

SENATE SECRETARIAT

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“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

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

**Tuesday, the 14th April, 2015**

*DEFERRED QUESTIONS*

*(Questions Nos. 66, 67, 68, 79, 82, 95 and 101 Deferred on 6th February, 2015 (110th Session))*

**Question No. 66 (Def.) \*Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi :**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Notice received on 31-10-2014 at 03:10 p.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) the details of medicines available in PIMS and Federal Government Polyclinic Hospital, Islamabad, for OPD, Emergency and Cardiac patients separately;*
- (b) the procedure laid down for reimbursement of amount spent by the Government servants on purchase of medicines which not available in the said hospitals; and*
- (c) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to make the said procedure more simple and easy?*

**Mr. Usman Ibrahim:** (a) The details of medicines available in Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences (PIMS) and Federal Government Polyclinic (FGPC) for OPD, Emergency and Cardiac Patients is at Annex-A&B respectively.

(b) Most of the medicines are available in the hospitals, if any medicines are not available in the hospitals then the patients are allowed to reimburse by the Government through reimbursement claim. The cash memo of medicines purchased by the patients is verified by the treating doctor and then claim is signed by the authorized Medical Attendant after verifying the documents i.e. prescription, medicine/investigation slip, cash memo etc. according to guideline issued by the defunct Ministry of Health in 2006. After signature of AMA, the spent amount is being reimbursed to patient from concerned office.

(c) The Capital Administration & Development Division is processing to revise the Medical Attendance Rules, 1990 to make the said procedure more simple and easy to access, for the entitled patients.

*(Annexures have been placed on the Table of the House as well as Library.)*

**Question No. 67 (Def.) \*Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi :**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Notice received on 31-10-2014 at 03:10 p.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Consultants in PIMS, MCH, Federal Government Polyclinic hospital and other Government Hospitals under the administrative control of Capital Administration and Development Division do not attend / check patients in OPDs except in the cases referred to them, if so, the reasons thereof;*
- (b) whether it is also a fact that a large number of patients visit / come to the OPDs in the said hospitals every day, if so, the steps taken / being taken by the Government to cope with the increasing number of patients; and*
- (c) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to start evening OPDs in those hospitals in which the consultants will attend / check the patients?*

**Mr. Usman Ibrahim:** (a) The consultants in PIMS, MCH, Federal Government Polyclinic Hospital and other Government Hospitals under the administrative control of Capital Administration & Development Division check the patients according to the following procedure/SOPs in OPD.

1. Various units/teams function/provide services in OPD according to prescribed/notified schedule.
2. The patient is attended on his turn by the doctor (senior PGs and M.Os) in the filter clinic.
3. The patients who need consultant's opinion are referred accordingly.
4. Every consultant checks an average of 30-35 patients in OPD on his/her OPD days.

(b) It is fact that a large number of patients are visiting the OPD's in the said hospitals every day. Approximately 6000 to 7000 patients visit in the OPD of Polyclinic, 2600 to 2700 patients visit in the OPD of PIMS and 400 patients visit in the OPD of NIRM per day.

In the light of overcrowding, ever-increasing patients, the Government is in process of expanding the physical infrastructure of the Federal Government Polyclinic (FGPC) and National Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine (NIRM) hospitals. New departments and modern facilities have been added to enhance the capacity of Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences (PIMS)/ (SZABMU).

(c) No proposal is under consideration for starting consultants evening clinics in the said hospitals.

**Question No. 68 (Def.) \*Mr. Osman Saifullah Khan :**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Notice received on 05-11-2014 at 08:45 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the Distribution Company (DISC) wise details of the most recent industrial tariff (peak and off peak) determined by NEPRA?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division :** The Authority determines different consumer-end tariffs for each distribution company in accordance with the NEPRA Act and Tariff Standards and Procedure Rules —1998, whereby revenue requirement is assessed keeping in view the specific parameters of each distribution company.

The Government of Pakistan (GOP) uniform the consumer end tariff by providing subsidy or by the levying of the surcharge on different consumer categories. Here, it is pertinent to mention that surcharges are already subjudice in courts all over Pakistan except Baluchistan High Court.

Further to above table representing the distribution company wise detail of current notified industrial tariff (peak and off-peak) determined by NEPRA is attached at Annexure-A.

**Question No. 79 (Def.) \*Mr. Ahmed Hassan :**

(Notice received on 07-11-2014 at 09:20 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the students who have been awarded scholarships in the centralized examination of Class-V in 2013 have not been paid the amount of scholarship so far, if so, the reasons thereof and the time by which the same will be paid to them?*

**Mr. Usman Ibrahim:** 153 students have been paid the amount of scholarship out of 459 who have been awarded scholarships in the Centralized Exam of Class-V, 2013. The remaining students (306) did not provide joining/admission reports in time due to which they could not be paid scholarship amount. Submission of admission report is prerequisite for payment of scholarship as the amount is paid to those students who get admission as regular students in Class-VI. Now FDE has received joining reports from all remaining 306 students and bill for the payment of scholarships to 306 students has been submitted to AGPR, Islamabad on 11-02-2015. After clearance of bills from AGPR, Islamabad, FDE will issue cheques to the heads of the institutions for payment.

**Question No. 82 (Def.) \*Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq :**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Notice received on 10-11-2014 at 12:00 p.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) the steps being taken by the Government to provide better health facilities to the patients in PIMS and Federal Government Polyclinic Hospital, Islamabad;*
- (b) the mechanism evolved / set down for evaluation of performance of doctors, para-medical and other staff of the said hospitals;*
- (c) the details of cases of malpractices of doctors, para-medical and other staff of the said hospitals surfaced during the last three years and the action taken in each case; and*
- (d) whether any audit has been carried out into the utilization of medicines purchased through bulk and local purchase by the said hospitals and their allied dispensaries during the said period, if so, the findings thereof?*

**Mr. Usman Ibrahim:** (a) The steps being taken by the Government to provide better health facilities to the patients in Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences (PIMS) and Federal Government Polyclinic (FGPC) Hospitals Islamabad are as under:—

#### **PIMS**

- Detail of development works and new initiatives at PIMS is at annexure-A.

#### **FGPC**

- The government has lifted ban on purchases of physical assets including machinery/equipment and allocated budget of Rs.32 millions.
- The government has lifted ban on fresh recruitment and the appointment of staff including Doctors, Nurses Paramedics and other supporting staff is under process.
- This financial year Government has allocated budget of Rs.530 million for provision of free medicines to the patients.
- Extension and reconstruction of Federal Government Polyclinic has been planned and additional 2.54 acres were also allocated to the adjacent concreted portion of Argentina Park by the honorable Prime Minister. The government is planning vertical and horizontal extension of the FGPC hospital, in a purpose built structure. This will facilitate full range of diagnostic and therapeutic services in a conducive environment.

(b) The mechanism evolved/set down for evaluation of performance, of doctors, Para-medical and other staff of the said hospitals is as under:—

- The performance of doctors, paramedical and other staff is evaluated through annual Confidential Reports (ACRs) / Performance Evaluation Report (PERs) as prescribed for Civil Servants by the Government in the said hospitals. Furthermore, continuous supervision at unit, department and hospital level is being managed very closely and all cases of non-conformance to duties/responsibilities are dealt under applicable rules of Efficiency and Discipline.

(c) No malpractices case of doctors, para-medical and other staff of the said hospitals surfaced during the last three years.

(d) Audit carried out into the utilization of medicine purchased through bulk and local purchase by the said hospitals and their allied dispensaries during the said period is as under:-

**PIMS.**

- The Audit of PIMS was conducted for the years 2011-12, 2012-13 & 2013-14. Only 01 audit para regarding utilization of drugs/medicines was raised in Audit Report 2012-13. The said para will be discussed in upcoming DAC/PAC meeting.

**FGPC.**

- Following is the summary of Audit observations regarding medicines purchased through bulk and local purchase, during the said period:

<b>Financial Year</b>	<b># of relevant Audit observations</b>	<b>Findings</b>
2011-12	01	The observations raised by the Audit party are yet to be discussed in the pre-DAC and DAC and if not settled will be presented to PAC. The departmental replies have been submitted and discussion is awaited.
2012-13	01	
2013-14	02	

**Question No. 95 (Def.) \*Mir Muhammad Yousuf Badini:**

(Notice received on 19-11-2014 at 02:30 p.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:*

- the steps taken by the Government to provide better health facilities to the residents of Islamabad Capital Territory since June, 2013; and*
- the mechanism evolved for the said purpose?*

**Mr. Usman Ibrahim:** (a) The Government has taken following steps to provide better health facilities to the residents of Islamabad Capital Territory since June, 2013:

- The Government has relaxed ban on fresh recruitment. The appointments of staff including Doctors, Nurses, Paramedics and other supporting staff will improve the health care services.
- This financial year Government has allocated following budget to the hospitals to provide better health facilities to the patients:—

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name of Hospital</b>	<b>Budget allocation</b>
1.	Federal Government Polyclinic (FGPC):	Rs.2181.727 million
2.	National Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine (NIRM):	Rs. 240 million
3.	Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences (PIMS)	Rs.3770.434 million
4.	Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhatto Medical University_____	Rs. 50 Million by CA&DD Rs. 25 million by HEC

- The Government is in process of expanding the physical infrastructure of Federal Government Polyclinic and NIRM Hospital at their adjacent lands which will facilitate full range of diagnostic and therapeutic services in a conducive environment and provide better health facilities.
- The Government has lifted the persistent ban on purchase of physical assets including machinery/equipments.
- Up-gradation of Physiotherapy Department & Laboratory equipment of NIRM.
- The following services have been provided to the poor patients at NIRM through Pakistan Baitul-Mal and Zakat:—
  - Artificial limbs and outhouses through PBM: 405
  - Hearing Aid through Zakat & PBM: 552
- Detail of development works and new initiatives at PIMS is at Annexure-A.

(b) Ongoing activities have been strengthened by enhancing the resources. New initiatives/projects have been planned to expand the scope of activities and enhance the standard of existing services to the International Levels, as outlined above in (a).

**Question No. 101 (Def.) \*Mr. Hilal ur Rehman :**

(Notice received on 17-12-2014 at 02:40 p.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether is a fact that the height of boundary wall of Islamabad Model School (I-V) No. 1, G-9/2, Islamabad is less than the prescribed standard, if so, the time by which the same will be increased; and*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that washrooms and building of the said school are in dilapidated condition, if so, the time by which the same will be repaired/ whitewashed?*

**Mr. Usman Ibrahim:** ( a ) The height of boundary wall of Islamabad Model School No.1, G-9/2 is 5-6 feet which is according to prescribed standard. However, due to security measures in the country, the PC-I for construction/raising of the boundary wall of female institutions of ICT including this school, has been approved by Departmental Development Working Party (DDWP) on 25-02-2014 but could not be funded this year. The boundary wall will be raised as and when the funds will be released against the approved project. However, in view of the urgency of augmenting security of educational institutions, CADD has released Rs. 180.00 million to FDE on 22-01-2015 to enhance security of schools.

(b) The Institution has 03 Lavatory Blocks out of which 01 Lavatory Block is not in working condition. Now the repair work of non functional Lavatory Block is in process which will be completed expeditiously. However, the school building is not in dilapidated condition and has been whitewashed, recently.

**Question No. 1 \*Mr. Farhatullah Babar :**

(Notice received on 12-03-2015 at 07:40 p.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact a new permanent trade grounds has been or is being prepared near Shakarparian, Islamabad, for the March, 23 parade, if so, the number and age trees cut down due to preparation of that ground;*
- (b) *whether the said project was taken up and consulted with Environmental Protection Agency, if so, the report of that agency on the project and if not, the reasons thereof;*

- (c) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to plant new trees as replacement of the said trees, if so, the details thereof indicating also the proposed location of plantation, the time frame within which the plantation will be completed and the estimated cost of the same; and*
- (d) *the name of the Ministry / Department which will bear the cost of the said plantation?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) Yes, a new permanent parade ground has been prepared near Shakarparian, Islamabad. 1826 trees, coming in the alignment of the development of parade ground were removed / cut down through open auction during the year 2007-2008. Most of the trees were of below 300mm girth. The record of their age is not available.

(b) Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) was not consulted because most the trees were of Paper Mulberry which were to be removed as a policy being source of pollen allergy.

(c) Yes, the proposal is under consideration of the Government to plant new trees as replacement of the said trees. 3860 of different kind of trees are being planted in the current spring season 2015 at the location of parade ground. The plantation will be completed by the end of the current spring season 2015. the estimated cost of the same is Rs. 2,039,940.

(d) Capital Development Authority (CDA)

**Question No. 2 \*Mr. Osman Saifullah Khan :**

(Notice received on 13-03-2015 at 12:00 p.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the details of tariff determined by NEPRA for Thar coal fired power projects indicating also the project cost in US dollars per MW, return on Equity and period for which the tariff is valid (terms of tariff); and*
- (b) *whether the return on Equity component is guaranteed, if so, the name of the guarantor entity?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:**

**Question No. 3 \*Mr. Ahmed Hassan:**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Notice received on 13-03-2015 at 04:30 p.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to refer to the Senate starred question No.73 replied on 6th February, 2015 and state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that despite the Government directions the U-fone facility / service in Ziarat, Talash, Lower Dir has not been restored so far, if so, the reasons thereof; and*



(b) *whether any legal action has been initiated against the operator for not restoring the service in the said areas, if not, the reasons thereof?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) As per license conditions, mandatory rollout conditions have been defined. Ufone has already fulfilled these conditions. Services of all other mobile operators are available in the area. However, on receipt of complaint regarding the closure of BTS Tower in village Ziarat (Talash) Union Council Sheikhel, Tehsil Temargarah, District Lower Dir, Ufone was directed to reactivate. Ufone responded that the site was closed due to logistic and security reasons and that the network has been reconfigured. The matter of re-activation was vigorously pursued with the operator through correspondence, telephone calls, and finally the representatives of the operator were summoned in PTA on 12th March, 2015 for a final effort to amicably resolve the matter. Since the operator is adamant that reactivation of the site is not feasible, therefore, the process of initiating appropriate action against the operator has been started.

(b) PTA is in the process of initiating appropriate action after completely legal and codal formalities.

**Question No. 4 \*Mr. Ahmed Hassan :**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Notice received on 16-03-2015 at 10:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to construct a new International Airport in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, if so, the details thereof?*

**Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division:** At present, there is no proposal under consideration of the Government to construct New International Airport in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

**Question No. 5 \*Mr. Osman Saifullah Khan :**

(Notice received on 17-03-2015 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of National Electric Power Regulatory Authority (NEPRA) to conduct fuel efficiency tests for diesel, furnace oil and gas based independent power producers (IPPs) in the country?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** Regarding query about conducting fuel efficiency tests for diesel, furnace oil and gas based Independent Power Producers (IPPs) in the country, it is mentioned that, IPPs operating in the NTDC system were installed under Power Policies of 1994 and 2002. The thermal efficiency value as stated in the 1994 Power Policy is 38.6% flat throughout the life of the project so Heat rate / efficiency test are not required for these plants. The power plants installed under the 2002 Power Policy are mostly new, having efficiency in the range of 45% and 51.2% for Residual Furnace Oil (RFO) fired and Gas fired plants respectively. These plants achieved their Commercial Operation Date (cod) IN 2006-2007.

NEPRA determined their tariff on cost plus basis and determined their net thermal efficiency as indicated above. Payments to these plants are made pursuant to respective Power Purchasing Agreement (PPA) with NTDC which include yearly degradation curves. NTDC carries out capacity tests on these plants on yearly basis.

**Question No. 6 \*Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:**

\_\_\_\_\_ (Notice received on 17-03-2015 at 10:20 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state whether it is a fact that no funds were allocated under the head of "Free Books" for the students of Federal Educational Institutions in the budget for fiscal year 2013-14, if so, the reasons thereof?*

**Mr. Usman Ibrahim:** It is not a fact. An amount of Rs. 90680,000/- was allocated under head of Free Books for the students of Federal Educational Institutions under the ambit of Federal Directorate of Education for the Fiscal Year 2013-14.

**Question No. 7 \*Mr. Osman Saifullah Khan :**

(Notice received on 18-03-2015 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the names and locations of the established Katchi Abadis in Islamabad;*
- (b) *the law / rules regarding ownership rights in the said abadies including "French Colony" in F-7 and Katchi Abadis in F-6 sectors; and*
- (c) *the steps being taken by the Government to provide basic facilities and improve living conditions in those abadies?*

**Miniater Incharge of the Cabinet Division:** (a) 10 katchi abadies are established in Islamabad:—

1. Katchi abadi G-7/1 (Tent colony)
2. Katchi abadi G-7/2 (66 quarters)
3. Katchi abadi G-7/3 (48 quarters)
4. Katchi abadi G-8/1 (Hansa & Charlis colony)
5. Katchi abadi F-6/2 (100 quarters)
6. Katchi abadi F-7/4 (France colony)
7. Katchi abadi Muslim colony near Bari Imam
8. Katchi abadi 1-9/1 (Essa Nagri)
9. Katchi abadi 1-10/1 (Haq Bahu)
10. Katchi abadi 1-11/4 (Dhoke Najju)

(b) There is no Act regarding Katchi abadi, however directions issued by the Federal Government for regularization of katchi abadi are followed by CDA.

(c) Following steps were taken by the CDA for improvement betterment of the katchi abadies:-

- (i) Katchi abadi G-8/1 was upgraded by the authority at site and plots were created after demolishing the mud house where all infrastructural facilities are being provided.
- (ii) Four katchi abadies *i.e.* Haq Bahu, Dhoke Najju, Muslim colony and Essa Nagri were to be shifted to the area being settled in upgraded/developed scheme of Model Urban Shelter Project (MUSP) at Ali Pur Frash.
- (iii) Katchi abadi Dhoke Najju I-10/4 has been relocated in (MUSP) Frash Total 182 plots have been handed over to relocate these people.
- (iv) Original dwellers of kachi abadi Haq Bahu I-11/4 have been relocated at (MUSP) Farash, However illegal encroachment exist.
- (v) The eligible dwellers of Essa Nagrei and Muslim Colony were offered to relocate in Farash Town, but 70 % in Muslim colony and 15% in Eassa Negri availed the opportunity and remining are still living at their, present locations on one or other pretext.
- (vi) CDA has uplifted four katchi abadies at site by providing basic facilities *i.e* Electricity, Gas and water supply in existing situation in phase -I. Dwellers are now requesting for up gradation in the form of planned plots on the analogy of katchi abadi G-8/1.
- (vii) Phase -II of these abadies was planned but due to scarcity of funds and non avaliability of ample land, the same has not yet been finalized.

**Question No. 8 \*Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:**

(Notice received on 18-03-2015 at 09:30 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the number of trade agreements made between Pakistan and Afghanistan during the last three years; and*
- (b) *the volume of trade between the two countries at present?*

**Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan:** (a) No trade agreement has been signed with Afghanistan during the last three years.

(b) Detail of total trade volume between two countries for the last five years is as under:

(Value in Million US\$)

Years	Exports	Imports	Total
2009-10	1572	139	1711
2010-11	2337	172	2509
2011-12	2250	199	2449
2012-13	2066	288	2354
2013-14	1871	360	2030

**@Question No. 37 \*Mr. Osman Saifullah Khan:**

(Notice received on 18-03-2015 at 11:58 p.m.)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development division be pleased to state:*

- (a) the total number of patients registered to receive medical care at the Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences (PIMS);*
- (b) the average waiting time for patients wishing to undergo an inpatient procedure at the above hospital; and*
- (c) whether there exists a procedure for patients to provide feedback on the standard and quality of medical care being provided at the above hospital?*

**Mr. Usman Ibrahim:** The information is being collected from the Quarter concerned. It will be placed on Floor of the House as and when received.

**@Question No. 50 \*Mr. Osman Saifullah Khan :**

(Notice received on 16-03-2015 at (09:30)

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division be pleased to state whether any plan has been approved or prepared to expand / upgrade the Karachi, Peshawar and Gawadar Airports, if so, the estimated cost, expected date of completion and increase in the capacity / volume of annual traffic (passenger and cargo) to be catered for after upgradation in each case?*

**Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division:**

(a) **JINNAH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT KARACHI.**

Presently no expansion / up-gradation work is in progress at JIAP Karachi.

(b) **BACHA KHAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT PESHAWAR**

M/s NESPAK is working on design development for expansion of terminal building. Estimated cost of the project is 1000 Million and estimated time for completion is 02 years.

(c) **GWADAR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT.**

No.

AMJED PERVEZ  
*Secretary.*

Islamabad, the 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2015