

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
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Date and Day	17 th April, 2017 (Monday)
Commenced at	04:00 p.m.
Adjourned at	08:10 p.m.
Presided by	Mian Raza Rabbani Chairman Senate of Pakistan
Attendance	56
Total working hours	4 hours and 10 minutes

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

- The leave applications were read by the Chairman and accordingly leave was granted by the House.

FATIHA

The house offered fatiha for the departed soul of the brother in law of Senator Aitzaz Ahsen (Leader of the Opposition).

STATEMENT BY MR. CHAIRMAN

The Chairman apprised the House about the events happened during the weekend with reference to the protest lodged by him being the Chairman Senate due to absence of the Ministers in the House.

Following Members also spoke on this issue:-

1. Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-Ul-Haq, Leader of the House.
2. Senator Ilyas Ahmed Bilour.
3. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati.
4. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF PRESENCE

The Chair recognized the presence of former Senator Sardar Mehtab Abbasi, Advisor to the Prime Minister on Aviation.

PRIVATE MEMBERS BILLS INTRODUCED

1. **Senator Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi**, was to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of Article 63A).

The Bill was dropped due to absence of the Member.

2. **Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati**, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of Article 256).

The Member explained the salient features of the Bill.

The Bill was opposed by Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice.

The Motion was put to the House which was rejected and the leave to introduce the Bill was not granted.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

[Under Rule 100]

1. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati moved that the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 [The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of section 323), as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.

The Bill was not opposed by the Minister of State for Interior and the Motion was put to the House and adopted.

The House started clause by clause consideration of the Bill.

Therefore, Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati moved that the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 [The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of section 323), be passed.

The Motion was put to the House and the Bill was passed unanimously.

2. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati to move that the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 [The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of sections 273, 274 and 275), as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.

The Bill was not opposed by the Minister of State for Interior and the Motion was put to the House and adopted.

The House started clause by clause consideration of the Bill.

Therefore, Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati moved that the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 [The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of sections 273, 274 and 275), be passed.

The Motion was put to the House and the Bill was passed unanimously.

BILL TO BE WITHDRAWN [Under Rule 115]

Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh sought leave of the House to withdraw the Bill further to amend the Provincial Motor Vehicles Ordinance, 1965 [The Provincial Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2017], introduced by him on 9th January, 2017.

The Motion was put to the House and the leave to withdraw the Bill was granted and thus the Bill stands withdrawn.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE - PRESENTATION OF:

Senator Mohsin Leghari on behalf of Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah, Chairman, Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research, presented 14th follow up report of the Committee regarding proposed conversion of 1400 acres land of National Agricultural Research Centre (NARC) / Pakistan Agricultural Research Council (PARC) by the Capital Development Authority (CDA) into residential/commercial plots.

MOTIONS

[Under Rule 194(1)]

Following Motions for extension in time were moved in the House: -

- 1. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, 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 alternate dispute resolution [The Alternate Dispute Resolution Bill, 2017], may be extended till the next session.**

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

- 2. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, 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 further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic**

Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of Articles 63, 177 and 193), introduced by Senator Zaheer-ud-Din Babar Awan, on 20th February, 2017, may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 21st April, 2017.

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

BILLS FOR MOTION UNDER RULE 100

(Reported back by the Standing Committee)

[Under Rule 99]

The Private Members' Bills reported back by the Standing Committees 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 Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (Amendment of sections 292, 293 and 294), introduced by Senator Sirajul Haq.
2. The Control of Narcotic Substances (Amendment) Bill, 2017, introduced by Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan.
3. The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of Article 130) introduced by Senator Saeed Ghani.
4. The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of Article 101) introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati.
5. The Code of Civil Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of sections 80 and 82) introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati.
6. The Pakistan Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2017] introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati.
7. The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of sections 154 and 156 and Insertion of new section 154A) introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati.
8. The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of sections 46 and 57) introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati.

COMMENCED MOTION

[Under Rule 218]

Mr. Ghulam Murtaza Khan Jatoi, Minister for Industries and Production, wound up the speech on the following motion moved by Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq on her behalf and on behalf of Senators Lt. Gen. (R) Abdul Qayyum, Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari, Saud Majeed and Muhammad Javed Abbasi on 10th April, 2017:-

“The House may discuss the need for effective measures to boost industrial growth in the country.”.

The Motion was talked out.

DEFERRED MOTIONS

[Under Rule 218]

1. **Senator Mohsin Aziz on his behalf and on behalf of Senators Saleem Mandviwalla, Karim Ahmed Khawaja, Farhatullah Babar, Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail, Muhammad Daud Khan Achakzai, Advocate, Ahmed Hassan, Liaqat Khan Tarakai and Hari Ram,** moved that this House may discuss the report of the United Nations Development Programme on the water scarcity issue in Pakistan.

Following Members spoke in this regard:

1. Senator Saleem Mandviwala
2. Senator Mohsin Leghari
3. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar
4. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel
5. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi
6. Senator Taj Hader
7. Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq
8. Senator Sirajul Haq

Mr. Abid Sher Ali, Minister of State for Water and Power wound up the debate.

The Chairman referred that matter to Committee of the Whole.

The Motion was thus talked out.

2. **Senator Mohsin Aziz,** was to move that the House may discuss the overall position of hunger in Pakistan with particular reference to the Global Hunger Index, issued recently, in which Pakistan has been placed amongst the 11 most hunger stricken countries in the world at the level of African countries.

The motion was deferred on request of the Leader of the House.

DISCUSSION ON THE MURDER OF A STUDENT OF ABDUL WALI KHAN UNIVERSITY MARDAN

Following Members spoke on the matter of the recent murder of Mishaal Khan, a student of Abdul Wali Khan University Mardan:

1. Senator Ilyas Ahmed Bilour

2. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar
3. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati
4. Senator Sirajul Haq
5. Senator Farhatullah Babar
6. Senator Sassui Palijo
7. Senator Lt. General (R) Abdul Qayyum
8. Senator Sitara Ayaz
9. Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq
10. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi
11. Senator Mohsin Aziz
12. Senator Taj Haider
13. Senator Nehal Hashmi
14. Senator Saleem Zia
15. Senator Kamil Ali Agha
16. Senator Shahi Syed

Mr. Muhammad Baleegh ur Rehman, Minister of State for Interior and Narcotics Control wound up the debate.

The discussion was over.

MOTIONS

[Under Rule 218]

1. **Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati** was to move that the House may discuss the present status of Polio virus in the Country.
The Motion was deferred on written request of the Member.
2. **Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan** was to move that the House may discuss the growing problems of traffic in Islamabad and the ways and means to resolve the same on permanent basis.
The Motion was dropped due to absence of the Member.
3. **Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh** moved that the House may discuss the present status of implementation of Sustainable Development Goal No. 3 to ensure universal access to quality treatment at affordable rates.

Following Member spoke in this regard:

1. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh

Mr. Sheikh Aftab Ahmed, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs wound up the debate.

The Motion was thus talked out.

4. **Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi** was to move that the House may discuss the situation arising out of excessive billing of electricity in the country.”

The Motion was dropped due to absence of the Member.

5. **Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini** was to move that the House may discuss the issues arising out of establishment of coal based power plants in the country with particular reference to its effects on environment and human population.

The Motion was deferred on written request of the Member.

COMMENCED RESOLUTION

The following commenced resolution was deferred on written request of the Member:
Further consideration of the following resolution moved by Senator Kalsoom Perveen on 10th April, 2017:-

"The House recommends that at least 20 seats may be reserved for the students of Balochistan in all cadet colleges of the country."

RESOLUTIONS

The following Resolutions were moved in the House and were passed by the House:-

1. **Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati** moved the following resolution:-

"The House recommends that an airport may be established in District Mansehra."

Resolution was not opposed.

In light of assurance from Mr. Sardar Mehtab Abbasi, Advisor to the Prime Minister on Aviation, the Member withdrew the Resolution.

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

"This House recommends that the Government should complete the under construction flats in Parliament Lodges at the earliest."

The resolution was dropped due to absence of Member.

3. **Senator Kalsoom Perveen** was to move the following resolution:-

"The House recommends that the Federal Government may allot a piece of land for the Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto Medical University, Islamabad and

allocate sufficient amount for construction of its building during the next fiscal year."

The Resolution was deferred on written request of the Member.

4. Senator Mohsin Aziz moved the following resolution:-

"This House recommends that the Government should take effective steps to promote the celebration of traditional Islamic religious festivals and days of religious significance in the schools and educational institutions to mark the religious outlook of our society."

The Resolution was not opposed.

The Resolution was put to the House and passed unanimously.

5. Senator Sirajul Haq moved the following resolution:-

"This House recommends that the Government should take effective steps to control the indecent and vulgar material on electronic and print media and on web."

The Resolution was not opposed.

The Resolution was put to the House and passed unanimously.

MINISTERIAL RESPONSE ON THE POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

Ministerial response on the following points of public importance raised by the members and referred by the Chairman:-

1. Mr. Jam Kamal Khan, Minister of State for Petroleum and Natural Resources, made a statement on the announcement of 97 new gas schemes by the Prime Minister out of which 77 schemes have been announced for the Province of Punjab despite the fact that share of Punjab in total production of gas is only 3 percent. (raised by Senator Saeed Ghani on 28th March, 2017)

The matter was disposed of.

2. Mr. Jam Kamal Khan, Minister of State for Petroleum and Natural Resources, made a statement on the violation of Article 158 of the Constitution concerning less supply of gas to the Provinces of Sindh and Balochistan and the statement of Chief Minister of Sindh in this regard. (raised by Senators Sassui Palijo, Sherry Rehman, Taj Haider and Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi on 13th April, 2017)

The matter was disposed of.

3. Mr. Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan, Minister for Commerce, made a statement on the reduction in purchase of wheat by PASSCO due to non-permission by the Ministry of Finance to PASSCO to dispose off their stock in open market or to the flour mills. (raised by Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah on 12th April, 2017)

The matter was disposed of.

- The House was adjourned to meet again on Tuesday the 18th April, 2017 at 03:00 p.m.

Islamabad, the

17th April, 2017