SENATE OF PAKISTAN DAILY JOURNAL (315th SESSION)

Date and Day	5 th November, 2021 (Friday)
Commenced at	10:35 a.m.
Adjourned at	11:55 a.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	48
Total Working Hours	01 hours and 55 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

PANEL OF PRESIDING OFFICERS FOR 315th SESSION

- 1. Senator Saeed Ahmed Hashmi
- 2. Senator Falak Naz
- 3. Senator Hidayatullah Khan

FATEHA

The House offers "Fateha" for the departed souls of:-

- Mohsin-e-Pakistan Dr. Abdul Qadeer Khan, renowned scientist who played key role in development of Pakistan's nuclear program;
- 2. Martyrs of police and armed forces who laid their lives in the line of duty in different parts of the country;
- 3. Doctors, paramedics and citizens who lost their lives to COVID.

QUESTION HOUR

Printed questions were asked and their oral replies were given by the ministers concerned.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

PRESENTATION OF REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

1. Senator Kamil Ali Agha, Chairman, Functional Committee on Government Assurances, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of starred question No. 01, asked by Senator Syed Muhammad Sabir Shah on 18th August, 2020, regarding installation

- of ATM machines in the National Bank and Muslim Commercial Bank Branches in Tehsil Darband, District Mansehra.
- 2. Senator Faisal Saleem Rehman on behalf of Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs presented report of the Committee on the Resolution moved by Senator Syed Faisal Ali Subzwari, on 13th July, 2021, recommending the Government to give special tax exemptions to the small traders and low salaried class of Karachi and Hyderabad.
- **3.** Senator Faisal Saleem Rehman on behalf of Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997 [The Anti-terrorism (Amendment) Bill, 2021], introduced by Senator Mushtag Ahmed on 12th July, 2021.
- **4.** Senator Faisal Saleem Rehman on behalf of Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Factories Act, 1934 [The Factories (Amendment) Bill, 2021], introduced by Senator Mohsin Aziz on 25th January, 2021.

[At this stage, Leader of the Opposition requested the Chair to defer the remaining business on the agenda and open the floor for discussion of recent price hike of basic commodities and the petroleum products which is a matter of great public concern.]

Chairman deferred the remaining business on the Orders of the Day.

Following Members spoke on the issue:

- 1. Senator Syed Yousuf Raza Gillani, Leader of the Opposition.
- 2. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed.
- **3.** Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Leader of the Opposition. [During the speech of the Leader of the House, the Opposition benches protested and requested the Chair that Leader of the House should wind up the debate after listening the points of the opposition.]

WALKOUT

The Opposition walked out the proceedings as protest against the speech of Leader of the House.

POINTATION OF QUORUM

Senator Sherry Rehman pointed out the quorum.

Count was made but the House was not in order so the bells were rung for five minutes and count was made again. The House was not in order, therefore, at 11:55 a.m., the Hon'ble Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Monday the 8th November, 2021 at 4:30 p.m.