

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

to be asked at a sitting of the Senate to be held on

Friday, the 22nd January, 2010

DEFERRED QUESTIONS

(Question Nos. 66,78,88,96,99 and 103 as well as Question No.161 were originally set eown for answering on 14th January, and 20th January, 2010 respectively but were deferred)

66. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 16-10-2009 at 14:30:p.m)

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state the names and place of domicile of officers in BPS-18 to 22 working in PTV and Radio Pakistan?

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: The names and place of domicile of officers in BPS-18 to 22 working in PTV and Radio Pakistan are annexed at “A” and “B” respectively.

(Annexures have been placed on the table of the House as well as Library)

78. ***Dr. Khalid Mehmood Soomro:** (Notice received on 19-10-2009 at 08:35:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of aircrafts with PIA; and

(b) the number of aircrafts not in working condition with reasons?

Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar: (a) PIA has a total of 40 aircraft in its fleet, at present.

(b) All these aircraft are serviceable and are being maintained as per manufactures’ maintenance schedule.

88. ***Mr. Sabir Ali Baloch:** (Notice received on 28-10-2009 at 12:35:p.m.)

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) the names of daily, weekly and fortnightly newspapers of Balochistan to which government advertisements were issued since January, 2009, indicating also the number of advertisements issued to each newspaper; and

(b) the criteria adopted for issuance or allocation of the said advertisements?

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: (a) The names of daily, weekly and fortnightly newspapers of Balochistan alongwith number of advertisements released to them from January, 2009 to November, 2009 have been shown in a statement at Annexure-I.

(b) The Government advertisements are released to only those newspapers/periodicals which are on the Central Media List. Efforts are made to ensure that advertisements are released in a judicious and transparent manner and in accordance with the specific requirements of the sponsoring departments/organizations. The disbursement of advertisements is ensured fairly to both the national and regional press under a broad based comprehensive, objective and balanced policy. Factors like circulation, standard, presentation, value, regularity and popularity of a publication forms an important yardstick for releasing the advertisements. Requirements and target area of the departments/organizations are also accorded priority in the selection of media. A 25% quota for regional press is allocated on the total quantum of advertisements.

96. ***Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan:**(Notice received on 03-12-2009 at 11:00:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names and other particulars of the passengers who traveled in business class in PIA flight from Heathrow Airport (London) to Islamabad on the night of 22nd November, 2009 indicating also the ticket numbers, booking dates, confirmation dates and amount charged by PIA in each case;*
- (b) *the names of the said passengers whose class was upgraded indicating also the reasons for upgradation and the authority which approved that upgradation; and*
- (c) *the loss suffered by PIA, if any, due to that upgradation?*

Reply not received.

99. ***Mr. Saleem Saifullah Khan:** (Notice received on 04-12-2009 at 09:00:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government for financial and organizational restructuring of PIA, if so, its details;*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that PIA has prepared a cost cutting plan, if so, the details thereof indicating also the extent of its implementation so far and the results thereof; and*
- (c) *the steps taken by the Government to make PIA a profit earning organization?*

Reply not received.

103. ***Haji Ghulam Ali:** (Notice received on 22-12-2009 at 14:40:p.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence production be pleased to state the details of requests orders received in Pakistan Ordnance Factories (POF) for provision of arms from the provincial governments during the last five years and the action taken thereon?

Mr. Abdul Qayyum Khan Jatoi: The reply to the above question is as under:—

161. ***Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 23-10-2009 at 08:55:a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the total number of Agro-Farms in Islamabad leased out with and without auction since 15th March, 2008, indicating also the names and addresses of the allottees?

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: Following Agro Farms were leased out since 15th March, 2008:—

(a) **Auction.**

Three Farms were disposed off through Open Auction as per details at Annexure “A”.

(b) **Allotment to Affectees.**

Eight Agro Farms were leased out to those affectees from whom CDA acquired 100 kanal of land as per policy. Details are at Annexure “B”.

190. ***Dr. Khalid Mehmood Soomro:** (Notice received on 19-10-2009 at 08:35 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

(a) *the location of Civil Defence Offices in the country working under the administrative control of the Federal Government;*

(b) *the functions of those offices;*

(c) *the expenditure of the said offices during the last ten years with year-wise break up;*

(d) *the number of persons working in those offices with province-wise and district-wise break up; and*

(e) *the number of employees of the said offices trained during the said period with year-wise break up and the nature of training being imparted to them?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: (a) Location of Civil Defence Offices is as under:—

1. Federal Civil Defence Academy, Lahore.
2. National Institute of Fire Technology, Islamabad.
3. Bomb Disposal Unit LHR
4. FCDDT, School Lahore.
5. FCDDT, School Faisalabad
6. FCDDT, School, Karachi
7. FCDDT, School, Peshawar
8. FCDDT, School, Quetta.

9. FCDDT, School, Muzaffarabad.

(b) **FUNCTIONS:**

i. **PEACETIME**

Training of masses to any untoward situation arising out of man made or natural disasters.

Assistance, Rescue and Relief whenever life and property is threatened due to peacetime disasters.

ii. **DURING WAR**

Warning of the enemy's raiding aircraft for civil population.

Provision of Warden, Fire Fighting Rescue, First Aid Relief and Bomb Disposal Services.

Assistance in rehabilitation and Restoration of Utility Services.

(c) **Details of Expenditure Rupees in thousand is as under:—**

2000 (Exp. 26,700)

2001 (Exp. 25,848)

2002 (Exp. 28,409)

2003 (Exp. 31,270)

2004 (Exp. 34,623)

2005 (Exp. 36,657)

2006 (Exp. 49,048)

2007 (Exp. 56,824)

2008 (Exp. 66,510)

2009 (Exp. 66,649)

(TOTAL EXP. 422,538)

(d) **Break-up of Trainees is as under:—**

TRAINEES

2000 (Trainee 3246)

2001 (Trainee 5457)

2002 (Trainee 6009)

2003 (Trainee 5562)

2004 (Trainee 3667)

2005 (Trainee 2057)

2006 (Trainee 3937)

2007 (Trainee 5914)

2008 (Trainee 6267)
2009 (Trainee 4545)

TOTAL TRAINEE: 46661

NATURE OF TRAINING.

- a. Federal Civil Defence Training Institutes impart higher/ specialized training in various disciplines of Civil Protection. It includes:—
- (i) Civil Defence Planning and Operational Techniques.
 - (ii) Bomb Disposal and Bomb Reconnaissance.
 - (iii) Fire Prevention/ Fire Fighting
 - (iv) First Aid.
 - (v) Rescue.
 - (vi) Camouflage.
 - (vii) Disaster Management.
 - (viii) Nuclear, Biological and Chemical.

191. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 20-10-2009 at 08:55 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of foreign citizens arrested at Pak-Afghan border in FATA indicating also their nationality during the last five years; and*
- (b) *the number of those persons who have been released?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: According to FATA Secretariat and FIA Peshawar, following foreign citizens were arrested at Pak-Afghan Border (Torkham) in FATA, during last five years.

Nationality	Nos	Released / Deported
Afghan	08	0
Bangladeshi	01	0
Nigerian	01	Under process@
Hong Kong	01	0
Swiss	01	0

@The High Commission of Nigeria Islamabad issued him an Emergency Travel Permit on 07-04-2009. His deportation is under process.

192. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 21-10-2009 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

- (a) *the details of TV Boosters in FATA with number of channels in each case; and*
(b) *the number of persons working on each booster?*

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: (a) There are following seven (07) Re-Broadcast Stations (RBS)/Boosters of PTV installed in FATA (Federally Administered Tribal Area) region: —

- (i) RBS-Landikotal
(ii) RBS-Parachinar
(iii) RBS-Razmak
(iv) RBS-Wana
(v) RBS-Kalaya (Orakzai)
(vi) Mohmand Agency
(vii) Bajaur Agency

These RBSs show PTV Home transmissions which include regional programmes in local languages.

(b) Booster Name Number of Employees

- (i) RBS-Landikotal 14 Persons
(ii) RBS-Parachinar 09 Persons
(iii) RBS-Razmak 13 Persons
(iv) RBS-Wana 06 Persons
(v) RBS-Kalaya (Orakzai) 08 Persons
(vi) Mohmand Agency 06 Persons
(vii) Bajur Agency 10 Persons

193. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 21-10-2009 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of prisoners under the age of 18 years in Jails in the country; and*
(b) *the steps being taken by the Government for the welfare of those prisoners?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: (a) Province-wise number of prisoners under the age of 18 years is as under:

Name of Province	Number of Prisoners under the age of 18 years
Punjab	795
Sindh	248
NWFP	165
Balochistan	54

(b) Although Prison is a provincial subject, however, under the direction of the Prime Minister, Ministry of Interior and NRB have proposed recommendations for the welfare of the prisoners, which is under active consideration. Ministry of Interior is making efforts to improve the conditions of all Prisons/Prisoners including the juveniles vide its Function No.28 of the Rules of Business of the Interior Division.

194. *Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi: (Notice received on 31-10-2009 at 09:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total land owned by Pakistan Railways at Lahore, Karachi, Peshawar, Rawalpindi and Islamabad separately; and*
- (b) *the land leased out by the Pakistani Railways to private organizations /persons during the last two years indicating also the terms and conditions of the lease?*

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: (a) The total land owned by Pakistan Railways at Lahore, Karachi, Peshawar, Rawalpindi & Islamabad is as under:—

S. No.	Name of City	Area (in Acres)
1.	Lahore	1869.65
2.	Rawalpindi	961.60
3.	Peshawar	392.375
4.	Karachi	964.16
5.	Islamabad	371.353
Total		4559.138

(b) The details of Railway land leased out on Short-Term Basis to private organizations / persons during last two years (2007-2009) for different categories like agriculture, cultivation, commercial shops, stacking and parking purposes are attached as **Annexure-A**, whereas details of Railway land leased out on Long Term Basis through Directorate of Marketing during last two years (2007-08 to 2008-09) are attached as **Annexure-B**. Details of Railway properties, whose commercialization is under finalization stage, are given in **Annexure-C**.

(Annexures have been placed on the table of the House as well as Library)

195. *Mr. Saleem Saifullah Khan: (Notice received on 05-12-2009 at 11:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *the details of PSDP allocations made for various sanctioned and ongoing projects for the expansion and strengthening of infrastructure network of civil aviation in the country;*
- (b) *whether the Government has reviewed the performance of these projects, if so, the details thereof, project-wise; and*

(c) *the details of fresh proposals received from various provinces and the action taken thereon?*

Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar: (a) Allocation of Rs.750 million has been made by the Govt. under PSDP during the current year (2009-10) for aviation related Project “New Gwadar International Airport (NGIA)”.

(b) PC-I amount to Rs.7500 million for NGIA Project was discussed by CDWP in its meeting held on 19th November, 2009 and recommended for approval of ECNEC.

(c) Fresh proposals received include New Airports at Mirpurkhas, Azad Kashmir Loral, Balochistan and Upgradation of Airport at Dera Ismail Khan.

196. ***Mr. Saleem Saifullah Khan:** (Notice received on 10-12-2009 at 08:40 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names of airports in the country which do not have night landing facilities;*
- (b) *whether the Government is contemplating to provide this facility at these airports, if so, its details; and*
- (c) *the estimated cost for providing this facility?*

Reply not received.

197. ***Mir Wali Muhammad Badini:** (Notice received on 10-12-2009 at 11:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that PIA flights on Karachi - Quetta - Karachi sector are not being operated on daily basis, if so, its reasons;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that ATR flights are being operated on that sector, if so, its reasons; and*
- (c) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to operate flights on that sector on daily basis and replace the ATR flights with Boeing flights?*

Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar: (a) It is incorrect. In fact, PIA is operating between Karachi and Quetta on a daily basis. In total 10 weekly flights are being operated on this route.

(b) Out of above mentioned 10 weekly flights, only 04 weekly flights are operated with ATR aircraft according to passenger load.

(c) PIA has no plans to replace ATR flights with Boeing flights at present. However, in the near future, PIA will consider to operate seven weekly flights with B-737

198. ***Mr. Saleem Saifullah Khan:** (Notice received on 12-12-2009 at 09:40 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

(a) *the number of theft, dacoity and other offences committed during the last three years and the current year in running trains; and*

(b) *the steps taken by the Pakistan Railways to curb such criminal activities?*

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: (a) The number of theft, dacoity and other offences committed during the last three years and current year in running trains are as under:—

Year	Number of Theft	Number of Dacoity	Others
Last three years	244	6	807
Current Year (2009)	74	3	304

(b) **Steps taken to curb such Criminal Activities:**

- All members of Pakistan Railway Police (PRP) Escorting Guards have been equipped with latest Arms/Ammunitions. Batteries and Walki Talki Sets are also provided so that they could communicate information among themselves.
- Upper subordinate Police Officers are detailed as Duty Officer (in day & night trains) who check the PRP Escorting Guards at all big stations and submit reports to respective Divisional Headquarter on daily basis.
- All members of PRP Escorting Guards are being instructed to remain vigilant and keep an eye over all suspects for the protection of life & property of all passengers in the running trains.
- All members of PRP Escorting Guards have also been directed to avoid provision of any laxity and relaxation to the anti social elements involved in negative activities in running trains.

199. ***Mr. Shahid Hassan Bugti:** (Notice received on 23-12-2009 at 10:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

(a) *the date on which the broadcasting of F.M. 94 started; and*

(b) *the income of that channel so far with month-wise break up?*

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: (a) The FM-94 channel was inaugurated by the Minister for Information and Broadcasting on 14th November 2009.

(b) The month-wise income of FM-94 channel is as under:—

(i)	November, 2009	Rs. 98,000/-
(ii)	December, 2009	Nil
	Total:—	Rs. 98,000/-

200. ***Mr. Shahid Hassan Bugti:** (Notice received on 23-12-2009 at 10:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to utilize the amount being charged as visitor entry fee at Benazir Bhutto International Airport Islamabad for the construction of waiting rooms / halls for visitors at that airport, if so, its details?

Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar: Due to the lack of space available for expansion of airport facilities at existing Benazir Bhutto International Airport Islamabad, the proposed waiting room / halls for visitors cannot be provided at the airport. The money we are charging as visitor fee is to discourage people from coming so that we do not have large crowds.

201. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 05-01-2010 at 09:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of illegal immigrants arrested in the country during the last three years with gender wise break up indicating also the number of those presently detained in jails; and*
- (b) *the steps taken by the government to stop the entry of illegal immigrants in the country?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: (a) The Fourteen Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Four (14784) foreign illegal immigrants were arrested by the FIA during the last three years 2006, 2007, 2008 and 2009 (upto 30th June, 2009) under foreigners act and CNS act. The year wise break up is as under:—

Year	Gender wise	
	Male	Female
2006	2806	32
2007	7485	101
2008	3142	32
2009	1151	15
Total	14584	180
Grand Total	14764	

Presently, One Thousand Seventy Six (1076) foreigners are detained in jails of Pakistan.

Province wise position as under:—

Province	Number of Foreign Prisons
Sindh	417
Puniab	582
NWFP	43
Balochistan	34
Total	1076

(b) Following are the steps taken by FIA to stop the entry of illegal immigrants in Pakistan:

Introduction of Personal Identification Secure Comparison & Evaluation System (PISCES).

Installation of Forgery Detection Machines (FDMs) at Benazir Bhutto International Airport, Islamabad and Jinnah International Airport, Karachi.

Interceptions at International border through establishment of Inter Agency Task Force (IATF).

202. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 05-01-2010 at 09:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Narcotics Control be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of foreign drug smugglers arrested by the Government during the last three years indicating also the quantity of drugs recovered from them; and*
(b) *the punishment awarded to each of the said drug smugglers so far?*

Minister for Narcotics Control: (a) Total number of foreign drugs smugglers arrested by ANF and quantity of drugs recovered from them during the last three years is as under:—

(b) Details of each foreign drug smugglers and punishment awarded to them is given at **Annex-A** respectively.

ISLAMABAD:
The 21st January, 2010.

RAJA MUHAMMAD AMIN,
Secretary.