

SENATE OF PAKISTAN

DAILY JOURNAL

(277th Session)

Date and day	14 th May, 2018 (Monday)
Commenced at	03:00 p.m.
adjourned at	06:55 p.m.
Presided by	Deputy Chairman Senate Saleem Mandviwalla
Attendance	55
Total working hours	03 Hours and 55 Minutes

- Recitation from the Holy Quran.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Chairman.

BILLS TO BE INTRODUCED

1. Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2018].

The Motion was carried and leave was granted. Bill upon introduction referred to Standing Committee concerned.

2. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati moved for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the safety and standards of food and for establishment of the Islamabad Pure Food Authority [The Islamabad Pure Food Authority Bill, 2018].

The Motion was carried and leave was granted. The Bill upon introduction referred to Standing Committee concerned.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

(Private Members' Bills transmitted by the National Assembly)

1. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati moved that the Bill to provide compulsory blood test for relatives of thalassemia patients [The Compulsory Blood Test of the Relatives of Thalassemia Patient Bill, 2017], as passed by the National Assembly, be taken into consideration.

The motion was not opposed and the Bill upon consideration stood referred to Standing Committee concerned.

2. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati moved that the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2018] (Substitution of section 489 F of PPC and schedule II of Cr. PC), as passed by the National Assembly, be taken into consideration.

The motion was not opposed and the Bill upon consideration stood referred to Standing Committee concerned.

3. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati moved that the Bill to provide for establishment of Pakistan Courier and Logistic Authority [The Pakistan Courier and Logistics Regulatory Authority Bill, 2018], as passed by the National Assembly, be taken into consideration.

The motion was not opposed and the Bill upon consideration stood referred to Standing Committee concerned.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

(Private Member's Bill introduced in the Senate)

Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati moved that the Bill further to amend the Industrial Relations Act, 2012 [The Industrial Relations (Amendment) Bill, 2017], as reported by the Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.

The motion was not opposed and put to the House which was adopted. The House then started the Second Reading of the Bill i.e. clause by clause consideration. Further on the Member moved for the Bill to be passed, the Motion was put to the House and the Bill was passed unanimously.

BILL REPORTED BACK BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE

(Notice for motion under Rule 100 awaited)

[Under Rule 99]

The Chairman announced that the National Disaster Management (Amendment) Bill, 2017, introduced by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh, has been reported back by the Standing Committee on Climate Change and awaiting notice of any of the motions under rule 100 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, by the concerned Member.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT BY THE CHAIR

The House acknowledged the presence of a group of 31 students along with 6 faculty members of National University of Modern Languages (NUML) Islamabad.

DEFERRED MOTION

[Under rule 218]

Senator Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Abdul Qayyum was to move that the House may discuss the issue of energy crisis in the country and the steps taken by the present Government to address the same.

Following members spoke on the Motion:

The Motion was deferred on the request of Minister.

MOTION

[Under rule 218]

1. Senator Syed Shibli Faraz was to move that the House may discuss the reasons for the falling standards of higher education in the country.

The Motion was dropped on the request of the Member.

2. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar on his behalf and on behalf of Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel moved that this House may discuss the current political situation of the country.

Following members spoke on the Motion:

1. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar
2. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel
3. Senator Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Abdul Qayyum

4. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi
5. Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood
6. Senator Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi
7. Senator Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo
8. Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini
9. Senator Dr. Sikandar Mandhro
10. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati
11. Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-ul-Haq
12. Senator Behramand
13. Senator Mohsin Aziz
14. Senator Samina Saeed
15. Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani
16. Senator Syed Shibli Faraz
17. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik
18. Senator Sitara Ayaz
19. Senator Ch. Mohammad Sarwar
20. Senator Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri
21. Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak
22. Senator Faisal Javed
23. Senator Khushbakht Shujat
24. Senator Muhammad Akram

The Motion was talked out.

3. Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood moved that the House may discuss the situation arising out of low gas pressure in winter season in various areas of Pakistan.

Following members spoke on the Motion:

1. Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood
2. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar
3. Acting Chairman Senate recommended to raise the matter again in house with reference to the unanimously passed Resolution regarding Gas Slabs for Balochistan, so it could be referred it to Implementation Committee.

The Motion was talked out.

4. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati was to move that this House may discuss the steps being taken by the Government to eradicate nepotism, favoritism and discrimination in making appointments in Government departments.

The Motion was dropped due to absence of the Member.

5. Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan moved that this House may discuss the performance of Capital Administration and Development Division (CA&DD) and the need and importance of improvement in the same.

The Motion was dropped due to absence of the Member.

MINISTERIAL RESPONSE

Mr. Khurram Datagir Khan Minister for Foreign Affairs made statement on the point of order raised by Senator Sherry Rehman, Leader of the Opposition regarding the failure of the United Nations Sanction Committee to list terrorist organization Jamat-ul-Ahrar (JuA) leader Omar Khalid Khorasani, deeming it a complete disregard of its sacrifices in the fight against terrorism.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Senator Sajjad Hussain Turi on his behalf and on behalf of Senators Hillal Ur Rehman, Haji Momin Khan Afridi, Aurangzeb Khan And Hidayat Ullah moved the following resolution:-

“This House recommends that the Federal Government may allocate separate budget for payment of salaries to the employees working in different projects under FDA, FDMA and FATA Secretariat for reducing the financial burden on FATA ADP.”

The Resolution was dropped due to absence of the Member.

2. Senator Mian Raza Rabbani moved the following resolution:-

“This House recommends that the newly constructed Islamabad International Airport should continue to be named as "Benazir Bhutto International Airport."

The Resolution was deferred on the request of Member.

3. Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan moved the following resolution:-

“This House recommends to the Government that training in self defence should be made compulsory part of the syllabus for students up to Matric level in all educational institutions in the Islamabad Capital Territory and those in Cantonment areas of the country.”

The Resolution was dropped due to absence of the Member.

4. Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood moved the following resolution:-

“This House expresses its dissatisfaction on the rehabilitation work done by ERRRA in 2005 earthquake affected areas and urges upon the Government to take effective steps to complete all the rehabilitation work and projects announced for those areas at the earliest.

The Resolution was not opposed and passed by the House unanimously.

5. Senator Imamuddin Shouqeen moved the following resolution:-

“This House recommends that the Government should ban the use of plastic material in Islamabad Capital Territory. The House also urges upon the Government to recommend to the Provincial Governments to ban excessive use of the said material which is damaging the ecosystem in the country.”

The Resolution was dropped due to absence of the Member.

- At 06:55 p.m. the Deputy Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Tuesday, the 15th of May, 2018 at 02:00 p.m.

Islamabad,
The 14th May, 2018.