#### SENATE OF PAKISTAN

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# (284<sup>TH</sup> SESSION)

Date and Day	9 <sup>th</sup> November, 2018 (Friday)
Commenced at	10:30 A.M.
Adjourned at	12:40 P.M.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	61
Total Working Hours	02 hours 10 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

## PANEL OF PRESIDING OFFICER FOR 284<sup>TH</sup> SESSION

- 1. Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif
- 2. Senator Atta Ur Rehman
- 3. Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi

# MESSAGE BY THE CHAIRMAN SEANTE AT THE EVE OF THE 141<sup>ST</sup> BIRTHDAY OF DR. ALLAMA MUHAMMAD IOBAL

The Honourable Chairman Senate, paid tribute to the National poet and philosopher Dr. Allama Muhammad Iqbal and felicitated the people of the country as well Muslim Umma, at the eve of 141<sup>st</sup> birthday of Dr. Allama Muhammad Iqbal.

The following Members/Minister also paid tribute to the National poet and philosopher:-

- 1. Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-ul-Haq, Leader of the Opposition
- 2. Senator Syed Shibli Faraz, Leader of the House
- 3. Senator Mushtag Ahme
- 4. Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs
- 5. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeg Shaikh
- 6. Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad
- 7. Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood
- 8. Senator Anwar ul Haq Kakar
- 9. Senator Aurangzeb Khan
- 10. Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan

# DIRECTION OF THE HONOURABLE CHAIRMAN SENATE REGARDING CELEBRATION OF 9<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER AS A NATIONAL DAY AND PUBLIC HOLIDAY

The Chairman Senate directed that the Government should take steps to celebrate 9<sup>th</sup> November as a National Day and public holiday shall be declared to signify the teachings of Shaer-e-Mashrig Dr. Allama Muhammad Igbal.

#### **QUESTION HOUR**

Question Nos. 3, 4, 9, 13, 14, 16, 19, 20, 23 and 27 were asked and replied in the House. Question Nos. 7, 11, 12, 21, 22, 25, 28, 30, 33, 34 and 35 were deferred on the request of the Minister for National Health Service, Regulations and Co-ordination. Replies to Question Nos. 26, 29 and 36 were treated as laid on the Table of the House due to absence of Members concerned.

#### **LEAVE APPLICATIONS**

Leave applications were read by the Chairman.

#### **REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES- PRESENTATION OF**

- **1.** Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, presented reports of the Standing Committee on the following Bills:-
  - 1. The Federal Judicial Academy (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
  - 2. The Specific Relief (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
  - 3. The Succession (Amendment) Bill, 2018.
- **2.** Senator Syed Shibli Faraz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Commerce and Textile Industry, presented report of the Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi on 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2018, regarding the concerns of farmers in Balochistan.
- **3.** Senator Sherry Rehman, Convener, Special Committee on China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), presented report of the Special Committee on the subject matter of starred question No. 126, asked by Senator Samina Saeed on 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2018, regarding security forces established for the protection of CPEC Projects.

- **4.** Senator Sherry Rehman on behalf of Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan, Chairman, Standing Committee on Aviation, presented report of the Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Moula Bux Chandio on 12<sup>th</sup> July, 2018, regarding various issues of mismanagement and lack of facilities at the New Islamabad International Airport.
- **5.** Senator Shammim Afridi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Water Resources, presented report of the Standing Committee on the following points of public importance:-
  - regarding the alarming situation of water scarcity in the province of Sindh and irresponsible behavior of IRSA, raised by Senators Sassui Palijo and Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah on 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2018.
  - ii. regarding distribution of water to the province of Sindh in accordance with the water accord, raised by Senator Imamuddin Shougeen on 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2018.
  - iii. regarding shortage of water in the province of Sindh, raised by Senator Imamuddin Shouqeen on 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2018.

#### **CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES**

The Honourable Chairman Senate clubbed the Calling Attention Notices in the names of Senators Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar, Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel and Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi, drawing attention of the Minister In-Charge of the Aviation Division towards the slow pace of work on Quetta Airport which was to be completed in December, 2017. However, the Calling Attention Notice was deferred due to absence of the Minister In-Charge of the Aviation Division.

Another Calling Attention Notice in the name of Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi, drawing attention of the Minister for Interior towards the lack of platform for addressing legitimate grievances and claims of the locals affected by the anti-encroachment campaign and lack of any mechanism for their settlement elsewhere, was also deferred due to absence of the Minister for Interior.

#### **DIRECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN SENATE**

At the time of taking up the above said Calling Attention Notices, neither the Secretaries nor any Joint Secretary of the Ministries concerned were present in the Officers Gallery of the House. The Honourable Chairman Senate taking serious note of this unresponsive behavior which interrupted the proceedings of the House, directed to issue "Show Cause Notice" to the Secretary, Aviation Division. The Chairman also directed to inform the Secretary, Ministry of Interior that in future when any business of the Ministry is to be taken up in the House, an officer not below the rank of Joint Secretary shall be present in the Officers Gallery of the Senate.

#### PAPERS LAID BEFORE THE SENATE

Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, Minister for Science and Technology, on behalf of Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs, laid on the Table of the House an authenticated copy of the Address of the President of Pakistan made under Article 56 (3) of the Constitution before both Houses assembled together on 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2018, as required by sub-rule (2) of rule 32 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012.

#### **MOTION OF THANKS**

Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, Minister for Science and Technology, on behalf of Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs, moved the following Motion:-

"This House expresses its deep gratitude to the President of Pakistan for his address to both the Houses assembled together on 17th September, 2018.".

# Discussion on the motion was, however, deferred.

#### REPORT LAID BEFORE THE SENATE

Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, Minister for Science and Technology, on behalf of Mr. Asad Umer, Minister for Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs, laid before the Senate the Annual Report for the year 2017-2018 of the Central Board of Directors of the State Bank of Pakistan on the state of the Economy, as required under section 9A(2) of the State Bank of Pakistan Act, 1956.

#### **POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE**

**1.** Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar raised a point of public importance regarding abduction of a girl in Sargodha and non-responsive attitude of the Punjab Police.

The Chairman referred the matter to the Standing Committee on Interior with the direction to call a meeting of the Standing Committee and take up the matter at an early date.

**2.** Senator Sherry Rehman raised a point of public importance regarding worst Economic condition of the country.

The Chairman directed to communicate the matter to the Ministry for Ministerial response.

**3.** Senator Hasil Khan Bizenjo raised a point of public importance regarding raid of some people along-with Police personnel into the Karachi Press Club.

The Chairman directed that the Minister for Interior may apprise the House, after seeking report from the Sindh Government.

- **4.** Senator Muhammad Akram raised point of public importance regarding miscellaneous issues.
- **5.** Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi raised a point of public importance regarding illegal trawler fishing in the coastal area of Balochistan and Sindh. The Honorable Senator also raised the issue of fate of the students of Balochistan studying in Army College, Burn Hall, under the Prime Minister's Scholarship Plan 2014 and 2015.

The Chairman directed to communicate the issue of fate of the students of Balochistan studying in Army College, Burn Hall, under the Prime Minister's Scholarship Plan 2014 and 2015 to the Ministry for Ministerial response.

**6.** Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel raised a point of public importance regarding improper construction of NHA road from Loralai to Tonsa Sharif via Musakhel by NLC.

The Chairman referred the matter to the Standing Committee concerned for consideration and report.

**7.** Senator Atta Ur Rehman raised a point of public importance regarding the alleged arrangements made for shifting of Asia Bibi to Holland and non-enlistment of her name in the ECL.

Senator Syed Shibli Faraz, Leader of the House, responded the issue.

**8.** Senator Abdul Rehman Malik raised the point of public importance regarding price hike, huge money of businessmen stuck in foreign businesses and violation of LoC by Indian forces.

### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRESENCE**

The Chairman acknowledged the presence of former Senator Ilyas Ahmed Bilour, in the Gallery to witness the proceedings of the House.

At 12:40 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Monday, the 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2018, at 2:30 p.m.

<u>Islamabad,</u> <u>The 9<sup>th</sup> November, 2018.</u>