

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

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

Thursday, the 27th October, 2011

DEFERRED QUESTION

(Question No. 94 was originally set down for answering on 21st July, 2011 (72nd Session), but was deferred)

94. ___ ***Mr. S. M. Zafar:** (Notice received on 07-02-2011 at 14:17 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Human Resource Development be pleased to state:

- (a) the names, designation, educational qualifications, BPS and place of domicile of the officers appointed in Employees Old Age Benefits Institution during 2009 and 2010 without advertisement of posts; and*
- (b) whether it is a fact that the said appointments were made in violation of relevant rules, if so, its reasons?*

Chaudhry Wajahat Hussain: (a) List annexed as “A”.

(b) Institution’s Field Operations was short of Human Resource. As such the activities of the Regional and Field offices were suffering and the target fixed by the Board in respect of the Registration of Employers, Employees and collection of contribution were lagging behind. Processing and disbursement of new pension cases were also being delayed resulting inconvenience to the prospective old age pensioners.

Therefore, in the interest of the Institution business, these persons were temporarily engaged on contract / *ad hoc* basis from the available applications in the light of the EOBI Recruitment Procedure, duly approved by its Board of Trustees.

Proviso to Regulation 2 of the EOBI (Employees Service) Regulations, 1980 provides that appointment, on contract / *ad hoc* basis shall be made which is reproduced below:

“Further provided that Board may direct to effect appointments on contract basis against all direct recruitment posts.....”

Copy of the relevant provision from the Recruitment Procedures prescribed under regulation of the EOBI (Employees Service) Regulations, 1980 is annexed as “B”.

The above, therefore, transpires that the appointing these persons on contract *ladhoc* basis in view of the circumstance, mentioned above, no violation has been committed.

Annexure-B

RELEVANT EXTRACT FROM RECRUITMENT PROCEDURE (OFFICERS)

Further provided that Board may direct to effect appointments on contract basis against all direct recruitment posts. Monthly package and terms of appointment of contract employees will be as under:

GRADE	DESIGNATION	MONTHLY SALARY
6	Executive Officer	Rs. 7500/-
7	Assistant Director	Rs.10,100/-
8	Deputy Director	Rs.12,400/-
9	Director	Rs.17,250/-
10	Deputy Director General	Rs.25,100/-

- (i) In addition, Medical facilities and Casual & Sick Leave will be admissible.
- (ii) *Contract appointments shall be made initially for 2 years.*

Terms of service for contract workers approved in **60th BOT**, Item No.13.A and salary package revised *w.e.f.* 01-01-2005 *vide* office order No.64/2005 dated 16-03-2005. Two years tenure for contract appointment approved in **62nd BOT**. Designations of DEO/Jr. Engineer (Grade-6), Assistant Engineer (Grade-7) and Assistant Director General (Grade-10) have been omitted and the grade of DDG revised from 11 to 10 as per 82nd BOT decision.

20. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 20-09-2011 at 10:05 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Religious Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of persons sent for free Hajj with the assistance of U.A.E. during the years 2009 and 2010 with province-wise break up; and*
- (b) *the name of authority who selected or recommended the names of the said persons?*

Syed Khursheed Ahmed Shah: (a) The Government of UAE sponsored 201 and 204 persons for Hajj —2009 and 2010 respectively. Province-wise break-up, of the nominees, is as under:—

Province	No. of Pilgrims	
	2009	2010
ICT	25	33
Punjab	71	67
NWFP	20	25
Sindh	40	50
Balochistan	35	20
AJK/NA	10	09
Total:	201	204

(b) Nominations were received through the President's Secretariat (Public).

21. ***Mrs. Semeen Siddiqui:** (Notice received on 20-09-2011 at 10:10 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- the number of applications lying pending for new gas connections in Dhok Hasoo, Mehrabad and Habib Colony, Rawalpindi; and*
- the names and addresses of the applicants who have deposited the amount of demand notices but gas connections not provided so far indicating also the reasons for not providing connections and the time by which the same will be provided?*

Dr. Asim Hussain: (a) The number of applications lying pending for new gas connections in Dhoke Hasoo, Mehrabad and Habib Colony, Rawalpindi are as under:—

Sr. No.	Area	No
1.	Dhoke Hasoo	05
2.	Mehrabad	01
3.	Habib Colony	12
	Total:	118

(b) List showing the names and addresses of applicants who have deposited the amount of demand notices but gas connections have not been provided so far alongwith reasons for not providing connections and the time by which the same will be provided is attached as **Annex-I**.

22. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 20-09-2011 at 11:35 a.m.)

Will the Minister, for Water and Power be pleased to state:

(a) *the number of electricity connections provided in villages Gul Imam, Pai, Abizari, Amakhel, Tajori, Mulazie, Kakakhel, Medadkhel, Umerkhel, Lazar Malkhel, Babar Malakhel and Bain, District Tank, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, so far, with village-wise breakup;*

(b) *the number of meters disconnected in the said villages due to nonpayment of bills, during the last five years indicating also the names of consumers and amount outstanding in each case at the time of disconnection; and*

(c) *the procedure laid down for recovery of the said dues?*

Syed Naveed Qamar: (a) Number of electricity connections provided in the villages are as under:—

Sr. :#	Village	No. of connection
1.	Gul Imam	594
2.	Pai	504
3.	Abizer	189
4.	Ama Khel	561
5.	Tajori	220
6.	Mulazai	541
7.	Kaka Khel	191
8.	Midad Khel	59
9.	Umer Khel	142
10.	Laghar Mala Khel	30
11.	Babar Mala Khel	25
12.	Dara Bain	59
Total:		3115

(b) Number of electricity connections disconnected in the villages are as under:—

Sr. #	Village	No. of connections disconnected
1.	Gul Imam	59

2. Pai	20
3. Abizer	10
4. Ama Khel	15
5. Tajori	20
6. Mulazai	25
7. Kaka Khel	14
8. Midad Khel	31
9. Umer Khel	30
10. Laghar Mala Khel	07
11. Babar Mala Khel	30
12. Dara Bain	30
Total:	291

(c) Consumer-wise detail of outstanding dues is at Annex-A. Recovery will be made through Recovery Tehsildar/Police Force.

23. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 20-09-2011 at 11:35 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Wapda authorities in District Tank have disconnected power supply due to non payment of electricity charges, if so, the names of such villages and procedure for restoration of power supply for these villages?

Syed Naveed Qamar: Names of villages in District Tank where power supply has been disconnected due to non-payment are given as under:—

Sr. #	Villages	No. of consumers disconnected
1.	Pathan Kot	11
2.	Rodi Khel	12
3.	Shah Alam	14
4.	Ashpari	02
5.	Kiri Puck	23
6.	Kiri Haider	42
7.	Pirwana	08
8.	Toran	07
9.	Mamdo Galo	06
10.	Khano	11
11.	Gara Azami	14
12.	Kot Kut	10
13.	Gul Imam	59

14.	Daraki	150
15.	Sharbati	05
16.	Daod Khel	10
17.	Tajori	20
18.	Abizer	10

Sr. #	Villages	No. of consumers disconnected
19.	Nasran	09
20.	Mohammad Akber	08
21.	Pai	20
22.	Nandoor	10
23.	Ama Khel	15
24.	Mulazai	25
25.	Kaka Khel	14
26.	Midad Khel	31
27.	Dara Bain	30
28.	Umer Khel	30
29.	Surat Khan Kronoa	05
30.	Masti Khel	13
31.	Hassan Khel	30
32.	Jani Khel	16
33.	Laghari Mala Khel	07
34.	Babar Khel	30
35.	Mina Khan Korona	09
36.	Wadati	23
	TOTAL:	739

The procedure for restoration of supply:

The connections which have been disconnected due to non-payment will be restored when:—

- (i) Consumer pay his outstanding arrear.
- (ii) Apply for restoration of supply .

24. ___*Mr. Abdur Rahim Khan Mandokhail: (Notice received on 20-09-2011 at 12:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number and locations of electricity complaint offices established in District Tank;*
- (b) *the number of complaints lodged and disposed off in those offices during the period from January to June, 2011; and*
- (c) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to establish a complaint office in village Medad Khel in District Tank, if so, when?*

Syed Naveed Qamar: (a) No. and Location of electricity complaint offices established in District Tank:—

<u>Sr. #</u>	<u>Location</u>
1.	City
2.	Norang
3.	Gul Imam
4.	Tajori
5.	Daraki
6.	Shah Alam
7.	M. Akbar
8.	Memrez Pathan
9.	Garwaki
10.	Dabara
11.	Kot Azam
12.	Sheikh Uttar
13.	Ranwal
14.	Shahbaz
15.	Gara Baloch
16.	Gomal
17.	Kulachi City
18.	Hathala
19.	Maddi
20.	Khutti

(b) No. of complaints lodged and disposed off during Jan. to Jun. 2011.

Complaints lodged <i>w.e.f.</i> Jan. to Jun. 2011	Complaints disposed off
150	150

(c) At present there is no proposal under consideration to establish a complaint office in village Medad Khel District Tank. However, the proposal of the Honourable Senator can be considered.

25. ***Mr. Abdur Rahim Khan Mandokhail:** (Notice received on 20-09-2011 at 12:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state.

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the electricity Junction point (ADDA) for villages Amakhel, Pie, Mullazie and Kakakhel, District Tank, established at village Gul Imam has now been shifted to village Amakhel, if so, the date and reasons for its shifting;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the junction point for villages Medadkhel, Umerkhel, Bain, and Malakhel of the said district is also established at village Amakhel; and*
- (c) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to shift the said junction point from village Amakhel to Medadkhel, if so, its details?*

Syed Naveed Qamar: (a) The electricity point (ADDA) was shifted from Gul Imam to Ama Khel, some three years back. (The exact date cannot be confirmed, as the Sub-Division record was burnt during the mob attack on 19-8-2010) The reason for shifting the Adda is to sectionalize the lengthy feeder, which is helpful to localize faults and minimize duration of interruption.

(b) Similarly, the Adda has been provided in village Ama Khel to localize the faults and keep duration of interruption to minimum possible.

(c) There is no proposal under consideration to shift the said junction point from Ama Khel to Medad Khel. Provisions of these points is always done in accordance with technical requirement for benefit to consumers and bring stability of supply in the area.

26. ***Haji Mohammad Adeel:** (Notice received on 20-09-2011 at 14:40 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names of private Power Companies, established after the 1994 Power Policy, which could not achieve the 3000 Mega Watts target and got stay orders from the courts against the encashment of their bonds;*
- (b) *the names of those companies whose bonds were not encashed and were returned by Private Power Infrastructure Board (PPIB) and their stay orders were vacated; and*

(c) *the names of the said companies whose bonds were encashed an money refunded?*

Syed Naveed Qamar: (a) Under Policy Framework and Package of Incentives for Private Sector Power Generation Projects 1994, there was No company which got stay order from the court against the encashment of the bond for its failure to achieve Financial Close for 3000 MW target.

(b) Wak Orient Power and Light Limited was the only company amongst 3000 MW target whose bond could not be encashed due to stay order of Hon' able Lahore High Court and subsequently performance Guarantee was returned to the Company by PPIB after a compromise was reached between the parties pursuant to directions of Hon' able Supreme Court for second round of negotiations for out of court settlement.

(c) The Performance Guarantees of Fauji Electric Power Company Limited and Northern Electric Company Limited were encashed due to their failure to achieve Financial Close and Construction Start respectively by the deadline given in their respective Letter of Support and Implementation Agreement and latter monies were refunded to the Companies after Agreement to Terminate, Deed of Release and Indemnity was signed between the parties.

Note: PPIB has not returned any encashed amounts pursuant to any settlement after an injunctive order in that regard had been passed by a court of law.

27. ***Haji Mohammad Adeel:** (Notice received on 20-09-2011 at 14:40 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state the names of Power companies whose guarantees were encashed and money subsequently returned?

Syed Naveed Qamar: The guarantees of following Power Companies have been encashed:

S. #	Name of Power Company	Amount
1.	M/s. Northern Electric Power Co. Ltd.	Rs. 2.4 Million
2.	Fauji Electric Power Company (FEPCO)	Rs. 140 Million

28. ***Prof. Muhammad Ibrahim Khan:**(Notice received on 21-09-2011 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of free electricity units allowed to WAPDA employees with grade-wise break up;*
- (b) *the number of electricity meters installed in the names of WAPDA employees deputed in village Amakhel, Mullazie, Pai, Gul Imam and Kakakhel, district Tank indicating also the name, designation, grade, and address of the employees and amount of bills in each case since July, 2010 with month-wise break up;*
- (c) *the details of amount in excess, if any, beyond the free units allowed for those meters during the said period;*
- (d) *whether the said amount has been paid by the concerned employees of WAPDA; and*
- (e) *the names, designation and date of appointment of the WAPDA employees in those villages who are not availing the facility of free units?*

Syed Naveed Qamar: (a) The detail of free electricity units allowed to WAPDA employees is as under:—

BPS	No.of Units allowed per month
1—4	100
5—10	150
11—15	200
16	300
17	450
18	600
19	800
20	1100
21	1300
Chairman	2000

The detail of free electricity units allowed to PEPCO's employees is attached as **Annex-A**.

(b) The requisite detail is placed as **Annex-B**.

(c & d) As no excess units beyond the admissible free units were consumed by the employees under consideration, no excess amount has been paid by them. In case consumption of employees exceed the prescribed limit of free units allowed to them, the

cost of the excess amount will be paid by them (from their own pocket) without any exemption.

- (e) All the employees deputed in these villages are availing facility of free units.

Annex-A

Normal Employees

<u>BPS</u>	<u>Free Units Allowed</u>
01 to 04	100 units
05 to 10	150 units
11 to 15	200 units
16	300 units
17	450 units
18	600 units
19	880 units
20	1100 units
21 to 22	1300 units

Generation Employees

<u>BPS</u>	<u>Free Units Allowed</u>
01 to 04	300 units
05 to 16	600 units
17	650 units
18	700 units
19	1000 units
20	1100 units
21 to 22	1300 units

Retired employees and widows are allowed free units per month at the rate of 50 % of their respective cadres.

29. ***Prof. Muhammad Ibrahim Khan:** (Notice received on 21-09-2011 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names, designation, date of appointment and date of present posting of the employees of WAPDA deputed in villages Amakhel, Mullazi, Kakakhel, Pai and Gul Imam in District Tank;*
- (b) *the number of cases of electricity theft detected and FIRs lodged by them in those villages during the last three years; and*

(c) *whether any reward has been awarded to the said employees on the basis of their performance during that period, if so, its details?*

Syed Naveed Qamar: (a) Names, designation, date of appointment and date of present posting of the employees of PESCO deputed in villages Amakhel, Mullazi, Kakakhel, Pai and Gul Imam in District Tank:—

30. ***Prof. Muhammad Ibrahim Khan:** (Notice received on 21-09-2011 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state whether it is a fact that low voltage electricity is being supplied to villages Ama Khel, Mullazie, Medad Khel, Umer Khel and others in district Tank, if so, its reasons and the time by which the same will be made/brought to full?

Syed Naveed Qamar: Due to over loading of 11 KV feeders supply voltage of the villages Ama Khel, Mula Zai, Medad Khel, Umer Khel and others in district Tank drops below the standard supply voltages. In order to overcome the situation bifurcation of 11 KV Mula Zai feeder has been proposed. The work has been approved and shall be completed within six months

31. ***Dr. Safdar Ali Abbasi:** (Notice received on 21-09-2011 at 11:50 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing and Works be pleased to state:

(a) *the present status of the housing scheme of PHA for the Government officers on Kuree road, Islamabad;*

(b) *the names of officers who have deposited down payment / installments indicating also amount deposited and option of Grey house / complete house given by each officer; and*

(c) *the time by which construction work will be started and completed on the scheme?*

Reply not received.

32. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 22-09-2011 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state the number and level of officers of Sui Northern Gas pipelines Limited (SNGPL) promoted during the last three years?

Dr. Asim Hussain: Since 01-07-2008, a total of 555 Executives of Grades I to VIII have been promoted. These promotions have been made after observing due process based on merit *cum* seniority. Detail is at Annex-I

Annexure “I”

**PROMOTION CRITERIA OF SUI NORTHERN
GAS PIPELINES LIMITED**

Promotion cases in SNGPL are considered on the basis of following criteria:—

1. Completion of parking period respective of each Grades level *i.e.* minimum service in one grade for promotion to next higher grade:—

Promotion (Grade)		Parking Period (Years)		
From	To	For Directly recruited Executives	For Executive promoted from Subordinate Cadre	
			Technical Officers	Others
I	II	1	2	2
II	III	2	3	3
III	IV	2	8	3
IV	V	3	8	3
V	VI	3	—	3
VI	VII	3	—	3
VII	VIII	3	—	3
VIII	IX	3	—	3

2. Securing of minimum requisite marks (60) as per following:—

Marks Allocation

1. Merit	80
2. Length of Service in Company’s Executive Cadre	5
3. Length of Service in Grade	5
4. Rating of Reports (last 5 year)	5
5. Suitability (Interview)	5
Total:	100

- **(Merit = 80 marks)** Formula: $\frac{\text{Aggregate Marks of AARs (Present Grade)} \times 80}{\text{No. of AARs} \times 100}$

- **Length of Service in Company’s Executive Cadre = 5 Marks**

Total years of service in the Company in executive cadre of senior most eligible executive **in the present grade** will form the basis of computation and he will be entitled to full 5 marks. Executives having lesser service will be awarded prorated marks in accordance therewith.

- **Length of Service in Grade = 5 Marks**

Total years of service in the present grade of the senior-most executive would form basis of computation and he will be entitled to full five marks. Executives having lesser service in that grade will be awarded prorated marks in accordance therewith.

● ***Rating of Maximum last 5 year reports in Present Grade = 5 Marks***

Excellent/Exceptional	=	1 Mark
Exceeds Expectations/Very Good	=	0.50 Mark
Meets Expectations /Good	=	0.25 Mark
Below Expectations/Average/Below Average	=	0

3. Availability of Vacancy for promotion from Grade IV and above.

Notes:

- i. An Executive meeting the above criteria may be refused promotion if Interview Committee finds him not suitable for promotion although he may have secured.
 - ii. **Grade I-VII :** Promotions in these grades are considered on the basis of performance, seniority, education, and professional qualification, Promotion within these grade-levels requires recommendations of the Promotion Committee duly agreed by the MD.
 - iii. **Grade VIII-IX:** in addition to adequate performance evaluation scores, promotion to and within these top-levels is strictly managed through a succession planning process followed by an interview by the Promotion Committee. The recommendations of the Promotion Committee are then sent to Human Resource Committee/Board of Directors for consideration and approval.
33. ***Mrs. Suriya Amiruddin:** (Notice received on 22-09-2011 at 11:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state:

- (a) *the date on which “6 Nos. Flood Disposal Structure along-with conveyance System on Nari River, District Bolan” and “Flood Protection Works Scheme, Qilla Saifullah, Balochistan” schemes were launched indicating also the present status of each scheme;*
- (b) *the estimated cost of the said schemes indicating also the amount released and spent so far in each case with head wise break up; and*
- (c) *whether the schemes will be completed in the stipulated period, if not, its reasons and the revised / expected dates of their completion separately?*

Syed Naveed Qamar: (a) Scheme-wise date of start and present status as received from Irrigation and Power Department, Government of Balochistan, is given as under:

(c) (i) Physical work on scheme namely "**Construction of 6 Nos. Flood Disposal Structure alongwith conveyance System on Nari River, Haji Shaher, District Bolan**" is in progress and planned to be completed by June 30, 2013, as given in approved PC-I.

(ii) Physical progress on scheme namely "**Flood Protection Works, Qilla Saifullah, Balochistan**" is behind schedule.

- Date of completion (as per PC-I) is June, 2011.
- Revised date of completion is June, 2013.
- Reason for delay, is due to delay in release of funds.

34. ***Mrs. Suriya Amiruddin:** (Notice received on 22-09-2011 at 11:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state:

- (a) *the date on which Delay Action Dams Ground Water recharge of Pishin, Quetta, Mastung & Mangcher Valleys scheme was approved indicating also its present status;*
- (b) *the estimated cost of the said scheme indicating also the amount released and spent so far on it with head wise break up;*
- (c) *whether it is a fact that the scheme is being tarried by the executing agencies, if so, its reasons; and*
- (d) *whether the scheme will be completed in the stipulated period, if not, its reasons and the revised / expected date of its completion?*

Syed Naveed Qamar: (a) (1) Approved status of the Project by ENEC is as under:—

(i) Original	Rs.436.879 million (FY 1993)
(ii) 1st Revision	Rs.1099.833 billion (7-3-2007)
(iii) 2nd Revision	Rs.1099.833 billion (26-5-2011)

(2) Pesent Status (work in progress)

(i) Physical	69.5%
(ii) Financial	67.3%

(b) Estimated Cost (Rs in million)	Amount released so far . (Rs. in million)	Amount spent so far head-wise (Rs in million)
1099.833	743.767 (502.693)	(a) Dam and allied structure: (b) Spillways : (207.465) (c) Detention Bunds: (16.046) (d) Project Management Unit (13.843) Total: 740.047

(c) The executing agency of the project is Provincial Irrigation and Power Department, Balochistan under the financial management of Project Director Ground Water Recharge Project, Balochistan.

(d) No.

Reason:

Approved date of completion as per 2nd revised PC-I by ECNEC is 30-06-2011, but due to less allocation of funds in PSDP the anticipatory date of completion will be 14-05-2014.

36. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 24-09-2011 at 08:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

(a) *the time by which work will be started on Iran-Pakistan gas pipeline project;*

(b) *the present status of the project; and*

(c) *the estimated cost of the project and the source of funding for the same?*

Dr. Asim Hussain: (a) The work on IP project implementation is already in progress. Pursuant to the clearance by concerned authorities, the Engineering and Project Management (E&PM) consultancy contract with ILF NESPAK JV is already in place.

The E&PM consultant has already started work on Detailed Route Survey (DRS) and Front End Engineering Design (FEED), to be followed by Bankable Feasibility, Study Route Reconnaissance, Social and Environmental Impact Assessment (SEIA) and supervision etc.

The physical construction of the pipeline shall follow the completion of Bankable Feasibility Study. First gas flow is targeted by end of 2014.

(b) Route Reconnaissance survey (a part of DRS) has been completed at the end of July 2011. The consultant is currently working on the pipeline design & Engineering (FEED) as well as Feasibility Study.

(c) The estimated project cost is US\$ 1.5 billion; however, this will be firmed up after completion of Bankable Feasibility study by E&PM consultant.

On project financing/construction, keen interest has been expressed by various major international investors from China, Russia and Middle East. Initial communication/information has been exchanged with interested parties in this regard.

Further as programmed in the approved financing strategy by Steering Committee of ECC on gas import projects, the process for engaging a world class Financial Advisor (Equity and Debt arranger) is in process. EOI for appointment of Financial Advisor were advertised during July 2011. By cutoff date of 20th August 2011, response has been received by some strong international banking consortiums. Timeline for appointment process is 3-4 months.

37. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:**(Notice received on 26-09-2011. at 10:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of reservoirs of natural gas in the country at present; and*
- (b) the names of countries to whom contract have been awarded for gas exploration, if any, during the financial year 2010-2011?*

Dr. Asim Hussain: (a) There are one hundred sixty nine (169) natural gas reservoirs in the country as detailed at Annexure-I.

(b) During the reported period, no contract was awarded to any country for exploration of gas.

38. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 26-09-2011 at 10:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing and Works be pleased to state the steps taken by the Government for construction of earthquake proof buildings in earthquake prone areas in the country?

Reply not received.

39. ***Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan:** (Notice received on 26-09-2011 at 12:45 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) the quantum of oil being explored / produced from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa;*
- (b) the names of oil companies working in the province indicating also the areas in which they are working; and*
- (c) the details of steps being taken by the Government to discover more oil reservoirs in that province?*

Dr. Asim Hussain: (a) Currently 24,267 Barrel of oil per day is being produced from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province. The detail is at Annexure-I.

(b) There are seven (7) E&P companies operating eleven (11) exploration licences for exploration of oil and gas in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa as detailed at Annexure-II.

(c) The Government has taken the following steps to discover / enhance oil and gas production/activities in the province:

- (i) Exploration licenses over eleven (11) blocks have been granted for oil / gas exploration in the province.
- (ii) The Petroleum Exploration and Production Policy 2011 is in offing to provide additional incentives to the investors for exploration of oil & gas in Pakistan. These additional incentives would take care of extra risk taken by E&P companies for doing business under the present security/law and order problems.
- (iii) Presently, two (2) D&P Leases are operative for the enhancement of production of oil/gas in the KPK province and 8 fields are producing oil/gas at the rate of 24,267 Barrels of Oil per day and 377 Million Cubic Feet Gas per day respectively.
- (iv) Efforts are being made to put newly made discoveries on production during 2011-2013.
- (v) Completion of pending development projects –will enhance daily oil /gas production.
- (vi) Enhance exploration in all areas of KPK to add new oil/gas reserves by improving law & order and providing conducive environment to local and foreign E&P companies.

- (viii) Concentrating on more exploration in deeper prospects and under explored geological frontiers to add new reserves.

Annexure-I

Details of oil production during the month of
August, 2011 in Khyber Pakhtoon Khwa

S. No.	Company	Field	Oil Production	
			BBLs	BOPD
1	MOL	Manzalai	127,067.65	4,098.96
2		Makori	46,585.00	1,502.74
3		Mamikhel	41,243.03	1,330.42
4		Maramzai	54,592.32	1,761.04
5	OGDCL	Mela	165,924.00	5,352.39
6		Chanda	134,558.00	4,340.58
7		Shekhan	48.00	1.55
8		Nashpa	182,255.00	5,879.19
		Sub Total	752,273.00	24,266.87

40. ***Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan:** (Notice received on 26-09-2011 at 12:45 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the production of natural gas in the country at present;*
- (b) *the percentage of the said gas being produced / explored from Khyber Pakhtunkhwa; and*
- (c) *the quantity of gas being provided to Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited from Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, separately?*

Dr. Asim Hussain: (a) At the present, the average daily natural gas production in the country is 4, 058 MMCFD.

(b) Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KPK) is presently producing about 8.89% of total gas volume of the country. So far 2.7 TCF original gas reserves have been explored in the KPK province, which is about 5% of the total original discovered recoverable gas reserves of the country.

(c) The volume of gas, which is currently injected in Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited system from Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, separately, is as follows:—

Province	July Total (MMCF)	July Average (MMCFD)
Punjab	4356.60	140.535
KPK	11038.40	356.077

41. ***Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan:** (Notice received on 26-09-2011 at 12:45 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state whether it is a fact that there is no grid station in provincial constituencies Nos. 95 and 96 of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, if so, whether there is any proposal under consideration of the government to construct grid stations in the said constituencies, if so, its details?

Syed Naveed Qamar: There is no Grid Station in constituencies No: 95 & 96 of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province. However,

- (i) PK-95 is getting electricity through 33 KV Sammar Bagh feeder, and 11 KV Mayar feeder emanating from 66 KV Grid Station Timergara located in PK-94. Another feeder *i.e.* 11 KV mayaar-2 is under construction to provide electricity PK-95.
- (ii) PK-96 is being fed through 11 KV Maidan & 11 KV Lal Qila feeder emanating from 132 KV Grid Station Timergara located for Constituency PK-94.

Also the following projects have been proposed in Constituencies 95 and 96 (Dir area) of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province:—

- (1) Construction of 132 KV Grid Station at Munda *i.e.* 1 x10/13 MVA Power Transformer and 132 KV Transmission Line.
- (2) Construction of 132 KV Grid Station at Lal Qila *i.e.* 1 x 10/13 MVA Power Transformer & 132 KV Transmission Line.
- (3) Installation of additional 01 No: 20/26 MVA Power Transformer in existing 132 KV Grid Station Timergara is already approved under ADB Tranche-I and civil work is completed. However, shifting of Power Transformer to the Grid Station has been delayed due to the damage of bridge over Swat River at Chakdara, which was damaged due to heavy flood during last year and

efforts will be made to shift the Power Transformer during the coming winter season with Coordination of Local Government.

42. ***Dr. Abdul Malik Baloch:** (Notice received on 10-10-2011 at 12:10 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to refer to the Senate starred question No.15, replied on 2nd October, 2009 and state whether it is a fact that the work on conversion of single phase power distribution system in sector G-6/1-3, Islamabad has not been completed so far, if so, its reasons?

Syed Naveed Qamar: It is intimated that the work for conversion of single phase to 3-phase in Street No. 38, 39, 40, 44 & 46 of Sector G-6/1-3 Islamabad has already been completed and load of above mentioned streets has also been shifted to new LT Distribution System in October, 2011.

43. ***Mrs. Kalsoom Parveen:** (Notice received on 11-10-2011 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount allocated to the Research and Development Division of OGDCL during the last 10 years and details of its utilization;*
- (b) the number of surveys and research works carried out by the Division during the said period;*
- (c) the names of companies with which OGDCL signed MOUs to conduct seismic surveys and research for exploration of oil and gas during the last ten years;*
- (d) the technology used by the said companies for exploration and the period consumed by them for completion of survey and exploration of a well;*
- (e) the estimated amount required for exploration of a well and risk factor involved in it; and*
- (f) the number of oil/gas wells exhausted/dried during the said period and the amount spent on those wells?*

Dr. Asim Hussain: (a) The total amount allocated to Basin Study / Exploration Research Department for the last eight years is Rs.1135.00 millions. Details are attached as Annex-I.

(b) During the said period Geological Parties conducted 18 geological surveys and mapping projects in different exploration blocks of OGDCL. The Company also

conducted the Pakistan Basin Study Project through M/s. Fugro Robertson, UK from 2005-09. Details are attached as Annex-II.

(c) OGDCL hired services from the following companies during the said period:—

1. M/s. Western Geco. (American)
2. M/s. BGP (Chinese)
3. M/s. Fecto Co-sail (Chinese/Pakistani JV)
4. M/s. Geofizyka (Polish)

(d) The technology used by the said companies for exploration and the period consumed by them for the completion of survey is attached as Annex-III.

(e) The cost of well depends on the total depth of the well and expected geological complications encountered during drilling of well. As such, a standard figure cannot be assigned since these factors vary from region to region. OGDCL drilled wells in various parts of the country ranging in depth from 1000 m to more than 5000 m. The cost of wells also varies from US\$7.0 million to US\$25.0 million, depending upon the depth of the well and geological and drilling complications encountered. Details are attached as Annex-IV.

(f) The number of oil/gas wells dried during the said period are 79 and the amount spent on these wells were Rs. 27,855,242,877.55. Details are attached as Annex-V.

Annex-I

The Basin Study and Exploration Research Department of Exploration is functioning as Research & Development (R&D) Group of OGDCL. Its responsibilities include evaluation of new exploration blocks for hydrocarbon exploration in the country. Geological & Reservoir Laboratory performs in depth analysis on drill cuttings, rock samples, core, Oil and Water sample. Geological Field Party conducts survey and mapping in the project area. The professionals of BS & ER are continuously evaluating different parts of the Indus, Balochistan and Offshore basins to assess the hydrocarbon potential of the open acreage. They recommend new blocks for application and acquisition through participating in open bidding conducted by Directorate General of Petroleum Concession (DGPC), Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Resources.

The Geological Party which is the part of this Group conducts geological survey and mapping, section measurement and collection of rock samples from the field. These rock samples are analyzed in G&R Labs. to ascertain their lithology and identification of source, reservoir and seal rocks by conducting in-depth analysis.

The Basin Study and Exploration Research also conducted Pakistan Basin Study Project which was undertaken on the directives of the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Resources through M/s Fugro Robertson Ltd. UK, at a cost of £ 2.7 million. The project report is now being promoted/marketed to E&P Companies operating in Pakistan. The report will provide an assessment of hydrocarbon potential of sedimentary basins of Pakistan and ranking of areas, on the basis of petroleum prospectivity, potential reserves and economic viability.

The total amount allocated to Basin Study/Exploration Research Department for the last eight years is Rs.1135.00 millions.

Annex-II

1. During the last 10 years Geological Party conducted 18 geological surveys and mapping project in different exploration blocks of OGDCL. The blocks include Rakhni EL., Regional Traverses Kohat, Gurgalot EL, Khajuri Dhudial E.L., Sehan R.P., Regional Traverses Fateh Jang, Latamber EL., Samandar EL, Mianwali E.L., Wali E.L., Thano Beg E.L., Kalchas E.L., Shaan E.L., Regional Traverses Mesa Kaswal, Channipul E.L., Sogri E.L. and Rajdhani E.L.
2. Department is continually conducted research and evaluation of blocks of different basins of Pakistan.
3. Department conducted the Pakistan Basin Study Project through M/s Fugro Robertson, UK from 2005-09.
4. The G and R Labs is continuously analyzing rock cutting collected from the wells drilled by OGDCL rock samples collected by the Geological Party, Oil and Water samples from the producing fields. It is also providing Lab facilities to other E & P companies.

Annex-III

OGDCL has 05 seismic crews of its own and normally all the seismic projects in different exploration blocks are executed by these crews. However, whenever, there is requirement for additional work, Contractor services are also hired for acquisition of 2D/3D seismic data. The details of projects and technology used for these surveys and period consumed by these hired Services Companies for the completion of different projects are given as under:

Annex-IV

Hydrocarbon exploration business is a high risk and high cost venture which involve different geological, geophysical and engineering disciplines to accomplish the exploration goals. The cost of well depends on the total depth of the well and expected geological complications encountered during drilling of well. As such, a standard figure

cannot be assigned because these factors vary from region to region. OGDCL drilled wells in various parts of the country ranging in depth from 1000 m to more than 5000 m. Therefore, the cost of wells also varies from US\$ 7.0 million to US\$ 25.0 million, depending upon the depth of the well and geological and drilling complications encountered.

The well established International risk factor for hydrocarbon drilling is that, one exploratory well will be successful out of 10 wells *i.e.* 1:10. However, the success rate in Pakistan is around 1:3.8, while OGDCL success rate during the last five years is 1:2.5 which is outstanding.

Annex-V

During last 10 years ending June 2011, OGDCL has drilled 247 wells out of which 125 wells were exploratory and 122 wells were appraisal & development wells. Out of these 79 wells were dry and were abandoned.

SUMMARY OF DRY WELLS COST (2002-2011)

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>AMOUNT (RUPEES)</u>
2010-11	3,932,697,894
2009-10	4,535,185,977
2008-09	4,339,299,739
2007-08	4,109,145,012
2006-07	4,200,529,756
2005-06	1,512,128,321
2004-05	1,363,442,560
2003-04	2,213,260,018
2002-03	1,257,905,176
2001-02	391,648,425
Total:	27,855,242,877.55

ISLAMABAD :
The 26th October, 2011.

RAJA MUHAMMAD AMIN,
Secretary.

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“UNSTARRED QUESTION AND ITS REPLY”

For Thursday, the 27th October, 2011

1. **Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 20-09-2011 at 11:35 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to refer to question No. 21 replied on 22nd July 2011 and state:

- (a) *the month wise break up of arrears against the 59 electric meters (running and disconnected) installed in village Medad Khel District Tank; and*
- (b) *the date of disconnection of each of 31 meters disconnected in the said village indicating also the amount of arrears in each case at the time of disconnection?*

Syed Naveed Qamar: (a) The month wise break up of arrears against 59 electric meters (running and disconnected) installed in village Medad Khel, Distt. Tank is attached as Annex-A.

(b) The dates of disconnection are not available at present due to burning of all record during mob attack on 19-8-2010.

ISLAMABAD :
The 26th October, 2011.

RAJA MUHAMMAD AMIN,
Secretary.