# SENATE OF PAKISTAN DAILY JOURNAL (295<sup>th</sup> SESSION)

Date and Day	13 <sup>th</sup> January, 2020 (Monday)
Commenced at	03:00 p.m.
Adjourned at	05:36 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	62
Total Working Hours	2 hours and 36 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

# **LEAVE APPLICATIONS**

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

#### **REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE - PRESENTATION OF:**

Senator Sameena Saeed on behalf of Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood, Chairman, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, presented report of the Standing Committee on the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power (Amendment) Bill, 2019, introduced by Senator Syed Shibli Faraz on 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2019.

The Report stood laid.

# **DEFERMENT OF PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS**

#### Following Bills to be introduced were deferred:-

- The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2019] (Amendment of Article 213) to be introduced by Senator Sirajul Haq.
- The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2019] (Amendment of Article 45) to be introduced by Senator Sirajul Haq.
- 3. The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2019 (Amendment of Article 198)], as reported by the Standing Committee, introduced by Senator Javed Abbasi and was to be considered by the House.

#### PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEES

1. The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2019] (Amendment of Articles 213 and 215) introduced by Senator Lt. Gen. (R) Abdul Qayyum.

# Following Private Members' Bills were passed

- 1. The Post Office Bill, 2019, as reported by the Standing Committee, introduced by Senator Khushbakht Shujaat.
- 2. The Islamabad Community Integration Bill, 2019], as reported by the Standing Committee, introduced by Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad.

# MOTION [Under Rule 126(7)]

Senator Sirajul Haq, to move that the Bill to prohibit the business and practices of private money-lending and advancing loans and transactions based on interest [The Islamabad Capital Territory Prohibition of Interest on Private Loans Bill, 2019], as passed by the Senate and transmitted to the National Assembly but not passed by the National Assembly within ninety days of its laying in the National Assembly, be considered in a joint sitting.

The Motion was deferred.

#### **DEFERRED MOTIONS**

[Under Rule 218]

Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi to move that this House may discuss the economic slowdown and increase in the rate of inflation which is adversely affecting the poor citizens of the country.

#### The Motion was again deferred due to absence of the Member.

Senator Mushtaq Ahmed to move that this House may discuss the record increase of 8.9% in the fiscal deficit during one year tenure of the present Government.

The Motion was again deferred due to absence of the Minister concerned.

# MOTIONS [Under Rule 218]

Senator Sassui Palijo to move that this House may discuss the issue of construction of Sindh Barrage on River Indus.

The Motion was deferred due to absence of the Minister concerned. The Chairman directed that the Minister shall come in the next Private Members Day to wind up the motion.

Senator Syed Muhammad Sabir Shah to move that the House may discuss the overall performance of the Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences (PIMS), Islamabad.

#### The Motion was not taken up due to absence of the Member.

Senator Aurangzeb Khan to move that this House may discuss the rapid extinction of Ormuri - the native language of the Burki people and the need to preserve and revive this endangered indigenous language.

#### The Motion was not taken up due to absence of the Member.

Senator Sirajul Haq to move that this House may discuss the performance of Pakistan Railways during the last one year.

#### The Motion was deferred due to absence of the Member.

Senator Kalsoom Perveen moved that this House may discuss the situation arising out of decline in the sale of cars and other vehicles in the country.

The following Members also spoke on the issue:

- i. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeg shaikh
- ii. Senator Muhammad Nauman Wazir Khattak
- iii. Senator Mohsin Aziz
- iv. Senator Zeeshan Khanzada
- v. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik
- vi. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi
- vii. Senator Muhammad Ayub
- viii. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, Minister for Parliamentary

  Affairs

#### The Motion was referred to Standing Committee concerned.

#### **DEFERRED RESOLUTION**

Senator Sirajul Hag to move the following resolution:-

"This House recommends that the recent 10% increase in Toll Tax on Motorways should be withdrawn."

The Resolution was deferred due to absence of the Member.

## **CONDOLENCE RESOLUTION**

Senator Raja Zafar-ul-Haq, Leader of the Opposition on his behalf and on behalf of the Leader of the House moved condolence Resolution on the Sad demise of former Chief Election Commissioner Mr. Justice (Retd.) Fakhuddin G. Ebrahim. January.

The Resolution was unanimously adopted by the House.

# **RESOLUTIONS**

Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar to move the following resolution:-

"This House recommends that scholarships for admission in Medical and Dental colleges granted to the students of Balochistan and FATA by HEC under the scheme for "Provision of Higher Education Opportunities for the Students of Balochistan and FATA" in 2019 be maintained and extended till 2022."

The Resolution was deferred due to absence of the Member.

Senator Seemee Ezdi moved the following resolution:-

"This House recommends that the Government should take necessary steps in coordination with the Provincial Governments for the training and development of human resources in order to maximize the returns from the opportunities arising out of the implementation of CPEC projects in the country."

The Resolution was not opposed and unanimously passed by the House.

Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed to move the following resolution:-

"Realizing the grave consequences of the alarming rate of population growth revealed in the population census, 2017 in the country and its adverse impacts on people and society;

Recognizing the fact that parents not only have the right to freely decide the number and spacing of their children but also the responsibility of maintaining a balance between their family size and resources;

The House urges upon the Government to take all necessary steps in coordination with the Provincial Governments to bring down the rate of population growth to a sustainable level through intensive information campaigns and expansion of family planning services in the country."

#### The Resolution was deferred due to absence of the Member.

Senator Mushtaq Ahmed moved the following resolution:-

"This House shows deep concern on the 10% reduction in the budget of Higher Education Commission during the current fiscal year as against the last fiscal year which coupled with 20% inflation and depreciation of Pakistani Currency increases to critical level.

The House deplores that as against the demand of Rs. 103 billion, later revised to Rs. 84 billion, made by the Universities Grants Commission for the current fiscal year the Government only allocated Rs. 59 billion which has resulted in financial crisis in the Universities.

The House recognizes that higher education is the right of every citizen and the provision of the same is the fundamental and constitutional responsibility of the State and the Government.

The House, therefore, demands that the Government should take immediate steps to provide Rs. 21 billion more to the HEC in order to enable the Universities to overcome their financial crisis."

The Resolution was not opposed and passed by the House.

Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh moved the following resolution:-

"This House recommends that the Government should take necessary steps to establish a State of Art Trauma Center in all hospitals under the administrative control of the Federal Government

The Resolution was not opposed and unanimously passed by the House.

# **Prayer Offered**

The House offered Fateha for the victims of terrorist attack on a mosque in Quetta and for the departed soul of Sultan Qaboos of Oman.

# POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

- Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi raised a point regarding heavy Snow fall in Balochistan and blocking of all access roads and air traffic. Miserable condition of people due to severe weather NDMA is not playing any role for relief. He also spoke about CPEC scholarship for students in which Balochistan is totally ignored.
- Senator Dr. Shehzad Wasim raised a point regarding the rights of Special People.

#### The Matter was referred to the Standing Committee concerned.

Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini raised a point regarding waste of PIAs Tickets.

Leader of the House also spoke on the issue.

The Chairman directed that the Secretariat may have a meeting with the Member to address the issue.

- Senator Kalsoom Perveen raised a point regarding heavy Snow fall in Balochistan and blocking of all access roads and air traffic.
- Senator Muhammad Tahir Khan Bizinjo raised a point regarding Law and Order situation in Balochistan which is deteriorating and lack of attention by Govt.
- Senator Sassui Palijo condemned terror incident in Balochistan loss of lives due to house collapse in zhob she also spoke on Gas load shedding in Sindh/Balochistan.

Senator Sardar Muhammad Shafique Tareen asked the Chair to direct NDMA to start relief activates in Baluchistan and spoke about various Officers of National Health Services who were working on Acting Charge.

#### The Matter was referred to the Standing Committee concerned.

- Senator Muhammad Akram raised a point regarding Law and Order situation in Balochistan.
- Senator Att Ur Rehman raised a point regarding bleak future of 400 PTDC Employees. He also spoke about non availability of lady doctor in THQ Chitral.

The Matter regarding PTDC employees was referred to the Standing Committee concerned.

The Chairman directed that the matter of non-posting of lady doctor in Daroosh THQ may be referred to the Chief Secretary KPK for necessary action.

Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan raised a point regarding bleak future of the Employees of ERRA.

### The Matter was referred to the Standing Committee concerned.

- Senator Sana Jamali spoke about Gas load shedding in Balochistan even in big cities. She also spoke about Baloch Youth is not being benefited from CPEC and other youth initiatives of Government.
- Senator Mirza Muhammad Afridi and Muhammad Ayub pointed out gas and electricity load shedding in earstwhile FATA and destruction of camp schools due to heavy rains.

#### The Chairman directed to refer the matter to the Chief Secretary KPK.

- Senator Keshoo Bai spoke about locust attack in Sindh and destruction of crops.
- Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi spoke about deteriorating condition of Islamabad Club and mushroom growth of private clinics and hospitals in Islamabad. The matter of mushroom growth of clinics in Islamabad was referred to the Committee.
- Senator Fida Muhammad spoke about the issues being faced by the Umrah Zaireen at Islamabad Airport.

The Matter was referred to the Standing Committee concerned.

- Senator Dr. Ghaus Muammad Niazi spoke about non-laying of Pakistan Medical Commission Ordinance in the Senate which is violation of the Constitution and the Ruling of the Chairman.
- Senator Mushtaq Ahmed spoke about custodial death of a poor villager at the hands of FC on the allegation of his involvement in terrorism.
- At 5:36 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Tuesday, the 14<sup>th</sup> January, 2020, at 03:00 p.m.

<u>Islamabad,</u> <u>the 13<sup>th</sup> of January, 2020.</u>