SENATE OF PAKISTAN DAILY JOURNAL (303RD SESSION)

Date and Day	18 th September, 2020 (Friday)
Commenced at	10:30 a.m.
Adjourned at	12:52 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	60
Total Working Hours	02 hours and 22 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

QUESTIONS

Questions entered in a separate list were asked and their replies were given.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

MOTION [Under Rule 194(1)]

1. Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq on behalf of Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, 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 Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (Amendment of Article 140) introduced by Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, on 13th July, 2020, may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 18th September, 2020.

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

2. Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq on behalf of Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, 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 Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (Amendment of Article 73) introduced by Senator Manzoor Ahmed and others, on 13th July, 2020, may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 18th September, 2020.

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

3. Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq on behalf of Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, 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 Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (Amendment of Article 100) introduced by Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi, on 20th July, 2020, may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 22nd September, 2020.

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

REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES - PRESENTATION OF:

- Senator Dr. Asad Ashraf on behalf of Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood, Chairman, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Commissions of Inquiry Act, 2017 [The Pakistan Commissions of Inquiry (Amendment) Bill, 2020], introduced by Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, on 13th July, 2020.
- Senator Dr. Asad Ashraf on behalf of Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood, Chairman, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, presented report of the Committee on a Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Dr. Sikandar Mandhro on 21st January, 2020, regarding "Representation of provinces in Regulatory Authorities".
- 3. Senator Sassui Palijo, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Parliamentary Affairs, presented report of the Committee on a Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Mushahidullah Khan on 13th January, 2020, regarding bleak future of the employees of ERRA.

MOTION [Under Rule 196(1)]

 Senator Hidayat Ullah on behalf of Senator Taj Muhammad Afridi, Chairman, Standing Committee on States and Frontier Regions, to move under sub-rule (1) of Rule 196 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the report of the Committee on its visit to Khyber Pakhtunkhwa from 11th to 12th March, 2020, presented to the House on 26th August, 2020, be considered and adopted.

The motion was put to the House and adopted.

CONDOLENCE RESOLUTION

Senator Mian Ateeq Sheikh moved condolence resolution for the sad demise of former Senator Aftab Ahmad Sheikh.

Resolution was put to the House and adopted.

POINT OF PUBLIC IMPRTANCE

- 1. Senator Rukhsana Zuberi spoke about harassment of women at workplace.
- 2. Senator Sherry Rehman spoke about sectarian killings.
- 3. Senator Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri spoke about sectarianism.
- 4. Senator Musadik Malik spoke about incident of motorway rape case.
- 5. Senator Pervaiz Rasheed spoke about increasing sense of insecurity among the media person.
- Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed spoke about airing of Indian Sports channel
 in Pakistan despite PEMRA's complete ban on producing and broadcasting
 Indian content.
- 7. Senator Faisal Javed spoke about proposed legislation for protection of Human Rights especially women and children.
- 8. Leader of the Opposition spoke about the need of strict legislation to deal with offences against women and children. He urged the Chair to form a Committee of the Whole to discuss the issue.
- 9. Leader of the House stated that the Government is fully cognizant of the issue and will bring legislation to address the issue.
- At 12:52 p.m. the Chairman read out the prorogation order signed by the President.

<u>Islamabad,</u> <u>the 18th of September, 2020.</u>