

SENATE SECRETARIAT

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**“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”**

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

**Friday, the 7th September, 2012**

DEFERRED QUESTION

*(Question No.49 was originally set down for answering on 12th July, 2012  
(83rd Session) but was deferred)*

49. **\*Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan:** (Notice received on 15-05-2012 at 09:15 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) the names of parliamentarians, Defence officers, judges, journalists and government officers with designation who have been allotted residential plots in Islamabad during the period of incumbent government indicating also the location and price of plot in each case; and*
- (b) the procedure adopted for allotment of the said plots?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) (i) No plot has been allotted to the parliamentarians, defence officer and judges by CDA during the period of incumbents government. However 07 plots have been allotted to the government officers posted in CDA as deputationists. (**Annexure-A**).

(ii) 46 plots were allotted to the journalists in Sector I-15 as a result of balloting held in the year 2007. However, out of these 46 plots, 34 allotment letters were issued in the year 2007 during the tenure of pervious Government whereas remaining 12 allotment letters were issued during the tenure of present Government in the year 2008-09. Only one allotment was made during the tenure of present Government on the 02-09-2008 to Mrs. Riffat Riaz-ul-Haq although processing of said case started in the year 2006. Detail of all 13 allotments is given in **Annex-B**.

(b) Allotment of plots to Seven Government Officers serving on deputation in CDA and two CDA officers have been made in the light of decision of the High Court up-held by Supreme Court of Pakistan out of 20% quota reserved for CDA employees in sector I-8 and as per criteria approved by CDA Board. Journalists were allotted plots in Sector I-15 against 1% quota approved by the then Prime Minister of Pakistan at the time

of launching the schemes in 2005 on the recommendation of Ministry of Information & Broadcasting.

56. **\*Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 16-07-2012 at 09:20 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the number of employees in the Cabinet Division and its attached departments as on 12-10-1999, 15-03-2008 and 30-06-2012?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) The Number of Employees working in the Cabinet Division and its Attached departments as on 12-10-1999,15-03-2008 and 30-06-2012, are shown as under in juxtapose:—

Division/Attached Department	No. of Employees on 12-10-1999	No. of Employees on 15-03-2008	No. of Employees on 30-06-2012
Cabinet Division	751	679	966
Department of Communication. Security	185	164	156
Department of Stationery and Forms	496	268	268
Deptt. of National Archives of Pakistan	108	108	104

56-A **\*Mr. Karim Ahmed Khawaja:** (Notice received on 16-07-2012 at 09:25 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) the number of students who were granted scholarships for education abroad from 2000 to 2007 with province-wise break-up indicating also the number of students hailing from Sindh (Urban) and Sindh (Rural);*
- (b) the procedure adopted for selection of those students; and*
- (c) the percentage of quota fixed for each province for the said scholarships?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) A total of 2627 overseas scholarships were awarded from 2000 to 2007 in various undergraduate, postgraduate, PhDs and post doctorate overseas scholarship schemes of the Higher Education Commission. The province wise break up of these scholars is at **Annex-A**. Breakup indicating number of students belonging to Sindh Urban and Sindh Rural is not available for these students.

(b) All the HEC overseas scholarship schemes were advertised in national dailies as well as on HEC website. The selection was made on open merit for all provinces. Further, the selection procedure is at **Annex-B**.

(c) Initially, the scholarships were awarded on open merit for all provinces up to 2010, as approved by the Executive Committee of National Economic Council (ECNEC), Government of Pakistan in PC-1 of the project.

### **Annex-B**

#### **Overview of HEC Overseas Scholarship Programs**

Human Resource Development within the higher education sector lies at the heart of the HEC's reform process, and an area in which vital and significant progress has been made. With a dual objective of increasing institutional capacity and enhancing local research activities, the major thrust of programs in this area have been primarily aimed at improving the academic qualifications of university faculty. However, scholarship schemes are also open to individuals working in the private sector or government servants as well as Pakistani students.

The HEC Overseas scholars are placed at top world universities doing research in the fields of Engineering and Technology, Physical Sciences, Social Sciences, Arts and Humanities, and Life Sciences. About 40% scholarships have been awarded to the employees of R & D organization and universities. Thus, on completion of their PhD, they will serve as engines for socio-economic development of the country as well as their relevant organizations.

Since the development of university faculty is a prime objective of HEC, therefore scholarships have been awarded to employees of universities and R&D organizations that will provide fresh fuel and will further enhance teaching & research potential of these organizations. Fresh graduates have also been given more importance than ever. About 60% scholarships have been awarded to fresh graduates. By this, a pool of well-developed human resource possessing state-of-the-art education will be made available for the motherland.

#### **Criteria for Selection of Students for Overseas Scholarship Schemes.**

##### **For 90% Scheme**

1. Pakistani/AJK nationals.

2. Candidates must have minimum sixteen years of education (MSc, MA, MBA, ME, MS, B.E / BSc (Engg), M.B.B.S or equivalent).
3. Maximum two second divisions throughout the academic career.
4. Not less than 50% marks in academic career.
5. Maximum age:
  - (a) 40 years for full time regular faculty members of public sector Universities/Colleges and employees of the public sector R & D organizations.
  - (b) 35 years for all others.
6. The candidates who are already availing any other HEC scholarship offer are not eligible to apply.
7. NTS GAT test and Interview by the team of foreign Professors to be conducted for final award of scholarship.

**For 10% Scheme (UK, USA, Canada & Australia):**

1. Applicants must have secured admissions for programs leading to PhD in the specified disciplines in the HEC identified world top ranked discipline wise Universities. The list of these universities & disciplines is available at HEC website ([www.hec.gov.pk/ossphase2batch2](http://www.hec.gov.pk/ossphase2batch2)).
2. Applicants who are applying for Physical Sciences, Engineering & Technology and Business Education need to submit GRE/GMAT score. GRE score will be sent directly through ETS to HEC on institution code GI 9054. GMAT score will be acceptable only for the candidates for Business Studies.
3. Applicants who are applying for Agriculture & Veterinary Sciences, Biological & Medical Sciences, Social Sciences and Arts & Humanities need to have minimum cumulative 50% academic marks as per HEC Academic Evaluation Formula (HEC-AEF). The HEC-AEF is available at HEC website [www.hec.gov.pk](http://www.hec.gov.pk).

56-B **\*Mr. Karim Ahmed Khawaja:** (Notice received on 16-07-2012 at 09:25 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the amount provided by the Government to each Government and private university from 2000 to 2007; and*
- (b) *the criteria laid down for provision of funds to universities?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) HEC provides funds to public sector universities in shape of annual recurring grant. The detail of funds released to universities from the Financial year 2000 to 2007 is attached at **Annexure-A.**

As per funding mandate enunciated in the ordinance, HEC allocates funds to the universities on 'need and performance' basis through a funding formula approved by the Commission, which assigns different weightages to (i) type of enrollment in different disciplines like Arts / social sciences, Basic/Natural Sciences, Engg:/Medical etc, and (ii) level of studies undergraduate/ postgraduate (iii) Need of university, region/location backwardness, income disparity compensation, impact of completed development projects (iv) on performance output based on parameters like PhD Faculty, Research Publications in impact factor journals, QEC Reports, etc.

The criteria is attached at **Annex-B.**

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

57. **\*Col (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 16-07-2012 at 16:00 p.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the criteria and procedure laid down for selection of the Chairman and Members of Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA);*
- (b) *the salary, allowances and other fringe benefits admissible to the Chairman and Members;*
- (c) *the number of officers and officials working in the authority with province-wise breakup; and*
- (d) *the procedure laid down for appointment of the officers and level of transparency adopted in these selections?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) Pursuant to Section 3 (F/A) of "Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Act 1997 (XL of 1997)", Federal Government appoints Chairman and four Members, one from each province, after considering the recommendations of the respective Provincial Governments as per the criteria laid down in the Act.

The criteria laid down in the Act is as follows: The Chairman shall be an eminent professional of known integrity and competence with at least twenty years of related experience in law, business, engineering, finance, accounting, economics, or the power industry. The Members are required to have similar qualifications with fifteen years of relevant experience.

(b) The salary, allowances and other fringe benefits admissible to the Chairman and members of the Authority are also determined by the Federal Government as provided in Section 8(1) of NEPRA Act (F/B). The present salary, allowances and other benefits admissible to the Chairman and Members of NEPRA are attached at F/C.

(c) The total number of NEPRA employees is 177. Province-wise breakup is attached at F/D.

(d) The procedure for appointment of Officers / Officials in service of the Authority has been laid in NEPRA Service Regulations (NSR) 2003, (F/F), formulated in pursuance of Section 47 of NEPRA Act, (F.E).

The procedure, *inter alia*, includes advertisement of the posts in national dailies, constitution of selection committees and tests/ interview of qualified candidates. The Authority finally makes appointments on the recommendations of the selection committee.

NEPRA Service Regulations 2003 provided for selection on merit on an all Pakistan basis. However provision for a uniform quota of 10% for all four provinces, was made in NPG-1 (roughly equivalent to BS 17) as well as the support staff categories. Since 2010, however, GoP specified regional quotas have been adopted for appointments at all levels on the directions of the Prime Minister of Pakistan.

All appointments are made through open competition in a transparent manner.

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58. **\*Mr. Nisar Muhammad:** (Notice received on 17-07-2012 at 09:10 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the details of assets including vehicles, furniture and buildings etc. owned by the Ministries / Divisions at the time when these were devolved in pursuance of 18th Amendment in the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan?*

Reply not received.

59. **\*Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq:** (Notice received on 17-07-2012 at 09:15 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether the Government has evaluated recent IMF programme by taking into consideration all the previous IMF programmes in order to identify its positive and negative impact on economy of the country, if so, the outcome thereof; and*
- (b) *the steps being taken by Government towards self sufficiency instead of relying on IMF programmes?*

**Dr. Abdul Hafeez Shaikh:** (a) The member countries of the IMF engage the Fund through different programmes *i.e.* Stand By Arrangement (SBA), Poverty Reduction and Growth Facility (PRGF) etc. to resolve their actual or potential balance of payments problems by introducing structural reforms. Similar to the previous programmes, the recent SBA programme ended on 30-09-2011 was evaluated and the programme achieved the desired targets mentioned below:—

- i. Considerable improvement in current account balance.
- ii. Record High Foreign Exchange Reserves.
- iii. Stable Exchange Rate.
- iv. Stable flow of foreign remittances.
- v. Inflation tamed from 25% to 14% .

(b) In an effort to follow self reliance policy to reduce dependence on foreign aid or loans including IMF financing, the government is focused on maintaining the economic stability and growth acceleration through various economic and financial reforms. These includes:—

- Expenditure Management Strategy through containing fiscal deficit by introducing austerity measures eliminating general subsidies, restructuring of public sector enterprises and resolving the issue of circular debt.
- Improving domestic resource mobilization through harmonization and improving efficiency of tax administration and broadening of tax base.
- Achieving economic efficiency through devolution through transfer of concurrent subjects to provinces and equitable resource transfer to provinces.
- Strengthening social safety nets through Benazir income support program, Bait-ul-Mal and Disaster Management.

The above measures will impact the economy positively.

60. **\*Col (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 17-07-2012 at 12:15 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:*

- (a) the share of taxes in GDP for the last five years with year-wise break up;*
- (b) the estimated share of taxes in the GDP set for the current fiscal year; and*
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to achieve the said target?*

**Dr. Abdul Hafeez Shaikh:** (a) The share of taxes in GDP for last five years is given in the following Table:—

<i>Fiscal Years</i>	<i>Tax-GDP Ratio (%)</i>
2007-08	9.8
2008-09	9.1
2009-10	9.0
2010-11	8.6
2011-12	9.2

(b) The estimated share of taxes in the GDP set for current year is 10.1%.

(c) Following steps are being taken to achieve the said target;

1. Strengthening of audit and enforcement functions
2. Broadening of tax base
3. Monitoring of withholding agents
4. Capacity building
5. Improving automation

61. **\*Mrs. Nasreen Jalil:** (Notice received on 18-07-2012 at 10:20 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether it is a fact that the posts of senior Auditors in FBR have been upgraded from BPS-16 to BPS-17 in March, 2012 whereas the posts of In Land Revenue Officers (BPS-16) have not been upgraded so far, if so, the reasons for this discrimination; and*
- (b) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the government to upgrade the posts of In Land Revenue Officers, from BPS-16 to BPS-17, if so, its details?*



**Dr. Abdul Hafeez Shaikh:** (a) Yes, the post of Senior Auditor (IRAO) was up-graded from BS-16 to BS-17 with the approvals of Establishment and Finance Divisions, in April, 2012.

The post of Senior Auditor (IRAOs) was created in the year, 1996 but no promotion path was introduced till, December, 2010. Accordingly, they filed representations in FBR and agitated in various Courts. Consequently the post of Senior Auditor was up-graded with the approvals of Establishment and Finance Divisions in April, 2012. As regards Inland Revenue Officers (IROs), they have 25% departmental promotion quota since establishment of Income Tax Group and continuously get promotions against the posts reserved for them. Accordingly no discrimination has been made by up-grading the post of IRAO.

(b) No such proposal is under consideration as they have 25% promotion quota in the Inland Revenue Service for promotion to BS-17.

62. \***Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq:** (Notice received on 19-07-2012 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state whether the State Bank of Pakistan has allowed commercial banks to sign agreements with insurance companies to provide insurance schemes to its account holders, if so, the names of commercial banks in the country which have been allowed to do so?*

**Dr. Abdul Hafeez Shaikh:** No specific permission of State Bank of Pakistan is required by banks for entering into agreement with insurance company in this regard. However, banks are providing insurance products to their depositors under the SECP Guidelines for Bancassurance, 2010 in order to protect the interest of depositors, State Bank of Pakistan has also been issuing various instructions on the issue from time to time like customer's prior consent for availing of insurance/deduction of insurance premium /commission earned by banks under Bancassurance agreement / minimum standards to be complied by banks, etc. List of banks who have signed agreements with Insurance Companies in this regard is annexed.

**Annexure**

**Names of Banks who have signed agreements with Insurance Companies to Provide Insurance Schemes to their Account Holders**

1. NIB Bank Ltd.
2. United Bank Ltd.
3. Soneri Bank Ltd.
4. Faysal Bank Ltd.
5. HSBC Bank Middle East Ltd.

6. Bank AlHabib Ltd.
7. JS Bank Ltd.
8. Dubai Islamic Bank Pakistan Ltd.
9. Samba Bank Ltd.
10. Bank Islami Pakistan Ltd.
11. The Bank of Punjab
12. Meezan Bank Ltd.
13. KASB Bank Ltd.
14. Citi Bank NA
15. Habib Bank Ltd.
16. Industrial Development Bank of Pakistan
17. Standard Chartered Bank (Pakistan) Ltd.
18. Burj Bank Ltd.
19. First Women Bank Ltd.
20. Albaraka Bank (Pakistan) Ltd.
21. Bank Alfalah Ltd.
22. Askari Bank Ltd.
23. Summit Bank Ltd.
24. Barclays Bank Plc.
25. Silk Bank Ltd.
26. Allied Bank Ltd.
27. MCB Bank Ltd.
28. National Bank of Pakistan

63. **\*Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq:** (Notice received on 19-07-2012 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Capital Administration and Development be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the location with staff of dispensaries of Federal Government Poly Clinic and PIMS working at present;*
- (b) *the value and volume of medicines being provided to dispensaries on monthly basis;*
- (c) *whether dispensaries are allowed to purchase medicines at their own, if so, the value and volume of medicines which can be purchased by each dispensary;*

- (d) *whether audit of purchased medicines is conducted, if so, the procedure adopted for the same and outcome of recent audits; and*
- (e) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to establish more dispensaries in ICT particularly in the rural area?*

**Mr. Nazar Muhammad Gondal:** (a) The location with staff of dispensaries of Federal Government Polyclinic is given at Annex-A.

**There is no dispensary affiliated with PIMS in the Federal Capital.**

(b) The value and volume of medicines being provided to F.G. Polyclinic dispensaries is given at Annex-B.

(c) The dispensaries are not allowed to purchase medicines, the expenditure of dispensaries is met out from the hospital allocation. However, Parliament House Dispensary is allowed to local purchase urgently required medicines directly. The allocation of Parliament House Dispensary is separate and the allocation for the financial year, 2012-13 is Rs. 113.087 million.

(d) Yes, the procedure adopted for audit in F.G. Polyclinic is as under:—

1. Pre-Audit by AGPR, Islamabad during payment of bills.
2. Physical verification by the physical verification committee.
3. Internal Audit by a team constituted by the Principal Accounting Officer/Secretary M/o CA&D
4. Annual audit is carried out by DG, Federal Audit.

The last audit carried out by the DG(Audit) office for the FY 2010-11 and no audit para is printed in the annual audit report.

(e) Presently there is no such proposal in hand.

64. **\*Col (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 19-07-2012 at 09:15 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the amount of internal and external loans obtained by the Government during the financial year, 2011-12; and*
- (b) *the amount of interest paid on these loans?*

**Dr. Abdul Hafeez Shaikh:** (a) The net amount of internal and external loans obtained by the Government during the FY:2011-12 is Rs.1,952 billion as per the following details:—

Loan Type (Rs. in billion)	Total Outstanding Debt Stock as on June, 2011	Total Outstanding Debt Stock as on June, 2012	Increase in Public Debt
Internal Loans	6,015	7,636	1,621
External Loans	4,694	5,025	331*
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,709</b>	<b>12,661</b>	<b>1,952</b>

\*It includes Rs.127 billion as translational effect and the net borrowing is Rs.204 billion.

(b) The amount of interest paid on total outstanding debt including debt obtained during FY:2011-12 is Rs.895.9 billion as per following details:

Interest Payment	Rs. in billion
Internal Loans	828.2
External Loans	67.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>895.9</b>

65. **\*Mr. Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah Aajiz:** (Notice received on 19-07-2012 at 12:15 p.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the details of provincial quota of employment in Quaid-e-Azam University;*
- (b) *the extent to which quota reserved for Sindh has been implemented; and*
- (c) *the names and designation of the persons belonging to Sindh presently working in the University?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) As per approved Statutes clause-9, Part-III (Assented by the Chancellor) under the Quaid-e-Azam University Act 1973, Which state that (i) all teaching appointments in the University shall be made by selection on the basis of merit and efficiency, and (ii) all non-teaching appointments in the University shall be made on the basis of 50:50 i.e 50% by direct recruitment and 50% by

promotion.” Direct Recruitment shall be made on the basis of merit through open competition by advertising the posts and promotion shall be made on the basis of seniority-cum-fitness against those posts only where feeder posts are available otherwise these shall also be filled by direct recruitment (Annex-I).

In view of the above, all appointments in the university are being made on merit. However in compliance with the directive of the special Committee on Senate in its meeting held on 22-12-2012 at Parliament House, Islamabad the case regarding observance of provincial/regional quota, policy was placed before the Statutory Body of the university (*i.e* Syndicate), which was approved by the syndicate in its 158th meeting held on 11-02-2012. Thereafter the summary for observance of the said quota was submitted to the Chancellor (the President of Islamic Republic of Pakistan) on 29-03-2012 (Annex-II) which have been approved by the Chancellor last month. The said policy will be observed in the university.

In future the said provincial/regional quota will be strictly observed and non-teaching posts of direct recruitment will be filled accordingly.

(b) Prior to the aforesaid approval of the Syndicate/Chancellor, the President of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, there existed no provincial/regional quota for appointments in, the university. Now as indicated at Annex-II, the 19% quota has been reserved for Sindh province which will be implemented in future.

(c) The names and designation of the persons belonging to Sindh working in the university at present are given at Annex-III.

66. **\*Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 20-07-2012 at 09:05 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Inter Provincial Coordination be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether there is any programme of tour of Pakistan cricket team to India in near future, if so, when;*
- (b) *whether any foreign country has agreed to send its cricket team to Pakistan in near future; and*
- (c) *whether negotiations with any country are underway in connection with cricket series?*

**Mir Hazar Khan Bijarani:** (a) The Pakistan Team is due to tour India in December, 2012 -January, 2013 for a series of 03 ODI matches and 02 T20 matches.

(b) Bangladesh has agreed to tour Pakistan subject to clearance of the Court Order staying their visit in March. Negotiations with other countries are underway.

(c) As mentioned above, PCB is in negotiations with a number of countries for visiting Pakistan to play cricket.

67. \***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 25-07-2012 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Economic Affairs be pleased to state:*

(a) *whether it is a fact that the Chinese Government has recently offered scholarships for Masters Programmes, if so, the details thereof;*

(b) *the names, designation, educational qualifications, experience and names of Ministries, Divisions and departments of the officers/officials who applied for those programmes and those selected; and*

(c) *the criteria adopted for selection of the said officers/officials?*

**Dr. Abdul Hafeez Shaikh:** (a) Yes, Chinese Govt. has recently offered two (02) scholarship for master degree programme in 2011 and four (04) in 2012. The detailed information, thereof, is attached at **Annex-I** and **II** for year 2011 and 2012 respectively.

(b) The requisite information is attached at **Annex-III** and **IV** for year 2011 and 2012 respectively.

(c) The Foreign Training Committee selected the said officers/officials for foreign training courses keeping in view the following:—

(i) Qualification.

(ii) Experience.

(iii) Age limit.

(iv) Relevance with the training programme.

(v) Conditions imposed by the sponsor as follows:—

a. Government Officials (BS-17 & Above).

b. Minimum a Bachelor degree in relevant field.

c. Three (03) years working experience.

d. Upto 45 years of age.

e. In good health free from any infectious disease.

68. **\*Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 25-07-2012 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Economic Affairs be pleased to state:*

(a) *the names, designation and names of Ministries, Divisions and departments of the officers/officials sent abroad by the Government for training and short courses since July, 2010; and*

(b) *the criteria adopted for selection of the said officers/officials?*

**Dr. Abdul Hafeez Shaikh:** (a) The requisite information is attached at **Annex-I**.

(b) The Foreign Training Committee selected the said officers/officials for foreign training courses keeping in view the following:—

- (i) Qualification
- (ii) Experience
- (iii) Age limit
- (v) Relevance with the training programme
- (v) conditions imposed by the sponsor

*(Annexure has been placed on the Table of the House as well as Library)*

69. **\*Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 25-07-2012 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Economic Affairs be pleased to state the amount of loans and Financial assistance received from each country and international organizations by the incumbent government indicating also the terms and conditions for the same?*

**Dr. Abdul Hafeez Shaikh:** The total amount of loans and financial assistance (loans+grants) received (disbursed) from each Country and International Organizations by the incumbent government during the period from 25th March, 2008 to 31st July, 2012 is **\$15,638 million** (excluding IMF).

Country & International Organization-wise details and terms & conditions are shown at **Annex-I** and **Annex II** respectively.

70. **\*Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 26-07-2012 at 09:30 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to provide solar energy to traffic signals in Islamabad, if so, how many have been shifted to solar energy so far; and*
- (b) *the estimated cost of the said project?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) In consultation with Islamabad Traffic Police, a proposal for conversion of traffic signals on solar energy at different locations / crossings has already been initiated which is in process. Meanwhile, as a pilot project, traffic signals at Dhokri Chowk near Serena Hotel have been converted on solar energy.

(b) Estimated cost for conversion to solar power Traffic Signal varies from intersection to intersection. However, approximate cost is Rs, 0.800/- Million per intersection.

71. **\*Syeda Sughra Imam:** (Notice received on 31-07-2012)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the names of Ministries / Divisions devolved in pursuance of 18th amendment in the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan; and*
- (b) *the names of new Ministries / Divisions established after the said amendment?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) Under mentioned Seventeen (17) Ministries / Divisions have been devolved in pursuance of 18th amendments in the Constitution:—

- (1) Ministry of Local Government and Rural Development.
- (2) Ministry of Population Welfare.
- (3) Ministry of Special Initiatives.
- (4) Ministry of Youth Affairs.
- (5) Ministry of Zakat and Ushr.
- (6) Ministry of Culture.
- (7) Ministry of Education.
- (8) Ministry of Livestock and Dairy Development.
- (9) Ministry of Social Welfare and Special Education.
- (10) Ministry of Tourism.
- (11) Ministry of Environment.
- (12) Ministry of Food and Agriculture.



- (13) Ministry of Health.
- (14) Ministry of Labour and Manpower.
- (15) Ministry of Minorities Affairs.
- (16) Ministry of Sports.
- (17) Ministry of Women Development.

(b) Following Ministries / Divisions have been created after the said amendments:—

1. Ministry of National Harmony
2. Ministry of Human Resource Development
3. Ministry of Education and Trainings
4. Ministry of National Heritage and Integration
5. Ministry of Climate Change
6. Ministry of National Regulation and Services
7. Ministry of National Food Security and Research

72. **\*Syeda Sughra Imam:** (Notice received on 31-07-2012)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to place ERRA under the administrative control of the Ministry for Climate Change?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** There is no such proposal under consideration to place ERRA under the administrative control of Ministry of Climate Change.

73. **\*Syeda Sughra Imam:** (Notice received on 31-07-2012)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the functions of the Ministry for Climate Change and the defunct Ministry of Environment?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** Functions assigned to Ministry of Climate Change:--

1. National Disaster Management Authority.
2. Pakistan Environmental Protection Council.
3. Pakistan Environmental Protection Agency.

4. Pakistan Environmental Planning and Architectural Consultants Limited (PEPAC).
5. Global Environmental Impact Study Centre, Islamabad.
6. National policy, plans strategies and programmes with regard to disaster management including environmental protection, preservation, pollution, ecology, forestry, wildlife, biodiversity, climate change and desertification.
7. Coordination, monitoring and implementation of environmental agreements with other countries, international agencies and forums.

### **Attached Departments**

- (a) Pakistan Environmental Protection Agency.
- (b) Zoological Survey of Pakistan.

Functions performed / allocated to the defunct Ministry of Environment:—

1. National policy, plans, strategies and programmes regarding:
  - (a) Environmental pollution, ecology, forestry, wildlife, biodiversity, climate change and desertification;
  - (b) Improvement in environmental conditions of air, water and land;
  - (c) Incorporation of environmental concerns in development schemes; and
  - (d) energy conservations
2. Coordination, monitoring and implementation of environmental agreements with other countries, international agencies and forums
3. Forestry training, education and research
4. Survey and research in flora and fauna
5. Secretariat of Pakistan Environmental Protection Council established under the Pakistan Environmental Protection Act, 1997(XXXIV of 1997)
6. Pakistan Environmental Planning and Architectural Consultants Limited (PEPAC)
7. Quaid-e-Azam Mazar Management Board (QMMB) and Quaid-e-Azam Memorial Fund

## Attached Departments

- (a) Pakistan Environmental Protection Agency.
- (b) National Council for Conservation of Wildlife in Pakistan.
- (c) Pakistan Forest Institute
- (d) Zoological Survey of Pakistan.
- (e) National Energy Conservation Centre (ENERCON).
- (f) Marine Biological Research Laboratory, Karachi.
- (g) Global Environment Impact Study Centre, Islamabad.

74. **\*Syed Zafar Ali Shah:** (Notice received on 02-08-2012 at 09:30 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state the names, designation, grades, date of appointment in the present grade and the date of superannuation of the officers in BPS-17 and above working in income Tax Group in FBR?*

**Dr. Abdul Hafeez Shaikh:** The requisite information relating to officers of Income Tax Group in BS-17,18,19 and 20 is placed at Flag-A, B, C & D respectively.

75. **\*Professor Sajid Mir:** (Notice received on 03-08-2012 at 14:30 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Capital Administration and Development be pleased to state the number and location of plots allotted for mosques in Federal Capital Territory from January 2008 to May 2012 indicating also the school of thought to which the same were allotted?*

Reply not received.

76. **\*Professor Sajid Mir:** (Notice received on 03-08-2012 at 14:30 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state the details of funds provided to each International NGO presently working in Pakistan by the European donors during the financial year, 2011-12?*

**Dr. Abdul Hafeez Shaikh:** • Details of funds provided to each INGO presently working in Pakistan by the European donors during the financial year 2011-12 is attached at Annex-I.

- This information consists of INGOs which are registered by EAD and has been obtained from Development Assistance Database (DAD) which is on line system maintained by EAD and updated by donors regularly.

77. **\*Professor Sajid Mir:** (Notice received on 06-08-2012 at 09:30 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to demolish and reconstruct flats in sectors G-6 and G-7, Islamabad, if so, the progress made so far in the case?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** No such proposal is under consideration.

*ISLAMABAD :  
The 6th September, 2012.*

**IFTIKHAR ULLAH BABAR,**  
*Secretary.*

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**“UNSTARRED QUESTION AND ITS REPLY”**

**For Friday, the 7th September, 2012**

1. **\*Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq:** (Notice received on 25-07-2012 at 09:10 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state whether it is a fact that orderly allowance admissible to the officers in BPS-20 to 22 is admissible to them after retirement, if so, whether the recent increase made in the said allowance will be admissible to those officers who stood retired on or before 30th June, 2012, if not, its reasons?*

Reply not received.

ISLAMABAD :  
*The 6th September, 2012.*

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