

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
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Date and Day	16 th January 2023, (Monday)
Commenced at	3:05 p.m.
Adjourned at	6:47 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	50
Total Working Hours	3hours and 42minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

FATEHA

The House offers "Fateha" for the departed souls of:-

1. DSP martyred and soldier in terrorist attacks in Peshawar and Gwadar;
2. Sister of Senator Jam Mahtab Hussain Dahar.

**Condolence and condemnation over the killing of Former Supreme Court Bas
Association President, Abdul Latif Afridi**

Following Member's also spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Azam Nazeer Tarar, Minister for Law and Justice
2. Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Leader of the Opposition

After hearing the Member, The Chairman Senate directed to seek Report in this regard From I.G Police, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

BILLS TO BE INTRODUCED

1. Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur, to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Halal Authority Act, 2016 [The Pakistan Halal Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was deferred

2. Senator Zeeshan Khan Zada, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2022] **(Amendment of section 55 of CrPC).**

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. 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 Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2022] **(Amendment of Article 160 of the Constitution)**.

The Motion was deferred

4. Senator Kauda Babar on behalf of **Senator Naseebullah Bazai** moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the International Islamic University Ordinance, 1985 [The International Islamic University (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

5. Senators Kauda Babar And Dilawar Khan, to move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the establishment of the Harbour Institute of Management, Sciences and Technology [The Harbour Institute of Management, Sciences and Technology Bill, 2022].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

6. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2022] **(Amendment of Article 203D of the Constitution)**.

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

7. Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Benazir Income Support Act, 2010 [The Benazir Income Support (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was deferred

8. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2022] **(Amendment of Article 19 of the Constitution)**.

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

9. Senator Faisal Javed, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Copyright Ordinance, 1962 [The Copyright (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

10. Senator Fawzia Arshad, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Elections Act, 2017 [The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

11. Senators Zeeshan Khan Zada And Faisal Saleem Rehman, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the State Bank of Pakistan Act, 1956 [The State Bank of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was deferred

12. Senator Seeme Ezzdi, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Environmental Protection Act, 1997 [The Pakistan Environmental Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

13. Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Federal Investigation Agency Act, 1974 [The Federal Investigation Agency (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

14. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the International Islamic University Ordinance, 1985 [The International Islamic University (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

15. Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Federal Ministers and Ministers of State (Salaries, Allowances and Privileges) Act, 1975 [The Federal Ministers and Ministers of State (Salaries, Allowances and Privileges) (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was deferred

16. Senator Seeme Ezzdi, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2022] **(Insertion of new section 277A in PPC and subsequent amendment in Schedule-II of Cr.PC).**

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

17. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2022] **(Amendment of sections 375, 375A and 376 in PPC and subsequent amendments in Schedule-II of Cr.PC).**

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

18. Senator Seemee Ezdi, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Easements Act, 1882 [The Easements (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

19. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Prohibition (Enforcement of Hadd) Order, 1979 [The Prohibition (Enforcement of Hadd) Order (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

20. Senator Fawzia Arshad, to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 [The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2022] **(Amendment of section 498A of PPC).**

The Bill was withdrawn by the Member.

21. Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority Act, 1996 [The Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

22. Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad, to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860, the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 and the Qanun-e-Shahadat order, 1984 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

23. Senator Hafiz Abdul Karim, to move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for establishment of the University of Management and Technology Lahore [The University of Management and Technology Lahore Bill, 2023].

The Motion was deferred

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

BILL AS PASSED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

1. Senator Kamran Murtaza, to move that the Bill to provide for the establishment of the International Institute of Technology, Culture and Health Sciences [The International Institute of Technology, Culture and Health Sciences Bill, 2022], as passed by the National Assembly, be taken into consideration.

The Motion was deferred

BILLS AS REPORTED BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE

1. Senator Mohsin Aziz, moved that the Bill further to amend the State Bank of Pakistan Act, 1956 [The State Bank of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2021], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.

Following Member's also spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem Leader of the Opposition
2. Senator Shaukat Fayaz Ahmed Tarin
3. Senator Danesh Kumar
4. Senator Mohsin Aziz
5. Senator Dilawar Khan
6. Senator Saleem Mandviwalla
7. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed
8. Senator Muhammad Akram

Dr. Ayesha Ghaus Pasha, Minister of State for Finance responded to the issue

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

2. Senator Mohsin Aziz, moved that the Bill further to amend the State Bank of Pakistan Act, 1956 [The State Bank of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2021], be passed.

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

3. Senator Mian Raza Rabbani, move that the Bill to provide for the Members of Parliament Immunities and Privileges [The Members of Parliament Immunities and Privileges Bill, 2022], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.

Following Member's also spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem Leader of the Opposition
2. Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad
3. Senator Eijaz Ahmad Chaudhary
4. Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed

The Motion was put to the House which was not opposed by the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs. Thereafter, the House started second reading of the Bill i.e. clause by clause consideration.

4. Senator Mian Raza Rabbani, move that the Bill to provide for the Members of Parliament Immunities and Privileges [The Members of Parliament Immunities and Privileges Bill, 2022], be passed.

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

MOTIONS

[Under Rule 218]

1. Senator Sania Nishtar, to move that the House may discuss the issue of floods-related fund disbursement for houses damaged and steps taken by provincial and federal governments to ensure transparency.

The Motion was deferred

2. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, moved that the House may discuss the report of the State Bank of Pakistan on national economy (July-Aug 2022) according to which the exports of the country have declined up to 10% and the foreign investment has also reduced by 52%.

The Motion was deferred

3. Senator Mohsin Aziz, to move that the House may discuss overall performance of the Competition Commission of Pakistan with particular reference to its failure to create a business environment based on healthy competition for improving economic efficiency, developing competitiveness and protecting consumers from price-hike in the country.

The Motion was deferred

4. Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur, to move that the House may discuss the issue of alarming rise in our population in the light of a recently released UN report: 'World Population Prospects 2022 according to which Pakistan is expected to see a 56 percent increase in population to 366 million individuals by the year 2050'.

The Motion was deferred

5. Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi, to move that the House may discuss the causes of pending cases/backlog in Supreme Court / Provincial High Courts and steps taken by the Government for speedy disposal of such cases.

The Motion was deferred

RESOLUTIONS

1. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, moved the following resolution:-

" Considering the fact that in-depth knowledge of the Holy Quran and Sunnah is mandatory for attaining religious, political, economic, social and other facets of an ideal society; Realizing that universities and colleges are the nurseries for preparing committed, productive and good human beings who eventually contribute towards attaining healthy, progressive and moral social order in a society; Reiterating that an individual harnessed with the divine knowledge of the Holy Quran and Sunnah can play a pivotal role in the progress and development of Pakistan in its true sense;

Appreciating the initiative in the Province of Punjab where education of the Holy Quran with translation has been made mandatory in all public sector universities purely for knowledge and learning purposes; Recommends that teaching of Holy Quran with translation, tajweed and tafseer should be made compulsory in all universities of Pakistan for students of all disciplines, without making it part of examinations or provision of additional marks so that focus should remain on acquisition of learning and knowledge of Holy Quran."

Following Member's also spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Saadia Abbasi
2. Senator Molvi Faiz Muhammad
3. Senator Danesh Kumar

The Resolution passed by the House.

2. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, moved the following resolution:-

" The House acknowledges the significance attached to the study of the life of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (SAW) for individual and collective development surrounding all aspects of human life. Without the in depth study and understanding of the Seerat of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (SAW) the new generation cannot comprehend the modern days' challenges and progress in their individual and collective life. The House is cognizant of the fact that there is no specialized and detailed study of the life of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (SAW) at various tiers in our education system. In order to inculcate detailed and comprehensive knowledge of the Seerat of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (SAW) in the minds of the younger generations, the House recommends that the Federal Government may immediately take the following steps: (i) Seerat of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (SAW) be introduced as a special subject and compulsory at primary, middle, secondary and higher school levels in Islamabad; (ii) Refreshing study of the Seerat of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (SAW) be made as a special subject as part of all disciplines at university level in Islamabad Capital Territory; (iii) Coordinate with all provinces to make arrangements for introduction of detailed study of the Seerat of the Holy Prophet Muhammad (SAW) as a special subject at primary, middle, secondary, higher secondary and university levels."

The Resolution passed by the House unanimously.

At 5:25 p.m Chairman Senate adjourned the proceedings of the House for ten minutes for Namaz-e-Mughrib.

3. Senator Kauda Babar moved the following resolution on behalf of **Senator Naseebullah Bazai,**

"Concerned at the problems being faced by hundreds of thousands of commuters of Islamabad, Rawalpindi, Lahore, Multan and Karachi including patients, students and office goers due to road blockages for security of visiting foreign cricket teams; Cognizant of huge monetary expenditures and assignment of thousands of security personnel on these security arrangements on one hand and wastage of millions of rupees worth fuel of commuters on the roads during road blockages on the other hand; In view of economic losses, wastage of time, ensuing mental stress of general public,

accidents by traffic jams and resultant noise and air pollution in these cities; Appalled by closure of educational institutions, health centres, offices and businesses along the routes designated for movement of teams and officials; The House recommends that the Government and Pakistan Cricket Board should build international standard hotels within the complex of stadiums in all these cities with walking approach to the stadium for players and team officials. The hotels so built will not only be useful for international cricket but also PSL and important domestic matches. They will also be cost effective by saving millions of rupees of recurring expenditure from national exchequer on account of security and movement of players and team officials. The step will also further improve the security of visiting teams and prove beneficial for promotion of cricket in the country in the long run."

The Resolution passed by the House unanimously.

4. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, moved the following resolution on behalf of **Senators Naseebullah Bazai, Prince Ahmed Umer Ahmedzai, Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo And Muhammad Akram,**

"Cognizant of the need for educational revolution in the country which is one of the key drivers of growth performance, prosperity, and competitiveness in national and global economies; Realizing that Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) are at the forefront of the solutions required to advance the Sustainable Development Goals, which underscores the fundamental role of education in creating healthy and inclusive societies as envisioned in the 2030 Agenda; Reiterating that the education revolution and other sustainable goals can be achieved through establishment of state of the art HEIs, ground-breaking research and innovation, and academia-facilitated industrial complexes for translating theory into practice; Recommends that, the Federal Government should launch a program for establishment of mega educational cities in each province; Every mega educational city should encompass a total area of about 2500 acres and comprise often universities of 250 acres each offering advanced education in distinct fields including skills and technology; and The land for these educational cities should be provided by respective provincial governments whereas the infrastructure of the ten universities in each province should be built by the Federal Government; The Federal Government after building the infrastructure should hand over management and operationalization of said universities to best public and private sector Universities/educational institutions and should continue to support with the overall management including grant of scholarships for the genuinely deserving students and ensure that fifteen percent of the total seats should be allocated for the said deserving students."

The Resolution passed by the House.

'Announcement by the Secretary Senate regarding suspension of membership of Senators who have failed to file their statements of assets and wealth with the Election Commission of Pakistan'

5. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, moved the following resolution:-

"This House is cognizant of the poor financial position of the merged districts of Ex-FATA and PATA in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan Provinces which aggravated further due to COVID restrictions and recent wave of terrorism. The situation is adversely affecting the small and large business in the areas; The House recommends that the

incentive of tax exemption facility provided under 25th Constitutional Amendment be extended for ten years i.e. 2023 to 2033 to ensure revival of business activities and kick-start development in the merged districts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan."

Following Member's also spoke on the issue:-

1. Dr. Ayesha Ghaus Pasha, Minister of State for Finance
2. Senator Danesh Kumar
3. Senator Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen

The Resolution passed by the House unanimously.

CONDOLENCE RESOLUTION

1. **Senator Shahadat Awan**, Minister of State for Law and Justice, moved the following resolution:-

"The Senate of Pakistan strongly condemns the brutal assassination of Former President of the Supreme Court Bar Association and Former Member National Assembly Abdul Latif Afridi outside the bar room in the Peshawar High Court. Acknowledges the efforts of Abdul Latif Afridi for the supremacy of the Constitution. He has also served as a president of the Peshawar High Court Bar Association and ANP Lawyers' Wing, as well as vice president of the Party's Khyber Pakhtunkhwa chapter. His efforts at the forefront of the lawyers' movement will always be remembered."

The Resolution passed by the House unanimously.

POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

1. **Senator Behramand Khan Tanagi**, spoke regarding security concerns in Parliament Lodges.
2. **Senator Hillal Ur Rehman**, spoke regarding settlement of final rates for compensation of land acquired for Mohmand Dam in Tribal district Mohmand.

After hearing the Member, the Chairman Senate pends it for constitution of committee.

3. **Senator Faisal Javed**, spoke regarding provision of details of expenditure of present government with reference to foreign tours and the details of Tosha Khana.

Following Member also spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Sherry Rehman, Minister of Climate Change
2. Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem Leader of the Opposition
3. Senator Danesh Kumar

After hearing the Member, the Chairman Senate said that I think the matter is already under discussion in the Cabinet Committee but member requested for constitution of special committee and Chairman Senate agreed.

4. **Senator Muhammad Akram**, spoke regarding the issue of electricity billing in four union councils of Turbat, Balochistan.

After hearing the Member, the Chairman Senate referred the said matter to the Standing Committee on Power.

5. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, spoke regarding delay in local government poll results for Karachi.

6. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, spoke regarding crackdown on leaders of Haq-do Tehreek in Gwadar.

Following Member also spoke on the issue:-

. Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo

7. Senator Asad Ali Khan Junejo, spoke regarding tailpipe emission in cars with respect to its effects on climate change.

After hearing the Member, the Chairman Senate was referred the matter to the Standing Committee on Climate Change.

8. Senator Asad Ali Khan Junejo, spoke regarding regularization of speed limits in ICT.

After hearing the Member, the Chairman Senate was referred the matter to the Standing Committee on Interior.

9. Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi, spoke regarding illegal housing societies in Islamabad

After hearing the Member, the Chairman Senate said that firstly give us details of all housing societies then we seek report from them then after sent to Committee.

10. Sardar Muhammad Shafiq, spoke regarding Tareen on continuous gas load shedding during extreme cold weather in the province of Balochistan.

At 03:05 p.m. the Chairman Senate adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Tuesday , 17th January, 2023, at 11:00 a.m.

Islamabad, the 16th January 2023.