

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

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

Wednesday, the 6th May, 2015

DEFERRED QUESTION

(Question No. 2 Deferred on 14th April, 2015 (114th Session))

***Question No. 2 (Def.) Mr. Osman Saifullah Khan:**
_____ (Notice received on 13-03-2015 at 12:00 p.m.)

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

- (a) the details of tariff determined by NEPRA for Thar coal fired power projects indicating also the project cost in US dollars per MW, return on Equity and period for which the tariff is valid (terms of tariff); and*
- (b) whether the return on Equity component is guaranteed, if so, the name of the guarantor entity?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division : (a) **SUMMARY OF THAR UPFRONT COAL TARIFF.**

(b) As per the standard Implementation Agreement, GOP guarantees the payment obligation of the Power purchaser under the Power Purchase Agreement.

***Question No. 18 Mr. Osman Saifullah Khan:**
(Notice received on 19-03-2015 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Textile Industry be pleased to state:

- (a) the salient features of the policy of the Government for import and export of cotton;*
- (b) the salient features of the policy of the Government on the pricing of local cotton crop; and*

(c) whether it is a fact that the price of Pakistani cotton is lowest in the world as compared to the cotton of equivalent quality produced by other countries?

Minister for Textile Industry:

(a) Policy for Import of Cotton:

- **Raw Cotton is freely importable from worldwide sources according to Import Policy Order 2013. Custom duty is 1% ad valorem.**
- **As per S.No. 9, Part-I, Appendix-B of the current Import Policy Order, Cotton Seed (H.S Code 1207.2100) is importable with prior approval of the Ministry of National Food Security & Research, Government of Pakistan.**
- **As per S.No. 61, Appendix-G-1 of the current import Policy Order, Long Staple Cotton and Short Staple Cotton of 0.5 million bales (H.S Code 5201.0090) is importable from India through land route From Wagah.**

Policy for Export of Cotton:

As per S. No. 10, Schedule-II of the current Export Policy Order, Cotton (H. S Code 5201.0000) is exportable subject to following conditions:

- i. Export contract registration with TDAP against security deposit of 1% of the contract value and presentation of the same before customs authorities with shipping documents along with cotton grading and classification certificate, issued by the Pakistan Cotton Standards Institute.**
- ii. An irrevocable letter of credit shall be opened by the buyers within thirty-five days and the shipment of contracted quantity shall be completed within one hundred and eighty days of the registration of contract. In case letter of credit is not opened within the stipulated time or non-performance of the contract the security deposit shall be forfeited by the State Bank of Pakistan proportionate to the quantity not-shipped.**
- iii. The export of cotton shall be allowed on the basis of types as well as grades. The exporters shall, however, mention the grade equivalence on the shipping documents if they opt to export the cotton on type basis and the requirement of classification and grading certificate in such cases, shall be dispensed with, if the ginned cotton is packed in export packing.**

(b) The price of the cotton (seed cotton and Lint) is determined by local and international market prices. Government has not imposed any restriction or duty on import or export of cotton. Intervention price of cotton is determined by Agriculture Price Institute (API) every year. When market prices fall below the intervention price, Ministry of Textile Industry move a summary to ECC of the Cabinet for approval of the public procurement through Trading Corporation of Pakistan (TCP).

(c) Yes it is fact that Pakistani cotton gets lower prices than cotton from many countries, mostly because of lower standard, high degree of contamination and trash contents. Since farmers are getting price on weight not on quality. They do not bother for clean cotton picking, proper handing and transportation procedure. Non practicing of quality based pricing system is the main reason of deteriorating quality of Pakistani cotton. Although it has been proved that Pakistani cotton traded in Index A in the past when cotton standardization and grading was practiced.

***Question No. 19 Mr. Osman Saifullah Khan:**
(Notice received on 20-03-2015 at 10:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the expected Internal Rate of Return (IRR) for the Islamabad - Rawalpindi Metro Bus project?

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: IRR of the Project has not yet been shared with CDA by the Punjab Government. However the EIRR of the Project as provided in the approved PC-I is as under:—

Assumptions	EIRR (Percent)
Base Case	21.7
Sensitivity Tests	
(i) Benefits -10%	19.16
(ii) Cost + 10%	19.34
(iii) Benefit – 10% & Costs +10 %	17.54
(iv) Including Impact of Mixed Traffic VOC & VTT Savings	23.94

Detailed attached at Annex-I.

***Question No. 20 Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:**
(Notice received on 24-03-2015 at 10:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state the percentage of officers in the Police Service of Pakistan who belong to FATA, Balochistan and Azad Jammu and Kashmir?

Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division: Police Service of Pakistan Cadre at present is comprised of 743 officers (BS-17 to 22). The percentage of officers in Police Service of Pakistan who belong to FATA. Balochistan and Azad Jammu and Kashmir is as under:—

Name	No. of Officers belonging to these	Percentage
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Provinces/Govt.

FATA	23	03.09 %
Balochistan	54	07:26 %
AJ&K	11	01.48 %

***Question No. 21 Mr. Saeed Ghani :**

(Notice received on 24-03-2015 at 01:00 p.m.)

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

- (a) the number of bullet proof vehicles with the Government of Pakistan at present; and*
- (b) the names and designations of the persons presently using the said vehicles?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) 20x bullet proof vehicles of different categories are on the charge of Cabinet Division, Central Pool of Cars.

(b) The name and designations of the persons using these vehicles is placed at Annex-I.

***Question No. 22 Mr. Ahmed Hassan:**

(Notice received on 25-03-2015 at 11:10 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to provide:

- (a) the names, designations, date of birth, date of appointment, educational qualifications, previous trainings and experience of the persons working as General Managers, Deputy General Managers, Assistant General Managers, Managers, Deputy Managers and Assistant Managers in the State Life Insurance Corporation as on 31-12-2013;*
- (b) the names of the said officers who have applied for promotion or appointment to the next higher position on the basis of their experience in the said corporation indicating also the action taken thereon in each case;*
- (c) the criteria laid down for appointment / promotion against the said managerial posts in that corporation; and*
- (d) the details of orders of promotion of the persons who have been promoted as Assistant Managers in the said corporation w.e.f. 28th June, 2008?*

Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan: (a) The following number of persons are working in Officers Grades as on 31-12-2013:

General Managers	9
Dy. General Managers	46
Asstt. General Managers	139
Managers	425
Dy. Managers	202
Assistant Managers	647

Detailed list is placed at (Annex-“A”).

(b) Officers are promoted as per policy of the Corporation based on Seniority *cum*-fitness. No application is pending on the basis of experience. Therefore, the report may be treated as “Nil”.

(c) Appointment Criteria for Officers:

- i. Determination of vacancies.**
- ii. Publication of advertisement for the post with qualification, age and experience.**
- iii. Constitution of selection committees by Appointing Authority.**
- iv. Conducting of Written Test/Interview.**
- v. Selection of candidates on the basis of Regional Quota.**
- vi. Issuance of Offer Letters to successful candidates.**

Note: As per Regulation No.10(2) of State life Employees (Service) Regulation 1973, all the appointments were made on the recommendations of the appropriate Selection Committee constituted by the appointing authority concerned, in accordance with such general and specific directions of the Chairman.

Promotion Criteria of Officers:

- i. The quantification or promotion grading is based on the following factors:**

Promotion Criteria	Rating/ Marks
Seniority in the grade	35
ACR Rating	50
Qualification	05
Suitability	10

Total:

100

ii. Last 3 years consecutive ACRs / PERs in the same grade, immediately before the year of promotion exercise, shall form the basis of promotion.

iii. The Officers up to 50% on the Seniority Table may only be considered as eligible

(d) Promotions to Assistant Managers have not been made *w.e.f.* 28-06-2008. However, Executive Officers have been up-graded as Assistant Managers *w.e.f.* 28-06-2008 *vide* Office Order No. P&GS/PO/ 316/2008 dated 17-12-2008 in pursuance of Board of Directors decision taken in its 198th Meeting.

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

***Question No. 23 Mr. Farhatullah Babar :**

(Notice received on 25-03-2015 at 02:40 p.m.)

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

- (a) the names of skill development programmes launched under the Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP) so far;*
- (b) the number of beneficiaries of each of the said programmes from their inception to March, 2015, with month-wise breakup; and*
- (c) whether it is a fact that BISP skill development programmes of Waseela-i-Rozgar and Waseel-i-Haq have been suspended, if so, the dates from which the same were suspended and the reasons for suspension in each case?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) Waseela-e-Rozgar (WR)

(b) The Waseela-e-Rozgar program was launched in February 2011 and 58,528 trainees have been graduated till October 2013. As the duration of courses was 4 to 6 months, therefore, month-wise breakup is not possible, however, year-wise breakup is given as under:

Year	Number of Trainees
2010-11	711
2011-12	27,659
2012-13	30158

Total:

58,528

(c) In 20th BISP Board meeting held on 26th December, 2013, the following decisions were made regarding Waseela-Rozgar (WR) and Waseela-e-Haq (WH).

- a. The Board decided to close WH initiative and merged with WR program. The Board directed the management to develop new project (WH and WR merged together) after conducting detailed design study.
- b. Both the initiatives were suspended due to various design, operational and transparency issues linked with both the initiatives.

***Question No. 24 Mr. Muhammad Talha Mehmood:**
(Notice received on 26-03-2015 at 03:00 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the names and experience of the incumbent Chairman and Members of the Pakistan Telecommunications Authority (PTA) indicating also the salary, allowances and other fringe benefits admissible to them?

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: a. The names of the Chairman and Members of the Authority are as follows:—

Chairman:-

Dr. Syed Ismail Shah.

Member (Finance):-

Mr. Tariq Sultan

Member (Compliance and Enforcement):-

Mr. Abdul Samad.

b. The experience and past job details are attached as Annexure A.

c. Accordingly to Pakistan Telecommunication (Re-organization) Act, 1996, the Chairman is in MP-I scale while the Members are in MP-II scale. The Chairman and Members are availing the salary and allowance as per MP scales of Government of Pakistan.

d. The details of benefits such as telephone, residential accommodation, vehicle and other facilities are attached as Annexure B.

***Question No. 25 Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:**
(Notice received on 30-03-2015 at 09:30 a.m.)

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the rate of cyber crimes is increasing in the country; if so, the reasons thereof;*
- (b) the steps being taken by the Government for the prevention of those crimes; and*
- (c) whether any law has been made to control the said crimes, if so, the present status of implementation thereof?*

Mrs. Anusha Rahman Ahmad Khan: (a) Yes, the rate of Cyber Crime is increasing in the country. The main reason is the very nature of the crime that enables commission of crime while remaining obscured behind technology. Other reasons include absence of appropriate legislation on the subject and lack of public awareness.

(b) The Government of Pakistan established National Response Centre for Cyber Crimes (NR3C) under the control of FIA with expertise and capabilities for investigation of Hi-tech crimes including those committed through the use of computer, Internet, mobile phones, VoIP and electronic mediums in general. Digital Forensics, Information Security Audits and Database Audit & Recovery are other specialties of NR3C.

Additionally, NR3C is actively involved in:

- (i) creating awareness among the masses regarding Cyber Crime by delivering lectures at various private/ public sector organizations including academia, judiciary, police, IB, NAB and other Govt. departments;
- (ii) selection of Cyber Scouts to train students of various schools for creating awareness; and
- (iii) “Cyber Alert Service”, to send SMS messages to general public for information sharing on fraudulent emails/SMS.

(c) Ministry of Information Technology has prepared and tabled Prevention of Electronic Crimes Bill, 2015 (PEC Bill) before the National Assembly that is currently under consideration of the Standing Committee.

Certain Cyber Crimes are also covered under Electronic Transactions Ordinance 2002.

***Question No. 26 Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:**
(Notice received on 31-03-2015 at 10:20 a. m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state the quantity of tea imported in the country during the fiscal years 2010-11 and 2011-12 indicating also the names of the countries from where the same was imported?

Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan: The quantity and value of tea imported in the country during the fiscal years 2010-11 and 2011-12 is as

Million US\$

Year	Quantity (M.T)	Value
2010-11	118657	334.06
2011-12	120422	350.77

Pakistan is not a tea producing country and domestic demand is met through import. Almost 95 % of the import of tea is Black tea, whereas small percentage is of other teas including herbal and fruit flavored teas.

Kenya is the major trading partner for tea during, the year 2011-12, \$217 million worth of tea was imported from Kenya. Other suppliers include India, Rwanda, Viet Nam and Indonesia.

Detail is attached at Annexure-A.

***Question No. 27 Mr. Mohsin Aziz:
(Notice received on 06-04-2015 at 11:40 a.m.)**

Will the Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government for renovation and extension of existing building of Bacha Khan International Airport, Peshawar, and to improve standards of services at that airport in order to bring it at par with other international airports in the country?

Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division: The proposal for the extension of BKIAP Peshawar is under consideration. M/s NESPAK is working on design and development for expansion of terminal building.

***Question No. 28 Mr. Mohsin Aziz:
(Notice received on 06-04-2015 at 11:40 a.m.)**

Will the Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to restore flights operation from Saidu Sharif Airport, Swat?

Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division: There is no proposal under consideration of the Government to restore flight operations from Saidu Sharif Airport, Swat due to poor loads and not economically viable.

***Question No. 29 Mr. Mohsin Aziz:
(Notice received on 06-04-2015 at 11:40 a.m.)**

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

- (a) *the date on which last auction of the gifts from Tosha Khana was held indicating also the amount received / earned from the same;*
- (b) *whether audit of the inventory of gifts / items of the said Tosha Khana is carried out, if so, the details findings of the last such audit; and*
- (c) *the expected date of the next auction of the gifts of that Tosha Khana?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) The last auction was held in the year 2013-2014 and an amount of Rs. 13,010,917/- was received / earned against the gift articles sold out.

(b) Audit of Inventory of gift articles is carried out regularly. The gifts were found intact, in the last audit.

(c) It is expected that next auction will be held by the end of this year.

***Question No. 30 Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini:**
(Notice received on 16-04-2015)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state the quota reserved for doctors and post graduate students from Balochistan Province in Hospitals and other Medical institutions under the administrative control of the Capital Administration and Development Division?

Mr. Usman Ibrahim: The quota is applicable for appointment and the share of Baluchistan is 6% which is observed strictly. However, there is no quota for postgraduate students. The vacant posts are advertised in the new papers. Candidates are selected by the Selection Committee on merit basis.

The detail of strength, filled and vacant posts of medical officers/registrars (BS-17) and Postgraduate students in the Federal Government hospitals being administered by the Capital administration & Development Division Is as follows:—

(i) **Federal Government Polyclinic (FGPC)**

- Medical Officers (BS-17).	
- Total strength	= 208
- Working	= 182
- Filled from Baluchistan Quota	= 04
- Vacant from Baluchistan quota	= 08
- Postgraduate student strength	= 76
- Working Baluchistan quota	= 03

(ii) **National Institute of Rehabilitation of Medicines . NIRM**

- Medical Officer/Registrar(BS-17) -Total posts	=	39
- Filled posts	=	37
- Vacant posts	=	02
- Filled from Baluchistan quota	=	03

(iii) Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences. PIMS

- Medical Officer (BS-17)		
Total strength	=	205
- Filled from Baluchistan Quota	=	13
- Postgraduate students strength	=	484
- Working from Baluchistan quota	=	17

***Question No. 31 Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini:**
(Notice received on 16-04-2015)

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

- (a) *the quota reserved for the province of Balochistan in appointments in the Capital Development Authority (CDA); and*
- (b) *the number of persons working in the said authority at present and the number of those belonging to Balochistan?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) 06% quota is for Balochistan.

(b) Total number of persons working in Capital Development Authority and the number of those belonging to Balochistan is as under:—

- (i) Total Employees working at present 14706*
- (ii) Working against Balochistan Quota 119

- Out of 14706 employees 6503 are in BPS 1-2 and they are recruited on local basis.

- Quota is only applicable on initial appointment and promotion posts do not come within its purview

***Question No. 32 Mrs. Khushbakht Shujat:**
(Notice received on 17-04-2015 at 10:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names of private schools registered under the Islamabad Capital Territory Private Educational Institutions Regulatory Authority (ICT-PEIRA) indicating also the number of branches of each school;*
- (b) *the average monthly salary being paid to the full time teachers by the said schools;*
- (c) *the average monthly tuition fee being charged from the students by those schools;*
- (d) *the number of formal inspections of the said schools carried out by the said Authority during the 2014; and*
- (e) *the number of interventions by way of monitoring of those schools made by the Authority during the said year?*

Mr. Usman Ibrahim: (a) As in Column 2 & 4 of the enclosed list.

(b) As in Column 5 of the enclosed list.

(c) As in Column 6 of the enclosed list.

(d) As in Column 7 of the enclosed list.

(e) As in Column 8 of the enclosed list.

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

***Question No. 33 Mr. Nauman Wazir:**

(Notice received on 17-04-2015 at 11:00 a.m.)

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

- (a) *the criterion laid down for appointment of members of Boards of Directors of Public Sector Enterprises (PSE) in the country; and*
- (b) *whether the present members of the said boards fulfill the said criterion?*

Reply not received.

***Question No. 34 Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh:**

(Notice received on 17-04-2015 at 12:05 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names, designation and place of domicile of the employees of the Ministry of Commerce whose services have been terminated during the present regime indicating also the reasons for termination in each case;*

- (b) the names, designations and place of domicile of the employees of the said Ministry whose services have been regularized during that period;*
- (c) the names, designations and place of domicile of the persons appointed in that Ministry during the said period; and*
- (d) the names and designations of the officers and officials of that Ministry who have been posted abroad during that period and the criteria adopted their posting?*

Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan: (a), (b), (c) The requisite reply in respect of Ministry of Commerce (Main) from (a to c) may please be treated as Nil.

(d) During the present regime, only one officer has been posted abroad, whereas 09 officials have been selected for posting abroad during the said period. 03 officials have been posted abroad and they have joined the Missions; whilst 06 officials are completing pre-departure formalities, like security vetting, health certification, visa endorsement etc. (Details at Annex-I).

Details of criteria for posting of officer and staff are placed at Annexure A & D respectively.

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AMJED PERVEZ,
Secretary.

Islamabad, the 5th May, 2015

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“UN-STARRED QUESTION AND ITS REPLY”

for Wednesday, the 6th May, 2015

Question No. 1 Mr. Mohsin Aziz:

(Notice received on 06-04-2015 at 11:40 a.m.)

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

- (a) the number of cars in the central pool;*
- (b) the frequency of usage of the said cars; and*
- (c) the average expenditures being incurred on fuel and maintenance of those cars?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) The Cabinet Division, Central Pool of Cars maintains seventy (70), vehicles of different categories. The detail is as under:—

S. #	Make	Model	Quantity
1	Stretched Limousine (bullet proof)	2005	02
2	Mercedes Benz Jeep (bullet proof)	2005	02
3	Mercedes Benz car (bullet proof)	2005	01
4	Mercedes Benz	2004	05
5	Mercedes Benz	1993	21
6	Kia Sportage	2008	01
7	Honda Accord (2.4)	2011	04
8	Honda Civic	2004,09,12,14	11
9	Toyota Corolla	2003,08,12,15	11
10	Toyota Coasters / VIP Buses	1993,2008	04

S. #	Make	Model	Quantity
11	Toyota Hiace	2005	01
12	Toyota Fielder	2005	01
13	Shehzor Mini Truck	2005	01

14	Pajero (GLF) /Land cruiser	2004 /2006	04
15	Toyota Double Cabin	2007	01
Total			70

(b) The vehicles of the Central Pool of Cars are detailed with the Ministries / Divisions for use of State Guests, Members of foreign delegations and VIPs visiting Pakistan. The vehicles are also detailed with Provincial Governors, Chief Ministers, Provincial Ministers and other officers visiting federal capital.

(c) The expenditures incurred on said vehicles under the head of maintenance and fuel during the last two years with year wise break up is given below.

S. #	Year	Fuel (Rs.)	Expenditure on Maintenance (Rs.)	Expenditure on
1	2012-2013	9,122,698	3,418,515	
2	2013-2014	13,409,000	15,155,712	
Total:		22,531,698	18,574,227	

ISLAMABAD :
The 5th May, 2015.

AMJED PERVEZ,
Secretary.