

**SENATE OF PAKISTAN**  
**DAILY JOURNAL**  
**(273<sup>rd</sup> Session)**

Date and day	15 <sup>th</sup> February, 2018 (Thursday)
Commenced at	03:04 p.m.
Prorogued at	6:13 p.m.
Presided by	Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi for question hour and Chairman Senate for rest of the sitting
Attendance	56
Total working hours	3 hours and 09 minutes

- Recitation from the Holy Quran.

**QUESTION HOUR**

- Questions were taken up during the question hour.
- Question Nos. 66, 67, 70, 71, 72, 82, 83, 86, 88, 92, 93 and 94 were asked and replied in the House. Replies to Question Nos. 79, 83, 3, 75, 76 and 77 were treated as laid on the Table of the House due to absence of the Members concerned. Questions Nos. 68(Def.), 78, 68, 69, 80, 84, 85, 87, 89 and 91 were deferred. Remaining printed questions and their replies were treated as laid on the Table of the House.

**LEAVE APPLICATIONS**

- Leave applications were read by the Chairman.

## **CONSIDERATION OF ADMISSIBILITY OF ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS**

Admissibility of the following Adjournment Motion was determined:-

**Senator Sherry Rehman** moved **Adj. Motion No. 5-273/2018-M**, discussed Pakistan's greenhouses emissions and its effects on the environment.

**Chairman considered the motion in order and admitted for a two hours discussion during current session, date will be decided later.**

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

**SENATOR MUHAMMAD JAVED ABBASI**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (**Amendment of Article 51**), introduced by Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi, on 18th December, 2017.

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

**SENATOR MIR KABEER AHMED MUHAMMAD SHAHI**, Chairman, Functional Committee on Devolution, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 196 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the report of the Committee on a Public Petition regarding "implementation of 18<sup>th</sup> Constitutional Amendment in the Higher Education Sector confining role of Federal HEC in formulation of standards and enhancing legitimate role of Provincial Governments especially in funding and implementation of Higher Education Policy", presented to the House on 26th January, 2018, be considered and adopted.

**Following Memebr took part in the discussion:**

- **Senator Mir Kabir Ahmed Muhammad Shahi**
- **Senator Taj Haider**

- **Senator FarhatUllah Babar**

**The motion was carried and the report was adopted.**

### **CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE**

**SENATOR SHERRY REHMAN** drew attention of the Adviser to the Prime Minister on Aviation towards halting flight operations of PIA to Kuwait and Oman from 1st February, 2018.

- **Sheikh Aftab Aftab, Federal Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, made statement on the Calling Attention Notice. Matter was disposed off.**

### **LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**

**RANA MUHAMMAD AFZAL KHAN**, Minister of State for Finance and Economic Affairs, moved that the Bill to provide for rehabilitation and re-organization of distressed corporate entities [The Corporate Rehabilitation Bill, 2018], as passed by the National Assembly with amendments, be taken into consideration at once, under clause (2) of Article 70 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

**The Bill was referred to the Standing Committee concerned for consideration and report.**

### **CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE**

**SENATORS SALEEM MANDVIWALA, BARRISTER MURTAZA WAHAB, KAMIL ALI AGHA, MUHAMMAD MOHSIN KHAN LEGHARI AND SEHAR KAMRAN**, drew attention of the Minister for Foreign Affairs towards the foreign media campaign regarding free Karachi.

- **Minister Incharge, Rana Muhammad Afzal Khan, Minister of State for Finance and Economic Affairs, made statement on the Calling Attention Notice.**
- **Matter was disposed off.**

## **MINISTERIAL RESPONSE**

Statement by the Minister for Foreign Affairs on the point of public importance raised by Senator Farhatullah Babar on 14th February, 2018, regarding a motion to place Pakistan on a global terrorist financing list put forward by the United States of America and Britain and co-sponsored by France and Germany ahead of a meeting of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) on terrorist financing in Paris and its implications.

**Rana Muhammad Afzal Khan, Minister of State for Finance and Economic Affairs, respond on the matter. Matter was disposed off.**

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

1. **Minister for Water Resources** 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 Nos. 1,2,3 and 20). (Adopted by the House on 16-03-2017)

**Matter was disposed off in view of the statement by the minister.**

2. **Minister for Power Division** 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.12). (Adopted by the House on 16-03-2017)

**Matter was disposed off in view of the statement by the minister.**

## **DISCUSSION ON THE ADMITTED ADJOURNMENT MOTION**

Discussion on the admitted adjournment motion moved by Senators Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi, Liaqat Khan Tarakai, Mohammad Azam Khan Swati and Sirajul Haq on 24th January, 2018, regarding increase in prices of petroleum products in the country.

### **Following members spoke on the motion:**

- **Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi**
- **Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah -- Aajiz**
- **Senator Hamza**
- **Senator Col (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi**
- **Senator Taj Haider**
- **Senator Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail**
- **Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak**
- **Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari**
- **Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel**
- **Chaudhary Jaffar Iqbal Minister of State for Maritime Affairs wound up the debate on the admitted adjournment motion hence the motion was talked out.**

## **TOKEN WALKOUT**

Member belonging to opposition benches staged token walkout.

## **POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE**

### **[ZERO HOUR]**

1. Senator Sehar Kamran pointed out the need to introduce organic farming in the country and non registration of women voters in the country.
2. Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari pointed out the issues being faced by sugarcane farmers due to non-regularization and the need for introduction of a comprehensive agriculture policy.

3. Senator FarhatUllah Babar stressed the need for issuance of ruling by the Chair regarding tracheotomy of power.

**Chairman Senate informed the member that the ruling is complete and it would be issued soon.**

4. Senator Taj Haider pointed out the delay in non-issuance of NOC by Ministry of Commerce for import of Sugar, which caused problems for the sugarcane growers.
5. Senator Shahi Syed pointed out the need for convening the meeting of Committee of Whole on FATA reforms.

**Chairman stated that the meeting can be scheduled in same Senate session if attendance of members is ensured.**

### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRESENCE**

**The House acknowledged the presence of former Chairman Senate Mr. Farooq H. Naik and the International and National resource persons of the Seminar Fiscal Federalism organized by Senate of Pakistan.**

- **At 6:13 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Friday, the 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2018 at 10:00 p.m.**

**Islamabad,**  
**The 15<sup>th</sup> February, 2018.**