

**SENATE OF PAKISTAN**  
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**(270<sup>th</sup> Session)**

Date and day	27 <sup>th</sup> November, 2017 (Monday)
Commenced at	4:50 p.m.
Adjourned at	8:00 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	65
Total working hours	3 hours and 10 minutes

- Recitation from the Holy Quran.
- Leave applications were read.

**MOTIONS**  
**[Under Rule 194(1)]**

1. Senator Kamil Ali Agha on behalf of Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood, Chairman, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committee on the Bill to provide for the proper administration and management of the Islamabad Club [The Islamabad Club Administration and Management Bill, 2017], introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, on 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2017, may be extended for a further period of twenty working days with effect from 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2017.

**The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.**

2. Senator Kamil Ali Agha on behalf of Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood, Chairman, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committee on the Bill to provide for the proper administration and management of the Gun and Country Club Islamabad [The Islamabad Gun and Country Club (Administration and Management) Bill, 2017], introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, on 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2017, may be extended for a further period of twenty working days with effect from 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2017.

**The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.**

3. Senator Kamil Ali Agha on behalf of Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood, Chairman, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, to move under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committee on the Bill to establish the Real Estate Regulatory Authority for regulation and promotion of the real estate sector and for matters connected therewith [The Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Bill, 2017], introduced by Senator Mohsin Aziz, on 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2017, may be extended for a further period of twenty working days with effect from 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2017.

**The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.**

4. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice on his behalf and on behalf of Senator Maulana Hafiz Hamdullah, Chairman, Standing Committee on Religious Affairs and Inter-Faith Harmon moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committees on the Premarital Blood Screening (Family Laws Amendment) Bill, 2016, referred by the House for joint consideration, may be extended for a further period of sixty working days with effect from 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2017.

**The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.**

### **BILL TO BE INTRODUCED**

Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah was to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Area Study Centers Act, 1975 [The Area Study Centers (Amendment) Bill, 2017].

**The Motion was deferred on written request by the Member.**

### **BILLS REPORTED BACK BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE**

**(Notices for motion under Rule 100 awaited)**

**[Under Rule 99]**

The following Private Members' Bills have been reported back by the Standing Committee and awaiting notices of any of the motions under rule 100 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, by the concerned Members:-

1. The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2017, introduced by Senator Sirajul Haq.
2. The Payment of Wages (Amendment) Bill, 2017, introduced by Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi.

## RESOLUTIONS

1. Further consideration of the following resolution moved by Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini on 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2017:-

“This House recommends that the Government should encourage manufacturing of Solar Cells within the country by reducing Taxes and GST on the same.”

**The Member withdrew his resolution.**

2. Senator Sehar Kamran moved the following resolution:-

“**Cognizant** of the fact that maritime industry is a dynamic component in the socio-economic configuration of a maritime nation;

**Realizing** that Pakistan has a great strategic location and is blessed with a long coastline and abundant maritime resources which have not yet been utilized to its full potential;

**Mindful** of the fact that with the onset of CPEC, maritime activities in Pakistan will increase manifold and the cooperation between ports and shipping industry would become more important for systematic development of maritime sector of the country;

**Recognizing** the importance of maritime sector in the country’s economy, this House recommends that an over-arching coordinating body namely “**The Pakistan Maritime Authority.**” Should be established to help resolve governance and communication issues amongst various departments, sectors and Ministries, to ensure adherence to policy guidelines, timely planning for anticipated events and prevention of miscommunication and information gaps which will ultimately serve to bolster the country’s economy.”

The Resolution was opposed by the Minister for Maritime Affairs.

Senator Sehar Kamran and the Minister for Maritime Affairs spoke on the subject matter of the Resolution.

**Thereafter, the Resolution was put to the House which was rejected by 14 votes to 12 votes.**

3. Senator Baz Muhammad Khan moved the following resolution:-  
“The House recommends that the Government should make arrangements to set up a branch of National Bank of Pakistan at Mangal Mela of Tehsil Domail in District Bannu.”

**The Resolution was not opposed which was passed accordingly.**

4. Senator Mohsin Aziz moved the following resolution:-

“The House recommends that the Government should make foolproof security arrangements for the pilgrims going to Iran by road via Taftan border crossing.”

**The Resolution was not opposed which was passed accordingly.**

5. The following resolution in the name of Senator Sehar Kamran was deferred due to absence of the concerned Minister:-

“The House recommends that the Government should lay all international conventions, treaties, covenants, commitments and agreements signed or ratified by the Government of Pakistan before both Houses of Parliament.”

6. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi moved the following resolution:-

“This House recommends that the Government should ban manufacturing, import and sale of "Toy Weapons" in the country.”

The Resolution was opposed by the Minister for Commerce.

Following Members spoke on the subject matter of the resolution:-

1. Senator Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi.
2. Senator Taj Haider.
3. Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak.
4. Senator Tanveer Ul Haq Thanvi.
5. Senator Dr. Jahanzeb Jamaldini.
6. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar.
7. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel.
8. Senator Saeedul Hassan Khan Mandokhail.
9. Minister for Commerce.

**Thereafter, the resolution was put to the House which was passed.**

7. The following Resolution in the name of Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood was deferred:-

“The House recommends that the Government should take necessary steps to control the lowering of Water Table in the country.”

8. The following Resolution in the name of Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja was deferred:-

“This House recommends that the Government should facilitate all those persons who left Pakistan at the time of partition or after that, and settled in other countries, in case they want to visit their motherland for religious or tourism purposes or they want to make investment or engage in some trade and business in the country.”

9. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi moved the following resolution:-

“This House recommends that the Government should take steps to abolish interest on car, motorcycle and House Building advances being granted to the Federal Government servants.”

**The Resolution was not opposed which was passed accordingly.**

### **MOTIONS**

#### **[Under Rule 218]**

All the Motions under rule 218 on the Orders of the Day were pending by the Chairman.

### **WINDING UP OF DISCUSSION ON THE ADMITTED ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS**

1. **Mr. Jam Kaml Khan , Minister for Petroleum** wound up the discussion on the admitted adjournment motion moved by Senators Mohammad Azam Khan Swati and Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi on 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2017, and discussed in the House on 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2017, regarding the increase in prices of petroleum products which has placed extra burden on the poor segments of society.

**The Motion was talked out.**

2. Minister for Commerce and Textile wound up the discussion on the admitted adjournment motion moved by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2017, and discussed in the House on 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2017, regarding the non-profitability of FTAs with China, non-utilization of concessions granted by China under the first

phase of these agreements, need to review the existing FTA agreements which are not promoting value added exports and the serious concerns regarding the promotion of local industry of Pakistan.

**The Motion was talked out.**

**OBSERVATION OF THE CHAIRMAN REGARDING NON-SERIOUS ATTITUDE OF THE MINISTER FOR INTERIOR IN TAKING INTO CONFIDENCE THE PARLIAMENT IN THE WAKE OF THE HAPPENINGS AND EVENTS CONCERNING RECENT SIT-IN IN ISLAMABAD**

The Chairman took serious notice of the absence of the Minister for Interior in the House especially after the happening of very sensitive and important events regarding the sit-in in Islamabad. The Chairman observed that the Minister should have been present in the House to take the House into confidence about all the activities.

Following Members spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati.
2. Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar Ul Haq, Leader of the House.
3. Senator Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi.
4. Senator Sehar Kamran.
5. Senator Farhatullah Babar.
6. Senator Syed Shibli Faraz.
7. Senator Kamil Ali Agha.
8. Senator Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail.
9. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel.
10. Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif.
11. Senator Dr. Jahanzeb Jamaldini.
12. Senator Tanveer Ul Haq Thanvi.
13. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar.
14. Senator Mohsin Aziz.

## **MINISTERIAL RESPONSE**

Statements by the Ministers concerned on the following points of public importance raised by the members and referred by the Chairman to the concerned Ministries:-

1. Regarding the measures taken by the Government in the present situation of environmental and industrial pollution and smog in the country (raised by Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood on 6<sup>th</sup> November, 2017).

**The issue was deferred due to absence of the Minister concerned.**

2. Regarding the non-implementation of the recommendations of a sub-committee constituted by NACTA to correct the narrative to fight the militancy (raised by Senator Farhatullah Babar, on 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2017).

**Minister of State for Interior made the statement and the matter was disposed of accordingly.**

3. Regarding the kidnapping of Molana Abu Turab, the Balochistan Ameer of Markazi Jamiat Ahle Hadith alongwith his son and guard from Airport Road, Quetta, whose whereabouts are still not known. (raised by Senator Professor Sajid Mir on 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2017).

**Minister of State for Interior made the statement and the matter was disposed of accordingly.**

4. Regarding the nomination of Member IRSA from Sindh which is not being made by the Federal Government despite writing of letter by the Chief Minister of Sindh to the Federal Government (raised by Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja on 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2017).

**The issue was deferred due to absence of the Minister concerned.**

5. Regarding the kidnaping of Mr. Nasir Abbas Sherazi, General Secretary of Majlis Wahdat-e-Muslimeen Pakistan (MWM) from WAPDA Town, Lahore, reportedly by the Police (raised by Senator Kamil Ali Agha, on 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2017).

**Minister of State for Interior made the statement and the matter was disposed of accordingly.**

6. Regarding the advertisements of Black Friday in the electronic media which amounts to hurting the religious sentiments of Muslims as there are number of

verses in the Holy Quran about the sanctity of Friday (raised by Senator Taj Haider, on 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2017).

**Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting made the statement and the matter was disposed of accordingly.**

7. Regarding the less number of entry / exit points at Motorway Toll Plaza, Peshawar, which results into long queues especially on weekends. (raised by Senator Syed Shibli Faraz, on 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2017).

**Minister for Petroleum made the statement and the matter was disposed of accordingly.**

### **ZERO HOUR**

Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar pointed out that the FC personnel had lifted Mr. Raaz Muhammad who is brother of Unit Secretary of his party and now his whereabouts are not known.

**Chairman asked the Member to share the details with the Minister of State for Interior and directed the Minister to provide the information in this regard to him in the Chamber.**

**The Chairman read out the prorogation order of the President at 8:00 p.m. and the Senate session was prorogued.**