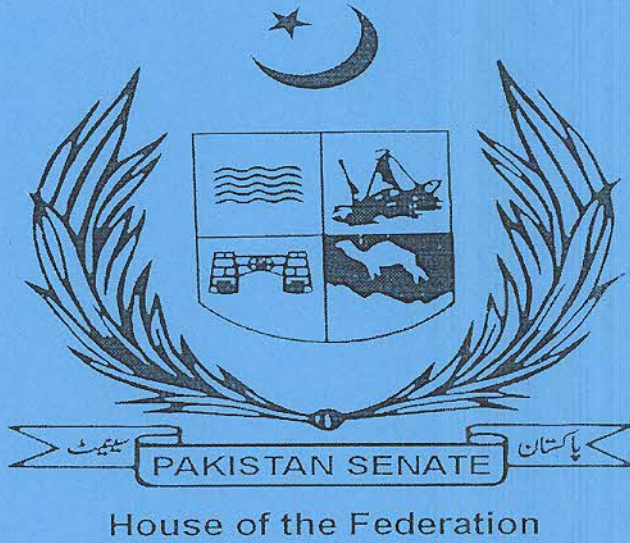


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(JULY-DECEMBER, 2016) DURING CURRENT FISCAL YEAR  
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**PRESENTED BY**  
**Senator Mir Israrullah Khan Zehri**  
**Chairman**

# SENATE SECRETARIAT

## REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON PETROLEUM & NATURAL RESOURCES PERTAINING TO BUDGETARY ALLOCATION AND ITS BI-ANNUAL UTILIZATION (JULY – DECEMBER, 2016) DURING CURRENT FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017.

I, Senator Mir Israrullah Khan Zehri, Chairman Standing Committee on Petroleum & Natural Resources have the honor to submit the report of the Committee on budgetary allocation and its bi-annual (July-December 2016) utilization by the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Resources for the financial year 2016-17 in terms of proviso to Rule 166(4) of the Rules of Procedure & Conduct of Business in the Senate 2012.

2. The composition of the committee is as under:-

1	<b>Senator Mir Israrullah Khan Zehri</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
2	Senator Baz Muhammad Khan	Member
3	Senator Mir Muhammad Yousaf Badini	Member
4	Senator Taj Muhammad Afridi	Member
5	Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood	Member
6	Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel	Member
7	Senator Mrs. Rubina Irfan	Member
8	Senator Hamza	Member
9	Senator Nisar Muhammad	Member
10	Senator Sardar Fateh Muhammad Muhammad Hassani	Member
11	Senator Muhammad Yousaf	Member
12	Senator Mohsin Aziz	Member
13	Minister for Petroleum & Natural Resources	Ex-Officio Member

3. The Committee reviewed the budgetary allocation and its bi-annual utilization (July – December, 2016) for the fiscal year 2016-17 in its meeting held on 22.12.2016 under the Chairmanship of Senator Mir Israrullah Khan Zehri which was attended by the following:-

(i)	<b>Senator Mir Israrullah Khan Zehri</b>	<b>Chairman</b>
(ii)	Senator Baz Muhammad Khan	Member
(iii)	Senator Taj Muhammad Afridi	Member
(iv)	Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel	Member
(v)	Senator Mir Muhammad Yousaf Badini	Member
(vi)	Senator Hamza	Member
(vii)	Senator Nisar Muhammad	Member
(viii)	Senator Sardar Fateh Muhammad Muhammad Hassani.	Member
(ix)	Senator Mohsin Aziz.	Member
(x)	Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources	Ex- officio Member

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4. The Committee was given detailed briefing/presentation by the Joint Secretary M/o P&NR. It was intimated that during the current fiscal year 2016-17 an amount of Rs.201,936,000/-, Rs.137,002,000/- and Rs.8,548,000/- was allocated to the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Resources, the Policy Wing and the Central Inspectorate of Mines, respectively. Moreover, for the four PSDP funded projects, an amount of Rs.587.476 million has been allocated to the Geological Survey of Pakistan (GSP) for the year 2016-2017.

5. A brief presentation was given by the D.G. GSP on the progress of the projects against which the above mentioned amount of Rs.587.476 million has been allocated for 2016-17. The Committee showed its concern over poor progress of work on the PSDP funded projects. The Committee was apprised by the D.G. GSP that it was due to delayed release of funds by the concerned quarters.

6. After detailed discussion the following recommendations were made;

- i. The committee showed its satisfaction over proper utilization of non-development funds by the Ministry, the Policy Wing and the Central Inspectorate of Mines during the period July – December, 2016.
- ii. The Committee expressed its displeasure over poor progress of works in respect of the following four PSDP funded projects due to delayed release of funds by the government;
  - Appraisal of newly discovered coal resources of Badin Coal Field and its adjoining areas of Southern Sindh (2016-17 PSDP allocation of Rs. 131.619 million).
  - Exploration of tertiary coal in Central Salt Range Punjab (2016-17 PSDP allocation of Rs. 11.350 million).
  - Acquisition of four drilling rigs with accessories for GSP (2016-17 PSDP allocation of Rs. 415.80 million).
  - Exploration and evaluation of metallic minerals in Othal and Bela areas district Lasbela, Balochistan (2016-17 PSDP allocation of Rs. 28.70 million).
- iii. The Committee asked the Secretary P&NR and DG (GSP) to approach the Federal Government for timely release of required funds in respect of above projects to ensure their completion within the stipulated time.

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Chairman Committee