

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

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

Friday, the 30th July, 2010

DEFERRED QUESTIONS

(Question Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 were originally set down for answering on 3rd June, 2010 (62nd Session) but were deferred)

1. ***Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan:** (Notice received on 19-05-2010 at 12:55 p.m.)

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that previous service rendered by the employees of Intelligence Bureau reinstated in pursuance of the provisions of the Sacked Employees(Re-instatement) Ordinance, 2009, is not being counted for their seniority; and*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that departmental identity cards have not been issued to the said employees so far; if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) The case of employees of Intelligence Bureau reinstated in pursuance of the Sacked Employees (Reinstatement) Ordinance 2009 was referred to the Anomaly Committee for clarification / guideline whether the reinstated employees in IB are amenable to lose seniority etc under Section 10 of the Sacked Employees (Reinstatement) Ordinance-2009. In response, Anomaly Committed has intimated that “as per Section 10 of the Ordinance the reinstated employees shall not be entitled to claim seniority same as provided in the Ordinance and shall be required on reinstatement to submit a surety bond in the form specified for the purpose”. Therefore, IB reinstated employees are not entitled to claim their previous service to be counted for their seniority. (Copy Annexed).

(b) Employees who got reinstated under Sacked employees (Reinstatement) Ordinance, 2009 have also been issued with departmental Identity Card.

2. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 19-05-2010 at 13:00 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the posts of Assistant Accounts Officers and Accounts Officers belonging to Pakistan Audit and Account Services (Departmental Cadre) under the control of Controller General of Account Offices have been upgraded from BPS 16 to 17 and from BPS 17 to 18 respectively;*
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the posts of Audit Officers and Assistant Audit Officers of the same group and cadre under the control of Auditor General of Pakistan have not been upgraded, if so, its reasons, and*
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to remove the said anomaly?*

Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar: (a) Yes, it is correct that posts of Assistant Accounts Officers and Accounts Officers have been upgraded from BS-16 to BS-17 and BS-17 to BS-18 respectively.

(b) This is not correct. The posts of Audit Officers and Assistant Audit Officers have been upgraded *vide* Notification of the Office of Auditor General of Pakistan dated 18-05-2010 (Annexed).

- (c) There is no anomaly.
3. ***Mr. Abdul Haseeb Khan:** (Notice received on 19-05-2010 at 13:15 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the names and other particulars of the persons who were nominated for civil awards on 14th August 2009 and conferred on 23rd March 2010 indicating also the performance / achievements on the basis of which the awards were conferred in each case?

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: Pakistan civil awards are conferred by the **President of Pakistan** on Pakistanis and Foreign nationals under the provision of Article 259 (2) of the Constitution, 1973 read with Decorations Act, 1975. These awards are announced on Independence Day (14th August) and conferred on the following Pakistan Day (23rd March) each year.

The names & particulars of the persons who were nominated by various awards committees for grant of civil awards announced on 14th August, 2009 and conferred on 23rd March, 2010 is at Annex-I.

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

4. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 19-05-2010 at 14:45 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Privatization be pleased to state the details of foreign visits undertaken by the persons holding the portfolios of Minister for Privatization since 2008 indicating also the names of countries visited, duration and purpose of each visit?

Mr. Waqar Ahmed Khan: Requisite details are at Annex-A.

5. ***Maulana Muhammad Saleh Shah:** (Notice received on 19-05-2010 at 15:00 p.m.)

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that there is acute shortage of water in Block Nos. 148, 149 and 157, Cat-III, G-11/4, Islamabad if so, its reasons; and*
- (b) *the steps being taken by the Government to overcome the said problem?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) (1) In the wake of persistent dry spell and depletion of ground water resources. the Capital City is experiencing acute water shortage(s).

(2) Water to all Blocks including Block Nos.148, 149 & 157. Cat-111, G-11/4 is being supplied from E-10 reservoir on alternate days/rotation basis.

(3) The drought has also affected water supply to Block Nos.148, 149 & 157. Cat-III, G-11/4. CDA is thus. forced to reduce water supply to these localities. However. the situation is mitigated by supply of water through water tankers to the areas to meet their essential demands. CDA is nevertheless, expecting, that consequent to Monsoon rains, the supply of water to the inhabitants of Capital City would he improved considerably.

(b) Following, steps have been taken by CDA to improve supply of water to the affected areas:—

- Major leakages have been repaired and people are being encouraged to conserve water.

- Non functional tube-wells have been made functional, by carrying out necessary repairs.
- CDA's water tanker service has been improved.
- Some senior officers/officials of water supply wing have been re-shuffled to make the management more efficient.

6. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 20-05-2010 at 08:45 a.m.)

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

Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar:

Name of Officer whose spouses hold dual nationality or nationality of other country	Designation with BPS	Country of nationality of the spouse.
Mr. Najaf Khan	Assistant Chief BPS-18	United Kingdom
Mrs. Baseerat Memraiz	Section Officer BPS-18	United States of America.

7. ***Mir Wali Muhammad Badini:** (Notice received on 20-05-2010 at 08:55 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- the date on which Planning Commission of Pakistan was established; and*
- the names of the members belonging to Balochistan Province appointed so far in the Commission; indicating also their job titles?*

Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar: (a) The Planning Commission of Pakistan was established on 22nd October, 1958.

(b) There have been four (04) Members of Planning Commission from Balochistan Province namely:—

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| Mr. Sikandar Hayat Jamali,
Member-III | Aug. 1992 – Feb. 1994 |
| Mr. Muhammad Khan Achigzai
Member-III | April, 1997–June, 1999 |
| Mr. Jalil Minhas
Member, Social Sector & Energy | July, 2003-September, 2007 |
| Mr. Ghulam Mohyuddin Marri
Member, Infrastructure | 16-07-2010-Todate |
8. ***Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 20-05-2010 at 10:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) *the categories of Pakistani and foreign nationals who are exempted from payment of Income tax and the reasons for such exemption; and*
- (b) *the names of Foundations and hospitals etc. which are exempted from payment of income tax?*

Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar: (a) ♦ Under the provisions of Income Tax Ordinance, 2001, income of persons (Individuals, Associations of Persons and Companies) is not taxed on the basis *i.e.* “a Pakistani” or ‘Foreign National’. Rather, income tax is chargeable on the income on the basis of Status (resident or non-resident) of a person.

- (i) An individual under section 82 of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001 is resident, if he remains present in Pakistan for a period or periods, amounting in aggregate to 183 days or more in a tax year; or if he is an employee/official of Federal or a Provincial Government posted abroad in the tax year.
- (ii) An association of persons (AOP) under section 84 of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001 is resident, if the control and management of the affairs of AOP is situated wholly or partly in Pakistan.
- (iii) A company is a resident company, under section 83 of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001 if it is incorporated/ formed under any law in Pakistan or the control and management of the affairs of the company is situated wholly in Pakistan at any time in the year; and Provincial and Local Governments are also classified as resident companies.
- (iv) A non-resident person under section 81 of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001 is one who is not a resident person for a tax year.

- (v) Pakistan source as well as foreign source income of a resident person is chargeable to tax, whereas in case of a non-resident person only Pakistan source income under section 101 of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001 is chargeable to tax.
- (b) (i) Under section 2(36) of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001, any person (other than an individual) may apply for registration as a non-profit organization (NPO). This status is granted, if NPO is established for religious, educational, charitable, welfare or development purposes or for promotion of an amateur sport, and is formed/registered under any law as an NPO and approved by the Commissioner Inland Revenue under section 2 (36) of the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001 read with Rule 211 of Income Tax Rule, 2002. On recognition (through an elaborate process of examination) as a Non-Profit Organization is exempted from Income Tax.
- (ii) Specific exemptions (on case to case basis) from income tax have also been provided under Second Schedule to the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001, to certain persons. Particulars of such entities have been provided at (**Annex-I**).
- (iii) NPOs are exempted mainly on the grounds that these are not profit earning organizations and these work for the betterment of the general public and down trodden people of the society. A list is placed at (**Annex-II**).

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

9. ***Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 20-05-2010 at 10:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of relief provided to the pensioners during the financial years 2008-09 and 2009-10; and*
- (b) whether it is a fact that there was some discrimination in the said relief on the basis of year of retirement, if so, whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to abolish that discrimination in the budget for next financial year?*

Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar: (a) Government has allowed increase in pension to the pensioners during 2008-2009 and 2009-2010 as under:—

2008-2009 @20%
2009-2010

- (i) Pensioners who retired on or before
30-06-1999 20%

- (ii) Pensioners who retired after 30-06-1999
onwards 15%

(b) There was no discrimination in the said relief on the basis of year of retirement. During 2009-2010 higher rate of increase in pension was allowed to old pensioners in order to reduce the gap of pensions between old and new pensioners.

10. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 20-05-2010 at 10:40 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) *the trade deficit of the country from June 2008 to June 2009 and June 2009 to 1st April, 2010;*

- (b) *the reasons of the said deficit; and*

- (c) *the steps being taken by the Government to reduce the deficit?*

Makhdoom Amin Fahim: (a) The country had a trade deficit of US\$ 19.249 billion in the period June 2008 to June 2009; the trade deficit during the period June 2009 to April 1, 2010 was US\$ 14.040 billion.

(b) Escalation in fuel and food items prices increased the import bill in 2008-09. Our import mainly comprised of essential items like petroleum, edible oil and wheat on one hand and machinery and raw material on the other hand; import of neither the former nor the latter can be curtailed. Coupled with higher imports, reduction in export growth due to global economic slowdown in our major market are the major reasons for trade deficit.

(c) To discourage non-essential imports and to encourage/ facilitate and promote exports and thereby decreasing the deficit the government took following measures:—

- ◆ Imposition of duty on non-essential/luxury items *w.e.f.* August 27, 2008

- ◆ Incentivizing exports by providing concessionary financing, zero-rating of exports, duty free import of raw material under special schemes to facilitate manufacturing for exports, development of export clusters.

- ◆ Initiation of trade diplomacy measures for getting better market access viz. Free Trade Agreements and Preferential Trade Agreements with different countries

11. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 20-05-2010 at 14:20 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Privatization be pleased to state the details of foreign visits undertaken by the officers holding the charge of Secretary, Ministry of Privatization, since 2008 indicating also the names of countries visited, duration and purpose of each visit?

Mr. Waqar Ahmed Khan: Requisite details are at Annex-A.

@13. ***Mir Wali Muhammad Badini:** (Notice received on 19-05-2010 at 13:10 p.m.)

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

- (a) *the number of CNG Stations in the country with province-wise break up, and*
- (b) *the procedure laid down for grant of permission for installation of CNG stations in the country?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) Presently there are 3156 CNG Stations operational in the country. The province/ area-wise break up of the CNG Stations is as under:—

@ Transferred from the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Resources.

Punjab	1929
Sindh	551
Khyber Pukhtunkhwa	553
Balochistan	18
Islamabad	101
AJK	4

(b) The procedure/requisite documents for grant of licence for installation of CNG station is Annexed. In view of gas shortage, a ban has been imposed on new CNG Stations in the country except Balochistan Province.

Annexure

PRE-REQUISITES FOR A CNG LICENCE

1. Licence fee in form of Pay order/Bank Draft of Rs. 25,000/- in favour of OGRA, Islamabad, payable at any bank in Islamabad. (In Original)
2. Proof of Registration of the Company/Firm (Registered Company under Company's Act)/ Partnership Deed (Attested Copy)
3. Proof of site acquisition (Attested Copy)

4. Financial Soundness certificate duly confirmed by reputable Bank regarding financial soundness as well as the ability of the applicant Firm to raise funds for the CNG project. (In Original)
 5. Partnership deed in case of Partnership/AOP (Attested Copy)
 6. Attested Copy (s) of N.I.C of the applicant (s)
 7. Undertaking to the effect that the proposed CNG station is not being installed on a petrol pump or otherwise NOC from the concerned Oil Marketing Company (OMC) (In Original)
 8. Affidavit regarding litigation free site and indemnification on stamp paper strictly as per attached format. (In Original)
115. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 21-05-2010 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the amount allocated for disaster relief during the last three years and details of its utilization with province-wise break up?

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: The amount allocated for disaster relief during the last three years and details of its utilization with Province-wise breakup is given below:—

116. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 21-05-2010 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the names and portfolio of Cabinet Members including their spouses holding dual nationality indicating also the names of countries the nationality of which they hold?

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: None of the Cabinet Members or their spouses has dual nationality.

117. ***Mst. Afia Zia:** (Notice received on 21-05-2010 at 10:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to launch a new scheme for the poor and needy people in the country, if so, its details?

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: Government has already launched a comprehensive social safety net programme i.e., Benazir Income Support Programme, for serving the under-privileged sections of society. BISP's initiatives are:—

- (i) Monthly cash grant of Rs.1000 per beneficiary/poor family.
- (ii) Waseela e Haq as long term interest free loan of Rs. 300,000 for the BISP's beneficiaries.
- (iii) Emergency relief package, for earth quake effectees, IDPs, and bomb blast victims.
- (iv) Accident/ health insurance (Waseela e Sehet).
- (v) Vocational/technical training (Waseela e Rozgar).

118. ***Dr. Khalid Mehmood Soomro:** (Notice received on 24-05-2010 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state the amount allocated for development work in each province during the present regime indicating also the amount released so far and the names of schemes / projects for which the same was allocated?

Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar: The information has been called for from different Ministries/Divisions and F.A's Organization. It is awaited from some of F.A's/Ministries, particularly NHA. This process may take some time in consolidation of the report.

In view of the above, Finance Division may kindly be granted 2 weeks lead time for collection of information and submission of the same in the Honourable House.

119. ***Dr. Abdul Khaliq Pirzada:** (Notice received on 24-05-2010 at 14:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state the names and designation of the officers and officials of the Ministry of Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development, its attached departments, corporations and subordinate offices against whom cases of corruption and misappropriation have been surfaced during the last five years indicating also the details and present status of the cases in each case?

Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar: No case of corruption or misappropriation has been surfaced during last five years pertaining to Finance Division (Main) Finance Division (Military), Pakistan Mint, Economic Affairs Division, Federal Treasury Office and

Planning & Development Division, while the names and designation of the officers/officials pertaining to Federal Board of Revenue (FBR), Office of the Auditor General of Pakistan, and Controller General of Accounts and Central Directorate of National Saving (CDNS) against whom cases of corruption and misappropriation were surfaced are placed at Annex-A , B, C & D.

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

120. ***Dr. Abdul Khaliq Pirzada:** (Notice received on 24-05-2010 at 14:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state the names and designation of the officers and officials of the Establishment Division, its attached departments and subordinate offices against whom cases of corruption and misappropriation have been surfaced during the last five years indicating also the details and present status of the cases in each case?

Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division: There is no case of corruption and misappropriation that has surfaced during the last five years against any officer/official of Establishment Division, its Attached Departments and Sub-Ordinate Offices.

121. ***Dr. Abdul Khaliq Pirzada:** (Notice received on 24-05-2010 at 14:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister. for Commerce be pleased to state the names and designation of the officers and officials of the Ministry of Commerce, its attached departments, corporations and subordinate offices against whom cases of corruption and misappropriation have been surfaced during the last five years indicating also the details and present status of the cases in each case?

Makhdoom Amin Fahim: The requisite information may please be perused as follows:—

1. **Ministry of Commerce**
NIL
2. **National Tariff Commission**
Annex-I.
3. **Trading Corporation of Pakistan**
Annex-II.
4. **State Life Insurance Corporation of Pakistan**
Annex-III.

5. **Pakistan Tobacco Board**
Annex-IV.
6. **Trade Development Authority of Pakistan**
Annex-V.
7. **Directorate General of Trade Organizations**
NIL
8. **Pakistan Institute of Trade and Development**
NIL
9. **National insurance Company Limited**
NIL
10. **Pakistan Re-Insurance Company Limited**
NIL

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122. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 25-05-2010 at 08:40 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the rate of profit paid by the Pakistani Banks to their account holders on PLS accounts during the last five years with bank-wise and year-wise break up; and*
- (b) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to fix minimum limit of profit on the said accounts, so, its details?*

Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar: (a) Bank wise and year wise break-up of profit paid by commercial banks to their account holders is at Annexure-A.

(b) The proposal for fixation of profit on PLS accounts was earlier considered by State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) in the year 2008 and banks have been advised to offer a minimum of 5% rate of return on their PLS deposits *w.e.f.* June 1,2008. The said was done keeping in view the difficulties of the depositors with regard to the low rate of return being offered by the banks. No fresh proposal in this regard is under consideration.

123. *** Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 25-05-2010 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of loans obtained from IMF during the present regime; and*
- (b) the purposes for which the said loans were obtained?*

Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar: (a) Pakistan entered into 23 month Stand by Agreement (SBA) with IMF for financing of SDR 5.169 billion (US\$ 7.6 billion) in November, 2008. In Board meeting held on August 7, 2009, IMF approved an augmentation of SBA of SDR 2.067 billion (equivalent to US\$ 3.236 billion), bring the total financial support to the tune of SDR 7.236 billion (about US\$ 11.325 billion). Up-till now Pakistan got disbursement of US\$ 8.70 billion after successful completion of four reviews held in May & July and November, 2009 and in February, 2010.

(b) The IMF resources, by definition, are meant for Balance of Payments support and as such the amount received by Pakistan under the Fund's facilities is used to finance essential imports and shore up the country's FE reserves. However, Pakistan also go bridge financing to use in the budget if FODD pledges are not materialized.

124. ***Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 25-05-2010 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state the names and value of the items traded between Pakistan and Afghanistan under Afghan Transit Trade Agreement during the last three financial years?

Makhdoom Amin Fahim: The bilateral trade between Pakistan and Afghanistan is not governed under the Afghan Transit Trade Agreement (ATTA). The ATTA only obliges Pakistan to grant transit facilities to Afghanistan's global trade through the territory of Pakistan.

The details of bilateral trade between Pakistan and Afghanistan for last three years are Annexed.

125. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 25-05-2010 at 10:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge for Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the provincial quota for appointment is not observed in OGRA and NEPRA, if so, the reasons thereof and*

(b) *the number of persons working in those authorities at present with province-wise break up?*

Minister Incharge for Cabinet Division:

OGRA

(a) No. The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority is observing the provincial quota for appointments.

NEPRA

NEPRA has observed Provincial quota as stipulated in Regulation 11 of NEPRA Service Regulations (NSR), 2003 till 9th June, 2010. After receiving a Policy Directive of the Prime Minister, the Authority is strictly observing the Provincial quota as fixed by the Federal Government from time to time.

OGRA

(b) Total number of persons working in OGRA is 215. Province-wise breakup of the employees is at **Annexure-I**.

NEPRA

Total number of employees working in NEPRA is 173 Province-wise breakup of the employees is at **Annexure-II**.

126. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 25-05-2010 at 10:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state the names of the countries to which vegetables, fruits and dry fruits were exported during the last three years indicating also the quantity and value of each item exported?

Makhdoom Amin Fahim: Lists showing the names of the countries to which vegetables, fruits and dry fruits were exported during the last three years vis-à-vis the quantity and value of each exported item are attached at Annex-I, II & III, respectively.

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

127. ***Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 26-05-2010 at 09:00 a.m.)

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

- (a) *names, designation and educational qualifications of the officers in BS-19 and above working in CDA, Islamabad; and*
- (b) *the number of the said officers who have been working in the same offices / sections for the last more than three years, indicating also the reasons for not transferring them to other offices / sections?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) List Attached at Annex-“A”.

(b) List Attached at Annex-“B”.

128. ***Col. R Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 26-05-2010 at 09:20 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the number of persons working in the Cabinet Division and its attached / subordinate offices - on regular and daily wages basis with grade-wise and province-wise break up?

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) The number of persons working in the Cabinet Division and its Attached Departments are as under:—

(i) **Cabinet Division (Main)**

- (a) Regular Basis =600
- (b) Daily Wages =24

Grade and Province wise break up is at **Annex-A**

(ii) **Department of Stationery and Forms (S&F)**

- (a) Regular Basis =240
- (b) Daily Wages NIL

Grade and Province wise break up is at **Annex-B**

(iii) **Department of Communication Security (DCS)**

- (a) Regular Basis =154
- (b) Daily Wages NIL

Grade and Province wise break up is at **Annex-C**

(iv) **National Archives of Pakistan (NAP)**

- (a) Regular Basis =118
- (b) Daily Wages NIL

Grade and Province wise break up is at **Annex-D**

(v) **Shaikh Zayed Hospital, Lahore (SZH)**

(a) Regular Basis =816

(b) Daily Wages =309

Grade and Province wise break up is at **Annex-E.**

There is no Subordinate office under the Cabinet Division.

129. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 28-05-2010 at 16:00 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Population Welfare be pleased to state the details of foreign visits undertaken by the Secretary for Population Welfare since 2008 indicating also the name of country visited, duration and purpose of visit in each case?

Dr. Fardous Ashiq Awan: The details of foreign visits undertaken by the Secretary for Population Welfare since 2008 indicating also the name of country visited, duration and purpose of visit in each case are at **Annex-I.**

130. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 01-06-2010 at 08:40 a.m.)

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

(a) *the number of secretaries effected by the decision of the Supreme Court of Pakistan of dated 28th April, 2010; and*

(b) *the time by which the next meeting of the promotion board will be held for promotions of officers from BPS-20 to 21 and 21 to 22?*

Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division: (a) 54 BS-22 officers have been affected as a result of the decision of Honorable Supreme Court of Pakistan in its judgment dated 28.4.2010. Consequently, the notifications of their promotion have been withdrawn. Supreme Court of Pakistan has made following observations in the promotion to BS-22 made in September, 2009:—

“The Chief Executive/Competent authority may consider the cases of all the officers holding the posts of BS-21 afresh in view of the observations made hereinabove”

- ◆ “The officers who have been promoted to BS-22 in pursuance of above referred notifications, which now have been declared of no legal effect, shall not be entitled for the benefits, perks and privileges if any.”

- ◆ “It would be appreciated that to ensure fairness and justness, the rules rescinded on 4th April, 1998 are re-enacted accordingly.”

Copy of the judgment is enclosed.

- (b) The process of framing the Rules for promotion to BS-22 is in progress. Draft Rules have been broadly endorsed by FPSC. The proposed rules shall be submitted to the Prime Minister for approval through M/o Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs. After notification of the rules, their cases for promotion will be considered. The meeting of the Central Selection Board for considering promotion of officers from BS-20 to BS-21 shall be subsequently convened.

131. ***Dr. Khalid Mehmood Soomro:** (Notice received on 01-06-2010 at 08:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of persons working in State Bank of Pakistan with province-wise and district-wise break up; and*
- (b) *the names, grades and place of domicile of the officers working in that Bank?*

Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar: (a) Total number of persons working in State Bank of Pakistan (SBP) is 1522. Province-wise break up is as follows:—

Province	Total
AJK	18
Baluchistan	64
FATA	23
Federal	14
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	184
Northern Areas	23
Punjab	616
Sindh	182
Sindh (Urban)	398

However, no District-wise record of the persons working in SBP is maintained by the Bank.

(b) Names, grades and place of domicile of the officers working in SBP is annexed.

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

132. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 09-06-2010 at 10:30 a.m.)

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

- (a) the number of forms of Benazir Income Support Scheme rejected so far; and*
- (b) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to issue new forms in lieu of the said forms to the persons concerned?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) Total numbers of form received from the Parliamentarians by BISP were **3,345,029** Out of these **1,104,450** were rejected.

(b) No proposal for issuing new forms is under consideration, as the Parliamentarian based identification of beneficiaries has been stopped since April 2009; and has been replaced with internationally recognized Poverty Scorecard based house to house Survey.

133. ***Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 18-06-2010 at 14:00 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to refer to the Senate starred question No.31 replied on 12th January, 2010 and state:

- (a) the present stage of the case regarding appointment of liquidator for the Indus Bank Limited before the Peshawar High Court and the time by which the same will be appointed; and*
- (b) the steps proposed to be taken by the Government to compensate the depositors of the said Bank?*

Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar: (a) The Honorable Peshawar High Court has approved the appointment of Mr. Moinuddin Hamayun, Advocate Supreme Court and Mr.Saleem Akhtar, Legal Advisor, SBP, as liquidators of Indus Bank Limited on 26th June 2010. Their remuneration order and opening of liquidation account will be finalized shortly.

(b) No proposal for compensation of depositors through Government is under consideration by liquidators. The depositors will be paid out of liquidation proceeds shortly,

134. ***Mr. Abdul Ghaffar Qureshi:** (Notice received on 18-06-2010 at 16:50 p.m.)

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

- (a) the names and addresses of the persons who have been granted membership of Islamabad Club during the last one year indicating also the date on which each of them was interviewed for this purpose;*
- (b) the procedure adopted for granting the memberships to the applicants; and*
- (c) the details of meetings held for examining / interviewing the candidates for the said memberships during that period?*

Reply not received.

135. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 18-06-2010 at 09:55 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Inter-Provincial Coordination be pleased to state the details of foreign visits undertaken by the persons holding the portfolio of the Minister for Inter-Provincial Coordination since 2008 indicating also the names of countries visited, duration and purpose of each visit?

Minister for Inter Provincial Co-ordination: Nil.

136. ***Mr. Abdul Ghaffar Qureshi:** (Notice received on 18-06-2010 at 16:50 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the details of salary, allowances and other fringe benefits admissible to Administrator Islamabad Club?

Reply not received.

137. ***Mr. Abdul Ghaffar Oureshi:** (Notice received on 21-06-2010 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the names of persons whose applications are pending for interview for membership of

Islamabad Club indicating also the reasons for not conducting their interviews so far and the time by which the same will be conducted?

Reply not received.

138. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 22-06-2010 at 13:30 p.m.)

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government has allowed relocation/ shifting of CNG stations in the country ,from one area to another area; and*
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the OGRA is not processing the cases of relocation / shifting of the said stations, if so, the action taken in this regard?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) Change of site is allowed subject to the criteria approved by the Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority. Details are annexed.

(b) The Oil and Gas Regulatory Authority is considering the cases of shifting of CNG stations to another area/location in light of decision mentioned above.

Annexure

CRITERIA APPROVED BY OGRA FOR RELOCATION OF CNG STATIONS

- (a) The change of site in all those cases where the Provisional licence is valid and the grant of NOC for the said site has been refused by the concerned DCO/TMO/ Civil Defence/ concerned gas utility Company (SNGPL or SSGCL) or where the licensee opts to relocate the site from its existing congested area/mushroom growth or for safety reasons/residential area or any other possible reason which in the opinion of Authority establishes sufficient grounds that the change of site is unavoidable for licensee;
- (b) Change of site of existing Operational CNG Stations from congested area to another preferable location for establishment of CNG station;
- (c) The valid licensee has to bear in all these cases a sum of Rs. 50,000/- (*i.e.* fee of Rs. 25000/- for site relocation and Rs. 25000/- as processing charges for amendment in license) and it will not be construed as fresh license;
- (d) Such a permission may be availed by the CNG licensee only once.
- (e) Inter Provincial transfer of site of CNG station shall not be allowed.

139. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 23-06-2010 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state the names, parentage, place of domicile and name of department of the persons working in various Government Departments charged with using non-custom paid vehicles since 1st June, 2009 indicating also the make and model of vehicle in each case?

Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar: The names, parentage, place of domicile and name of department of the person working in various Government Departments charged with using non-custom paid vehicles since 1st June, 2009 indicating also the make and model and of vehicle in each case is as under:—

140. ***Mst. Afia Zia:** (Notice received on 28-06-2010 at 11:10 a.m.)

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that “bowery Fund” is being given under the “Benazir Income Support Programme” if so, the amount being given under this fund / scheme; and*
- (b) the number of beneficiaries of that fund so far?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) No Dowry fund has been established under Benazir income Support Programme.

(b) Not applicable.

141. ***Mst. Afia Zia:** (Notice received on 29-06-2010 at 13:00 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state the details of benefits being provided to the heirs of a Government employee in case of his unnatural death during service?

Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division: A copy of Assistance Package for families of government employees who die in services in consequences of sectarian/terrorist activities, which is applicable w.e.f 01.07.2005 circulated by this Division is annexed.

142. ***Mr. Muhammad Ali Durrani:** (Notice received on 30-06-2010 at 09:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of foreign aid received during the fiscal year 2009-10 and its utilization with head wise break up; and*

(b) *whether any amount has been utilized in Districts of Bahawalpur, Bahawalnagar and Rahim Yar Khan, if so, its details?*

Reply not received.

143. ***Mr. Muhammad Ali Durrani:** (Notice received on 01-07-2010 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state the details of development scheme completed under the PSDP 2009-10 indicating also the expenditure incurred on each scheme with district-wise break up?

Reply not received.

144. ***Mr. Muhammad Ali Durrani:** (Notice received on 02-07-2010 at 09:00 a.m.)

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the CDA has declared village Kori, Islamabad, as model village;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that some plots have been allotted in that village, if so, the names and national identity card numbers of the persons who have been allotted those plots;*
- (c) *the number of plots reserved for locals in the said village with category-wise break up; and*
- (d) *the time by which development work will start in the said village?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) It is correct to the extent that a Model Village measuring approximately 437 acres has been planned in Kuri Village for rehabilitating the affectees of village Kuri & Rehara.

(b) No Plots have yet been allotted in this Model Village. Plots will be allotted to the eligible persons after announcement of award of Built Up Property of village Kuri & Rehara, which is under process.

(c) The total No. of plots in Kuri Model Village are approximately 4200. The size of each plot is 30 x 70 (233.33 Square Yard).

(d) According to the settlement between CDA and affectees of Village Kuri & Rehara, the development work of Model Village Kuri will commence before announcement of award of these villages. The process for announcement of award is underway. Lay out Plan of the Model Village has been finalized. The development work for this Model village will start as soon.

145. ***Mr. Abdur Rashid:** (Notice received on 02-07-2010 at 11:30 a.m.)

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

(a) the number of Government employees who secured foreign nationality without prior permission of the Government during the last ten years with year-wise break up; and

(b) the action taken against the said employees?

Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division: The question requires collection of information from all the Ministries/ Divisions for which Establishment Division has already placed a request. Complete answer to the Question shall be submitted to Senate Secretariat as soon as the desired information is collected.

*Islamabad :
The 29th July, 2010.*

RAJA MUHAMMAD AMIN,
Secretary.

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“UN-STARRED QUESTIONS AND THEIR REPLIES”

For Friday, the 30th July, 2010

6. **Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 26-05-2010 at 10:35 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of banks privatized from 1st January 2000 to 1st January 2010;
- (b) the amount received by the Government through privatization;
- (c) the manner in which this amount has been utilized by the Government;
- (d) the percentage of Directors nominated by the Government on the Board of Directors of privatized banks; and
- (e) the names, educational qualifications, experience and place of domicile of the Directors presently nominated by the Government on the Board of Directors of the said banks?

Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar: (a) Two Banks have been privatized in the said period namely United Bank Limited (privatized in October 2002) and Habib Bank Limited (privatized in February 2004).

(b) Through privatization of above referred banks, Government received following amount:—

<u>Banks</u>	<u>Amount in Rs.</u>
UBL	I 1,870,551,357.83
HBL	23,386,029,731.48

(c) SBP applied sale proceeds of its shares in HBL to adjust the cost of its investment in these shares and the excess thereof was taken to the credit of the SBP's profit and loss account.

(d) The Federal Government has two Directors on the Board of Directors of UBL out of total nine numbers (22%) and three Directors on the Board of Directors of HBL out of seven members (44%).

(e) The list of the Directors presently nominated by the Government on the Board of Directors of UBL & HBL, indicating their names, educational qualifications, experience and place of domicile is annexed.

7 **Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 26-05-2010 at 10:35 a.m.)

Will the Minister, for Privatization be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names of organizations / institutions privatized during the period from 1st January 2000 to 1st January 2010; and*
- (b) *the amount received by the Government through privatization of those organizations / institutions and its utilization?*

Reply not received.

ISLAMABAD :
The 29th July, 2010.

RAJA MUHAMMAD AMIN,
Secretary.