# SENATE OF PAKISTAN DAILY JOURNAL (287<sup>th</sup> SESSION)

Date and Day	7 <sup>th</sup> March, 2019 (Thursday)
Commenced at	03:00pm
Adjourned at	06:15pm
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	69
Total Working Hours	3 hours and 15 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

### **QUESTION HOUR**

Question Nos. 150, 151, 152,154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 164, 166, 167, 168 and 173 were asked and replied in the House. Question Nos. 19, 38, 153, 160, 161 and 162 were treated as laid on the Table of the House due to absence of the Members concerned. Question Nos. 147 and 148 were deferred. Question No. 167 was referred to the Committee concerned. Remaining Questions and their replies were laid on the Table.

### **LEAVE APPLICATIONS**

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PRESENCE**

• The Chairman acknowledged the presence of a group of 23 students and 07 faculty members from Government Girls College Sawal Dher, Mardan to witness the proceedings of the House.

### **POINT OF ORDER**

- Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan raised a point of order regarding letter of the Attorney General to the Senate Standing Committee on Aviation with reference to on an order of the Supreme Court of Pakistan.
- Senators Mian Raza Rabbani, Nauman Wazir Khattak, Faisal Javed, Sherry Rehman, Muhammad Azam Khan Swati and Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs also spoke on the issue.

The Chairman directed the Secretariat to write a letter to the Attorney General on this matter.

### <u>REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE - PRESENTATION OF:</u> [Under Rule 166(4)]

• Senator Faisal Javed on behalf of Senator Robina Khalid, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Information Technology and Telecommunication presented report of the Committee on the budgetary allocation and its utilization by the Ministry of Information Technology and Telecommunication as required by proviso to sub-rule (4) of rule 166 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012.

### MOTIONS [Under Rule 194(1)]

• Senator Walid Iqbal on behalf of Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Standing Committee on the Transplantation of Human Organs and Tissues (Amendment) Bill, 2018, introduced by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh, on 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2018, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 11<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.

## The Motion was put to the House and carried and the requisite extension was granted.

• Senator Walid Iqbal on behalf of Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Standing Committee on the Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (Amendment of Article 27), introduced by Senator Mian Raza Rabbani, on 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2018, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.

### The Motion was put to the House and carried and the requisite extension was granted.

• Senator Walid Iqbal on behalf of Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Standing Committee on the Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (Amendment of Fourth Schedule), introduced by Senator Syed Muhammad Sabir Shah, on 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2018, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 20<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.

The Motion was put to the House and carried and the requisite extension was granted.

### **CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE**

• Senator Sherry Rehman drew attention of the Minister for Aviation Division towards the violation of basic human rights and Industrial Relations Act, 2012, by imposing ban on union activities, through imposition of Essential Services Act, 1952.

The Calling Attention Notice was referred to the Standing Committee concerned.

• Senator Sassui Palijo drew attention of the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs towards the Federal Government's recent reported decision to establish a high powered tax commission to get back powers from the provinces to collect GST on Services, tax the agriculture income and place a unified valuation rates for real estate.

Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs replied on behalf of Minister of State for Revenue and the Calling Attention Notice was disposed of.

### **ORDINANCE TO BE LAID**

• Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs on behalf of Minister for Health, laid before the Senate the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Ordinance, 2019 (Ordinance No. II of 2019), as required by clause (2) of Article 89 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

Since the Ordinance was first laid in the Senate therefore under the Constitution it was treated as a Bill introduced in the Senate. The Bill as introduced was referred to the Standing Committee concerned upon for consideration and report.

### **MOTION UNDER RULE 263**

• Senator Sirajul Haq moved under Rule 263 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012 that the requirements of Rules 25, 29, 30 and 133 of the said Rules be dispensed with in order to enable the House to pass a resolution.

The motion was put to the House and carried.

#### RESOLUTION

• The Resolution condemning the restrictions imposed on Jamat-e-Islami in Indian occupied Kashmir was passed unanimously by the House.

### **DISCUSSION ON THE ADMITTED ADJOURNMENT MOTION**

• Discussion on the admitted adjournment motion moved by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh on 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2018, regarding the excessive use and sale of antibiotics at medical stores causing life threats to the public was **deferred by the Chairman due to the absence of the Minister for Health**.

### POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

- Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-ul-Haq, Leader of the Opposition drew attention of the House towards the death of Stanley Wolpert, a renowned biographer of Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah.
- Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-ul-Haq, Leader of the Opposition raised the issue of the medical condition of the former Prime Minister Mian Muhammad Nawaz Sharif and lack of proper medical facilities. Furthermore the opposition walked-out at 5:00 pm in protest and ended the walk-out at 5:10 pm. Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs and Senator Faisal Javed briefed the House on the government's response to the matter raised by the Leader of the Opposition.
- Senator Mian Raza Rabbani raised a point of public importance regarding absence of Foreign Minister from House and new diplomatic term i.e. Private Diplomacy.
- Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar raised the following points of public importance:-
  - 1. the murder of Afzal Kohistani

The Chairman referred the issue of the murder of Afzal Kohistani to the Committee concerned

2. blocking of Identity Cards of the family of Malik Attaullah Khan, a notable from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

The Chairman directed the Senator to provide details regarding the family Malik Attaullah Khan to seek reply from NADRA.

• Senator Mushtaq Ahmed raised a matter of public importance regarding pressure on Government to recognize Israel.

Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs explained the position of the government in this regard.

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- Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi raised a point of public importance regarding repair of fence on Motorways which was an important reason for accidents.
- Senator Sassui Palijo raised a point of public importance regarding details of illegal immigrants in Sindh and complete devolution of different departments.

The Chairman Senate directed the Secretariat to seek reply from NADRA through Ministry of Interior regarding illegal immigrants in Sindh.

- Senator Abdul Rehman Malik raised a matter of public importance regarding use of private channel for de-escalation, application against RSS in UNO, demographic changes in Kashmir and additional clause in Terrorism Act.
- Senator Molvi Faiz Muhammad raised a point of public importance regarding cautious usage of words with reference to Islam.
- Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi raised a matter of public importance regarding the consequences of withdrawal of American Forces from Afghanistan.

At 06:15pm the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Friday, the 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2019, at 10:30 a.m.

<u>Islamabad</u>, the 7<sup>th</sup> of March, 2019.