# SENATE OF PAKISTAN DAILY JOURNAL (293<sup>rd</sup> SESSION)

Date and Day	29 <sup>th</sup> August, 2019 (Thursday)
Commenced at	05:00 p.m.
Adjourned at	07:45p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	80
Total Working Hours	2 hours and 45 Minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

# **PANEL OF PRESIDING OFFICERS**

- Senator Rubina Khalid
- Senator Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi
- Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem

# MOTION [Under rule 263]

Senator Syed Shibli Faraz, Leader of the House, moved under rule 263 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the requirement of rule 41 of the said Rules regarding Question Hour be dispensed for the sittings of the Senate on 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2019.

#### The Motion was carried.

#### **LEAVE APPLICATIONS**

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

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

Senator Sherry Rehman, Convener, Special Committee on China-Pak Economic Corridor (CPEC), presented 1<sup>st</sup> Interim Report of the Special Committee of the Senate on China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC).

#### The Report stood laid.

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

Senator Seemee Ezdi on behalf of Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah, Chairman, Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research, presented report of the Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi on 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2019, regarding regularization of sixty four (64) posts of three (3) projects in Balochistan.

#### The Report stood laid.

Senator Mushtaq Ahmed on behalf of Senator Faisal Javed, Chairman, Standing Committee on Information and Broadcasting, presented report of the Standing Committee on a matter regarding secureness of employees of National Language Promotion Department.

# The Report stood laid.

Senator Mirza Muhammad Afridi on behalf of Senator Khushbakht Shujat, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Postal Services, presented report of the Standing Committee on the Post Office Bill, 2019, introduced by Senator Khushbakht Shujat on 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2019.

## The Report stood laid.

Senator Farooq Hamid Naek, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs, presented report of the Standing Committee on the Anti-Money Laundering (Amendment) Bill, 2019, introduced by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh on 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2019.

#### The Report stood laid.

Senator Farooq Hamid Naek, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs, presented report of the Standing Committee on the Negotiable Instruments (Amendment) Bill, 2019, introduced by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh on 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2019.

#### The Report stood laid.

Senator Muhammad Asad Ali Khan Junejo, Chairman, Standing Committee on Railways, to present report of the Standing Committee on the subject matter of a starred question No. 73, asked by Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2019, regarding non-availability of water, light, window glass and insufficient bogies in the trains operating between Quetta and Chaman.

#### The Report stood laid.

Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh, Chairman, Standing Committee on National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination, was to present report of the Standing Committee on the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Bill, 2019.

The members of the Standing Committee on National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination belonging to the Opposition parties expressed their reservations regarding the report. Moreover, Senator Muhammad Raja Zafar-ul-Haq, Leader of Opposition, expressed his reservation against the laying of the Report thereafter Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs withdraw the report in light of public welfare.

Senator Lt. General Abdul Qayyum Hi (M) Retd., Chairman, Standing Committee on Defence Production, to present report of the Standing Committee on the Heavy Industries Taxila Board (Amendment) Bill, 2019.

#### The Report stood laid.

Moreover, the Chairman Committee briefly spoke on the importance of the Bill.

#### **LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

Senator Muhammad Azam Swati, Minister of Parliamentary Affairs on behalf of Ms. Zubaida Jalal, Minister for Defence Production, moved that the Bill further to amend the Heavy Industries Taxila Board Act, 1997 [The Heavy Industries Taxila Board (Amendment) Bill, 2019], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion was put to the House which was adopted. Thereafter, the House started second reading of the Bill i.e. clause by clause consideration.

Senator Muhammad Azam Swati, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs on behalf of Ms. Zubaida Jalal, Minister for Defence Production, moved that the Bill further to amend the Heavy Industries Taxila Board Act, 1997 [The Heavy Industries Taxila Board (Amendment) Bill, 2019] be passed.

The Motion was put to the House and the Bill was passed.

# BILL TO BE WITHDRAWN [Under Rule 115]

Senator Muhammad Azam Swati, Minister-in charge sought leave to withdraw the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (PMDC) Bill, 2019.

#### The motion was granted and the leave was granted.

Senator Muhammad Azam Swati, Minister-incharge withdrew the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (PMDC) Bill, 2019.

#### The Bill stood withdrawn.

Mr. Muhammad Shabbir Ali, Minister of State for Housing and Works on behalf of Chaudhary Tariq Bashir Cheema, Minister for Housing and Works sought leave to withdraw the Bill to provide for establishment of Federal Government Employees Housing Authority [The Federal Government Employees Housing Authority Bill, 2019], introduced on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 2019.

#### The Leave to withdraw the bill is granted.

Mr. Muhammad Shabbir Ali, Minister of State for Housing and Works on behalf of Chaudhary Tariq Bashir Cheema, Minister for Housing and Works withdrew the Bill to provide for establishment of Federal Government Employees Housing Authority [The Federal Government Employees Housing Authority Bill, 2019].

#### The Bill stood withdrawn.

# RESOLUTION

[Under rule 145 (2)]

Senator Sherry Rehman, moved the following resolution:-

"This House disapproves the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Ordinance, 2019 (Ordinance No. II of 2019).".

Senator Syed Shibli Faraz, Leader of the House opposed the voting on the Resolution as the PMDC Bill had already been withdrawn by the Government.

Chairman Senate put the motion for voting before the House and the Ordinance stood disapproved.

The following Senators expressed their opinion on the bill:

- 1. Senator Sherry Rehman
- 2. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi
- 3. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeg Shaikh
- 4. Senator Dr. Ashok Kumar

The Honourable Chairman Senate said that after consultation with Senators Syed Shibli Faraz, Leader of the House and Raja Muhammad Zafar-ul-Haq, Leader of the Opposition if a need is felt then the matter may be referred to the Ethics Committee of Senate.

# RESOLUTION

Senator Syed Shibli Faraz on his behalf and on behalf of Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-ul-Haq, Leader of the Opposition moved a resolution on the establishment of International Parliamentarians' Congress.

The Resolution was passed unanimously

# **DISCUSSION**

Discussion on the current situation in the Indian Occupied Kashmir:

The following members expressed their thoughts on the issue:

- 1. Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-ul-Haq, Leader of the Opposition
- 2. Senator Sherry Rehman
- 3. Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif
- 4. Senator Sirajul Haq

[At 06:50 p.m. The Chairman Senate adjourned the proceedings of the Senate for 10 minutes on account of Maghreb prayers wherein the House reassembled at 7:03 p.m.]

5. Senator Sitara Ayaz

6. Shah Mehmood Qureshi, Minister for Foreign Affairs

## **ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SECRETARY SENATE**

The Secretary Senate informed the members of the Senate regarding the arrangements/participation on the Kashmir Solidarity Day Campaign.

At 07:45 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Friday, the 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.

<u>Islamabad,</u> the 29<sup>th</sup> of August, 2019.