SENATE OF PAKISTAN DAILY JOURNAL (333rd SESSION)

Date and Day	3 rd November 2023, (Friday)
Commenced at	11:00 a.m.
Adjourned at	12:00 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	39
Total Working Hours	1hour

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES - PRESENTATION OF: [Under Rule 195]

1. Senator Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen, Chairman, Standing Committee on Science and Technology, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority Act, 1996 [The Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur on 16th January, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

2. Senator Kamran Murtaza ,on behalf of Senator Taj Haider, Chairman, Standing Committee on Parliamentary Affairs, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of Starred Question No.48 asked by Senator Saifullah Sarwar Khan Nyazee on 27th July, 2023, regarding appointments made in the Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) since July, 2020, with province wise breakup along with suitable description of contract employees of ECP in the same period with province wise break-up and terms and conditions of contract and salary, perks and privileges granted to employees of ECP.

The Report stood laid.

3. Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed, on behalf of **Senator Rana Mahmood Ul Hassan,** Convener, Special Committee/Working Group to streamline holding of mango Festival in Urumqi, Xinjiang, China, presented report of the Committee on successful holding of mango festival in Urumqi, Xinjiang, China, Peoples Republic of China from 17th to 21st August, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

4. Senator Mohsin Aziz, on behalf of **Senator Saleem Mandviwalla,** Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance and Revenue, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the State Bank of Pakistan Act, 1956 [The State Bank of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Mushtaq Ahmed on 24th July, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

5. Senator Mohsin Aziz, on behalf of **Senator Saleem Mandviwalla,** Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance and Revenue, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of Starred Question No. 83 asked by Senator Saifullah Sarwar Khan Nyazee on 25th July, 2023, regarding status of Assets declared by Officers of Inland Revenue and Customs.

The Report stood laid.

6. Senator Mohsin Aziz, on behalf of **Senator Saleem Mandviwalla,** Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance and Revenue, presented report of the Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Hilal-ur-Rehman on 4th August, 2023, regarding non-payment of compensation to the affectees of Mohmand dam.

The Report stood laid.

7. Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri on 10th April, 2023. (Insertion of section 376B in PPC and subsequent amendment in Schedule-II of Cr.PC).

The Report stood laid.

8. Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Fawzia Arshad on 7th August, 2023. **(Omission of section 124A of PPC and subsequent amendment in Schedule II of Cr.PC).**

The Report stood laid.

9. Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Mushtaq Ahmed on 16th January, 2023. (Amendment of sections 375, 375A and 376 of PPC and subsequent amendments in Schedule-II of Cr.PC).

The Report stood laid.

10. Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senators Mushtaq Ahmed and Samina Mumtaz Zehri on 10th April, 2023. (Insertion of new sections 52B, 52C, 52D, 348A, 348B and 348C in PPC and subsequent amendments in Schedule-II of Cr.PC).

The Report stood laid.

11. Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Federal Investigation Agency Act, 1974 [The Federal Investigation Agency (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Dr. Zarga Suharwardy Taimur on 16th January, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

12. Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on a Bill to provide for compulsory harvesting of rainwater in every Government, residential, commercial and institutional building in urban areas to conserve water [The Rain Water Harvesting Facility in Urban Areas Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Palwasha Muhammad Zai Khan on 7th August, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

REPORTS TO LAID

1. Senator Sarfraz Ahmed Bugti, Minister for Interior, on behalf of Mr. Ahmad Irfan Aslam, Minister for Law and Justice, laid before the Senate the Annual Report for the year 2022 of the Election Commission of Pakistan, as required under sub-section (2) of section 16 of the Elections Act, 2017.

The Report stood laid.

2. Senator Sarfraz Ahmed Bugti, Minister for Interior, on behalf of Mr. Ahmad Irfan Aslam, Minister for Law and Justice, laid before the Senate the Federal Public Service Commission's Annual Report for the year 2021, as required under sub-section (1) of section 9 of the Federal Public Service Commission Ordinance, 1977 (Ordinance No.XLV of 1977).

The Report stood laid.

3. Senator Sarfraz Ahmed Bugti, Minister for Interior, on behalf of **Ms. Shamshad Akhtar,** Minister for Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs, laid before the Senate the Annual Report of the State Bank of Pakistan on the state of Pakistan's Economy for the year 2022-2023, as required under sub-section (2) of section 39 of the State Bank of Pakistan Act, 1956.

The Report stood laid.

POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

1. Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Leader of opposition, spoke regarding the welcoming the announcement of General Elections date on 8th February, 2024 by the Election Commission of Pakistan after consultations with President and Chief Justice of Pakistan.

Following Member's also spoke on the issue:-

- 1. Senator Muhammad Ishaq Dar, Leader of the House,
- 2. Senator Mohsin Aziz
- 3. Senator Sherry Rehman

POINTATION OF OUORUM

Senator Fida Muhammad 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 quorum, therefore,

At 11:00 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Monday, 6th November, 2023, at 04:00 p.m.

Islamabad, the 3rd November, 2023.