## REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CABINET SECRETARIAT

"ISSUE OF MISERABLE CONDITION OF THE ANIMALS AND SPECIALLY THE ELEPHANT IN THE MARGHAZAR/MARGALLA ZOO, ISLAMABAD" RAISED BY SENATOR SAMINA ABID AND SENATOR NUZHAT SADIQ DURING THE SITTING OF THE SENATE HELD ON 14<sup>TH</sup> AND 17<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2016 RESPECTIVELY.

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PRESENTED BY

SENATOR MUHAMMAD TALHA MAHMOOD CHAIRMAN

## SENATE SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON CABINET SECRFETARIAT ON THE "ISSUE OF MISERABLE CONDITION OF THE ANIMALS AND SPECIALLY THE ELEPHANT IN THE MARGHAZAR/MARGALLA ZOO, ISLAMABAD" RAISED BY SENATORS SAMINA ABID AND NUZHAT SADIQ DURING THE SITTINGS OF THE SENATE HELD ON 14<sup>TH</sup> AND 17<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 2016 RESPECTIVELY.

- I, Chairman of the Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, have the honour to present report on the "issue of miserable condition of the animals and specially the elephant in the Marghazar/Margalla Zoo, Islamabad raised by Senator Samina Abid and Senator Nuzhat Sadiq during the sittings of the Senate held on 14<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 respectively".
- 2. The composition of the Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat is as under:-

1.	Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood	Chairman
2.	Senator Osman Saifullah Khan	Member
3.	Senator Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi	Member
4.	Senator Kamil Ali Agha	Member
5.	Senator Hidayat Ullah	Member
6.	Senator Shahi Syed	Member
7.	Senator Haji Saifullah Khan Bangash	Member
8.	Senator Khushbakht Shujat	Member
9.	Senator Rahila Magsi	Member
10.	Senator Kalsoom Perveen	Member
11.	Senator Mir Muhammad Yousaf Badini	Member
12.	Senator Ms. Najma Hameed	Member
13.	Minister Incharge for Aviation Division	Ex-officio Membe

The Committee considered the issue in its meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> July,
and the following Members of the Committee and Special invitees attended the meeting:-

i.	Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood	Chairman
ii.	Senator Hidayat Ullah	Member
iii.	Senator Mir Muhammad Yousaf Badini	Member
iv.	Senator Khushbakht Shujat	Member
v.	Senator Mst. Kalsoom Perveen	Member
vi.	Senator Ms. Rahila Magsi	Member
vii.	Minister of State for CADD,	Ex-Officio Membe
viii.	Senator Col (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi	Special Invitee
ix.	Senator Samina Abid	Special Invitee
x.	Mr. Sunil Jamil	Special Invitee
xi.	Mr. Anis Jillani, Advocate	Special Invitee
xii.	Faryal Gouhar, Free Kavaan Campaign Activist	Special Invitee

- 4. The following special invitees spoke on the issue:-
  - 1. Senator Col(Retd) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi
  - 2. Senator Samina Abid
  - 3. Mr. Sunil Jamil
  - 4. Mr. Anis Jillani, Advocate
  - 5. Faryal Gouhar, Free Kavaan Campaign Activist
- 5. The above mentioned special invitees insisted the Committee that the male elephant namely Kavaan, should be repatriated to any international animal sanctuary.
- 6. Mr. Sanaullah Aman, Member (Environment), CDA, briefed the Committee on the issue and he was of the view that the CDA has no objection to the repatriation of the elephant to any international animal sanctuary if veterinary doctors recommend for its repatriation.
- 7. The Minister of State for CADD opposed the proposal to repatriate the elephant to any international animal sanctuary, however, he explained that the proposal regarding extension of Zoo is under process, he further stated that the advertisement has been published in national and international newspapers for construction and extension of Zoo as per the international standards and Zoo regulations. He further stated that the more male and female elephants will be brought in the Zoo and the management of Zoo will be given to the private management.

8. After extensive discussion the Committee recommends that the male elephant namely Kavaan kept in Marghazar/Margallah Zoo, Islamabad, may be repatriated to any international animal sanctuary, hence the matter was disposed off accordingly.

(Hyder Ali Sundrani) DS/Secretary Committee (Senator Mahamad Talha Mahmood) Chairman