last two years with year-wise break up?*

**Mr. Najmuddin Khan:** Reply received today and Minister has not been briefed yet by FATA Secretariat.

72. **\*Mst. Afia Zia:** (Notice received on 28-01-2010 at 10:10 a.m.)

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

(a) *whether it is a fact that the Pakistan Railways is suffering loss, if so, its reasons; and*

(b) *the steps taken by the Government to overcome these losses?*

**Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour:** (a) Pakistan Railways suffered a net loss of Rs:18609.120 million during the financial year 2008-2009 due to law and order in the country.

**Major Reasons for the Loss were:**

- i. Lesser commercial activities due to deteriorated law and order in the country.
- ii. Damage caused to Railway assets after Shahadat of Mohtarma Banizir Bhutto.
- iii. Lack of maintenance of locomotives due to less allocation of fund.
- iv. Priority assigned to passenger services and relegation of freight sector.
- v. Public Service Obligations (PSO), Loss making sections and services to be maintained for public service obligations.
- vi. Constant in increase in fuel prices .
- vii. Increase in salary and pensions.
- viii. Less allocation to Railways in PSDP as compared to rival modes of transportation.
- ix. Limitation on passenger fare increase for public affordability.

- (b) The following steps have been taken to overcome the loss.
- i. Plugging revenue leakage through out-sourcing.
  - ii. Operating Freight trains as per timetable.
  - iii. Reducing turn round time of wagons.
  - iv. Introduction of dynamic and Market based tariffs.
  - v. Improvement in quality of services by induction of new locomotive, new high capacity, High speed freight wagons and new passenger coaches.
  - vi. Installation of Electronic Wagon tracking system (In process).
  - vii. Reaching out long term contracts with bigger clients and reputed firms in private sector.
  - viii. Establishment of new freight terminals in private public partnership.

73. **\*Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 28-01-2010 at 15:30 p.m.)

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

- (a) *the number of cases of violence against women registered in the country since January, 2008;*
- (b) *the number of rape cases registered in the country during the said period; and*
- (c) *the steps taken by the government to control the said crimes in the country?*

Reply not received.

74. **\*Dr. Abdul Khaliq Pirzada:** (Notice received on 29-01-2010 at 10:15 a.m.)

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

- (a) *the number of Hajj flights cancelled during the months of October and November 2009;*

- (b) *the reasons for cancellation of the said flights;*
- (c) *the number of pilgrims affected by the cancellation of those flights; and*
- (d) *the alternate arrangements made for the said pilgrims?*

**Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar:** (a) A total of Six flights from Pakistan to Jeddah were cancelled during Pre-Hajj Operation-2009.

(b) The Hajj flights were cancelled due to delay in allocation of bar codes to Hajj group organizers from Saudi Authorities which resulted in seat allocation and visa problems.

(c) Total number of 2808 pilgrims were affected by the cancellation of these 6 flights.

(d) As an alternate arrangement, PIA provided additional capacity as per requirement of Ministry of Religious Affairs from Karachi, Peshawar, Quetta and Lahore for transportation of leftover/remaining Hajjis.

75. **\*Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 30-01-2010 at 09:10 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the procedure being adopted for implementation of rural development programme in FATA; and*
- (b) *whether the members of Parliament are consulted in the implementation of the said programme?*

**Mr. Najmuddin Khan:** Reply received today and Minister has not been briefed yet by FATA Secretariat.

76. **\*Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 30-01-2010 at 09:10 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state the number of vehicles purchased by the FATA Secretariat and its attached institutions during the last five years indicating also the model and price in each case?*

**Mr. Najmuddin Khan:** Reply to the question has not been received from FATA Secretariat despite reminders.

*Islamabad :  
The 15th February, 2010.*

RAJA MUHAMMAD AMIN,  
*Secretary.*

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“UN-STARRED QUESTION AND ITS REPLY”

For Tuesday, the 16th February, 2010

1. **Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 29-01-2010 at 09:15 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to refer to Senate starred question No. 79 replied in the House on 15th January, 2010 and state the names, parentage and addresses of the civilians martyred and injured during the military operation and incidents of terrorism in Mohmand Agency and F.R. Kohat indicating also the details of compensation paid to each of them?*

**Mr. A. Rehman Malik:** The information is being collected from the quarters concerned and will be placed on the table of the House as and when received.

ISLAMABAD :  
*The 15th February, 2010.*

RAJA MUHAMMAD AMIN,  
*Secretary.*