

**SENATE OF PAKISTAN**  
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**(287<sup>th</sup> SESSION)**

Date and Day	1 <sup>st</sup> March, 2019 (Friday)
Commenced at	03:30 pm
Adjourned at	06:00 pm
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	63
Total Working Hours	2 hours and 30 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

**MOTION**  
**[Under rule 263]**

- Senator Syed Shibli Faraz, Leader of the House, moved under rule 263 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the requirement of rule 41 of the said Rules regarding Question Hour be dispensed.

**The motion was put to the House and carried.**

**LEAVE APPLICATIONS**

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

**MOTIONS**  
**(Under Rule 204)**

- **SENATORS SYED SHIBLI FARAZ**, Leader of the House on his behalf and on behalf of Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-ul-Haq, Leader of the Opposition moved that in terms of the National Assembly Secretariat communication dated 26th February, 2019, regarding the nominations of the Members of the Senate to the Parliamentary Committee on China-Pakistan Economic Corridor, the House may authorize the Chairman Senate to make nominations of seven (7) Members of the Senate to the Parliamentary Committee on China-Pakistan Economic Corridor. The Chairman may be further authorized to make changes in the composition as and when deem appropriate. The Committee will present its report to both Houses of the Parliament.

**The Motion was put to the House and carried.**

- **SENATORS SYED SHIBLI FARAZ**, Leader of the House on his behalf and on behalf of Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-ul-Haq, Leader of the Opposition moved that in terms of the National Assembly Secretariat Communication dated 26th February, 2019, regarding the nominations of Parliamentary Parties Leaders for the Parliamentary Committee on National Security. The House may authorize the Chairman Senate to make nominations of Parliamentary Parties Leaders in the Senate to the Parliamentary Committee on National Security. The Committee will present its report to both Houses of the Parliament.

**The Motion was put to the House and carried.**

**POINT OF ORDER**

1. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar raised a point of order regarding the death of children in Federal Lodge, Karachi.

**Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi, Chairman Standing Committee on Housing and works informed the House that the committee had already taken notice of the issue and a report has been received. Furthermore it will be included as an agenda item in the next committee meeting.**

**STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER:**

- Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs appreciated the role of the opposition and the nation during the on-going tension between India and Pakistan.

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

- Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani on behalf of Senator Rahila Magsi, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training, presented report of the Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar on 29th January, 2019, regarding HEC funded medical scholarships for the students of Balochistan and FATA.
- Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented and also briefly elaborated on the report of the Standing Committee on the Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Bill, 2017, introduced by Senator Mohsin Aziz, on 21st August, 2017.
- Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi on behalf of Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Petroleum, presented report of the Standing Committee on the subject matter of starred question No. 40, asked by Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan on 5th October, 2018, regarding details of Saindak Copper-Gold project.

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- Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan, Chairman, Standing Committee on Aviation, presented report of the Standing Committee on the subject matter of starred question No. 177, asked by Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan on 3rd October, 2018, regarding the names and designations of the persons who have been issued free air tickets by PIACL during the last three years with year-wise breakup.
- Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati on behalf of Senator Fida Muhammad, Chairman, Standing Committee on Power, presented report of the Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Aurangzeb Khan on 14th November, 2018, regarding appointment of staff for the maintenance of solar tube wells installed in FATA.
- Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi on behalf of Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed, Chairman, Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, presented and also briefed the House on the special report of the Standing Committee on the visit of the Committee to London for Kashmir Solidarity Day from 4th to 6th February, 2019.
- Senator Moula Bux Chandio, Convener, Special Committee on Water Scarcity, presented the following:
  1. Report of the Special Committee on the subject matter of a Calling Attention Notice moved by Senator Muzafar Hussain Shah on 13th April, 2018, regarding the issue of water scarcity in the provinces and implementation of Water Accord-1991 in letter and spirit.
  2. Report of the Special Committee on the subject matter of a motion under rule 218, raised by Senator Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Abdul Qayyum, regarding the water shortage in the country.
  3. Report of the Special Committee on the subject matter of a motion under rule 218, raised by Senator Sherry Rehman, regarding the need for installation of water desalination plants in the country.

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

Senator Sassui Palijo, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Parliamentary Affairs, 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 Standing Committee on a Calling Attention Notice regarding report of the working group of the Election Commission of Pakistan on voting rights for overseas Pakistanis moved by Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi on 5th October, 2018, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 28th February, 2019.

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

**REPORTS LAID BEFORE THE SENATE**

- Mr. Hammad Azhar, Minister of State for Revenue on behalf of Mr. Asad Umer, Minister for Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs laid before the Senate the reports of Biannual Monitoring on the Implementation of 7th National Finance Commission (NFC) Award for the period July-December, 2016, January-June, 2017 and July-December, 2017, as required under clause (3B) of Article 160 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973.
- Mr. Hammad Azhar, Minister of State for Revenue on behalf of Mr. Asad Umer, Minister for Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs laid before the Senate the Special / Performance / Study Audit Reports of the Auditor General for the Audit Year 2017-18, as required by Article 171 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973.

**DISCUSSION**

Discussion on the on-going tension between Pakistan and India resumed and the following members participated in it:

1. Senator Dr. Ashok Kumar
2. Senator Sherry Rehman
3. Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi
4. Senator Muhammad Akram
5. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik
6. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati
7. Senator Kalsoom Perveen
8. Senator Mian Raza Rabbani

**POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE**

- Senator Kamran Michael raised a point of public importance regarding his illegal custody by NAB. Furthermore Senators Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Sajjad Hussain Turi and Saleem Zia also expressed their views on the subject matter.
- Senator Dr. Ashok Kumar raised a point of public importance regarding the issuance of notification regarding Board of Governors of PMDC.

**Chairman directed the Minister concerned to brief the House regarding the issue.**

- Senator Aurangzeb Khan raised a point of public importance regarding census and allocation of seats in the provincial assembly of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa for Orakzai Agency.
- Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif raised a point of public importance regarding the discriminatory examination system of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Pakistan.
- Senator Sassui Palijo raised the point of public importance regarding the discussion on various reports laid on the Table of the House.
- Senator Dr. Sikandar Mandhro raised a points of public importance regarding the non-representation of provinces in the regulatory authorities. Senator Mian Raza Rabbani also expressed his views on the subject.

**The Chairman referred the issues to the Standing Committees on Cabinet and Petroleum.**

- Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi raised points of public importance regarding:

1. overbilling of gas bills.

**Chairman referred the issue of overbilling of gas bills to the Standing Committee concerned.**

2. the delay in constitution of judicial commission on the Sahiwal incident as recommended by the Standing Committee on Interior.

**Chairman asked the Secretariat to seek report from the concerned quarters.**

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- Senator Sitara Ayaz raised the following points of public importance regarding:

1. the high contamination in the sea water of Karachi;

**The Minister for Maritime Affairs briefed the House regarding the steps taken to address the issue of contamination of sea water.**

2. the theft scandal at Peshawar Museum;

The Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs assured the House that he will look into the matter regarding the theft scandal at Peshawar Museum and report back to the House.

2. And proposed the visit of a Senate Committee to the Line of Control.

- Senator Dilawar Khan raised the following points of public importance regarding :

1. Shortage of rabies vaccine in the country.

**The Chairman referred the issue of shortage of rabies vaccine in the country to the Standing Committee on National Health Services Regulations and Coordination.**

2. Imposition of sales tax on the medicines.

**Chairman Senate directed the Senator to raise the issue in the Standing Committee of Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs.**

**At 06:00 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Monday, the 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2019, at 03:00 p.m.**

**Islamabad,  
The 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2019.**