

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
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Date and Day	08 th June, 2020 (Monday)
Commenced at	04:00 p.m.
Adjourned at	08:10 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	61
Total Working Hours	04 hours and 10 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS FOR INTRODUCTION

1. Senator Sirajul Haq, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020] (Insertion of new Article 25B).
The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the Bill was granted.
2. Senator Sirajul Haq, introduced the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020].
The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.
3. Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi, to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Mulsim Family Laws Ordinance, 1961 [The Muslim Family Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2020].
The Motion was deferred on written request of the Member.
4. Senator Seemee Ezdi on her behalf and behalf of Senator Samina Saeed, moved for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the protection of the rights of women at work place in order to have equal access to employment free from gender discrimination and safeguard against the systemic undervaluing of work traditionally performed by women in the public and private organisations of Pakistan [The Working Women (Protection of Rights) Bill, 2020].
The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the Bill was granted.
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discrimination and safeguard against the systemic undervaluing of work traditionally performed by women in the public and private organisations of Pakistan [The Working Women (Protection of Rights) Bill, 2020].

The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

6. Senator Mian Raza Rabbani, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 [The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2020] (**Omission of Section 124A**).

Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs opposed the Bill. Thereafter, the Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the Bill was granted.

7. Senator Mian Raza Rabbani, introduced the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 [The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2020].

The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

8. Senator Faisal Javed, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Provincial Motor Vehicles Ordinance, 1965 [The Provincial Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2020].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the Bill was granted.

9. Senator Faisal Javed, introduced the Bill further to amend the Provincial Motor Vehicles Ordinance, 1965 [The Provincial Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2020].

The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

10. Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi, to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020] (Amendment of Article 100).

The Motion was deferred on written request of the Member.

11. Senator Faisal Javed, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority Ordinance, 2002 [The Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2020].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the Bill was granted.

12. Senator Faisal Javed, introduced the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority Ordinance, 2002 [The Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2020].

The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

13. Senator Mian Raza Rabbani, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020] (Amendment of Article 89).

Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs opposed the Bill. Thereafter, the Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the Bill was granted.

14. Senator Mian Raza Rabbani, introduced the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020].

The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

15. Senator Faisal Javed, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Environmental Protection Act, 1997 [The Pakistan Environmental Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2020].

Minister of State for Climate Change opposed the Bill. Thereafter, the Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the Bill was granted.

16. Senator Faisal Javed, introduced the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Environmental Protection Act, 1997 [The Pakistan Environmental Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2020].

The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

1. Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad moved that the Bill to provide for the maintenance and welfare of old parents and well-being comfort and dignity of the senior citizens in Pakistan [The Maintenance and Welfare of Old Parents and Senior Citizens Bill, 2019], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.

The Bill was opposed by the Minister for Human Rights, Thereafter, following Members' spoke on the Bill:-

- i. Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad
- ii. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi
- iii. Senator Mina Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh
- iv. Minister for Human Rights
- v. Senator Shahzad Waseem, Leader of the House
- vi. Senator Mustafa Nawaz Khokar
- vii. Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs

Thereafter, the Motion was put to the House which was adopted. Thereafter, the House started second reading of the Bill i.e. clause by clause consideration.

2. Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad moved that the Bill to provide for the maintenance and welfare of old parents and well-being comfort and dignity of the senior citizens in Pakistan [The Maintenance and Welfare of Old Parents and Senior Citizens Bill, 2019] be passed.

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

3. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh moved that the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2019], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.

The Motion was put to the House which was adopted. Thereafter, the House started second reading of the Bill i.e. clause by clause consideration.

4. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh moved that the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2019] be passed.

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

5. Senator Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi moved that the Bill further to amend the Companies Act, 2017 [The Companies (Amendment) Bill, 2019], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.

The Motion was put to the House which was adopted. Thereafter, the House started second reading of the Bill i.e. clause by clause consideration.

6. Senator Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi moved that the Bill further to amend the Companies Act, 2017 [The Companies (Amendment) Bill, 2019] be passed.

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

7. Senator Sajjad Hussain Turi moved that the Bill to provide for the safety and standards of food and for establishment of the Islamabad Pure Food Authority [The Islamabad Pure Food Authority Bill, 2019], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.

The Motion was put to the House which was adopted. Thereafter, the House started second reading of the Bill i.e. clause by clause consideration.

8. Senator Sajjad Hussain Turi moved that the Bill to provide for the safety and standards of food and for establishment of the Islamabad Pure Food Authority [The Islamabad Pure Food Authority Bill, 2019] be passed.

9. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi moved that the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2019] (Amendment of Article 198), as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.

The Motion was deferred by the Chairman due to lack of required number of Members i.e. 2/3rd.

BILLS WITHDRAWN

[Under Rule 115]

Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh withdrew his following Bills:

1. The Bill further to amend the Anti-Money Laundering Act, 2010 [The Anti-Money Laundering (Amendment) Bill, 2019], introduced on 6th May, 2019.
2. The Bill further to amend the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 [The Negotiable Instruments (Amendment) Bill, 2019], introduced on 6th May, 2019.
3. The Bill further to amend the National Counter Terrorism Authority Act, 2013 [The National Counter Terrorism Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2019], introduced on 2nd September, 2019.

MOTIONS

[Under Rule 218]

1. Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif on his behalf and behalf of Senator Agha Shahzaib Durrani moved that this House may discuss the need for reforms in Gilgit-Baltistan in order to enhance sense of participation of the people of Gilgit-Baltistan, upgrade standard of Governance and public service delivery and boost industry and commercial activity especially under CPEC, keeping in view the resolution passed by the Gilgit-Baltistan Assembly on 15 August 2017 demanding "Constitutional Status of Province with representation in the Parliament.

The following Member also spoke on the issue:

- i. Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif

The Motion was talked out.

2. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed moved that this House may discuss the non-establishment of commission under the National Commission on the Rights of Child Act 2017, despite the passage of 3 years since its enactment.

The following Members also spoke on the issue:

- i. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed
- ii. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi

The Motion was talked out.

3. Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi to move that this House may discuss the failure of the present Government to restructure the loss-making public sector enterprises to make the same profitable.

The Motion was dropped due to absence of Member.

4. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed moved that this House may discuss the share and projects of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa in Public Sector Development Program for the fiscal year 2019-20.

The following Members also spoke on the issue:

- i. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed
- ii. Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs

The Motion was talked out.

5. Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi to move that this House may discuss the significant increase in railway accidents during the last one and a half year.

The Motion was dropped due to absence of Member.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Senator Zeeshan Khanzada moved the following resolution:

“This House recommends that the Government should make an up-to-date system for disposal of garbage including establishment of sewerage treatment plants in different areas of Islamabad and also arrange for proper disposal of large quantity of poultry waste outside the Islamabad jurisdiction which runs down to Rawal Lake in Islamabad to save the people from dangerous diseases caused by garbage and contaminated water.”

The Resolution was not opposed and unanimously passed by the House.

2. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed to move the following resolution:-

“This House recommends that the Government should take necessary steps to fix the minimum wage for labourers at par with the price of one tola gold, ensure the provision of financial assistance and rasyon to daily wagers and labourers working in the informal sectors and issue special passes to the labourers for purchasing kitchen items from utility stores on discount rates.”

The Resolution was deferred on request of the Member.

3. Senator Sirajul Haq moved the following resolution:-

“In pursuance of the resolution of the 40th session of OIC's Foreign Ministers in 2013, the Senate and National Assembly Resolutions of 20th May, 2016 and 29th May, 2018, the House urges upon the Government to:

- (i) celebrate the 15th day of Ramazan ul Mubarak as Orphan's Day on official and unofficial level;
- (ii) launch a campaign on print and electronic media to create awareness in people to play their role in looking after the orphans in society;
- (iii) launch schemes for the welfare of orphans at district level, strengthen the institutions working for welfare of orphans and take effective steps for the better brought up and protection of orphans in the country;
- (iv) announce special incentives for the local and international NGOs working for the welfare of orphans in the country;
- (v) provide scholarships and fee waiver to the intelligent orphan and abandoned children in all public and private sector educational institutions;
- (vi) ensure the provision of necessary funds on monthly basis for fulfilling the needs of food, health and shelter of the orphan and abandoned children."

The Resolution was not opposed and unanimously passed by the House.

4. Senator Zeeshan Khanzada moved the following resolution:-

"This House recommends that the Government should introduce uniform pay scales for all the Government employees with particular reference to those working in BPS-1 to 16 in Federal Government Departments."

The Resolution was opposed by the Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs thereafter, the Chairman directed to the member to redraft the Resolution.

5. Senator Kauda Babar on his behalf and behalf of Senator Naseebullah Bazai moved the following resolution:-

"This House recommends that the Government should take immediate steps to appoint ambassadors of Pakistan against the 20% quota reserved for non-career diplomats.

The House also recommends that the said quota should be equally distributed amongst the provinces and preference should be given to those areas which have had lower representation/share in the ambassadorial posts, especially Balochistan, rural Sindh, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Punjab."

The Resolution was not opposed and unanimously passed by the House.

6. Senator Kauda Babar on his behalf and behalf of Senator Naseebullah Bazai moved the following resolution:-

“The Senate of Pakistan:

Acknowledging the fact that the province of Balochistan has been endowed with vast uninhibited land that offers huge potential for production of solar and wind energy;

Showing dismay that these potentials have so far remained untapped due to overly bureaucratic procedures and lack of focus on the province. Moreover, undue delay and hindrances in approving the solar energy projects from the already allocated 3000 MW for the province, with many projects pending for approval for the last two to three years;

Expressing deep concern on the fact that the Government is not allowing the establishment of solar projects in the province of Balochistan with a rate of even Rs.7 – 8, whereas similar projects in other provinces / areas have been approved at the rate of 14 cents;

the Senate of Pakistan, therefore, demands that:

(1) the Federal Government should take immediate steps for approval and facilitation of solar and wind energy projects in Balochistan on priority basis in order to better utilize the uninhibited vast land of the province which will not only create employment opportunities for the youth of the province but will also improve the economic conditions of the province as well as of the country, generate tax and non-tax revenue and greatly improve energy mix situation for environment friendly, sustainable and low cost energy.

(2) urge the Government to direct the Power Division, NTDC and CPPA to immediately approve projects of solar and wind energy in the province of Balochistan from the 3000 MW allocation, and ensure facilitation of more such projects through one-window operation by eliminating excessive documentation and procedures that severely discourage the investors and cause undue delays in setting up of such important projects in the province.

(3) call upon NEPRA to approve tariffs for solar energy projects of Balochistan at parity with similar projects in other provinces, on urgent basis.”

The Resolution was not opposed and unanimously passed by the House.

7. Senator Kauda Babar on his behalf and behalf of Senator Naseebullah Bazai moved the following resolution:-

"The Senate of Pakistan, being the House of Federation, taking note that,-

- officers belonging to such occupational groups/services which have direct nexus with the provinces , including but no limiting to Pakistan Administrative Service, Police Service of Pakistan, In-land Revenue Service, do not perform duties in the provinces during their entire term of service and yet manage to get promotions without having the experience of horizontal mobility which ensure wide experience and exposure and place; and

- remain posted on the same post, in the same province, same city, same status over three years in volition of instructions with regard to "Normal Tenure of Posting" and "Posting on Deputation "as provided in the ESTACODE, Recommends that,-

(i) officers belonging to such occupational groups/services which have direct nexus with the provinces , including but no limiting to Pakistan Administrative Service, Police Service of Pakistan, In-land Revenue Service, should not be granted promotions in the next grades till such time they have experience of serving in a province for a period of at least three years;

(ii) Officers of all occupational groups who have completed normal tenure of three years at same post and still working shall be transferred forthwith to implement the provision of ESTACODE in letter and spirit; and

(iii) Officers/Officials working on deputation for last three years shall be repatriated to their parent departments' forthwith."

The Resolution was not opposed and unanimously passed by the House.

8. Senator Sajjad Hussain Turi on his behalf and behalf of Senators Dilawar Khan and Zeeshan Khanzada moved the following resolution:-

"This House demands that the Government should allow prohibited bore (PB) arms licences to all Parliamentarians – Senators, MNAs, MPAs of all four provinces and BS-20 and above officers of the Federal and Provincial governments."

The Resolution was not opposed and unanimously passed by the House.

POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

- Senator Mian Raza Rabbani raised question in connection with the failure of present Government to restructure the loss making enterprises like Pakistan Still Mill.
- Senator Mohsin Aziz spoke about Pakistan Still Mills.
- Senators Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar a spoke about Job Quota of Baluchistan which has been merged in Aghaz Haqooq e Baluchistan. **Referred to Implementation Committee.** He also spoke about Locust Attack in Baluchistan **Referred to Standing Committee on National Food Security.**
- Senator Javed Abbasi spoke about Adjournment motion which needs to be fixed. He also spoke about stranded Pakistanis in Gulf countries who are in great problems. **Chairman directed to Secretariat to seek reports from Foreign office, Overseas Pakistanis Foundation and Aviation Division.**
- Senator Sherry Rehman spoke about stranded Pakistanis who are not being taken care of by Government.
- Senator Hilal Ur Rehman spoke about Pandemic and the failure of Government to deal with problems of overseas Pakistani expensive air tickets are being offered from Gulf countries. Embassies are not looking after overseas Pakistanis.
- Senator Musadik Masood Malik spoke about Pandemic and increasing number of cases in country failure of Government. He also spoke about display of false map of Kashmir by PTV in which Azad Jammu Kashmir showing as part of India. **Referred to Standing Committee on Information Technology and Telecommunications.**
- Senator Sirajul Haq spoke about Stranded Pakistanis Students and workers. Expensive air tickets are being provided. No take care of overseas Pakistanis is being made.
- Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini spoke about Corona virus and Locust.
- Senator Sassui Plijo spoke about Corona Virus and non-serious approach of Government to deal with pandemic.
- Senator Kauda Baber spoke about two sad incidents in Baluchistan one in Turbot and second in Hazara Town. He also spoke about less release of funds allocated for PSDP in Baluchistan.

- **At 8:10 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Wednesday, the 10th June, 2020, at 04:00 p.m.**

Islamabad,
the 8th of June, 2020.