SENATE OF PAKISTAN DAILY JOURNAL

(255th session)

Date and Day	18 th November, 2016 (Friday)		
Commenced at	11:04 a.m.		
Adjourned at	01:13 pm		
Presided by	Mian Raza Rabbani		
	Chairman Senate of Pakistan		
Attendance	54		
Total working hours	2 hrs 9 mins.		

PANEL OF PRESIDING OFFICERS

Order of precedence	Name of the Members	
1.	Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini	
2.	Senator Ahmed Hassan	
3.	Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif	

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

• The leave applications were read by the Chairman.

OFFERING OF FATEHA

 The House offered Fateha for the departed souls of 8 martyrs of Pakistan Army at the LoC, the persons who lost their lives in terrorist attack at Shah Norani shrine, former Senator Dr. Muhammad Jahangir Bader and former Senator Haji Mohammad Adeel.

CONDOLENCE RESOLUTIONS

The House passed the following Condolence resolutions:-

 Senator Taj Haider moved condolence resolution on the sad demise of former Senator Dr. Muhammad Jahangir Bader.

Following Members paid tribute to the former Senator Dr. Muhammad Jahangir Bader:-

- 1) Senator Ilyas Ahmed Bilour.
- 2) Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati.
- 3) Senator Tai Haider.
- 4) Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini.
- 5) Senator Saleem Mandviwala.
- 6) Senator Abdul Ghafoor Haideri.
- 7) Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan.
- 8) Senator Lt. Gen. (R) Abdul Qayyum.
- 9) Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan.
- 10) Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar.
- 11) Senator Maualana Hafiz Hamdullah.
- 12) Senator Farhatullah Babar.
- 13) Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi.
- 14) Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar.
- 15) Senator Nehal Hashmi.
- 16) Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel.
- 17) Senator Syed Shibli Faraz.
- 18) Senator Shahi Syed.
- 19) Senator Saleem Zia.
- 20) Senator Gianchand.
- 21) Senator Sehar Kamran.
- 22) Senator Najma Hameed.
- 23) Senator Pervez Rashid.
- 24) Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood.
- 25) Senator Mir Hasil Bizenjo.
- 26) Senator Muhammad Saleh Shah.
- 27) Senator Khanzada Khan.
- 28) Senator Abdul Rehman Malik.
- 29) Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed.
- 30) Senator Aitzaz Ahsan.
- 31) Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar Ul Haq.
- Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar Ul Haq moved condolence resolution on the sad demise of former Senator Haji Mohammad Adeel.

Due to paucity of time, the Chairman deferred discussion on the resolution till Monday.

DIRECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman directed the Secretariat to transmit the video recordings of today's proceedings to the families of former deceased Senators Dr. Muhammad Jahangir Bader and Haji Mohammad Adeel along with the copies of the condolence resolutions and suggested that in future in case of any such unfortunate occasion, the family of the deceased Senator may also be invited to witness the proceedings.

CONSIDERATION OF ADMISSIBILITY OF ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Sr. No.	Subject matter of the adjournment motion	Name(s) of the Mover(s)	Concerned Ministry	Ruling of the Chairman
1.	The infliction of huge loss of Rs. 4.46 billion by Nandi Pur Power Plant in the month of June, 2016.	Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi	Water and Power	The Motion was deferred on written request of the Member.
2.	The privatization policy of the Government in the light of sub-section (2) of section 16 of the Privatization Commission Ordinance, 2000.	Senator Syed Shibli Faraz	Privatization Division	The Motion was withdrawn by the Member.
3.	The 36% increase in the gas prices by the Federal Government as reported in newspapers dated 10th October, 2016.	Senator Kamil Ali Agha	Petroleum and Natural Resources	The Motion was deferred to the next date.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES

• Senators Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar, Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel and Gul Bashra, to draw attention of the Minister for Water and Power, towards the non-construction of Chashma-Zhob transmission line despite its approval and inclusion in PSDP.

The Calling Attention Notice was deferred by the Chairman due to absence of the Minister concerned.

• Senators Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, Nuzhat Sadiq and Farhatullah Babar, draw attention of the Minister for Housing and Works, towards the irregularities in issuance of consent letters to the registered retired employees of Constitutional Bodies for allotment of plots in Sectors F-14 and F-15 under categories I, III and V against the reserved quota while ignoring the list of registered retired employees of said bodies falling in category II.

Calling Attention Notice was disposed of in terms of the statement made by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs

REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES, PRESENTATION OF

Sr. No.	Name of the Committee	Report presented by	Subject matter of the report	Direction of the Chairman
1.	Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization	Senator Saleem Mandviwala	Rehabilitation and Restructuring of Corporate Entities (The Corporate Rehabilitation Bill, 2015).	Report stands laid
2.	National Food Security and Research	Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati on behalf of Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah	To encourage the development of new plant varieties and to protect the rights of breeders of such varieties (The Plant Breeders' Rights Bill, 2016).	Report stands laid
3.	Joint Committee on Defence and Foreign Affairs	Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi on behalf of the Chairmen Committee	Third report of the Joint Committee on the Aftermath of the drone strike against Mullah Akhter Mansoor and its impact on Pakistan-US security relations".	Report stands laid

CONSTITUTIONAL ISSUE

The Chairman framed the following question of law:

"Whether in terms of Clause (3) of Article 56 of the Constitution, 1973, the annual presidential address to the Joint Sitting of Parliament shall be on the beginning of each year i.e. in the month of January or otherwise?"

The Chairman directed that the same be sent to Senators Aitzaz Ahsan, Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah, Farooq Hamid Naek, Muhammad Ali Khan Saif, Muhammad Javed Abbasi and Ministers for Parliamentary Affairs and Law and Justice to seek their assistance on the law point in the Senate sitting to be held on Thursday the 24th November, 2016.

OBSERVATION OF THE CHAIRMAN

With reference to taking of notice by the Supreme Court of the appointments and absorptions in NAB, the Chairman observed that it was the Senate of Pakistan which initially through various parliamentary tools highlighted this issue but the Government did not pay any heed and now they have to face the restraining order of the Supreme Court. The Chairman stated that the ideal situation would have been that the Government should have taken action when the Parliament pointed out the issue.

 The House was adjourned to meet again on Monday the 21st November, 2016 at 03:00 pm.

Islamabad, the

18th November, 2016