

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
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Date and day	9 th November, 2017 (Thursday)
Commenced at	03:10 p.m.
Adjourned at	06:50 p.m.
Presided by	Senator Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi during question hour. Chairman Senate during rest of the proceedings
Attendance	63
Total working hours	3 hours and 40 minutes

- Recitation from the Holy Quran.

QUESTION HOUR

Question Nos. 216, 217, 218, 219 and 221 were asked and replied in the House. Reply to Question No. 6, 13, 14, 17, 133, 134 and 225 were treated as laid on the Table of the House due to absence of the Members concerned. Questions Nos. 222, 223, 224 were deferred. Question No. 220 was referred to the Standing Committee concerned.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

- The leave applications were read by Chairman.

OFFERING OF FATEHA

The House offered Fateha for the departed souls in the incident of bomb blast in Quetta and a bus accident in Chakwal. The House also offered Fateha for Muhammad Ibrahim Joyo, a renowned scholar of Sindh

PAYING OF TRIBUTE TO ALLAMA MUHAMMAD IQBAL ON HIS 140TH BIRTHDAY

Following Members spoke:-

1. Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar Ul Haq, Leader of the House.
2. Senator Taj Haider.
3. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati.
4. Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed.

5. Senator Sehar Kamran.
6. Senator Hafiz Hamadullah.
7. Senator Sassui Palijo.
8. Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja.
9. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi.
10. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh.

RESOLUTION

Senator Sassui Palijo moved motion under rule 263 for suspension of relevant rules in order to enable the House to pass a resolution paying tribute to the legendary scholar Muhammad Ibrahim Joyo who had passed away.

The Motion was put to the House and adopted.

Thereafter, Senator Sassui Palijo moved the resolution which was passed.

CONSIDERATION OF ADMISSIBILITY OF ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Admissibility of the following Adjournment Motions will be determined:-

1. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh moved Adj. Motion No. 7-269/2017-M, to discuss the alarming scam of corruption, misappropriation and mismanagement in UBL and HBL; concerns of International Agencies about the management of these banks and the degree of disgrace these private entities have caused to the national prestige of the country.

The Chairman held the Motion out of order.

2. Senators Sehar Kamran moved Adj. Motion No. 20-269/2017-M, to discuss the statement of former President of Afghanistan revealing that the number of ISIS persons in Afghanistan is more than the Taliban; USA is supporting and providing arms to ISIS in Afghanistan and ISIS is using helicopters and other military facilities of USA.

The Chairman held the Motion out of order.

3. Senators Sherry Rehman, Saleem Mandviwala, Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi, Kamil Ali Agha, Barrister Murtaza Wahab, Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, Sassui Palijo and Abdul Rehman Malik moved Adj. Motion Nos. 22 and 23-269/2017-M, to discuss the variant policies and strategies of NAB to deal with the corruption cases in Punjab, Sindh, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan.

The Chairman held the Motion out of order.

**ISSUE OF FILING OF SUIT OF DEFAMATION AGAINST SENATOR MOHAMMAD
AZAM KHAN SWATI**

Chairman asked Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati that whether any suit for defamation has been filed against him by the DG, FGEHF flowing out of the proceedings of the sub-committee of PAC?

Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati replied in affirmative and explained the background of filing of the suit.

Chairman Senate informed the House that he has also received a letter in this regard from the Chairman PAC.

The Chairman asked Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati to provide him copy of the suit tomorrow before commencement of the proceedings so that he can go through the same to arrive at a conclusion.

The Chairman directed the Secretariat to get prepare a motion for constitution of the Committee of the Whole to be got signed from the Leader of the House or the Leader of the Opposition so that if required the Committee of the Whole may be constituted to probe this issue with the following ToR:-

“To consider the matter of breach of privilege by the Director General, Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation (FGEHF) by filing a suit for defamation against Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati flowing out of the proceedings of the Sub-committee of Public Accounts Committee while the Member was performing his parliamentary function as Member of the Committee”.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE

Senators Karim Ahmed Khawaja on his behalf and on behalf of Senators Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi, Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh, Rozi Khan Kakar and Farhatullah Babar drew attention of the Minister for Interior towards the migration of about 70,000 people of Hazara Community of Balochistan to Australia, Indonesia, New Zealand and other countries due to their persecution.

Following Members also spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi.
2. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh.
3. Senator Farhatullah Babar

Minister of State for Interior made statement on the Calling Attention Notice which was disposed of accordingly.

MOTIONS
[Under Rule 194(1)]

Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini, Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, 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 Privilege Motion No. 1(257)/2016-M, moved by Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah, against the Chairman CDA for not implementing the recommendations of the Committee on National Food Security and Research on the matter of cancellation of lease agreement of 1400 acres of land leased out to NARC and proposed conversion of the same into residential / commercial plots, may be extended for a further period of twenty five working days with effect from 25th November, 2017.

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

MOTION
[Under Rule 196(1)]

Senator Saud Majeed on behalf of Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs and Narcotics Control, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 196 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the Special Report of the Committee on the matter of non-payment of three percent regulatory duty by the regulatory agencies i.e. SECP, NEPRA, OGRA, PTA and PEMRA of their annual fees to the Competition Commission of Pakistan (CCP) under the CCP Act, presented to the House on 7th November, 2017, be considered and adopted.

The Motion was put to the House and the report was adopted.

DISCUSSION ON THE STATE INSTITUTIONS AND THEIR ROLE IN THE SCHEME OF TRICHOTOMY OF POWER

Further debate on the State institutions and their role in the scheme of trichotomy of power.

Following Members spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi.

Further discussion was commenced.

MINISTERIAL RESPONSE ON THE POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

Minister for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination made statement on the issuance of notices for termination of services to eighty eight (88) employees of National TB Program, raised by Senator Dr. Ashok Kumar on 8th November, 2017.

The matter was disposed of.

WINDING UP OF DISCUSSION ON THE ADMITTED ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Minister for Law and Justice wound up the discussion on the admitted adjournment motion moved by Senator Taj Haider on 7th November, 2017, regarding the situation arising out of reservations expressed by various quarters on conducting of the recent census 2017.

With the sense of the House, the Chairman announced that a meeting of the Members shall be held tomorrow soon after Jumma prayer with the Officers of Statistics Bureau so that the Members may raise their concerns about the recently held census, 2017

A meeting with CCI will be held on Monday. The Chairman directed the Secretariat to convey all the Members through letters, SMS and telephone.

The Minister also informed that the meeting of the CCI has also been scheduled for Monday the 13th November, 2017 on one point agenda regarding delimitations and Census.

IN-CAMERA DISCUSSION ON THE ADMITTED ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Discussion on the admitted adjournment motion moved by Senator Sirajul Haq on 5th June, 2017, regarding the decision of the International Court of Justice to stay the execution of death sentence awarded to Kulbhushan Jadhav was held in-camera.

Discussion was wound up by the Attorney General for Pakistan.

POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

[Zero Hour]

1. Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi pointed out the difficulty facing by the people of Qallat due to non-availability of gas in winter season.

The Chairman directed to send the verbatim to concerned ministry.

2. Senator Nauman Wazir talked about an elderly lady who was roaming around in the senate with a pamphlet whose son Waqas Ahmed butt has been missing for last one and half year.

The Chairman referred the matter to the Human Rights Commission for appropriate action.

3. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar showed his concern about the Quetta blast, and pointed towards the situation that no bomb proof cars has been provided to the officers, and that there should be more work on their training and weapons and vehicles should be provided.
4. Senator Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail pointed out that terrorists and their facilitators are getting free, and have privileges; parliamentarians should take a notice of it.
5. Senator Maulana Hafiz Hamadullah pointed out that today's Quetta blast was in the red zone area which is surrounded by FC posts, how did the bomber reached to that place and he got the precise information. He further showed his concern regarding the fact that even Chairman senate has not been provided with security or bomb proof cars. He also spoke about the ban of weapons for personal protection.

At 6:50 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Friday, the 10th November, 2017 at 10:15 a.m.