Journal

262nd Session (Requisitioned session)

Sitting Hours and Attendance	
Session summoned on	11-05-2017
Session prorogued on	15-05-2017
Number of working days	5
Number of actual sittings	3
Maximum attendance	72
Minimum attendance	55
Average attendance	63
Total hours of sittings	12 hours & 30 minutes
Maximum hours of sitting	4 hours & 50 minutes
Minimum hours of sitting	3 hours & 40 minutes
Average hours of sittings	4 hours & 10 minutes

PANEL OF PRESIDING OFFICERS

Order of precedence	Name of the Members
1.	Senator Syed Muzaffar Hussain Shah
2.	Senator Mohsin Khan Leghari
3.	Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif

THE REQUISITION AGENDA ITEMS WHICH WERE CLUBBED DISCUSSED DURING THE 262ND SESSION BY WAY OF MOTION UNDER RULE 218

- 1. The tragic incident of lynching of Mishal Khan and the rise in such incidents in the country.
- **2.** The physical blocking of leaders of a political party from holding of Press Conference in the Press Information Department (PID).

- 3. The issue of DAWN leaks, the removal of Federal Minister for Information Senator Pervaiz Rasheed as well as the matter of non-publication of the Report of the inquiry Committee on that issue and; The alleged bugging of the official meetings held in the Prime Minister's House by its media cell.
- 4. The alleged tendency of advancing transnational business interests by the Chief Executive of the Country and the ongoing investigation into Panama case and Government's alleged attempts to influence and manipulate the constitution of the JIT on that issue.
- 5. Discussion on the alleged unconstitutional interference of Governor Sindh in political matters; the dropping of discussion on implementation of Article 158 of the Constitution from the delayed meeting of CCI of 2nd May, 2017; the alleged misstatement by the Minister of State for Water and Power in the Senate regarding the supply of irrigation water to the Provinces and the failure/delay in tracing the whereabouts of Mr. Ghulam Qadir Marri and others who are close to former President of Pakistan.

CONDOLENCE / CONDEMNED RESOLUTIONS

1. Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood moved resolution condemning the incident of terrorist attack on the convoy of Deputy Chairman Senate of Pakistan.

The resolution was put to the House and passed unanimously.

2. Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-ul-Haq, Leader of the House moved condolence resolution on the sad demise Mr. Muhammad Iftikhar Mughal, Director Staff Senate of Pakistan in the incident of terrorist attack on the convoy of Deputy Chairman Senate of Pakistan.

The resolution was put to the House and passed unanimously.

3. Senator Taj Haider moved resolution condemning the incident of terrorist attack in Gwadar and Kharan killing the innocent laborers.

The resolution was put to the House and passed unanimously.

OFFERING OF FATEHA

- 1. The House offered Fateha for the victims of 12th May, 2007 incident.
- 2. The House offered Fateha for the departed souls in the incident of terrorist attack on the convoy of Deputy Chairman Senate of Pakistan at Mastung and the incident of killing of laborers in Gwadar and Kharan at the hands of the terrorists.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRESENCE

- 1. The Chair recognized the presence of a group of 55 students along with 4 faculty members from National Defence University, Islamabad.
- **2.** The Chair recognized the presence of 27 students and 6 faculty Members of Al-Meezan School, Bharakahu, who were present in the Galleries to witness the proceedings.

- **3.** The Chair recognized the presence of 38 students and 2 faculty Members of Best Law College, Rawalpindi who were present in the Galleries to witness the proceedings.
- **4.** The Chair acknowledged the presence of Governor Punjab who was present in the Galleries to witness the proceedings.
- **5.** The Chair acknowledged the presence of a group of 13 Members of Youth Parliament Islamabad Chapter who were present in the galleries to witness the proceedings.

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES - PRESENTATION OF:

- 1. Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan on behalf of Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, presented report of the Committee on the Bill to reform and re-enact the law relating to companies and for matters connected therewith [The Companies Bill, 2017].
- 2. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, presented report of the Committee on the Bill to provide for alternate dispute resolution [The Alternate Dispute Resolution Bill, 2017].
- **3.** Senator Nisar Muhammad, Convener, Special Committee on Marginalized Segments of Society presented 4th Interim report of the Special Committee on marginalized segments of society.
- **4.** Senator Maulana Hafiz Hamdullah, Chairman, Standing Committee on Religious Affairs and Inter-faith Harmony, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Ehtrame-Ramazan Ordinance, 1981 [The Ehtram-e-Ramazan (Amendment) Bill, 2017] introduced by Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan, on 16th January, 2017.
- 5. Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini on behalf of Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Islamabad Rent Restriction Ordinance, 2001 [The Islamabad Rent Restriction (Amendment) Bill, 2017] introduced by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh, on 13th February, 2017.
- 6. Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini on behalf of Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Islamabad Consumers Protection Act, 1995 [The Islamabad Consumers Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2017] introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, on 10th April, 2017.
- 7. Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini on behalf of Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Islamabad Capital Territory Shops, Business and Industrial Establishments (Security) Ordinance, 2000 [The Islamabad Capital Territory Shops, Business and Industrial Establishments (Security) (Amendment) Bill, 2017] introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, on 10th April, 2017.

- **8.** Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari on behalf of Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Anti-Money Laundering Act, 2010 [The Anti-Money Laundering (Amendment) Bill, 2017] introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, on 13th March, 2017.
- 9. 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, 1973 [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of Articles 63, 177 and 193), introduced by Senator Zaheer-ud-Din Babar Awan, on 20th February, 2017.
- **10.** 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, 1973 [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of Article 37), introduced by Senator Maulana Hafiz Hamdullah, on 6th March, 2017.
- 11. Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari on Behalf Of Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Partnership Act, 1932, in its application to the Islamabad Capital Territory [The Partnership (Amendment) Bill, 2016], introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, on 26th September, 2016.
- **12.** Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari on Behalf Of Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, presented special report of the Committee on payments made to clear the circular debt of power sector amounting to Rs.480 billion during the year 2013.

DIRECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman Senate directed that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs may prepare brief on the following points for its presentation before the House by a Minister on Monday the 15th May, 2017:-

- **1.** Recent hostile statements by Iran.
- **2.** Recent tension on Pak-Afghan Border at Chamman.
- 3. Statement made by the Chinese Ambassador in India regarding the changing of name of CPEC.
- **4.** Reported approaching of International Court of Justice by the Indian Government against the sentence awarded to Kalbooshan Yadev and media reports in this regard.
- 5. Upcoming visit of the Prime Minister to attend the Arab Summit wherein his meeting with the President of America is also expected.
- Lt. Gen. (R) Abdul Qadir Baloch, Minister for SAFRON on behalf of the Advisor to the Prime Minster on Foreign Affairs made the statement on the above mentioned issues of National importance as directed by the Chairman Senate.

OBSERVATION OF THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman drew attention of the Minister for Law and Justice towards an agenda item in the Orders of the Day of the National Assembly whereby an Ordinance was being extended with retrospective effect. The Chairman observed that it is unconstitutional to extend an ordinance after its expiry. The Minister stated that he will look into the matter.

<u>DISCUSSION ON THE SAD INCIDENT OF SUICIDE ATTACK ON THE CONVOY OF</u> <u>DEPUTY CHAIRMAN SENATE, MOLANA ABDUL GHAFOOR HAIDERI AT MASTUNG,</u> BALOCHISTAN.

The Chairman apprised the House about the sad incident of suicide attack on the convoy of Deputy Chairman Senate, Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri at Mustang, Balochistan and strongly condemned the incident. The House offered Fateha for the departed souls in the incident and prayed for early recovery of the injured persons. Discussion was made in the House.

GOVERNMENT BILLS PASSED BY THE SENATE

The following Government Bills were passed by the Senate:

- 1. The Companies Bill, 2017 (passed on 15th May, 2017)
- 2. The Alternate Dispute Resolution Bill, 2017 (passed on 15th May, 2017)
- 3. The Costs of Litigation Bill, 2017 (passed on 15th May, 2017)
- 4. The National Commission on the Rights of the Child Bill, 2017 (passed on 15th May, 2017)
- 5. The Explosive Substances (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (passed on 15th May, 2017)
- 6. The Pakistan Air Force (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (passed on 15th May, 2017)

BILL INTRODUCED

The following Government Bill was introduced in the Senate:

1. The Right of Access to Information Bill, 2017

The Chairman referred the Bill to the Standing Committee concerned with the direction to report back in the next session.

WITHDRAWAL OF BILL

The following Government Bill was withdrawn:

1. The Cost and Management Accountants (Amendment) Bill, 2017

MOTIONS [Under Rule 194(1)]

1. Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan on behalf of Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, moved under subrule (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 Bill to provide for rehabilitation and reorganization of distressed corporate entities [The Corporate Rehabilitation Bill, 2017] introduced on 19th January, 2017, may be extended for a further period of sixty working days with effect from 12th May, 2017.

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

- 2. Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari on behalf of Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, 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 Bill further to amend the Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) Ordinance, 2001 [The Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) (Amendment) Bill, 2017], introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati on 13th March, 2017, may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 13th May, 2017. The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.
- 3. Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari on behalf of Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, 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 Bill further to amend the Protection of Economic Reforms Act, 1992 [The Protection of Economic Reforms (Amendment) Bill, 2016] introduced by Senator Saleem Mandviwala, on 3rd October, 2016, may be extended for a further period of thirty working days with effect from 23rd May, 2017. The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.
- **4.** Senator Hidayat Ullah on behalf of Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood, Chairman, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, 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 Bill further to amend the Right to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2012 [The Right to Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Bill, 2017], introduced by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh, on 13th March, 2017, may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 15th May, 2017.

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

5. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, 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 Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2016] (Substitution of Article 251), introduced by Senator Sassui Palijo on her behalf and on behalf of Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz, on 19th December, 2016 may be extended for a period of thirty working days. The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.

- 6. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, 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 Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2016] (Amendment of Article 251), introduced by Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja, on 19th December, 2016 may be extended for a period of thirty working days.

 The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.
- 7. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, 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 Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of Article 255), introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, on 20th March, 2017, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 20th May, 2017. The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.

POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

- 1. Senator Baz Muhammad khan pointed out the lodging of FIR against Senator Daud Khan Achakzai, Advocate and his cousin Zamurd Khan Achakzai Member Provincial Assembly. The Chairman took notice of the matter as it pertains to the honorable Senator Daud Khan Achakzai and directed the secretariat to take all details from the Secretary Home and IGP Balochistan and present it to the Chair by night.
- 2. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel spoke about the injustice being done by the Federal Government in the Federal Budget on account of funds allocated for the small provinces especially the Province of Balochistan.
 - The Chairman prorogued the Senate Session on conclusion of its business on 15th May, 2017.