SENATE SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INTER-PROVINCIAL COORDINATION ON THE POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE RAISED BY SENATOR MUHAMMAD AZAM KHAN MUSAKHEL.

- I, Senator Mir Kabir Ahmed Muhammad Shahi, Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Inter-Provincial & Coordination on behalf of the Committee have the honor to present the report on the subject matter of point of Public importance raised by Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel in the Senate sitting held on 20th January, 2016, on the issue of non-observance of quota for the handicapped people in all the provinces and referred to the Standing Committee on Inter Provincial Coordination for consideration and report.
- The composition of the Standing Committee is as under:-

1	Senator Mir Kabir Ahmed Muhammad Shahi	Chairman
2	Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel	Member
3	Senator Muhammad Saleh Shah	Member
4	Senator Dr. Muhammad Farogh Naseem	Member
5	Senator Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail	Member
6	Senator Hamza	Member
7	Senator Mir Nematullah Zehri	Member
8	Senator Sirdar Zulfiqar Ali Khan Khosa	Member
9	Senator Ms. Sassui Palijo	Member
10	Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz	Member
11	Senator Rozi Khan Kakar	Member
12	Senator Liaqat Khan Tarakai	Member

3. The Standing Committee discussed the subject matter of the point of Public importance in its meeting held on 19th February, 2016 under the Chairmanship of Senator Mir Kabir Ahmed Muhammad Shahi. The following members also attended the meeting:-

raonb 1	Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel	Member/Mover
2	2. Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz	Member
3	3. Senator Hamza	Member
4	4. Senator Liaqat Khan Tarakai	Member

4. The Committee noticed that no province has provided information in black and white regarding the observance of quota of handicapped persons in appointments in their respective provinces. The

representatives of the Governments of Punjab, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Sindh present in the meeting briefed the Committee about the prescribed quota, number of registered persons and observance of quota in their respective provinces, however, no representative from the Balochistan Government attended the meeting.

- 5. The Committee was apprised that Disabled Persons Employment and Rehabilitation Ordinance, 1981 has provided 2% quota for handicapped persons in employments. The prescribed quota since 1981 was 1%, which was enhanced to 2% in pursuance of a Prime Minister's Directive, in 1998. The Government of Punjab after 18th amendment adopted the Federal legislation however enhanced the quota to 3% while KPK and Sindh were still observing 2% quota of handicapped persons in all appointments.
- 6. The Committee in the absence of requisite information asked the Ministry of IPC to write a letter to all Provincial Governments to furnish the details of total sanctioned strengths of their departments, number of appointments made, number of posts allocated for disabled, details of disabled persons appointed with name, grade and department, and shortfall if any with reasons, during the last five years. The requisite data /information duly verified / signed by the concerned Secretary alongwith a certificate whether the quota prescribed for the handicapped persons is being observed in letter and spirit or otherwise should be provided, within a week.
- 7. In this regard, Government of Punjab providing the requisite data certified that each government department and districts across Punjab are observing the disability quota in letter and spirit. No other provincial Government has provided the report within the stipulated time period.
- 8. The Committee is of the view that since no provincial government except the government of Punjab has provided the information they are not observing the disabled persons quota in appointments in their departments in letter and spirit.

(QURAT-UL-AIN) Secretary Committee

(SENATOR MIR KABIR AHMED MUHAMMAD SHAHI)
Chairman