

**SENATE OF PAKISTAN**  
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**(272<sup>nd</sup> Session)**

Date and day	25 <sup>th</sup> January, 2018 (Thursday)
Commenced at	03: 00 p.m.
Adjourned at	05:45 p.m.
Presided by	Dy. Chairman during the question hour and the Chairman Senate for remaining proceedings
Attendance	58
Total working hours	2 hours and 45 minutes

- Recitation from the Holy Quran.

**QUESTION HOUR**

- Questions were taken up during the question hour.
- Leave applications were read by the Chairman.

**CONSIDERATION OF ADMISSIBILITY OF ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS**

Admissibility of the following Adjournment Motions will be determined:-

1. Senator Sherry Rehman on her behalf and on behalf of Senators Syed Shibli Faraz, Nauman Wazir Khattak, Mohsin Aziz, Liaqat Khan Tarakai, Sehar Kamran, Mohammad Azam Khan Swati and Sirajul Haq moved Adj. Motion No. 7, 9, 10 and 15-272/2018-M the recent threatening statements by the US President and his administration and leveling of various allegations against Pakistan.

After hearing the Members, the Chairman held the Motion out of order. The Chairman condemned the recent drone attack in Hangu area.

2. Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja moved Adj. Motion No. 8-272/2018-M to discuss the illegal hunting of rare species of birds and animals by the royal hunters in violation of Wildlife Laws of Pakistan.

**The Motion was held out of order by the Chairman.**

3. Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja on his behalf and on behalf of Senators Rubina Khalid, Ilyas Ahmed Bilour, Naseema Ehsan moved Adj. Motion No. 11-272/2018-M to discuss the issue of identity of Kalash people facing extinction.

**The Motion was held out of order by the Chairman.**

**REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES - PRESENTATION OF:**

1. **SENATOR ABDUL REHMAN MALIK**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2017], introduced by Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja, on 21st August, 2017.
2. **SENATOR ABDUL REHMAN MALIK**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997 [The Anti-Terrorism (Amendment) Bill, 2017], introduced by Senators Barrister Murtaza Wahab and Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz, on 23rd October, 2017.
3. **SENATOR ABDUL REHMAN MALIK**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the report of the Standing Committee on National Food Security pertaining to fertilizers and movement of Urea in Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, presented in the House on 15<sup>th</sup> December, 2017.
4. Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah on behalf of Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini, Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, presented report of the Committee on the breach of privilege of the House due to inappropriate reply by the Joint Secretary, Ministry of Interior, in response to a Calling Attention Notice moved by Senators Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini, Farhatullah Babar, Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar and Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel, which was set down for the sitting of the Senate held on 1st November, 2017.

**MOTIONS**

**[Under Rule 194(1)]**

1. Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah on behalf of Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini, Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, 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 Privilege Motion No.1(268-2017)-M, moved by Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, regarding non-provision of relevant documents relating to development work carried out in NA-21 since 2013 by Pak-PWD, Hazara Division, asked for by the mover, may be extended for a further period of thirty working days with effect from 6th February, 2018.

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

2. Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah on behalf of Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini, Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, 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 Privilege Motion No.1(269-2017)-M, moved by Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah, regarding non-provision of reports by the PIA management to the Senate Special Committee on the performance of PIA, pertaining to three specific incidents, may be extended for a further period of thirty working days with effect from 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2018.

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

3. Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah on behalf of Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini, Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, 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 Privilege Motion No.2(269-2017)-M, moved by Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah, regarding non-implementation of the recommendations of the Committee on the performance of PIA, by the Aviation Division, after the lapse of seven months, which were adopted by the House on 16-3-2017, may be extended for a further period of thirty working days with effect from 6<sup>th</sup> February, 2018.

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

4. Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah on behalf of Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini, Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, 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 breach of privilege of the House by the Legal Consultant, Petroleum Division for drafting a controversial provision in the Bill, may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2018.

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

5. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, 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 issue raised by Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif, regarding action being taken against the Turk citizens living in Pakistan having valid and legal visa, may be extended for a further period of thirty working days with effect from 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2018.

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

## **CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE**

**SENATOR MUKHTIAR AHMED DHAMRAH @ AAJIZ** drew attention of the Minister for Finance and Economic Affairs towards the promotion policy 2016-17 of the National Bank of Pakistan causing great unrest among the employees of the Bank.

Rana Muhammad Afzal Khan, Minister for Finance and Economic Affairs made statement on the Calling Attention Notice.

**After hearing the Minister, the Chairman referred the subject matter of the Calling Attention Notice to the Standing Committee on Finance for consideration and report back within one month.**

## **LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

Chaudhry Mahmood Bashir Virk, Minister for Law and Justice, moved that the Bill further to amend the Law and Justice Commission of Pakistan Ordinance, 1979 [The Law and Justice Commission of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2017], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.

Motion was put to the House and adopted.

The House started clause by clause consideration of the Bill.

After clause by clause consideration, Chaudhry Mahmood Bashir Virk, Minister for Law and Justice, moved that the Bill further to amend the Law and Justice Commission of Pakistan Ordinance, 1979 [The Law and Justice Commission of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2017] be passed.

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

## **REPORTS TO BE LAID BEFORE THE SENATE**

1. Rana Muhammad Afzal Khan, Minister of State for Finance and Economic Affairs, laid before the Senate the Annual report of the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan for the Financial year 2015-16, as required under sub-section (6) of Section 25 of the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan Act, 1997 (XLII of 1997).

2. Shaikh Aftab Ahmed, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, laid before the Senate the reports on Biometric Verification Machines (BVMs) and Electronic Voting Machines (EVMs) Pilot Project in Bye Elections of constituencies (NA-120 Lahore-III and NA-4 Peshawar-IV) as required by Section 103 of the Elections Act, 2017.

## CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE

Senator Abdul Rehman Malik on his behalf and on behalf of Senators Saleem Mandviwala, Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, Farhatullah Babar and Islamuddin Shaikh drew attention of the Minister-in-Charge of the Aviation Division towards the delay in opening of New Islamabad International Airport.

**Shaikh Aftab Ahmed, Minister In-charge of the Aviation Division, made statement and the Calling Attention Notice was disposed of.**

### PERIODICAL REPORTS BY THE MINISTERS ON THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEES (Under Rule 265A)

1. Minister for States and Frontier Regions made report under rule 265A of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, on the status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the Standing Committee on States and Frontier Regions regarding transfer of Political Agents in various Agencies of FATA. (Adopted by the House on 18-07-2016)

After the statement by the Minister, the Chairman observed that he is still not clear that what role does the provinces play in this because FATA is a federally administered area then how the provincial Government is involved in the transfer posting of political agents.

**The Chairman ruled that he is not disposing of the matter as he is not satisfied. He directed the Secretariat to provide him a detailed working paper as how these postings are initiated and what is the business in which these are routed.**

2. Minister for Railways to report under rule 265A of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, on the status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the Special Committee on twenty four demands made by the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (Demand No. 24). (Adopted by the House on 16-03-2017)

**Since, the Ministry has already sent the compliance report to the Committee, therefore, the matter was disposed of accordingly.**

**AMENDMENT TO THE SENATE RULES**  
**(Under Rule 278)**

Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-Ul-Haq, Leader of the House and Senator Aitzaz Ahsan, Leader of the Opposition, sought leave under sub-rule (4) of rule 278 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, to move that after rule 255 of the said Rules the following new rule shall be inserted, namely:-

**“255A.Punishment for divulging or disclosing of information.-** Where a member or any person specifically participating in any in-camera proceedings, divulges or discloses any information regarding any part of the proceedings or comments or speeches or opinions expressed therein, such member or other person, as the case may be, shall be required to appear before the House Business Advisory Committee, and after being given an adequate opportunity to explain the disclosure attributed to him, may be suspended for a term not exceeding thirty consecutive sittings of the House.”

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

Thereafter, Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-Ul-Haq, Leader of the House and Senator Aitzaz Ahsan, Leader of the Opposition, moved that the proposed insertion of new rule 255A in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, be taken into consideration.

Following Members spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Hasil Khan Bizenjo.
2. Senator Sehar Kamran.
3. Senatopr Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi.
4. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar.
5. Senator Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi.
6. Senator Ilyas Ahmed Bilour.
7. Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed.
8. Senator Saud Majed.

After discussion, Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-Ul-Haq, Leader of the House and Senator Aitzaz Ahsan, Leader of the Opposition, moved that the proposed insertion of new rule 255A in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, be adopted.

**The Motion was put to the House and the proposed amendment in the Rules was adopted.**

**At 5:45 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Friday, the 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2018 at 3:00 p.m.**