

## **HOUSE OF THE FEDERATION**

### **SENATE SECRETARIAT**

#### **ORDERS OF THE DAY**

for the meeting of the Senate to be held at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, the 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2024.

1. Recitation from the Holy Quran.

#### **REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE - PRESENTATION OF:**

##### **[Under Rule 195]**

2. **SENATOR ZEESHAN KHANZADA**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Commerce, to present report of the Committee for the period from March, 2021 to March, 2024.

#### **RESOLUTION**

3. **SENATORS SANIA NISHTAR, SANA JAMALI AND SEEMEE EZDI**, to move the following resolution:-

"Emphasizing the importance of Gender Equality Through Economic Empowerment, as highlighted by the theme for International Women's Day, consistent with the priority theme of the UN 68th Commission on the Status of Women aimed at advancing economic inclusion for women and girls globally;

Recognizing the persistent disparities and challenges faced by women and girls worldwide, including but not limited to economic, social and political barriers that hinder their full participation and contribution to society;

The Senate of Pakistan recommends that the Government should take measures to ensure and enhance women economic inclusion, including but not limited to,-

- i) Enhancing recruitment, retention and development opportunities for female talent through effective education and skills programs;
- ii) Facilitating support mechanisms for women and girls to access leadership, decision-making roles, entrepreneurship and STEM fields through strategic planning and educational reforms;
- iii) Investing in infrastructure that caters to the specific needs of women and girls across various economic sectors;
- iv) Introducing gender-sensitive policies and fostering inclusive work environments that prioritize the well-being and advancement of women;

v) Reforming national health policies to empower women in making informed decisions about their health and reproductive rights;

vi) Formulating and implementing policies aimed at integrating women and girls into sustainable agricultural practices and ensuring food security through comprehensive training programs. Eliminate all forms of violence against women through effective and robust legal justice system;

vii) Encourage businesswomen to participate actively in e-commerce through entrepreneurship.

The House also calls upon all stakeholders, including government agencies, civil society organizations, the private sector, the media, academia and individuals, to join hands in the collective pursuit of gender equality and women's empowerment, recognizing that only through concerted and sustained efforts can we build a more inclusive, equitable and just society for all."

**4.** Farewell speeches by the Members.

**MOHAMMAD QASIM SAMAD KHAN**  
**Secretary**

**Islamabad, the**  
**7<sup>th</sup> March, 2024.**