SENATE OF PAKISTAN DAILY JOURNAL

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Requisitioned session

Date and Day	11 th May, 2017 (Thursday)
Commenced at	03:30 p.m.
Adjourned at	07:10 p.m.
Presided by	Mian Raza Rabbani
	Chairman Senate of Pakistan
Attendance	72
Total working hours	3 hour and 40 minutes

PANEL OF PRESIDING OFFICERS

Order of precedence	Name of the Members
1.	Senator Syed Muzaffar Hussain Shah
2.	Senator Mohsin Khan Leghari
3.	Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

• The leave applications were read by the Chairman.

REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES - PRESENTATION OF:

- Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan on behalf of Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, presented report of the Committee on the Bill to reform and re-enact the law relating to companies and for matters connected therewith [The Companies Bill, 2017].
- 2. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, presented report of the Committee on the Bill to provide for alternate dispute resolution [The Alternate Dispute Resolution Bill, 2017].

MOTION

[Under Rule 194(1)]

Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan on behalf of Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, 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 Committee on the Bill to provide for rehabilitation and re-organization of distressed corporate entities [The Corporate Rehabilitation Bill, 2017] introduced on 19th January, 2017, may be extended for a further period of sixty working days with effect from 12th May, 2017.

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

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PRESENCE

The Chair recognized the presence of a group of 55 students along with 4 faculty members from National Defence University, Islamabad.

MOTION

[Under Rule 218]

Senators Aitzaz Ahsan, Leader Of The Opposition on his behalf and on behalf of Senators Saleem Mandviwala, Islamuddin Shaikh, Khanzada Khan, Gianchand, Karim Ahmed Khawaja, Rozi Khan Kakar, Hari Ram, Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi, Ahmed Hassan, Sehar Kamran, Rubina Khalid, Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz, Saeed Ghani, Mir Muhammad Yousaf Badini, Sardar Fateh Muhammad Muhammad Hassani, Sherry Rehman, Sassui Palijo, Khalida Parveen, Taj Haider, Nauman Wazir Khattak, Mushahid Hussain Syed, Baz Muhammad Khan, Mrs. Naseema Ehsan, Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail, Liaqat Khan Tarakai, Muhammad Daud Khan Achakzai, Advocate, Brig. (R) John Kenneth Williams, Syed Shibli Faraz and Shahi Syed moved that the House may discuss the following issues under rule 218:-

- (i) The tragic incident of lynching of Mishal Khan and the rise in such incidents in the country;
- (ii) The alleged tendency of advancing transnational business interests by the Chief Executive of the Country;
- (iii) The ongoing investigation into Panama case and Government's alleged attempts to influence and manipulate the constitution of the JIT on that issue;

- (iv) The issue of DAWN leaks, the removal of Federal Minister for Information Senator Pervaiz Rasheed as well as the matter of non-publication of the Report of the inquiry Committee on that issue;
- (v) The alleged bugging of the official meetings held in the Prime Minister's House by its media cell;
- (vi) The alleged unconstitutional interference of Governor Sindh in political matters;
- (vii) The alleged misstatement by the Minister of State for Water and Power in the Senate regarding the supply of irrigation water to the Provinces;
- (viii) The physical blocking of leaders of a political party from holding of Press Conference in the Press Information Department (PID);
- (ix) The dropping of discussion on implementation of Article 158 of the Constitution from the delayed meeting of CCI of 2nd May, 2017; and
- (x) The failure/delay in tracing the whereabouts of Mr. Ghulam Qadir Marri and others who are close to former President of Pakistan.

With the sense of the House the Chairman clubbed the identical issues for discussion.

Thereafter, the House started discussion on the following issues:-

1. The tragic incident of lynching of Mishal Khan and the rise in such incidents in the country.

The following members spoke in this regard:

- 1) Senator Farhat Ullah Babar
- 2) Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati
- 3) Senator Sherry Rehman
- 4) Senator Rubina Khalid
- 5) Senator Maullana Atta ur Rehman
- 6) Mr. Mir Hasil Khan Bizenjo, Minister for Ports and Shipping
- 7) Senator Nehal Hashmi
- 8) Senator Mir Kabir Ahmed Muhammad Shahi
- 9) Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar
- 10) Senator Shahi Syed
- 11) Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan
- 12) Senator Maullan Hafiz Hamdullah
- 13) Senator Taj Haider
- 14) Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel
- 15) Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak
- 16) Senator Aurangzeb Khan

- 17) Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif
- 18) Senator Saleem Zia
- 19) Senator Aitzaz Ahsen, Leader of the Opposition

Sheikh Aftab Ahmed, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, made the statement and the issue was disposed of.

2. The physical blocking of leaders of a political party from holding of Press Conference in the Press Information Department (PID).

The following members spoke in this regard:

- 1) Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati
- 2) Senator Shibli Faraz
- 3) Senator Taj Haider
- 4) Senator Brig. (R) John Kenneth Williams
- 5) Senator Aitzaz Ahsan, Leader of the Opposition
- 6) Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan

Ms. Maryam Aurangzeb, Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting, made the statement and the issue was disposed of.

3. The issue of DAWN leaks, the removal of Federal Minister for Information Senator Pervaiz Rasheed as well as the matter of non-publication of the Report of the inquiry Committee on that issue and the alleged bugging of the official meetings held in the Prime Minister's House by its media cell.

The following members spoke in this regard:

- 1) Senator Farhatullah Babar
- 2) Senator Ghaus Muhammad Khan Niazi
- 3) Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati
- 4) Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar
- 5) Senator Nehal Hashmi
- 6) Senator Brig. (R) John Kenneth Williams
- 7) Senator Kamil Ali Agha
- 8) Senator Muallana Hafiz Hamdullah
- 9) Senator Ahmed Hassan
- 10) Senator Saleem Zia

Further discussion was deferred.

DIRECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman Senate directed that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs may prepare brief on the following points for its presentation before the House by a Minister on Monday the 15th May, 2017:-

- (i) Recent hostile statements by Iran.
- (ii) Recent tension on Pak-Afghan Border at Chamman.
- (iii) Statement made by the Chinese Ambassador in India regarding the changing of name of CPEC.
- (iv) Reported approaching of International Court of Justice by the Indian Government against the sentence awarded to Kalbooshan Yadev and media reports in this regard.
- (v) Upcoming visit of the Prime Minister to attend the Arab Summit wherein his meeting with the President of America is also expected.

POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

Senator Baz Muhammad khan pointed out the lodging of FIR against Senator Daud Khan Achakzai, Advocate and his cousin Zamurd Khan Achakzai Member Provincial Assembly.

The Chairman took notice of the matter as it pertains to the honorable Senator Daud Khan Achakzai and directed the secretariat to take all details from the Secretary Home and IGP Balochistan and present it to the Chair by night.

The Chairman adjourned the Session to meet again on Friday the 12th May, 2017 at 10:00 a.m.

Islamabad, the

11thMay, 2017