

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

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

Thursday, the 5th August, 2010

195. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 21-05-2010 at 08:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Social Welfare and Special Education be pleased to state the amount released by the Ministry of Social Welfare and Special Education for various programmes during the last two years with province-wise break-up?

Mrs. Samina Khalid Ghurki: Ministry of Social Welfare and Special Education has released an amount of Rs. 9831.751 million for various programmes during the last two years. The province-wise break-up is as under:—

(Rs. In million)

Province	2007-08	2008-09	Total
Punjab	3966.808	689.070	4655.878
Sindh	1430.764	276.690	1707.454
K.P.K	1389.853	790.520	2180.373
Balochistan	414.829	148.534	563.363
ICT	505.845	204.943	710.788
AJ&K	2.954	3.366	6.320
Gilgit-Baltistan	3.542	4.033	7.575
Total:	7714.595	2117.156	9831.751

197. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 24-05-2010 at 08:55 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Overseas Pakistanis be pleased to state:

- the number of persons appointed in the Ministry during the last three years with province-wise break-up; and*
- the number of labour attaches posted abroad at each station during the said period with province-wise break-up?*

Dr. Muhammad Farooq Sattar: (a) Following is the province wise break up of persons appointed through initial recruitment during the last 3 years;—

Person Appointed

Year	Nos	Province
2008	—	—
2009	—	—
	1	Merit
	8	Islamabad/Punjab
2010	1	Sindh (U)
	1	NWFP
	1	NA/FATA
Total:	12	

(b) The province-wise break-up of Community Welfare Attaches, who remained posted at 21 stations during the last 03 years (from April, 2007 to 2010), is at Annex-I

198. ***Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 24-05-2010 at 17:00 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Education be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether foreign countries/agencies have provided/donated any funds for curricula reforms in the country since 2000, if so, the name of the country/agency concerned and the amount donated in each case; and*
- (b) *the main objects/purpose for which the said donations were made?*

Sardar Aseff Ahmed Ali: Although the Government of Pakistan obtained different aid/assistance/loans /debt-swap packages under bilateral/multilateral/mutual/international contracts/agreements, for overall reforms in education sector, there were no separate funds provided/ donated by any foreign country/agency specifically for curriculum reforms. The process of review of curriculum in 2002 and of subsequent review initiated in 2005-06 and continued up till now is being financed through normal channels of Government budgeting for the Ministry of Education.

(b) In view of (a) above, the question does not arise.

199. ***Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 27-05-2010 at 10:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Women Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of projects launched by the Ministry for the welfare of women in the country during the last two years indicating also the present status of each project; and*
- (b) the amount allocated and spent on each of the said projects during that period?*

Minister for Women Development:The Ministry of Women Development launched 23 projects during 2008-09 and 2009-10 for the welfare of women in the country. **Present status** of each project is **Annexed**.

(b) Project-wise detail of allocation and expenditure during 2008-09 and 2009-10 is **Annexed**.

201. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 31-05-2010 at 08:40 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Overseas Pakistanis be pleased to state the names, designation of the officers in BPS-17 and above in the Ministry, its attached departments, corporations and subordinate offices who themselves or their spouses hold dual nationality indicating also the names of the country the nationality of which they hold?

Dr. Muhammad Farooq Sattar: None of the officers of the Ministry of Overseas Pakistanis or their spouses hold dual nationality.

Mr. Muhammad Yar Bhutto, Executive Director (Finance), Overseas Pakistanis Foundation-the only autonomous body under the administrative control of this Ministry-holds dual nationality of Pakistan and USA.

203. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 31-05-2010 at 16.00 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Overseas Pakistanis be pleased to state the details of foreign visits undertaken by the Secretary, Overseas Pakistanis Division since 2008 indicating also the names of countries visited, duration and purpose of visit in each case?

Dr. Muhammad Farooq Sattar: Details of foreign visit of the Secretary, Overseas Pakistanis Division are as under:—

Name of country visited	Duration	Purpose of visit
Saudi Arabia	5-5-2008 to 11-5-2008	Visited Saudi Arabia as a member of delegation for meeting with Saudi Minister for Labour, Social Affairs an interaction with Pakistani community at Jeddah, Riyadh and Madina

Saudi Arabia & UAE 18-5-2010 to 28-5-2010 Visited Saudi Arabia & UAE to look into the feasibility of establishment of OPF Schools in those countries as well as to interact with the Pakistani Diasporas and locate prospective investors for the joint ventures.

204. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 01-06-2010 at 10:55 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) *the funds allocated to the Ministry under Public Sector Development Programme for the fiscal year 2008-09; and*
 (b) *the amount allocated and released to National Highway Authority out of PSDP indicating also the amount utilized by that authority during the said period with province-wise break-up?*

Dr. Arbab Alamgir Khan: An amount of Rs. 36.500 billion was allocated to NHA during FY 2008-09.

(B) Province-wise status of releases and utilization of PSDP 2008-09 is given below:—

<u>Annex</u>	<u>Province</u>	<u>Releases</u>	<u>Utilization</u>
A.	Punjab	8950.00	8989.314
B.	Sindh	6547.00	4566.490
C.	KPK	9725.00	8945.242
D.	Baloch'n	11168.00	9982.655
	Total	36390.00	32483.701

205. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 04-06-2010 at 11:05 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Environment be pleased to state:

- (a) *the details of projects of environment launched in district Haripur during the last five years; and*
 (b) *the amount spent on the said projects during that period?*

Mr. Hameedullah Jan Afridi: (a) Detail of the Projects launched by the Ministry of Environment in District Haripur are as under:—

1. PSDP project titled **“Environmental Rehabilitation and Poverty Reduction through Participatory Watershed Management in Tarbela Reservoir Catchments”** The project covered six districts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa including Haripur.

2. PSDP project titled **“Development of Forestry Sector Resources for Carbon Sequestration in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa”**.

Under this Project following works/treatments are planned in District Haripur.

3. **Up-Scaling Fuel Efficient Stoves Project** in Haripur Distt under Small Grants Programme of Global Environment Facility (GEF).

(b) The detail of amount spent is as under:

1. PSDP project titled **“Environmental Rehabilitation and Poverty Reduction through Participatory Watershed Management in Tarbela Reservoir Catchments”**.

Under this project Rs. 0.339 million have so far been spent in District Haripur.

2. PSDP Project titled **Development of Forestry Sector Resources for Carbon Sequestration** in entire province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

Under this Project Rs.0.875 million have so far been spent in District Haripur.

3. **Up-Scaling Fuel Efficient Stoves Project** in Haripur Distt under Small Grants Programme of Global Environment Facility (GEF).

37,500/- (USD) have been spent so far.

206. ***Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 04-06-2010 at 12:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Human Rights be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that an amount of Rs.10 million was provided to the Ministry in 1996 for its human rights project; and*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the said amount has not been utilized so far, if so, its reasons?*

Minister for Human Rights: No such project was provided to Ministry of Human Rights, Islamabad, therefore the reply may be treated as Nil.

207. ***Mr. Abdul Ghaffar Qureshi:** (Notice received on 11-06-2010 at 14:15 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) *the age limit prescribed for appointments on re-employment or contract basis; and*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that some persons beyond that age limit have been working in the Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs on re-employment and contract basis, if so, its reasons?*

Dr. Zaheer-ud-Din Babar Awan: (a) The persons mentioned against (b) below have been appointed on contract basis without any upper age limit with the approval of Establishment Division who is the authority to fix age limit.

(b) The following persons are working in the Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs on contract basis without any upper age limit:—

S.No.	Name and Designation	Period of Appointment
1.	Malik Hakam Khan, Sr. Legislative Advisor (MP-I).	01-07-2009 to 30-06-2011
2.	Mr. M. Azam Warraich, Legislative Advisor (MP-II).	01-07-2009 to 08-07-2010 (contract appointment terminated)
3.	Ms. Shamila Mehmood, Consultant (Research) (MP-II).	23-12-2008 to 22-12-2010
4.	Raja Muhammad Abdullah, Sr. Joint Secretary (BS-21).	14-07-2009 to 13-07-2011
5.	Dr. Riaz Mehmood, Sr. Joint Secretary (BS-21).	13-07-2009 to 12-07-2011

S.No.	Name and Designation	Period of Appointment
6.	Mr. Alta Ullah Bangash, Sr. Joint Secretary (BS-21).	17-07-2009 to 16-07-2011
7.	Syed Sultan Ahmed, Sr. Joint Secretary (BS-21).	11-07-2009 to 10-07-2011
8.	Syed Nasir Ali Shah, Solicitor General (BS-21).	08-07-2009 to 07-07-2011

9. Ch. Ghulam Rasool, Program Director 04-03-2010 to 03-03-2012 (BS-21).
 10. Mr. Ghulam Rasool, Senior Consultant (BS-21) 10-07-2009 to 09-07-2011
 11. Mr. Jehangir All Sheikh, Joint Secretary (BS-20) 13-08-2009 to 12-08-2010
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Note: The question about age limit may be asked from Establishment Division who is the competent authority for employment on contract basis.

208. ***Mr. Abdul Ghaffar Qureshi:** (Notice received on 11-06-2010 at 14:15 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names, educational qualifications and experience of the persons appointed as Senior Legislative Advisors and Legislative Advisors in the Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs during the last five years; and*
- (b) *the educational qualifications, experience and age limit prescribed for the said posts?*

Dr. Zaheer-ud-Din Babar Awan: (a) The names, educational qualification and experience of the persons appointed as Sr. Legislative Advisors and Legislative Advisors in the Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs during last five years are given as under:—

(b) The educational qualifications, experience and age limit prescribed for the said posts is at Annexure-I.

209. ***Mr. Abdul Ghaffar Qureshi:** (Notice received on 11-06-2010 at 14:15 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names of posts advertised by the Ministry of Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs, its attached departments and subordinate offices during the last two years indicating also the educational qualifications, experience and age limit prescribed for those posts; and*

(b) *the names, educational qualifications, place of domicile and date of appointment of the persons appointed against the said posts?*

Dr. Zaheer-ud-Din Babar Awan: Information is being collected from subordinate offices. As and when it is received consolidated reply will be conveyed.

210. ***Mr. Saleem Saifullah Khan:** (Notice received on 18-06-2010 at 14:05 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Education be pleased to state whether the rules for appointment and promotion of library staff in the Ministry of Education have been framed, if so, its details and if not, the time by which the same will be framed?

Sardar Aseff Ahmed Ali: Rules for appointment of Sub-Librarian (BS-15) and Library Resource Attendant (BS-4) have been framed and after vetting by the Establishment Division notification is under process with Printing Corporation of Pakistan which will be notified shortly.

211. ***Mst. Afia Zia:** (Notice received on 25-06-2010 at 11:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Labour and Manpower be pleased to state:

(a) *the number of skill development institutes in the country with province-wise break-up; and*

(b) *the number of trainees in those institutes at present?*

Syed Khurshid Ahmad Shah: (a) There are **1522 Training Institutes in the Country** according to survey carried out by National Vocational and Technical Education Commission's (NAVTEC). Province-wise break-up is at **Annex-I**.

(b) **314,188 Trainees are in the above mentioned institutes in the country** according to survey carried out by NAVTEC. Break-up is at **Annex-II**.

*Islamabad :
The 4th August, 2010.*

RAJA MUHAMMAD AMIN,
Secretary.