

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

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

Thursday, the 14th January, 2016

DEFERRED QUESTIONS

*(Questions Nos. 156 and 157 deferred on 30th December,
2015 (122nd Session))*

(Def.) * Question No. 156. **Senator Nisar Muhammad :**
(Notice received on 20-10-2015 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Law and Justice be pleased to state the details of corruption cases registered in NAB from January, 2013 to March, 2015 with province-wise breakup indicating also the amount recovered in each case so far?

Mr. Pervaiz Rashid: Province-wise corruption cases registered in NAB from January 2013 to March 2015 are detailed below:

During the discussion on the instant Question in the Senate Session dated 30-12-2015, the Hon'able Chairman directed to provide the detail of overall NAB Share in the recovered amount through VR & PB for the period asked by the senator.

There is no NAB share, infact all the amount recovered from the accused is deposited in the Federal consolidated funds and then the amount is returned to concerned Federal / Provincial Departments. Out of the recovered amount, Finance Division credit a small percentage to NAB as budgetary support measures under R&R Rules notified as SRO 655 (1)/2002 dated 9th September, 2002.

During the last 03 years *i.e.* from 2013 to 2015, NAB received only an amount of Rs. 718.648 Million out of the recovered amount of Rs. 5720.315 Million from Finance Division. Out of this 80% of amount is utilized on operational matters like Bonus *Ex-gratia*, purchase of equipments and vehicles, purchase of land/Buildings for official purpose and repair of official buildings owned by NAB etc. and 20% are utilized on Welfare Measures of NAB Employees such as Medical / Health Care, Death and Disability Compensation, Scholarships to Children, Burial/Funeral Expenses etc. The table in this context is as under.

*This include the amount which was pending from previous years.

(Def.) * Question No. 157. **Senator Nisar Muhammad :**
(Notice received on 20-10-2015 at 09:00 a.m.)

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

- (a) the cost of Nandipur Power Project;*
- (b) the duration of completion of the said project; and*
- (c) the name of the country from where the machinery for the said project was purchased and duration of its warranty?*

Khawaja Muhammad Asif: (a) The total cost of the Project as per approved Revised PC-I by ECNEC (January-2013) is Rs.58,416.20 Million.

(b) The physical work at the Project was started in October-2008 with schedule completion in April 2011. However, the schedule completion date was not achieved and the project got delayed owing to varied factors. The construction works of the power project have now been completed and plant achieved its CoD on 24-07-2015.

(c) The machinery/equipment installed at Nandipur power project has various countries of origin. The Gas Turbine of GE, HRSGs steam turbine Generators and balance of plant have been manufactured in France and China respectively.

Whereas, the fuel oil treatment plant is the product of GEA Westfalia Germany.

As far as the Guarantees are concerned, it is intimated that initially when the machinery was purchased, the guarantees/warrantees were valid till one year after the project CoD. However, all the said guarantees expired as the project got delayed and the scheduled completion date could not be achieved.

Nonetheless, in the Amendment No.2 to the Contract Agreement the Employer's rights have been safeguarded by incorporating the DLP (Defect Liability Period) Clause which will remain effective one year from the CoD.

***Question No. 32. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati:**

(Notice received on 17-08-2015 at 11:35 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister's Office be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount which was available in the discretionary fund of the Prime Minister in the years 2013-2014 and 2014-2015;*
- (b) the detail of utilization of the said amount indicating also the particulars of persons to whom the same were provided or on whose recommendations the same were allocated / utilized; and*
- (c) whether there is any mechanism for oversight of the said funds or any committee to decide the allocation of amount out of the same?"*

Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister's Office: (a) The amount available in the discretionary grant of the Prime Minister in the years 2013-14 and 2014-15 is as under:—

S. No	Financial	Year Amount	
1.	2013-14	Rs. 1.00 million	2.
2014-15	Rs. 1.500 million		

(b) The details of utilization of the said amount indicating the particulars of persons to whom the same was provided is at **Annex-I (2013-14)** and at **Annex-II (2014-15)**. This financial assistance is granted after scrutiny and verification of the documents and with the approval of the competent authority.

(c) Yes. The discretionary grant of the Prime Minister is being utilized in accordance with the policy at **Annex-III**.

***Question No. 33. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati:**

(Notice received on 25-08-2015 at 10:31p.m.)

Will the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that 82 top positions / senior posts are lying vacant in Election Commission of Pakistan; and*
- (b) *the reasons for not filling the said vacancies so far and the steps taken/being taken to fill the same?"*

Sheikh Aftab Ahmed: (a) It is incorrect to say that 82 top positions/senior posts are lying vacant in Election Commission of Pakistan.

(b) DPC/CSB was held in September, 2015 and all the posts meant for promotion was filled-in apart from four positions/posts which could not be filled-in due to ineligibility of officers. All the remaining vacant posts will be filled-in in the next DPC/CSB scheduled to be held in April, 2016.

***Question No. 34. Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood:**

(Notice received on 01-10-2015 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Religious Affairs and Inter-Faith Harmony be pleased to state:

- (a) *the details of accommodation arranged in Saudi Arabia for the Hajjis who went to perform Hajj 2015 by short duration flights;*
- (b) *per day rent of the said accommodation hired for the said Hajjis;*
- (c) *the date of arrival of short duration flight in Saudi Arabia indicating also the date from which the said accommodation was hired; and*
- (d) *the number of days the Government of Pakistan paid for the above said hired accommodation / hotel prior to the arrival of the Hajjis of the said flights*

and the extra amount paid by the Government in this regard alongwith the reasons for paying the rent for the said accommodation for the period during which the Hajjis were not there?

Sardar Muhammad Yousaf: (a) During Hajj 2015, Hotel Mukhtara International was hired in Madinah Munwarrarah and in Makkah Mukarramah Hilton Tower was hired for accommodation of Hujjaj of short duration flight.

(b) SAR. 1250/- per pilgrim was charged for accommodation and food in Madinah Munwarrarah for three nights stay whereas SAR.7875/- per pilgrim was charged for the period from 5th Zulhijjah to 13th Zulhijjah (08 days)

(c) The Short Duration flight was arrived Madinah Munawwarrarah, Saudi Arabia on 16th September, 2015 *i.e.* 2nd Zulhijjah. A booking was done for the same date.

(d) The Hujjaj of SDF paid for 12 days for the above hired accommodation. The bifurcation of the said 12 days is under:—

Madinah:

16th September, 2015 *i.e.* 2nd Zulhijjah to 19th September, 2015 *i.e.* 5th Zulhijjah.

Makkah:

19th September, 2015 *i.e.* 5th Zulhijjah to 27th September, 2015 *i.e.* 13th Zulhijjah.

During the Mashair days, the hotels hired in Makkah also charge rent of accommodation as rooms are locked and luggage of the Hujjaj is kept in there and Hujjaj also use these rooms while offering tawaf-i-ziarat.

***Question No. 35. Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood:**

(Notice received on 02-10-2015 at 09:10 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Religious Affairs and Inter-Faith Harmony be pleased to state:

(a) *the details of quota allotted to the private Hajj tour operators for the Hajj 2015 indicating also the names of those operators alongwith the quota allotted to each of them; and*

(b) *the procedure adopted for the allotment of quota to the said operators?*

Sardar Muhammad Yousaf: (a) Detail of quota allotted to private tour operators for hajj 2015 is at **Annexure-I.**

(b) Private Hajj scheme started from the year 2005. Procedure for allocation of quota to tour operators from 2005 to 2009 remained different from year to year. However, in Hajj Policy 2010, quota to tour operator was allocated on the basis of their work load (Annexure-II). This allocation of Hajj quota to tour operators is still in place. In the year 2011, the then government protected the quota of existing HGOs for five years *i.e.* upto 2015.

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

***Question No. 36. Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood:**

(Notice received on 08-10-2015 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Religious Affairs and Inter-Faith Harmony be pleased to stat:

- (a) the details of complaints lodged at present against the private Hajj tour operators in connection with Hajj 2015 and the action taken by the government against them; and*
- (b) whether any compensation has been given by the said operators to those Hajjis who were not provided proper facilities by the said operators, if yes, the details thereof?*

Sardar Muhammad Yousaf: (a) During Hajj Operation — 2015, 172 complaints were lodged against tour operations in Saudi Arabia. With the quick and in time intervention of the Monitoring Team of this Ministry in KSA, complaints were settled on spot. The Monitoring Team observed that certain tour operators did not provide the agreed facilities to hujjaj and accordingly on the direction and mutual agreement of hujjaj and service provider, an amount of Rs. 6,164,127 was refunded to 270 Hujjaj by 30 tour operators. Out of 172 complaints, 162 were settled in KSA while 10 complaints have been referred to Complaint Disposal Committee (CDC) of the Ministry. Further, this Ministry has also published an advertisement in the press (Annexure-I) according to which Hujjaj under private scheme have been requested to intimate about the performance of tour operators by 15th November 2015. As yet we have received 11 complaints from different Hujjaj against the tour operators. All complaints shall be placed before the Complaint Disposal Committee (CDC) after 15th November 2015 for disposal. The CDC examines the complaint, record, arguments of both sides (complainant and service provider) and keeping in view the gravity of the complaint, the decision is conveyed to both the parties. Till implementation the decision of CDC, tour operator is not allocated Hajj business for the next year.

- (b) As stated above.

***Question No. 37. Senator Col (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:**

(Notice received on 16-10-2015 at 12:10 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state the details of support being provided by USA to Pakistan in energy generation, improved distribution, management, policy reforms and technological cooperation?

Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi: The USAID Technical Assistance (TA) program for technical support in specific areas of the petroleum sector to the Ministry of petroleum and Natural Resources (MPNR) commenced in 2013 as part of the Energy Policy Program (EPP). The assistance was provided in following specific areas:

Upstream Petroleum Sector:

The USAID-EPP program provided specialized industry experts to assist Directorate General Petroleum Concessions in enhancing the effectiveness of its regulatory function. More specifically, the program targeted improvement and proper implementation of the policy and regulatory framework for upstream conventional oil

and gas as well as improvement in the institutional capacity at DGPC, which will in turn increase exploration and production activities for domestic oil and gas. The advisory support (from March 2014 to September 2015) covered legal, commercial, regulatory and technical areas through specialized foreign and local consultants.

Shale Gas Resources:

USAID-EPP engaged US and local consultants for Geological assessment of shale gas resources in Pakistan based on application of state of the art interpretation software to existing well logs and cores/cuttings and suggesting appropriate extraction technology, infrastructure needs, environmental measures, review of fiscal, regulatory regime and production cost to estimate break-even well-head production cost. The program commenced in Jan. 2014 and concluded in Dec. 2015.

***Question No. 38. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:**
(Notice received on 26-10-2015 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing and Works be pleased to state the names, designations and length of service of employees of the Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation (FGEHF) to whom plots were allotted in Islamabad during the last five years indicating also the location of plot allotted in each case and criteria adopted for the same?

Mr. Akram Khan Durrani: The list of employees of FGE Housing Foundation to whom plots were allotted during the last five years by FGE Housing Foundation in its different phases/schemes in Islamabad containing requisite information is at **Annex- A**.

Annex- A.

LIST OF EMPLOYEES OF FGE HOUSING FOUNDATION WHO HAVE BEEN ALLOTTED PLOTS UNDER PROFESSIONAL QUOTA DURING LAST FIVE YEARS

S. No.	Name	Designation	Length of Service in Days	Plot	sector	Status of Employee
CATEGORY-V						
1.	Ibrar Hussain Kazmi 5(MISE-V-01)/ 2011-HF	Inspector/AD	616	1257	D-12/1	Deputationist

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S. No	Name	Designation	Length of Service in Days	Plot	Street	Sector	Status of Employee
CATEGORY-III							
1.	Muhammad Ayyaz Sulehri	Assistant Director	3901	35	68	G-14/2	Foundation Employees

3(P-0011)/FGEHF/
EIV/2004-

S. No	Name	Designation	Length of Service in Days	Plot	Street	Sector	Status of Employee
2.	Muhammad Asif 3(P-0017)/FGEHF/ 2004-HF	Dy. Asstt. Director	3167	2A	98	G-14/3	Foundation Employee
CATEGORY-IV							
1.	Kaiser Rasheed 4(P-0016)/FGEHF/ 2004-HF	Assistant	3156	74	9	G-14/1	Foundation Employee
CATEGORY-V							
1.	Syed Nawaz 5(P-0023)/FGEHF/ 2004-HF	LDC	2932	2A	45	G14/1	Foundation Employee
2.	Ali Abbas Khan 5(p-0024) /FGEHF/ EIV / 2004-	Driver	3286	7	66A	G-14/2	Foundation Employee

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S. No	Name	Designation	Length of Service in Days	Plot	Street	Sector	Status of Employee
CATEGIRT-III							
1.	Khalid Mehmood 3(2-0012)/FGEHF/ EIV/2004-	Senior Auditor	561	80	3	G-14/1	Deputationist
2.	Chazhar Javed 3(P-0013)/FGEHF/ EIV/2204-	AXEN (EM)	687	19	64C	G-14/2	Deputationist
3.	Fariduddin Khan 3(P-0018)/FGEHF/ /2004-HF	Assistant Director	569	2A	113	G-14/3	Deputationist
CATEGORY-IV							
1.	Ghulam Rasool Laghari 4(P-0012).FGEHF/ EIV/04-HF	Steno Grapher	595	19	85	G-14/2	Deputationist
2.	Muhammad Shafaqat 4 (P-0015).FGEHF/ EIV/2004-	Steno Grapher	707	50	87	G-14/2	Deputationist

CATEGORY-V

1.	Ghulam Rabbani 5(P-0021)/FGEHF/ 2004-HF	Naib Qasid	742	61	84	G-14/2	Deputationist
2.	Muhammad Iqbal 5(P-0022)/FGEHF/ EIV/2004	UDC	764	41	44	G-14/1	Deputationist

LIST OF EMPLOYEES OF FGE HOUSING FOUNDATION WHO HAVE BEEN ALLOTTED PLOTS UNDER PROFESSIONAL QUOTA DURING LAST FIVE YEARS

S. No	Name	Designation	Length of Service in years	Plot	Street	Sector	Status of Employee
CATEGORY-III							
1.	Abdul Ghaffar Afzal 3(P-0005)/FGEHF/ 96-HF	Steno	10	35	141	G-13/4	Foundation Employee
CATEGORY-V							
1.	Ghulam Sarwar 5(P-0007)/96-HF	Naib Qasid	14	18	133	G-13/4	Foundation Employee
2.	Muhammad Shakeel 5(P-0009)//FGEHF/ 96-HF	Assistant	10	5	93	G-13/1	Foundation Employee

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S. No	Name	Designation	Length of Service in Days	Plot	Street	Sector	Status of Employee
CATEGORY-II							
1.	Syed Intikhab Alam 2(P-0013)/FGEHF/ EIV/2004	Project Director	4254	7	0	G-13/1	Deputationist

S. No	Name	Designation	Length of Service in Days	Plot	Street	Sector	Status of Employee
CATEGORY-V							
1.	Saifullah Khan Niazi 5(P-0016)//FGEHF/96-	LDC	8060	24	112	G-13/1	Deputationist

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S. No	Name	Designation	Length of Service in Days	Plot	Street	Sector	Status of Employee
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CATEGORY-VI

1.	Ghulam Rasool 15(MISC-VI-01)/ FGEHF/96-HF	LDC	5130	415E	G-11/3	Foundation Employee
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***Question No. 39. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:**
(Notice received on 26-10-2015 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state the names and location of run of the River Hydro Power Projects presently in progress in the country indicating also the estimated cost, expected date of completion and capacity of generation of electricity of each project?

Khawaja Muhammad Asif: The details of Run of River Hydropower Projects which are under different stages of implementation alongwith location, estimated cost, expected date of completion and generation of electricity is attached as **Annex-A**.

***Question No. 40. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati:**
(Notice received on 30-11-2015 at 11:30 a.m.)

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

- (a) *the present status of Reko Dig Copper and Gold mining projects; and*
- (b) *whether the Government has taken any steps to exploit the said resources in collaboration with the Provincial Government of Balochistan?*

Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi: Constitutionally, all minerals other than nuclear ones are Provincial subject. Executive/regulatory authority for mineral exploration & development/production and grant of exploration licenses/mining leases rests with the Provinces. Federal Government is mandated with geological surveys, national policies/plans formulation and coordination at national and international levels.

As reported by Government of Balochistan, Reko-Diq Copper-Gold project is presently closed under the Provincial Cabinet decision and the claim filed by M/s Tethyan Copper Company Pvt Limited, Australia for damages under the previous exploration licence is subjudice before the Arbitration Tribunal of International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID). Both Federal and Provincial Governments are defending the company's arbitration claim.

***Question No. 41. Senator Saleem Zia:**
(Notice received on 11-12-2015 at 02:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state the volume / value of production from the Saindak project during the last three years and the profit earned from and expenditure incurred on the same?

Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi: The requisite information in respect of Saindak Copper-Gold Project, District Chagai — Balochistan for the last three years (2012-2014) is tabulated below:—

Profit earned from the Project is equally shared by Saindak Metals Limited and Chinese operator company.

*Question No. 42. **Senator Agha Shahbaz Khan Durrani:**

(Notice received on 11-12-2015 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state the number of persons presently working in the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Resources, its attached departments, corporations, subordinate offices and institutions etc. with grade-wise and province-wise breakup?

Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi: The detail of persons presently working in the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Resources and its attached departments corporations, subordinate offices and Institutions etc. with grade-wise and province-wise break-up is as under:—

(i) **PSO**

Presently, total 123 Officers/Officials are working in the Company as per break-up attached as Annexure-I.

(ii) **OGDCL**

Presently, total 9512 Officers/Officials are working in the Company while 4463 Employees are serving on Daily Wages/Work Charge basis as per break-up attached as Annexure-II.

(iii) **GHPL**

Presently, total 43 Officers/Officials are working in the Company as per break-up attached as Annexure-III.

(iv) **Main Ministry (P&NR)**

Presently, total 142 Officers/Official are working in the Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Resources (Annexure-IV).

(v) **Policy Wing, MP&NR**

Presently, total 144 Officers/Official are working in the Policy Wing of Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Resources as per break-up attached as Annexure-V.

(vi) **SSGCL**

Presently, total 2376 Executives are working in the Company while the total strength of Unionized Staff is 4700 as per break-up attached as Annexure-VI.

(vii) **PMDC**

Presently, total 1047 Officers/Officials are working in the Company as per break-up attached as Annexure-VII.

_____ (viii) **ISGSL**

Presently, total 54 Executives are working in the Company as per break-up attached as Annexure-VIII.

(ix) **SML**

Presently, total 54 Officers/Officials are working in the Company as per break-up attached as Annexure-IX.

(x) **HDIP**

At present total 323 persons are working in the Company as per break-up attached as Annexure-X.

(xi) **GSP**

At present total 842 persons are working in the Company as per break-up attached as Annexure-XI.

(xii) **LCDCL**

At present total 77 Officers/Officials are working in the Company as per break-up as Annexure-XII.

(xiii) **PPL**

At present total 2870 Officers/Officials are working in the Company as per break-up as Annexure-XIII.

(xiv) **SNGPL**

At present total 9132 Officers/Officials are working in the Company as per break-up as Annexure-XII.

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

*Question No. 43. **Senator Agha Shahbaz Khan Durrani:**

(Notice received on 11-12-2015 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing and Works be pleased to state the number of persons presently working in the Ministry of Housing and Works, its attached departments, corporations, subordinate offices and institutions etc. with grade-wise and province-wise breakup?

Mr. Akram Khan Durrani: The detail of persons presently working in the Ministry of Housing and Works, its attached departments and organizations, etc. with grade-wise and province-wise breakup is as under:—

Ministry of Housing and Works	(Annex\A)
Pak PWD	(Annex-B)
Estate Office	(Annex-C)
National Housing Authority	(Annex-D)
FGE Housing Foundation	(Annex-E)
PHA Foundation	(Annex-F)
National Construction Ltd	(Annex-G)

*Question No. 44. **Senator Agha Shahbaz Khan Durrani:**

(Notice received on 14-12-2015 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Religious Affairs and Inter-Faith Harmony be pleased to state the number of persons presently working in the Ministry of Religious Affairs and Inter-Faith Harmony, its attached departments, corporations, subordinate offices and institutions etc. with grade-wise and province-wise breakup?

Sardar Muhammad Yousaf:

(i) There are **406** persons working in the main Ministry. Grade-wise and Province-wise breakup is **Annexed-I**.

(ii) There are **1923** persons working in the Evacuee Trust Property Board (ETPB), a body corporate of this Ministry. Grade-wise and Province-wise breakup is **Annexed-II**.

(iii) There are **125** persons working in the Pakistan Madrassah Education Board (PMEB) and three Model Dini Madaris of Islamabad, Karachi and Sukkur. PMEB is a body corporate of this Ministry. Grade-wise and Province-wise breakup is **Annexed-III**.

(iv) There are **183** persons working in the Hajj Directorates Islamabad, Lahore, Karachi, Peshawar, Multan and Sukkur. Directorates of Hajj are subordinate offices of this Ministry. Grade-wise and Province-wise breakup is **Annexed-IV**.

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

***Question No. 45. Senator Saleem Zia:**

(Notice received on 21-12-2015 at 12:25 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Law and Justice be pleased to state:

- (a) *the amount allocated for free legal assistance to the needy and poor litigants during the last three years with province wise and year wise break up; and*
- (b) *the number of children who have been provided legal assistance in the country during the said period with year-wise and province wise break up?*

Reply not Received.

***Question No. 46. Senator Sassui Palijo:**

(Notice received on 23-12-2015 at 04:00 p.m.)

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

- (a) *the number of industrial units in the country to which natural gas is being supplied at present with province-wise break-up; and*
- (b) *the quantum of natural gas being supplied to the said units with province-wise break-up?*

Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi: The requisite information of part (a) and (b) is given in **Annex-I.**

Annex-I

	No. of Industrial Units	Current Actual Supplies (in MMCFD)
Punjab	3,120	238
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	234	36
Sindh	4,100	696
Balochistan	60	8

Note : SNGPL provided information for Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa on the basis of average supplies from July to September 2015.

***Question No. 47. Senator Sassui Palijo:**

(Notice received on 23-12-2015 at 04:00 p.m.)

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

- (a) *the date since when Gas Infrastructure Development Cess has been levied;*
- (b) *the amount collected under the said head so far with province-wise breakup; and*

- (c) *the amount spent on various projects out of the said amount with province-wise break-up?*

Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi: (a) Gas Infrastructure Development Cess (GIDC) was levied *w.e.f.* 1st January 2012 through GIDC Act, 2011, GIDC Ordinance, 2014 and GIDC Act, 2015.

(b) Since 1st January 2012 to 31-12-2015 ; the amount collected under the head of Account of GIDC receipts is Rs. 183.86 Billion .The province wise breakup is tabulated as under:—

(c) According to Clause 4 of GIDC Act, 2015. GIDC shall be utilized by the Federal Government for or in connection with infrastructure development of Iran Pakistan Pipeline Project, Turkmenistan Afghanistan Pakistan India (TAPI) Pipeline projects, LNG or other ancillary, projects. So far, GIDC amount has not been utilized because the GIDC utilization Rules is not in placed; the same is under active proportion. The GIDC receipts will be utilized on promulgation and issuance GIDC utilization Rules.

***Question No. 48. Senator Sassui Palijo:**

(Notice received on 28-12-2015 at 04:00 p.m.)

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

- (a) *the percentage/share of provinces in distribution of gas produced in the country indicating also the quantum of the same presently being consumed by each of them; and*
- (b) *the number of domestic, and commercial CNG and gas connections/meters provided in the provided in the country with province wise break up?*

Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi: (a) Share of gas produced in country pertains to DG PC. The province-wise consumption of natural gas in the country during first quarter of year 2015-16 is as under:—

- (b) The requisite information is given at **Annex-I**.

***Question No. 49. Senator Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi:**

(Notice received on 31-12-2015 at 12:02 p.m.)

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that drilling was carried out at Harno and Thanda Pani, Islamabad for exploration of oil and gas in the recent past, if so, the present status of the same;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the well has been closed and pipes and other equipments have been removed form the said sites; and*
- (c) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to resume work on those sites, if so, when?*

Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi: (a) Yes. MOL Pakistan Oil & Gas Co.B.V has drilled MG-1 well in 2010-11 in Thanda Pani village located, in their Margalla Exploration Licence Islamabad. Well has been Pluged and Suspended.

(b) Yes.

ISLAMABAD :
The 13th January, 2016.

AMJED PERVEZ,
Secretary.