

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
DAILY JOURNAL
(313TH SESSION)

Date and Day	16 th July, 2021 (Friday)
Commenced at	10:05 a.m.
Adjourned at	01:00 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	81
Total Working Hours	02 hour and 55 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

QUESTION HOUR

Question hour was taken up and the questions were replied by the concerned Ministers.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

FATEHA AND CONDOLENCE RESOLUTION

The House offered Fateha for the departed soul of former President of Pakistan Mr. Mamnoon Hussain.

Senator Azam Nazir Tarar moved condolence resolution which was passed by the House unanimously.

M O T I O N S

[Under Rule 194(1)]

1. Senator Faisal Javed, Chairman, Standing Committee on Information and Broadcasting, 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 Right of Access to Information Act, 2017 [The Right of Access to Information (Amendment) Bill, 2020], introduced by Senators Walid Iqbal and Manzoor Ahmed, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 14th July, 2021.

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

2. Senator Muhammad Akram on behalf of Senator Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri, Chairman, Standing Committee on Religious Affairs and Inter-faith Harmony, 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 Guardians and Wards Act, 1890 [The Guardians and Wards (Amendment) Bill, 2021], introduced by Senator Mohsin Aziz on 31st May, 2021, may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 28th July, 2021.

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

PRESENTATION OF REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

Senator Zarqa Soharwardi Tamoor on behalf of Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed, Chairman, Standing Committee on Defence, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Maritime Security Agency Act, 1994 [The Maritime Security Agency (Amendment) Bill, 2021].

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

1. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, Minister for Railways on behalf of Sheikh Rashid Ahmed, Minister for Interior, moved that the Bill further to amend the Mutual Legal Assistance (Criminal Matters) Act, 2020 [The Mutual Legal Assistance (Criminal Matters) (Amendment) Bill, 2021], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.

The Motion was put to the House which was opposed by the Opposition benches.

Voting was made on the motion which was carried by 43 votes in favor to 33 votes against it.

Thereafter, the House started clause by clause consideration of the Bill.

Senator Mushtaq Ahmed moved his amendments in clauses 2, 4 and 6 of the Bill which were rejected by the House.

Senator Saadia Abbasi did not move her amendments in clauses 2, 3 and 4 of the Bill.

After clause by clause consideration of the Bill, the Mutual Legal Assistance (Criminal Matters) (Amendment) Bill, 2021 was passed by the House.

- 2.** Mr. Muhammad Hammad Azhar, Minister for Energy, moved that the Bill further to amend the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Act, 1997 [The Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power (Amendment) Bill, 2021], 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 clause by clause consideration of the Bill.

Senator Mian Raza Rabbani did not move his amendment in clause 4 of the Bill.

After clause by clause consideration of the Bill, the Regulation of Generation, Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power (Amendment) Bill, 2021 was passed by the House.

- 3.** Mr. Zaheer-Ud-Din Babar Awan, Adviser to the Prime Minister on Parliamentary Affairs, moved under Rule 263 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012 that the requirements of proviso to sub-rule (1) of Rule 100 of the said rules be dispensed with in order to take into consideration at once, the Bill to re-organize the Federal medical teaching institutes and teaching hospitals thereof [The Federal Medical Teaching Institutes Bill, 2021], as passed by the National Assembly.

The Motion was opposed by the Opposition Benches.

The Motion was put to the House which was passed by 39 votes in favor and 35 against it.

Thereafter, Mr. Zaheer-Ud-Din Babar Awan, Adviser to the Prime Minister on Parliamentary Affairs moved that the Bill to re-organize the Federal medical teaching institutes and teaching hospitals thereof [The Federal Medical Teaching Institutes Bill, 2021], as passed by the National Assembly, be taken into consideration, at once.

The Motion was put to the House which was adopted.

Thereafter, the House started clause by clause consideration of the Bill.

After clause by clause consideration of the Bill, The Federal Medical Teaching Institutes Bill, 2021, was passed by the House.

- 4.** Mr. Zaheer-Ud-Din Babar Awan, Adviser to the Prime Minister on Parliamentary Affairs moved that the Bill to re-organize and create the National Institute of Health [The National Institute of Health (Re-organization) Bill, 2021], be taken into consideration, at once.

The Motion was put to the House which was adopted.

Thereafter, the House started clause by clause consideration of the Bill.

After clause by clause consideration of the Bill, The National Institute of Health (Re-organization) Bill, 2021, was passed by the House.

5. Senator Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Members of Parliament (Salaries and Allowances) Act, 1974 [The Members of Parliament (Salaries and Allowances) (Amendment) Bill, 2021].

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

Thereafter, Senator Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti, introduced the Bill further to amend the Members of Parliament (Salaries and Allowances) Act, 1974 [The Members of Parliament (Salaries and Allowances) (Amendment) Bill, 2021].

At this stage, Senator Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti moved under rule 263 that the requirement of relevant provisions of the Rules may be dispensed with in order to take into consideration the Members of Parliament (Salaries and Allowances) (Amendment) Bill, 2021 as introduced in the House.

The Motion was put to the House which was adopted.

Thereafter, the House started clause by clause consideration of the Bill.

After clause by clause consideration of the Bill, the Members of Parliament (Salaries and Allowances) (Amendment) Bill, 2021, was passed by the House.

At this stage, the Mover clarified that the object of the Bill is not to enhance any perks and privilege of the Members but the objective of the Bill is just to make some procedural changes in order to streamline the traveling of the Members.

The Chairman directed to circulate the Bill to media as well in order to avoid any misunderstanding regarding contents and objects of the Bill.

M O T I O N
[Under Rule 126(7)]

Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani, moved that the Bill further to amend the Unani, Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic Practitioners Act, 1965 [The Unani, Ayurvedic and Homoeopathic Practitioners (Amendment) Bill, 2019], as passed by the Senate and transmitted to the National Assembly but not passed by the National Assembly within ninety days of its laying in the National Assembly, be considered in a joint sitting.

The Motion was put to the House and adopted unanimously.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES

1. Senator Syed Faisal Ali Subzwari moved the Calling Attention Notice to draw attention of the Minister for Interior, towards the fake CNICs issued by NADRA to terrorists, band organizations and foreign nationals.

The Mover made his statement on the subject matter of CAN.

Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, MOS Parliamentary Affairs made statement on the subject matter of CAN.

The Calling Attention Notice was thus disposed of.

2. Senator Hidayatullah Khan moved the Calling Attention Notice to draw attention of Minister for Interior, towards the deteriorating law and order situation in the country particularly in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

The Mover made his statement on the subject matter of CAN.

Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, MOS Parliamentary Affairs made statement on the subject matter of CAN.

The Calling Attention Notice was thus disposed of.

POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

1. Following Members spoke on the hasty legislation by the House:-

- i. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed.
- ii. Senator Sherry Rehman.

2. Senator Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti clarified the misreporting of statement of Chief Minister Balochistan about the budget documents. He also refuted the remarks made by Senator Mian Raza Rabbani during sitting of the Senate held on 13th July, 2021 whereby he made some adverse remarks with the context that the Balochistan governance is being run by the Federal Government as a colony. He denied any such impression.

3. Senator Rubina Khalid apprehended the bad consequence of the Federal Medical Teaching Institutes Bill, 2021 passed by the Senate.

Leader of the House responded and clarified the apprehensions of the Members.

4. Senator Sherry Rehman apprehended possible civil war in Afghanistan and its effect on Pakistan.

5. Senator Saifullah Abro spoke about killing of a minority member in District Tharparkar and highhandedness of police. He pointed out over all bad governance in Sindh.

BUSINESS TO BE CARRIED FORWARD

The Questions, Motions under rule 218, Resolutions and Calling Attention Notices, the notices for which were received for 313th session will not lapse and will be carried forward for next session.

At 01:00 p.m. the Deputy Chairman read out the prorogation order signed by the President and prorogued the Senate session on conclusion of its business on 16th July, 2021.

Islamabad,
the 16th of July, 2021.