# SENATE OF PAKISTAN DAILY JOURNAL

(260<sup>th</sup> Session)

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Date and Day	13 <sup>th</sup> March, 2017 (Monday)
Commenced at	03:00 p.m.
Adjourned at	06:10 p.m.
Presided by	Mian Raza Rabbani
	Chairman Senate of Pakistan
Attendance	52
Total working hours	3 hours and 10 minutes

- The proceedings commenced with the Recitation from the Holy Quran.
- Leave applications were read by the Chairman.

# PRIVATE MEMBERS BILLS INTRODUCED

1) Senator Sehar Kamran moved for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the establishment of the Islamabad National Hospital [The Islamabad National Hospital Bill, 2017].

The bill was withdrawn by the Member.

2) Senator Saleem Mandviwala moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of Article 70).

The Member explained the salient features of the Bill.

Leave to introduce the Bill was granted.

The Bill as introduced was referred to the Standing Committee concerned.

3) Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Citizenship Act, 1951 [The Pakistan Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2017].

The Member explained the salient features of the Bill.

Leave to introduce the Bill was granted.

The Bill as introduced was referred to the Standing Committee concerned.

4) Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) Ordinance, 2001 [The Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of section 2).

The Member explained the salient features of the Bill.

Leave to introduce the Bill was granted.

# The Bill as introduced was referred to the Standing Committee concerned.

5) Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Anti-Money Laundering Act, 2010 [The Anti-Money Laundering (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of section 4).

The Member explained the salient features of the Bill.

Leave to introduce the Bill was granted.

The Bill as introduced was referred to the Standing Committee concerned.

6) Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of sections 154 and 156 and Insertion of new section 154A).

The Member explained the salient features of the Bill.

Leave to introduce the Bill was granted.

The Bill as introduced was referred to the Standing Committee concerned.

7) Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Right to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2012 [The Right to Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Bill, 2017].

The Member explained the salient features of the Bill.

Leave to introduce the Bill was granted.

The Bill as introduced was referred to the Standing Committee concerned.

8) Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh moved for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for an international treaty to be duly considered by the Parliament before the final ratification thereof [The Ratification of International Treaties Bill, 2017].

The Member explained the salient features of the Bill.

The Bill was deferred with the direction that the Secretariat may examine the Bill in light of another similar Bill pending in the National Assembly.

#### **LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

#### [Under Rule 100]

1) Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel, moved that the Bill to amend the Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto Medical University Islamabad Act, 2013 [The Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto Medical University Islamabad (Amendment) Bill, 2016], as introduced in the Senate, be taken into consideration, at once.

The Motion was opposed by the Minister for CADD.

Following Members spoke on the Motion:

1. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel

Minister for CADD also spoke on the Bill.

The Motion was put to the House which was rejected.

#### RESOLUTIONS

The following Resolution was moved in the House:-

1) Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel, moved the following resolution:-

"This House recommends that the monetization of vehicles policy for Government officers in BPS-20 and above may be extended to the officers in BPS-17 to 19.".

The Resolution was not opposed by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs.

The resolution was put to the house and was rejected unanimously.

2) Senators Sehar Kamran And Saleem Mandviwalla, moved the following resolution:-

"This House recommends that the Waseela-e-Haq and Waseela-e-Rozgar schemes launched under the Benazir Income Support Programme during the previous regime which have been discontinued by the present Government may be revived forthwith.".

The Resolution was opposed by the Minister for Law.

The Resolution was put to the House which was carried from 19 votes to 11.

The resolution was thus passed.

## **DEFERRED RESOLUTIONS**

The following Resolutions were deferred on the request of Members:-

- 1) Senator Sassui Palijo to move the following resolution:-
  - "This House recommends that the National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA) should take immediate steps to detect and cancel all Computerized National Identity Cards (CNICs) issued to illegal immigrants in the country."
- 2) Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh to move the following resolution: "This House recommends that the Government should take stern action against the illegal overseas employment promoters, their agents and subagents in the country.".

#### **DROPING OF RESOLUTION**

The following resolution in the name of Senator Muhammad Daud Khan Achakzai, Advocate was dropped due to absence:-

"This House recommends that the Senators who do not hold any office should be provided dedicated offices and necessary staff in order to enable them to perform their Parliamentary duties smoothly and efficiently and amendments be made in the Members of Parliament (Salaries and Allowances Act) 1974, if required."

#### **MOTIONS**

#### [Under Rule 218]

1) Senator Kalsoom Perveen moved that the House may discuss the situation arising out of the forced acquisition of land by the ICT administration in mozas Tamma and Mohriyan of Islamabad, for the housing society of the lawyers launched by the Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation.

Following Members spoke on the Motion:-

1) Senator Kalsoom perveen

Dr. Tariq Fazal Chaudhary, Minister of State for CADD wound up the debate.

The Motion was thus talked out.

2) Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati moved that this House may discuss the present status of Telephone Industry of Pakistan (TIP) established in Haripur. Following Members spoke on the Motion:-

> Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati
> Anusha Rehman, Minister of State for Information Technology and Telecommunication wound up the debate.

#### The Motion was thus talked out.

1) Senator Sitara Ayaz on her behalf and on behalf of Senators Shahi Syed, Ilyas Ahmad Bilour And Baz Muhammad Khan moved that this House may discuss the need for enforcing Islamic Banking System in the country.

Following members spoke on the Motion:

- 1) Senator Sitara Ayaz
- 2) Senator Lt. General (R) Abdul Qayyum
- 3) Senator Maulana Tanveer-ul-Haq Thanvi
- 4) Senator Taj Haider

- 5) Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif
- 6) Senator Muhammad Raja Zafar ul Haq (Leader of the House)

Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice on behalf of Minister for Finance wound up the debate.

The motion was thus talked out.

#### **DEFERRED MOTION 218**

Senators Farhatullah Babar and Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar moved that this House may discuss the recent mysterious disappearance and re-appearance of some bloggers in Islamabad and other parts of the country.

Following members spoke on the Motion:

- 1) Senator Farhatullah Babar
- 2) Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar
- 3) Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi
- 4) Senator Nehal Hashmi

Muhammad Baligh ur Rehman, Minister of state for Interior and Narcotics Control wound up the debate.

The Motion was thus talked out.

#### **DROPPED MOTION 218**

The following motion in the name of Senator Rahila Magsi, was dropped due to absence:

"This House may discuss the situation arising out of the excessive utilization of ground water by mining industry."

#### **DEFRRMENT OF MOTION 218**

The following motion in the name of Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh, was deferred on his request:

"This House may discuss the issues being faced by Pakistan Railways' "running staff," such as guards, drivers and STE's."

#### **AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE RULES (Under Rule 278)**

Following matter of amendments to the senate rules in name of senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan was referred to the House Business Committee:

"To seek leave under sub-rule (4) of rule 278 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, to move that in sub-rule (2) of rule 191 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012,-

- (i) the words "on demand" shall be omitted; and
- (ii) for the full stop occurring at the end a colon ":" shall be substituted and thereafter the following proviso shall be added, namely:-

"Provided that in sensitive matters the minutes shall be provided to the Members on demand, with the permission of the Chairman Senate."

## **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRESENCE**

The Chairman recognized the presence of Ms. Hadiya Khalaf Abbas Honorable Speaker of the Syrian's Peoples Assembly and their delegation.

#### MINISTERIAL RESPONSE ON THE POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

Mr. Abid Sher Ali, Minister for Water and Power made a detailed statement on the following point of public importance raised by Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel on 7th March, 2017:-

"Regarding the non-filling of 3500 various posts lying vacant in QESCO, Balochistan, by the Government."

#### **POLICY STATEMENT**

Ms. Anusha Rehman, Minister of State for Information Technology made a policy statement regarding the achievement of GSMA leadership award by the Ministry of Information Technology on behalf of government of Pakistan.

#### DISCUSSION ON THE ADMITTED ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Discussion on the following admitted adjournment motion moved by Senator Sherry Rehman, on 10th March, 2017:

"The recent increase in the prices of petroleum products by the Government which would result into increase in inflation rate."

The following members spoke on the adjournment motion:

- 1) Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati
- 2) Senator Lt. General (R) Abdul Qayyum

Shahid khaqan abbasi, Minister of Petroleum and Natural Resources wound up the debate and the motion was thus talked out.

# PRIVELEGE MOTION

Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar raised a question of breach of his privilege arising out of inadequate behavior of security forces at a check post at Khwaza kheila wherein he was not allowed to enter that area.

The Chairman ruled that, prima facie, it does not fulfill the conditions of a Privilege Motion, however, stated that the matter can be settled in the Chamber.

# **POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE**

1) Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati pointed out the employment of convicted people in Pakistan Ordinance Factory, Wah.

The Chairman directed that the verbatim should be sent to the concerned minister for response on Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2017.

2) Senator Taj Haider pointed out that the IM2 form of the census must not be kept confidential.

The Chairman directed the Member to move a Calling Attention Notice for ministerial response.

- 3) Senator Kalsoom Perveen pointed out the blockage of CNICs of around 3.5 lac people of Balochistan. She further added that the census data should be accessible through SMS service.
  - The House was adjourned to meet again on Wednesday the 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2017 at 03:00 p.m.

Islamabad, the

13<sup>th</sup> March, 2017