

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

to be asked at a sitting of the Senate to be held on

Wednesday, the 2nd February, 2011

70. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 26-11-2010 at 15:33 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state the facilities available at Quetta, Gwadar, Turbat and Panjgor airports?

Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar:

71. ***Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 30-11-2010 at 14:45 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state the value of free air tickets issued and those issued on concessional rates to PIA employees during financial years 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11?

Reply not received.

72. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 01-12-2010 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence Production be pleased to state the number of persons appointed on contract and daily wages basis in ordnance factories at Hawelian and Wah Cant during the last three years with province-wise break-up?

Reply not received.

73. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 01-12-2010 at 09:15 a.m.)
Will the Minister for Narcotics Control be pleased to state:

- (a) *the quantity and value of drugs / narcotics seized in the country during the last two years; and*
- (b) *the names of persons arrested in those cases and the punishment awarded to each of them?*

Mr. Arbab Muhammad Zahir: (a) Detail is attached as Annex-A.

(b) Detail is attached as Annex-B.

(Annexures have been placed on the Table of the House as well as Library)

74. ***Mr. Abdul Nabi Bangash:** (Notice received on 01-12-2010 at 10:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that facility of personal effects (Cargo facility) is being provided to the overseas Pakistanis at all international airports in the country except Peshawar airport, if so, its reasons; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to provide that facility at the said airport, if so, when?*

Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar: (a) The facility of non-accompanied personal effects(cargo facility) is being provided to all airports including Peshawar airport which is part and parcel of cargo operations.

(b) Nil.

75. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 01-12-2010 at 10:35 a.m.)

Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state the names and educational qualifications of the Secretary and Joint Secretaries, Ministry of States and Frontier Regions indicating also the pay, allowances and other fringe benefits admissible to them?

Mr. Najamuddin Khan:

S. No.	Name	Designation/ BPS	Qualification	Place of Pay Allowances and other fringe benefits
1	Mr. Mohammad Raffat Pasha	Secretary SAFRON (BPS-22) PSP Group	M.A (English Literature) M.A (LLM) Msc (Defence & Strategic Studies)	Pay & Allowances Rs.115,796/- Official Vehical 1-No. Hired House (Details Annexed)
2.	Dr. Imran Zeb Khan	Joint Secretary (Admn/ Refugees) (BPS-20) Secretariat Group	MBBS	Pay & Allowances Rs.77,067/- Official Vehical 1-No. Govt. Accomodation Provided

				(Details Annexed)
3.	Mr. Muhammad Iqbal Ahmad	Joint Secretary (S&TA) (BPS-20) Secretariat Group	B.A with Economics & Statistics	Pay & Allowances Rs.55,658/- Official ,Vehical 1-No. Govt. Accomodation Provided (Details Annexed)

76. ***Mr. S. M. Zafar:** (Notice received on 01-12-2010 at 15:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *the amount paid to UN for the Inquiry Commission with regard to assassination of Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto; and*
- (b) *the objections raised by the Government against the report and response thereof, if any?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: (a) No amount has been paid to UN for the Inquiry Commission with regard to assassination of Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto by Ministry of Interior.

(b) No objection has been raised by the Government against the report.

77. ***Mr. Abdul Ghaffar Qureshi:** (Notice received on 03-12-2010 at 09:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state whether charging of PTV fee is lawful, if not, whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to discontinue charging of that fee with electricity bills?

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: TV license fee is lawful and being charged/levied through Wireless Telegraphy Act-1933 and Rules framed there-under are called "TV Receiving Apparatus (Possession & Licencing) Rules 1970".

There is no proposal under consideration to discontinue charging of TV Licence fee through electricity bills.

78. ***Mr. Wasim Sajjad:** (Notice received on 04-12-2010)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of employees reinstated in PIA under the Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010, with grade wise break up; and*
- (b) *the financial impact of the said reinstatements on the PIA?*

Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar: (a) So far, no employee has been re-instated in PIA under Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act,2010 (SERA-2010), as the same has recently been published on 8th Dec,2010, after approval of the competent authority. However, a total number of 174 employees have been reinstated by PIA under Sacked Employees Reinstatement Ordinance - 2009 (SERO-2009). Grade-wise breakup is attached as '**Annexure-A**'. It is to mention here that the tenure of sacking of the, employees as per SERA-2010 has been extended uptill October12,1999, which was December 31,1998, in SERO-2009. Further, the definition of Sacked employees in the above said Act has also been amended. Hence extensive exercise needs to be under taken by PIAC to ascertain the right figure and compensation, which will be done expeditiously.

(b) Out of 174 reinstated employees, a total of 36 employees were entitled to receive financial benefits, thus implying a total financial impact of Rs.42,397,884/- approximately.

79. ***Mr. S. M. Zafar:** (Notice received on 04-12-2010 at 08:50 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of cases of violence against women registered since January, 2009 with province-wise break up;*
- (b) *the steps being taken by the government to control such crimes in the country?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: (a) A total number of 11789 cases of violence against women were registered in the country since January 2009. Province wise break up is given below:—

Punjab	8433
Sindh	680
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	1656
Balochistan	333
ICT Islamabad	272
AJ&K	362
Gilgit Baltistan	62
Total	11789

(b) The Police of four Provinces, ICT Islamabad, AJ&K and Gilgit Baltistan have taken the following steps to control the such type of violence:—

- (i) For the protection of rights of women “The Women Protection Act 2006” has been promulgated and necessary penal section have been amended and added in the Pakistan Penal Code.

- (ii) Nine (09) women police stations have already been established at Karachi, Larkana, Hyderabad, Peshawar, Abbottabad, Islamabad, Lahore, Rawalpindi and Faisalabad where the female police officers are dealing with the cases of the women. Moreover, Ladies Complaint Units (LCUs) have also been established in ICT Islamabad at Police Station Margalla and Police Station I-9 which are functioning.
- (iii) To protect the women from gender harassment, all the female accused are being kept in women police stations under the custody of female police officers and if these female accused are required in the investigation of any case registered at other police stations, the male officers are required to interrogate them in female police stations in presence of female police officers.
- (iv) Section 509 PPC was amended/substituted vide Criminal Law Amendment Act 2009, regarding the protection of women.
- (v) The AJ&K Legislative Assembly adopted the Section 174-A in the Criminal Procedure Code 1898. According to this Section a doctor can record the statement of women, who have been burnt and if that woman dies, the statement of that woman will be used as evidence in the court of law.
- (vi) Establishment of Directorate of Human rights, Police Child & Women Protection Committee and Police Child & Women Protection Centre in Peshawar.
- (vii) Special attention is being given to prosecute the cases relating to females for the conclusion of a trial well in time.
- (viii) All quarters concerned have also been strictly directed to give proper attention to sex related offences and take prompt action against the violators.
- (ix) Necessary directions have been issued to all the DPOs/SPs down level to SPOs/SHOs & SIOs to take all preventive measures and ensure that no such incident recur in future. In case such an incident occurs, the investigation of the case would be carried out in a proper manner and the accused would be arrested after fulfilling all legal formalities, within the prescribed period under section 173 Cr.Pc.

80. ***Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 04-12-2010 at 10:05 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of illegal immigrants particularly from African countries living in Islamabad and Karachi;*
- (b) *the steps being taken by the Government for repatriation of the said immigrants?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: (a) The matter pertains to Provincial Police (Special Branch) who is responsible to keep/maintain the data of all Africans. Provincial Home Departments may be in a better position to provide the data of foreigners found illegally residing in Islamabad & Karachi. Besides, the Federal Government had established "National Alien Registration Authority (NARA)" for the registration of those aliens, residing in Pakistan without lawful authority. According to NARA three million illegal immigrants are residing in Pakistan excluding Afghans. The population of African nationals is 50,000 out of which 30,000 to 35,000 are living in Karachi, Islamabad, Rawalpindi and nearby villages of twin cities and the rest are living in other cities.

(b) In accordance with the provision of Foreigners Act, 1946 the foreigners illegally residing in Pakistan in contravention of the said law, are apprehended by the local Police as well FIA. In 2008, FIA had registered 04 cases against foreigners (Africans) illegally residing in Pakistan. Whereas in 2009, 02 cases were registered. Similarly, in 2010, 01 case has been registered so far. Only few Afghan nationals were repatriated on the report of security agencies by the MoI after cancellation of their registration.

Zone wise number of cases is Annexed.

81. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 06-12-2010 at 09:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the political administration of Mohmand Agency has been registering non custom paid vehicles bearing MMD Code, if so, the number of non-custom paid vehicles registered during the last five years and the amount collected thereof as registration fee;*
- (b) *the rates of fee being charged for registration of those vehicles; and*
- (c) *the number of unregistered vehicles seized by that administration during the said period?*

Mr. Najmuddin Khan: As informed by FATA Secretariat the Political Administration of Mohmand Agency did not carry out any registration of vehicles in the Agency during the last 05 years, therefore, reply to the question may be considered as NIL.

82. ***Mr. Abdul Ghaffar Qureshi:** (Notice received on 06-12-2010 at 11:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state the number of male and female convicts granted pardon by the incumbent president?

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: Punjab	:	Nil
Sindh	:	Nil
Balochistan	:	Nil
Khyber Pakhtun Khwa	:	Nil
Gilgit Baltistan:	:	Nil

Former Additional Director General FIA Mr. A. Rehman Malik and former Assistant Director Mr. Muhammad Sajjad Haider have also been granted pardon by the President.

Reply forwarded by the provinces, Punjab, Sindh, Khyber Pakhtun Khwa (KPK) and Balochistan are attached.

83. ***Syed Zafar Ali Shah:** (Notice received on 07-12-2010 at 14:55 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names / location of railway crossings in the country which do not have overhead bridges; and*
- (b) *the time by which over head bridge will be constructed over railway crossing near Sihala Police College, Islamabad?*

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: (a) There are 3783 level crossings over the Railway network where overhead/ underpass bridges do no exit.

(b) The construction of overhead bridges in replacement of level crossings is sponsored by the Provincial Governments/ Road Owning Authorities. At present there is no proposal to construct a flyover bridge near Sihala Police College.

84. ***Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 09-12-2010 at 10:10 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *the date on which National Public Safety Commission was established and its present status;*
- (b) *the contributions / achievements of the Commission during the last three years;*

- (c) *whether it is a fact that a number of posts of the Members of the Commission are lying vacant, if so, the number of vacancies since when these are lying vacant and the reasons for not filling them; and*
- (d) *the details of amendments made in the National Public Safety Commission Order since 2004?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: (a) The National Public Safety Commission was established on 12th June, 2006. At present the strength of the Commission is four (4) members.

(b) In the performance of its duties the Commission oversees the functioning of the Federal Investigation Agency, Pakistan Railways Police, Anti Narcotics Force, Frontier Constabulary, Pakistan Motorway & Highway Police, any other Law Enforcement Agency and Anti Smuggling Wing of Customs exercising police powers. The Commission, *inter-alia*, recommends reforms for modernization of laws and procedures in respect of police, prosecution, prisons and probation services. In the NPSC meetings during the last three years law & order and other police related matters were discussed in detail. The Commission also visited the offices of various Federal Law Enforcement Agencies and Training Institutes, wherein during briefings necessary instructions and recommendations regarding police matters were given to the concerned departments.

(c) The National Public Safety Commission consists of twelve (12) members. Half of the members (6) shall be nominated by the Speaker of National Assembly from amongst its members three each from the treasury and the opposition in consultation with the Leader of the House and the Leader of the Opposition. At least one member shall belong to each Province, and to Islamabad Capital Territory. Provided further that at least two members shall be women. The other half (6) comprising independent members shall be appointed by the President from a list of names recommended by the National Selection Panel. At least one member shall belong to each Province, and to Islamabad Capital Territory. Provided further that at least two members shall be women.

Two (2) vacancies of independent members are lying vacant. The nominations of six (6) elected members have been received from the National Assembly Secretariat and the case for their notification is under process in the Ministry of Interior. The term of the current independent four (4) members is going to expire in May, 2011.

(d) Clause (3) paragraph (b) “recommended to the Provincial Government Panels of three police officers for the appointment of a Provincial Police Officer” omitted *vide* the Police Order (Second Amendment) Ordinance, 2006.

Sub-Para (i) of clause (3), of Article 92 of Police Order 2002 inserted *vide* the Police Order (Second Amendment) Ordinance, 2006.

85. ***Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 10-12-2010 at 10:54 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Information Technology and Telecommunications be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of IT experts / engineers in the country at present; and*
- (b) the steps being to taken by the Government to increase IT experts in the country?*

Sardar Aseff Ahmad Ali: (a) According to Pakistan Software Export Board (PSEB) study on “IT Human Resource Need Assessment” published in March 2006, estimated total number of IT professionals in the country at that time was 88,000. Since then, no comprehensive study has been conducted to update the number of IT professionals in the country. However, it is worth noting that PSEB has recently published “Pakistan IT Market Revenue Estimation & Classification Study” in which 75 companies surveyed alone employ around 7500 full time staff. Overall, there are 1,163 IT companies listed with PSEB representing only a portion of entire IT industry in Pakistan.

(b) One of PSEB’s prime focus has been the growth of skilled human resource pool for Pakistan’s IT industry. In this regard, PSEB has been providing financial subsidies, technical support and partnerships to IT companies, as well as Pakistan’s educational institutions. Specifically, PSEB’s achievements to-date in relation to increasing the number and quality of IT experts in the country are:

1. Deployed 4,700 IT graduates/final year students in IT Companies from Jan 2002 to September 2010 where 90% interns secured jobs.
2. Provided 788 apprentices to IT Companies from March 2006 to Jan 2010.
3. Trained around 9,000 IT professionals on Open Source Technologies from 2004 to 2010.
4. Specialized training provided to 60 professionals (graphics, animation and gaming) from 2004 to 2008.
5. Trained 189 IT professionals in PMP, Networks & System Security, Software Architecture, Oracle Financials and Seibel CRM from 2004 to 2007.
6. Specialized training grant approved for 15 IT Companies during the period 2004 to 2008.
7. Trained 350 IT professionals in English language proficiency from 2004 to 2008.

8. Collaboration with HEC & Universities to increase influx of quality resources to fuel IT industry and to promote open source technologies.

Recently another program to deploy 500 IT graduates/final year students as Interns in IT companies has been approved by the government and deployment of these 500 IT graduates/final year students is in progress.

Moving forward, PSEB intends to establish Centers of Excellence for Applied Software Technologies and Open Source (COEASTOS) in collaboration with the academia and the industry to grow the skilled human resource pool for Pakistan's IT Industry. The idea behind COEASTOS is to identify knowledge and skill gaps which are acquired by IT professionals for working over an extended period of time in the industry. Since the IT industry in Pakistan is nascent, it needs help training its middle managers both in technical and managerial areas. COEASTOS will bridge this gap.

PSEB is also in the process of setting up an incubator where young IT graduates and professionals will be helped to form new companies and IT ventures. This will also lead to a greater consumption of IT skill set in the country, generate more employment and encourage entrepreneurship.

86. ***Haji Ghulam Ali:** (Notice received on 11-12-2010 at 13:15 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether 2% quota reserved for disabled persons has been observed in appointments made in the Ministry of Defence, its attached departments, corporations and subordinate offices during the last two years;*
- (b) *the names, parentage, designation, grade and place of domicile of the persons appointed against that quota in the Ministry, departments, corporations and offices during that period; and*
- (c) *the number of vacant posts against the said quota in the Ministry, departments, corporations and offices with grade wise break up and the time by which the same will be filled in?*

Reply not received.

87. ***Haji Ghulam Ali:** (Notice received on 13-12-2010 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether 2% quota reserved for disabled persons has been observed in appointments made in the Ministry of Railways, its attached departments and subordinate offices during the last two years;*
- (b) *the names, parentage, designation, grade and place of domicile of the persons appointed against that quota in the Ministry, departments and offices during that period; and*
- (c) *the number of vacant posts against the said quota in the Ministry, departments and offices with grade wise break up and the time by which the same will be filled in?*

Reply not received.

88. ***Haji Ghulam Ali:** (Notice received on 13-12-2010 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether 2% quota reserved for disabled persons has been observed in appointments made in the Ministry of Interior, its attached departments and subordinate offices during the last two years,*
- (b) *the names, parentage, designation, grade and place of domicile of the persons appointed against that quota in the Ministry, departments and offices during that period; and*
- (c) *the number of vacant posts against the said quota in the Ministry, departments and offices with grade wise break up and the time by which the same will be filled in?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: (a) During the appointments in the Ministry of Interior (Main), 2% quota reserved for disabled persons was being observed.

(b) Since implementation of 2% quota reserved for disabled persons with effect from 15-10-1998, 02 disabled persons were appointed as Niab Qasids against the 04 posts of disable quota, as no disabled person applied against the remaining 02 vacant posts. The detail may please be seen at Annex-A.

(c) The short fall of 02 posts will be met in the next recruitment. However, the Establishment Division *vide* their letter No. 35/7/2010-SP dated 15 December, 2010 has intimated that all NOCs are hereby withdrawn for administrative reasons.

89. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 14-12-2010 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) the functions of the Civil Aviation Authority; and*
- (b) the amount provided to the authority during the last three years and the details of its utilization with head-wise and year-wise break-up?*

Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar: (a) The salient functions of Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) governed under Section-5 of the Civil Aviation Ordinance, 1982 are as under:—

- (i) Provision of civil airports and aerodromes in the country;
- (ii) Provision of air traffic services to aircrafts;
- (iii) Provision of navigational services to aircrafts;
- (iv) Provision of communication services at the civil airports and aerodromes in the country;
- (v) Provision of aeronautical and flight inspection services to all aircraft registered in Pakistan;
- (vi) Provision of search and rescue services;
- (vii) Provision of crash, fire and rescue services at all airports and aerodromes to Aircraft in need;
- (viii) Management of estates at airports and aerodromes;
- (ix) Any other matter facilitating the achievement of the objectives of Civil Aviation Authority Ordinance, 1982;
- (x) Cause studies, surveys, experiments or technical research to be made or contribute towards the cost of any such studies, surveys, experiments or technical research made by any other agency at the request of the Authority;
- (xi) Approve estimates of development projects and maintenance works and award of contracts for its establishment;
- (xii) Undertake any approved works, incur any expenditure, procure plants, machinery and material, required for its use and enter into and perform all such contracts as it may consider necessary or expedient;
- (xiii) Acquire by purchase, lease, exchange or otherwise any land or immovable property or any interest in such land or property;

- (xiv) Pledge any property vested in it, including the immovable assets transferred to it under section I I , to raise finances for the development projects to be undertaken by it; and
- (xv) Seek and obtain advice and assistance in the preparation or execution of a scheme from any local body or agency of the Government and such local body or agency shall give the advice and assistance sought by the Authority to the best of its ability, and additional expenditure, if any, involved in such advice or assistance shall be borne by the Authority.

(b) The Federal Government under PSDP has approved an amount of Rs.90 Million to CAA against the project of construction of new Gawadar International Airport, which has already been released to CAA as per details given below:—

<i>Allocated during the year</i>	<i>Expenditure during the year</i>	<i>Amount</i>
2007-08	2008-09	50.000
2008-09	2009-10	40.000
2009-10	2008-09	Nil
	Total:-	90.000

The head-wise and year-wise utilization break up of allocated amount of Rs.90 Million is as under:—

Head of expenditure	Year-wise fund utilization		Total year-wise utilization	
	2008-09	2009-10		
	Topographic Survey	Rs. 5.000 (M)	Rs. 0.000 (M)	Rs. 5.000 (M)
Soil Investigation	Rs. 1.500 (M)	Rs. 1.000 (M)	Rs. 2.500 (M)	
Design Consultancy	Rs. 24.700 (M)	Rs. 25.300 (M)	Rs. 50.000 (M)	
Purchase of Vehicle	Rs. 1.300 (M)	Rs. 0.000 (M)	Rs. 1.300 (M)	
Salary of Staff	Rs. 0.600 (M)	Rs. 0.675 (M)	Rs. 1.275 (M)	
Press Advertisement	Rs. 0.829 (M)	Rs. 0.000 (M)	Rs. 0.829 (M)	
Civil Works	Rs. 16.071 (M)	Rs. 13.025 (M)	Rs. 29.096 (M)	
Grand Total	Rs. 50.000 (M)	Rs. 40.000 (M)	Rs. 90 (M)	

90. *Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi: (Notice received on 14-12-2010 at 09:14 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to launch a project for under ground railway service in big cities of the country, if so, its details?

Haji Ghulam Ahmed Bilour: There is no proposal under consideration by the Government of Pakistan to launch any project for construction of under ground railway service in big cities of the country.

91. ***Mr. Abbas Khan:** (Notice received on 14-12-2010 at 10:28 a.m.)

Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of seats reserved for F.R. Kohat in medical colleges of the country;*
- (b) *the names of students belonging to F.R. Kohat admitted in those colleges against the said seats during the last five years indicating also the marks obtained by each of them in matriculation and FSc; and*
- (c) *the procedure laid down for granting admission to the students belonging to FR Kohat against the seats for merit and those reserved for that area?*

Mr. Najmuddin Khan: (a) The number of seats reserved for FR Kohat in Medical Colleges is as under:—

<u>Session</u>	<u>No. of seats</u>
2006-07	03
2007-08	05
2008-09	05
2009-10	05
2010-11	05

In the 2007-08 onwards the number of seats increased upto five till now.

(b) The list of students showing their names alongwith marks obtained by each of them in matriculation and F.Sc. belonging to FR Kohat admitted in different Medical Colleges across the Country during the last five years is attached (Annex-I)

(c) The laid down procedure/criteria for granting admission to the students of FATA against reserved seats in Medical/Dental Colleges across the Country is attached (Annex-II).

92. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 15-12-2010 at 09:20 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state the details of foreign visits undertaken by the Secretary, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting since 2008 indicating also the name of country visited, duration and purpose of visit in each case?

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: The detail of foreign visits conducted by different Secretaries, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting since 2008 are as under:—

S. No.	Country	Duration	Purpose
1.	United States of America (USA)	27-07-2008 to 30-07-2008	To make publicity arrangements for the visit of Prime Minister
2.	Russia & Belgium	14-06-2009 to 20-06-2009	As a member of President's entourage

S. No.	Country	Duration	Purpose
3.	Germany & United Kingdom (UK)	30-11-2009 to 03-12-2009	As a member of Prime Minister's entourage
4.	China	26-07-2010 to 29-07-2010	To attend the 36th Annual Meeting/ 9th AIBD General Conference and its Associated meetings
5.	United States of America (USA)	20-10-2010 to 23-10-2010	To participate in the Pakistan — US Sectoral Dialogue Meetings.

93. ***Mr. S. M. Zafar:** (Notice received on 15-12-2010 at 15:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *the details of planes crash cases in the country during the last two years;*
- (b) *whether inquiries were conducted into the said crashes, if so, the findings thereof and*
- (c) *the steps being taken by the Government to avoid occurrence of such crashes in future?*

Reply not received.

94. ***Eng. Malik Rashid Ahmed Khan:** (Notice received on 30-12-2010 at 15:10 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the Federal Government Employees and their family members are entitled for free medical treatment in AFIC, Rawalpindi;*

- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the facility of free medicines to the Federal Government Employees and their family members who are out door patients of that institute has been discontinued, if so, its reasons; and*
- (c) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to restore the facility of free medicines to the said patients, if so, when?*

Reply not received.

95. ***Chaudhry Shujjat Hussain:** (Notice received on 05-01-2011 at 13:00 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of cases of kidnapping for ransom registered in the country during the year 2007, 2008, 2009 and 2010 with province wise break up; and*
- (b) *the number of the said cases disposed and those pending at present?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: (a) Detailed reply has been prepared in consultation with Provincial Police Officer Punjab, Sindh, KPK, Balochistan and Inspector General of Police, Islamabad that is placed at **Annex-A.**

- (b) Answer may please be seen at **Annex-B.**

96. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 11-01-2011 at 14:15 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of PIA booking / ticketing offices abroad indicating also the location thereof*
- (b) *the number of persons working in those offices;*
- (c) *the amount paid as salary and allowances to the said persons during the last four years with year-wise break up;*
- (d) *the amount spent on various expenditures including rent of the said offices during that period with year-wise break up; and*
- (e) *the value of PIA tickets sold by those offices during the said period with year-wise break up?*

Reply not received.

97. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 11-01-2011 at 14:15 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of private travel agencies / agents authorized to sell PIA tickets in the country and abroad separately;*
- (b) *the value of tickets of PIA sold by those travel agencies / agents during the last four years with year-wise break up; and*
- (c) *the percentage of commission paid to those agencies / agents on sales?*

Reply not received.

98. ***Prof. Muhammad Ibrahim Khan:** (Notice received on 19-01-2011 at 10:40 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of persons who applied for various posts in PIA in response to advertisement of PIA dated 8th March 2009, with post-wise break up;*
- (b) *the names and place of domicile of the persons who were issued call letters for tests/interviews indicating also the percentage of marks obtained in tests/interviews and number on merit list of each of them with post-wise break up; and*
- (c) *the names and percentage of marks obtained in test/interview by the said persons who qualified and were appointed with post-wise breakup?*

Reply not received.

ISLAMABAD :
The 1st February, 2011.

RAJA MUHAMMAD AMIN,
Secretary.