

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
DAILY JOURNAL
(335th SESSION)

Date and Day	23 rd February 2024, (Friday)
Commenced at	10:32 a.m.
Adjourned at	12:02 p.m.
Presided by	Deputy Chairman Senate
Attendance	50
Total Working Hours	1hours and 30minutes

QUESTIONS

Questions entered in a separate list to be asked and answers given.

The Question hour was deferred

REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES - PRESENTATION OF:
[Under Rule 195]

1. Senator Saadia Abbasi, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, presented report of the Committee, on the Bill to provide for the maintenance, administration and regulation of Toshakhana [The Toshakhana (Maintenance, Administration and Regulation) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Mushtaq Ahmed on 3rd April, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

2. Senator Saadia Abbasi, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, presented report of the Committee, on the Bill further to amend the Civil Servants Act, 1973 [The Civil Servants (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Shahadat Awan on 6th November, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

3. Senator Saadia Abbasi, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, presented report of the Committee, on the Bill further to amend the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority Ordinance, 2002 [The Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Shahadat Awan on 6th November, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

4. Senator Saadia Abbasi, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, presented report of the Committee, on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Names and Emblems (Prevention of Unauthorised Use) Act, 1957 [The Pakistan Names and Emblems (Prevention of Unauthorised Use) (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Shahadat Awan on 13th November, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

5. Senator Saadia Abbasi, on behalf of **Senator Saleem Mandviwalla**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance and Revenue, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the State-Owned Enterprises (Governance and Operations) Act, 2023 [The State-Owned Enterprises (Governance and Operations) (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi on 20th November, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

6. Senator Saadia Abbasi, on behalf of **Senator Saleem Mandviwalla**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance and Revenue, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Banking Companies Ordinance, 1962 [The Banking Companies (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senators Naseebullah Bazai, Faisal Saleem Rehman and Kauda Babar on 13th November, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

7. Senator Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen, Chairman, Standing Committee on Science and Technology, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Council for Science and Technology Act, 2017 [The Pakistan Council for Science and Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Shahadat Awan on 13th November, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

8. Senator Behramand Khan Tangi, on behalf of **Senator Hidayatullah Khan**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Housing and Works, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of Starred Question No.52 asked by Senator Dost Muhammad Khan on 10th November, 2023, regarding the deplorable condition of the Government housing colony in Sector G-8, Islamabad.

The Report stood laid.

9. Senator Saadia Abbasi, on behalf of **Senator Mohammad Abdul Qadir**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Petroleum, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of Starred Question No.3 asked by Senator Mushtaq Ahmed on 4th April, 2023, regarding the Rates of LPG.

The Report stood laid.

10. Senator Seemee Ezdi, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Climate Change presented report of the Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Seemee Ezdi on 20th November, 2023, regarding increasing smog in various cities of Punjab.

The Report stood laid.

11. Senator Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo, Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure and

Privileges, presented report of the Committee on a Privilege Motion moved by Senators Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani, Rubina Khalid, Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur and Mohammad Humayun Mohmand, against the Neo News TV Channel on airing a fake, false and malicious news report against the Senators.

The Report stood laid.

12. Senator Irfan-UI-Haque Siddiqui, Chairman, Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training, presented report of the Committee on a Bill further to amend the Smart Institute of Sciences and Technology Act, 2022 [The Smart Institute of Sciences and Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2023] introduced by Senators Dilawar Khan and Naseebullah Bazai on 20th November, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

13. Senator Irfan-UI-Haque Siddiqui, Chairman, Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training, presented report of the Committee on a Bill to provide for the establishment of the Federal Institute of Management Sciences [The Federal Institute of Management Sciences Bill, 2023] introduced by Senators Dilawar Khan and Naseebullah Bazai on 27th November, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES

1. Senator Fawzia Arshad, drew attention of the Minister for Power Division towards the distribution of Electricity Bills by IESCO at the end of month instead of first week of the month, which makes it very difficult for consumers to pay Bills.

Mr. Murtaza Solangi, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, responded the issue.

2. Senator Kamran Murtaza, to draw attention of the Minister for Industries and Production towards the issue of retrenchment and non-payment of salaries to 32 Khateeb/Moazzin performing duties in various Mosques under administrative control of Pakistan Steel Mills.

The Calling Attention was deferred

POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

- 1. Senator Kauda Babar**, spoke regarding the drinking water crisis in Gwadar, Balochistan.
- 2. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed**, spoke regarding the recent order passed by the Chief Justice Supreme Court of Pakistan in a case pertaining to Qadyanis.
- 3. Senator Taj Haider**, spoke regarding the pass marks for getting license by the PMDC for foreign medical graduates.

Following Member's also spoke on the issue:-

1.Senator Mohammad Humayun Mohmand

After hearing the Member, The Chairman Senate referred said matter to the Privilege Committee.

- 4. Senator Zeeshan Khan Zada,** spoke regarding the news about a letter being written to the IMF by Mr. Imran Khan.
- 5. Senator Taj Haider,** spoke regarding the pass marks for getting license by the PMDC for foreign medical graduates.
- 6. Senator Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen,** spoke regarding the PMDC's eligibility criteria for medical students.

Following Member's also spoke on the issue:-

1.Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani

- 7. Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani,** spoke regarding the increase in the prices of medicines.
- 8. Senator Rubina Khalid,** spoke regarding the (i) PMDC's eligibility criteria for medical students and (ii) Need for rejection of hate politics by the political parties.
- 9. Senator MushtaqAhmed,** spoke regarding the recent order passed by the Chief Justice Supreme Court of Pakistan in a case pertaining to Qadyanis.

Following Member's also spoke on the issue:-

- 1.Senator Shahadat Awan
- 2.Senator Molvi Faiz Muhammad

- 10. Senator Saifullah Abro,** spoke regarding the situation arising out of the results of the General Elections, 2024.

Following Member's also spoke on the issue:-

1.Senator Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo

Mr. Murtaza Solangi, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, responded the issue.

At 12:02 p.m. the Deputy Chairman Senate adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Monday , 26th February, 2024, at 03:00 p.m.

**Islamabad, the
23rd February**