

SESSION JOURNAL
271st Session

Sitting Hours and Attendance	
Session summoned on	11-12-2017
Session prorogued on	20-12-2017
Number of working days	10
Number of actual sittings	8
Maximum attendance	91
Minimum attendance	60
Average attendance	76
Total hours of sittings	27 Hours and 30 minutes
Maximum hours of sitting	4 Hours and 55 minutes
Minimum hours of sitting	1 Hour and 50 minutes

PANEL OF PRESIDING OFFICERS FOR 271ST SESSION

1. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi.
2. Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood.
3. Senator Kalsoom Parveen.

**DEATAIL OF STARRED QUESTION MOTIONS UNDER RULE 60,
RESOLUTION AND MOTIONS UNDER RULE 218 RECEIVED DURING 270TH
AND 271ST SESSIONS**

STARRED QUESTIONS

Received	389
Admitted	341
Disallowed	20
Lapsed	28
Replied	53
Carried forwarded	288

UN-STARRED QUESTIONS

Received	05
Admitted	04
Disallowed	01
Lapsed	04

MOTION UNDER RULE 60

Received	04
Admitted	02
Disallowed	02
Discussed	01
Admitted but lapsed	01

RESOLUTIONS

Received	71
Admitted	54
Disallowed	03
Lapsed	14
Passed by the House	13
Rejected by the House	02
Dropped by the House	01
With-drawn by the House	01
Admitted but lapsed	37

MOTIONS UNDER RULE 218

Received	68
Admitted	50
Disallowed	09
Lapsed	09
Discussed in the House	05
Admitted but lapsed	45

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Following adjournment motions were taken up in the House during the session:-

Sr. No.	Adj. Motion No.	Name of the Mover	Issue in detail	Decision of the Chairman
1	Adj. Motion No.1-271/2017-M	Senator Maulana Hafiz Hamdullah	To discuss various mental and Physical issues being faced by the children under fourteen years of age in Pakistan which are 35.5 % of total population as per recent census. Moreover, as per the National Management Information System, which is a subsidiary of the Ministry of Education, 22.6 % children are out of schools	Withdrawn by the Mover

2	Adj. Motion No. 2 and 5-271/2017-M	Senators Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail, Farhatullah Babar and Sehar Kamran	To discuss the situation arising out of the manner in which the recent sit-in at Faizabad was called off culminating into abject surrender of the rule of law and constitutionally established Government before a stick and gun wielding mob	Held in order
3	Adj. Motion No. 3-271/2017-M	Senator Mohsin Aziz	to discuss the planning of the Government of Pakistan to repay the interest and principal amount of the huge loans in the Financial Year 2018-2019 with the present balance of trade and account deficit.	Dropped due to absence of the Member
4	Adj. Motion No. 6-271/2017-M	Senator Sherry Rehman	to discuss the key commitments made by the Federal Government to the Islamic Military Counter Terrorism Coalition without taking the Parliament into confidence	Held in order
5	Adj. Motion Nos. 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13-271/2017-M,	Senators Farhatullah Babar, Sirajul Haq, Mushahid Hussain Syed, Mohsin Aziz and Mohammad Azam Khan Swati	Regarding the unilateral announcement by the US President to shift US Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem in violation of International Law and the resolutions of United Nations Security Council were disposed of by the Chairman as the same had already been discussed in the House on 11 th December, 2017 by clubbing with the discussion.	Discussed in the House on 11 th December, 2017 by way of clubbing the adjournment motions and other notices on the same issue
6	Adj. Motion No. 2(7-271/2017-M)	Senator Sherry Rehman	Regarding the decline in home remittances for the first time in seven decades.	Dropped due to absence of the Member

7	Adj. Motion No. 1(4-271/2017-M)	Senator Mohsin Aziz	Regarding the South Asia Economic Focus (SAEF) report of the World Bank according to which Pakistan's gross external financing needs including foreign portfolio investments are equal to 9 % of GDP which reflects the failure of the Government to initiate immediate and radical policy reforms.	withdrawn by the Member
8	Adj. Motion No. 2(8-271/2017-M),	Senator Sherry Rehman	Regarding the non-implementation of Climate Change Policy of 2012 due to which Pakistan is incurring losses of up to 4 billion USD annually.	withdrawn by the Member
9	Adj. Motion No. 3(15-271/2017-M),	Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz	Regarding the suspension of the activities of the 9th NFC commission due to absence of the Finance Minister in the country which may result into announcement of budget for the Financial Year 2018-19 without NFC Award.	withdrawn by the Member
10	Adj. Motion No. 1(14-271/2017-M),	Senator Mohsin Aziz	Regarding the devastating effect of the recent devaluation of Pak Rupee by over 10 percent which will further burden the already crippled economy.	Held in Order

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS DISCUSSED IN THE HOUSE

Following adjournment motions were discussed in the House during the session:-

Sr. No.	Name of the Mover	Issue in detail	Discussed in the House on
1	Senator Sherry Rehman	Regarding the interim award issued by London Court of International Arbitration on 8 th June, 2017 in favor of nine IPPs directing Pakistan to immediately pay 10.977 billion rupees and to further discuss the need of Parliamentary oversight in key international arbitration cases.	12-12-2017
2	Senators Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz and Sassui Palijo	Regarding the recent move of the Federal Government to delink petroleum and gas Authority from provincial oversight which is not only a direct violation of the Constitution but will also create	13-12-2017

		trust deficit between the Centre and the Provinces.	
3	Senators Farhatullah Babar, Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail and Sehar Kamran	Regarding the situation arising out of the manner in which the recent sit-in at Faizabad was called off culminating into abject surrender of the rule of law and constitutionally established Government before a stick and gun wielding mob.	14-12-2017
4	Senator Sherry Rehman	Regarding the key commitments made by the Federal Government to the Islamic Military Counter Terrorism Coalition without taking the Parliament into confidence.	15-12-2017
5	Senators Farhatullah Babar, Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail and Sehar Kamran	Regarding the situation arising out of the manner in which the recent sit-in at Faizabad was called off culminating into abject surrender of the rule of law and constitutionally established Government before a stick and gun wielding mob.	18-12-2017
6	Senators Farhatullah Babar, Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail and Sehar Kamran	Regarding the situation arising out of the manner in which the recent sit-in at Faizabad was called off culminating into abject surrender of the rule of law and constitutionally established Government before a stick and gun wielding mob.	20-12-2017

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE

Following Calling Attention Notices were taken up in the House during the session:-

Sr. No.	Name of the Member	Issue in Detail	Status
1	Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi	Regarding the artificial shortage of supply of essential medicines across the country for last six months as created by the multinational companies to enhance the prices of such medicines.	Minister of State for IPC on behalf of the Minister for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination made statement on the subject matter of the Calling Attention Notice whereupon, Calling Attention Notice was disposed of.
2	Senator Sehar Kamran	Regarding the media reports that twelve million eligible female voters may not be able to cast their votes in the next elections as NADRA do not have the capacity to prepare their CNICs within the limited time.	Mr. Talal Chaudhary, Minister of State for Interior made statement on the subject matter of the Calling Attention Notice whereupon, Calling Attention Notice was disposed of.
3	Senator Sehar Kamran	Regarding the proposal to sell out key assets of PIA such as hotels in New York and Paris.	Sheikh Aftab Ahmed, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs made statement on the subject matter of the Calling Attention Notice whereupon, Calling Attention Notice was disposed of.
4	Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi	Regarding the non-availability of Computer Teachers in the Federal Government Schools and Colleges working under the Federal Directorate of Education due to which the students of 9th class are compelled to choose the subject of Biology instead of Computer.	Dr. Tariq Fazal Chaudhary, Minister of State for Capital Administration and Development Division made statement on the subject matter of the Calling Attention Notice whereupon, Calling Attention Notice was disposed of.

5	Senator Syed Shibli Faraz	Regarding the willful delay by the Government to legislate for the merger of FATA with the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.	Lt. General (Retd.) Abdul Qadir Baloch, Minister for States and Frontier Regions made statement on the subject matter of the Calling Attention Notice whereupon, Calling Attention Notice was disposed of.
6	Senator Maulana Hafiz Hamdullah	Regarding the recently held Universal Periodic Review in Geneva wherein the representatives of United Kingdom and United States of America stated that the minorities are not independent in Pakistan and the blasphemy laws in Pakistan should be repealed as the punishments under these laws are in violation of human rights.	The Chairman deferred the Calling Attention Notice due to the reason that the Minister for Foreign Affairs was abroad in connection with his participation in OIC Summit being held in Turkey. The Chairman decided to take up the Calling Attention Notice on return of the Minister for Foreign Affairs.
7	Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi	Regarding the vacant post of CEO, National Endowment Scholarships for Talent (NEST) despite the fact that the process for the recruitment of suitable candidate was finalized six months ago due to which the working and objective of the department is suffering badly.	The Minister concerned was not present in the House, therefore, the Chairman took serious notice of the issue and announced his ruling in the House that no Government Business will be taken up in the Senate on 14th and 15th July, 2017 as the Government is not serious regarding the parliamentary business.
8	Senators Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah and Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari,	Regarding the shifting of responsibility by the Provincial Governments and the Federal Government upon each other regarding the subsidy to the sugarcane growers due to which the growers are not getting the price of their crop as notified by the Government.	Mr. Sikandar Hayat Khan Bosan, Minister for National Food Security and Research made statement wherein he stated that the issue of subsidy primarily pertains to the Ministry of Commerce. The Chairman directed the Secretariat to forward the Calling Attention Notice to the Ministry of Commerce and re-fix the same.

9	Senators Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah and Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari,	Regarding the shifting of responsibility by the Provincial Governments and the Federal Government upon each other regarding the subsidy to the sugarcane growers due to which the growers are not getting the price of their crop as notified by the Government.	Minister for Commerce stated that his Ministry does not deal with the issue of subsidy. The Chairman directed the Secretariat to take up the matter with the Ministries and ascertain that which Ministry is dealing with the issue of subsidy and re-fix the CAN accordingly
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REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES - PRESENTATION OF:

1. **SENATOR NUZHAT SADIQ**, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, presented report of the Committee on Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Saud Majeed, regarding the display of anti-Pakistan “Free Balochistan” banners and slogans on the Taxis and Buses in London.
2. **SENATOR SAJJAD HUSSAIN TURI**, Chairman, Standing Committee on National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Prohibition of Smoking and Protection of Non-smokers Health Ordinance, 2002 [The Prohibition of Smoking and Protection of Non-smokers Health (Amendment) Bill, 2017] introduced by Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan on 21st August, 2017.
3. Senator Nasreen Jalil, Chairperson, Functional Committee on Human Rights, presented report of the Committee on the issue of payment of any compensation to the affectees released from Bagram Prison, Afghanistan under Civilian Victims Act or any other law, referred to the Functional Committee on 12th September, 2017.
4. **SENATOR DR. JEHAZEB JAMALDINI**, Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, presented report of the Committee on Privilege Motion No. 1(257)/2016-M, moved by Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah, against the Chairman CDA.

5. **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] (**Insertion of new Article 95A**), introduced by Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari, on 11th September, 2017.
6. **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] (**Insertion of new Article 136A**), introduced by Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari, on 11th September, 2017.
7. **SENATOR Syed Shibli Faraz on behalf of Senator SHAHI SYED**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Information Technology and Telecommunication, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of starred question No. 54, regarding names, designations and date of retirement of the pensioners of the Telephone Industries of Pakistan (TIP), Haripur, asked by Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi on 26th October, 2017.
8. **SENATOR Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari on behalf of Senator SYED MUZAFAR HUSSAIN SHAH**, Chairman, Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of supplementary questions to starred question No. 130, pertaining to fertilizers and movement of urea in Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, asked by Senators Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel and Hasil Khan Bizenjo on 25th August, 2017.
9. Senator Syed Shibli Faraz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Commerce and Textile Industry, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Tobacco Board Ordinance, 1968 [The Pakistan Tobacco Board (Amendment) Bill, 2017].

10. Senator Farhatullah Babar on behalf of Senator Rahila Magsi, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training, presented report of the Committee on the Bill to make provisions for promoting, developing and regulating systematic apprenticeship programmes in the establishments for securing certain minimum standards of skill [The Apprenticeship Bill, 2017].
11. Senator Farhatullah Babar, on behalf of Senator Nasreen Jalil, Chairperson, Functional Committee on Human Rights, presented report of the Committee on the Bill to amend the National Commission on the Status of Women Act, 2012 [The National Commission on the Status of Women (Amendment) Bill, 2017].
12. Senator Nasreen Jalil, Chairperson, Functional Committee on Human Rights, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of starred question No. 88, regarding launching of helpline by the Human Rights Division for legal advice on Human Rights violations in the country, asked by Senator Ahmed Hassan on 27th October, 2017.
13. Senator Nasreen Jalil, Chairperson, Functional Committee on Human Rights, presented report of the Committee on the issue of payment of any compensation to the affectees released from Bagram Prison, Afghanistan under Civilian Victims Act or any other law, referred to the Functional Committee on 12th September, 2017.

MOTION
(Under Rule 60)

Senator Sherry Rehman moved for discussion on the following matter of public importance arising out of the answer to starred question No. 92, replied on 24th October, 2017:-

“Regarding non-construction of new Basic Education Community Schools by the Government and non-allocation of funds in the Budget for construction of the same.”

Following Members spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Sherry Rehman.
2. Senator Sehar Kamran.
3. Senator Sitara Ayaz.
4. Senator Aisha Raza Farooq.
5. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar.
6. Mr. Ahsan Iqbal, Minister for Planning, Development and Reforms.

The discussion was wound up by Mr. Baligh Ur Rehman, Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Following Bills were referred to the Standing Committees during the session:-

1. The Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto Medical University, Islamabad (Amendment) Bill, 2017.
2. The National University of Technology Bill, 2017.
3. The Child Marriage Restraint (Amendment) Bill, 2017 was referred to the Select Committee.
4. The Islamabad Restriction on Employment of Children Bill, 2017 was referred to the Select Committee.
5. The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of Article 228) was referred to the Select Committee.

Following Bills were referred to the Council of Islamic Ideology

1. The Child Marriage Restraint (Amendment) Bill, 2017

Following Bills were passed by the Senate during the session:-

1. The Pakistan Tobacco Board (Amendment) Bill, 2017
2. The Apprenticeship Bill, 2017
3. The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017
4. The COMSATS University Islamabad Bill, 2017

(CONSIDERATION OF BILLS WITHDRAWN FROM THE STANDING COMMITTEE FOR WHICH NOTICES HAVE BEEN RECEIVED UNDER RULE 100)

At the very outset, the Chairman informed the Members about this new practice to deal with the Bills which have not been reported back by the Committees within the stipulated time.

[At this stage, the House converted itself into the Committee of the Whole to consider the above mentioned two Bills i.e. [The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2016] (Amendment of section 364A) and [The Islamabad Registration (Amendment) Bill, 2016]

After consideration of the Bills by the Committee of the Whole the House reassembled.

With the leave of the House, Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati withdrew the above referred two Bills i.e. [The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2016] (Amendment of section 364A) and [The Islamabad Registration (Amendment) Bill, 2016]

BILL REPORTED BACK BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE (Notice for motion under Rule 100 awaited)

[Under Rule 99]

The Chairman announced that the Prohibition of Smoking and Protection of Nonsmokers Health (Amendment) Bill, 2017” has been reported back by the Standing Committee on National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination and awaiting notice of motion under proviso to paragraph (c) of sub-rule (1) of rule 100 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, by the concerned Member.

SPECIAL REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE – PRESENTATION OF (Under Rule 193)

1. Senator Hilal-Ur-Rehman, Chairman, Standing Committee on States and Frontier Regions, presented special report of the Committee for the period from 31st August, 2016 to 13th July, 2017, containing key recommendations made by the Committee during the said period.

MOTIONS

[Under Rule 194(1)]

Extension to the following Standing Committees were given during the session:-

Sr. No.	Standing Committee	Issue for which extension granted	Time of extension	Any other direction
1	Standing Committee on Interior	Subject matter of starred question No. 90, asked by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati on 31 st October, 2017 regarding the sub-standard print and ink being used on the front page of official passports.	Thirty working days with effect from 30 th December, 2017	
2	Standing Committee on Interior	Regarding “Gharang Check Post of FC in Balochistan due to which long queues of vehicles is a daily routine causing great problems to the people of the areas”	Thirty working days with effect from 3 rd January, 2018	

3	Standing Committee on Interior	Regarding the matter of attack on Mr. Ahmed Norani, raised in the House on 30 th October, 2017	Thirty working days with effect from 3 rd January, 2018.	As far as the issue regarding the pending inquiries in various incidents of attacks on journalists, referred by the House to the Committee on 20 th November, 2017, the Chairman Senate observed that there is no need to take extension for this issue and the Committee shall submit monthly report to the House accordingly
4	Standing Committee on Interior	Regarding the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860, and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) (Protection of Rights of Transgender Persons) Bill, 2017], introduced by Senator Rubina Khalid, on 21 st August, 2017	Thirty working days with effect from 12 th January, 2018.	
5	Standing Committee on Interior	Regarding the Bill to provide for remedy and payment of compensation to those who are convicted as a result of miscarriage of justice [The Miscarriage of Justice (Compensation) Bill, 2017], introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, on 21 st August, 2017	Thirty working days with effect from 12 th January, 2018	

6	Standing Committee on Interior	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 Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, on 6th November, 2017,	Thirty working days with effect from 5th January, 2018.	
7	Standing Committee on Interior	Regarding 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 6th November, 2017	Thirty working days with effect from 18th January, 2018.	
8	Standing Committee on Interior	Regarding the Bill to prohibit the business and practices of private money-lending and advancing loans and transactions based on interest [The Islamabad Capital Territory Prohibition of Interest on Private Loans Bill, 2017], introduced by Senator Sirajul Haq, on 28th August, 2017	Thirty working days with effect from 19th January, 2018.	
9	Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat	Regarding the Bill to provide for the prevention and management of conflicts of interest and to establish clear conflict of interest principles for Public servants in the Federal Government and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto [The Prevention and Management of	Thirty working days with effect from 22nd December, 2017	

		Conflict of Interest Bill, 2017], introduced by Senators Barrister Murtaza Wahab and Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz on 23rd October, 2017		
10	Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat	Regarding the Bill to establish the Real Estate Regulatory Authority for regulation and promotion of the real estate sector and for matters connected therewith [The Real Estate (Regulation and Development) Bill, 2017], introduced by Senator Mohsin Aziz on 21st August, 2017	Thirty working days with effect from 27th December, 2017.	Since, there was a typographical mistake in the wording of the Motion, therefore, the Chairman pend the Motion and sought explanation in this regard on file.
11	Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat	the Bill to provide for the proper administration and management of the Gun and Country Club Islamabad [The Islamabad Gun and Country Club (Administration and Management) Bill, 2017], introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati on 21st August, 2017	Thirty working days with effect from 10th January, 2018	
12	Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat	Regarding the Bill to provide for the proper administration and management of the Islamabad Club [The Islamabad Club Administration and Management Bill, 2017], introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati on 21st August, 2017,	Thirty working days with effect from 10th January, 2018	

13	Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs and Narcotics Control	Regarding the subject matter of Calling Attention Notice moved by Senator Hidayat Ullah regarding pending approval of 7500 sanctioned new posts (SNEs) for FATA which have already been approved by the FATA Secretariat and the Ministry of SAFRON, referred to the Committee on 21st September, 2017	Thirty working days with effect from 30th December, 2017	
14	Special Committee to examine the annual report of Federal Public Service Commission for the year 2017	Regarding the time for presentation of report of the Special Committee to examine the annual report of Federal Public Service Commission for the year 2017,	Thirty working days with effect from 1st January, 2018	
15	Standing Committee on Interior	Regarding 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.	Thirty working days with effect from 22nd December, 2017	
16	Special Committee to examine overall working of Sports Federations in Pakistan	Regarding the time for presentation of report of the Special Committee	Sixty working days with effect from 1st January, 2018.	
17	Standing Committee on Interior	Regarding action being taken against the Turk citizens living in Pakistan having valid and legal visa	Thirty working days with effect from 15 th December, 2017.	

18	Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges	the time for presentation of 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 regarding missing of three women along-with their three children belonging to District Awaran, who were in Quetta in connection with medical treatment.	Thirty working days with effect from 2 nd January, 2018	
19	Standing Committee on Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage	Regarding the time for presentation of report of the Committee on the point of public importance regarding mismanagement in the affairs of APP Balochistan and appointments in APP on fake domiciles of Balochistan raised by Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel.	Thirty working days with effect from 27 th December, 2017	
20	Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges	Regarding the time for presentation of report of the Committee on Privilege Motion No.1(268)/2017-M, moved by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, regarding non-provision of documents relating to development work carried out in NA-21 since 2013 by Pak-PWD, asked for by the mover	Thirty working days with effect from 25 th December, 2017.	

21	Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges	Regarding 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 three reports by the PIA management, asked for by the Senate Special Committee on the Performance of PIA	Thirty working days with effect from 26th December, 2017.	
22	Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges	Regarding 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 Sub-Committee on the Performance of PIA, by the Aviation Division, after the lapse of seven months, which were adopted by the House on 16th March, 2017.	Thirty working days with effect from 26th December, 2017.	

MOTION
(Under Rule 203)

SENATOR RAJA MUHAMMAD ZAFAR-UL-HAQ, Leader of the House, moved under sub-rule (2) of rule 203 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that Senators Kalsoom Perveen, Ayesha Raza Farooq, Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi, Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar, Atta Ur Rehman, Aurangzeb Khan, Aitzaz Ahsan, Gianchand, Khushbakht Shujat, Muhammad Daud Khan Achakzai, Advocate, Kamil Ali Agha and Mohsin Aziz as nominated by the Chairman Senate in consultation with the Leader of the House and Leader of the Opposition in the Senate for constituting the Select Committee to consider the Prevention of Witchcraft Bill, 2017, may be elected by the House. The Committee shall elect its Chairman in its first meeting and the report of the Committee shall be presented not later than two months from the date of notification of the Chairman of the Committee.

The Motion was put to the House and adopted.

MOTION
[Under Rule 263]

1. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi moved under rule 263 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012 for dispensing with the requirement of relevant rules of the Said Rules in order to enable the House to discuss and pass a resolution to reject and condemn the unilateral announcement of US President to shift US Embassy from Tel Aviv to Jerusalem.

The Motion was put to the House and adopted.

Note: Before start of discussion, the Chairman announced that the notices of resolutions, motions under rule 218 and adjournment motions given by the members on this issue will be clubbed with the discussion.

Following Members spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Sehar Kamran.
2. Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed.
3. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi.
4. Senator Kalsoom Parveen.

[At this stage, the Chairman with the consent of the Leader of the House and the Leader of the Opposition announced that today the business on the orders of the day will not be taken up and after discussion and passing of the resolution, the proceedings will be adjourned as token of solidarity with the Palestinian brother and sisters.]

5. Senator Farhatullah Babar.
6. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik.
7. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar.
8. Senator Sherry Rehman.
9. Senator Tanveer Ul Haq Thanvi.
10. Senator Professor Sajid Mir.
11. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi.
12. Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz.
13. Senator Saud Majeed.

[The Chairman acknowledged the presence of a group of 32 students along with 4 faculty members of University of Kotli, AJK who were present in the galleries to witness the proceedings.]

14. Senator Saeedul Hassan Khan Mandokhail.
15. Senator Nehal Hashmi.
16. Senator Lt. Gen. (R) Abdul Qayyum.
17. Senator Dr.. Jahanzeb Jamaldini.
18. Senator Osman Saifullah Khan.
19. Senator Aisha Raza Farooq.
20. Senator Taj Haider.

21. Senator Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi.
22. Senator Saleem Zia.
23. Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja.
24. Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif.
25. Senator Naseema Ehsan.
26. Senator Mohsin Aziz.
27. Senator Sitara Ayaz.
28. Senator Ourangzaib Khan.
29. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel.
30. Senator Gianchand.
31. Senator Maulana Hafiz Hamadullah.
32. Senator Ilyas Ahmed Bilour.
33. Senator Aitzaz Ahsan, Leader of the Opposition.
34. Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar Ul Haq, Leader of the House.

Thereafter, Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar Ul Haq, Leader of the House moved the resolution which was passed unanimously.

The Chairman appreciated the meaningful debate in the House on a very sensitive issue.

2. Sheikh Aftab Ahmed, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs moved under rule 263 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, for dispensing with the requirement of rule 41 of the said Rules, regarding question hour, for today's sitting of the Senate.

The Chairman inquired from the Minister the latest position of the strike being observed by the employees of Printing Corporation of Pakistan.

The Minister apprised the House that there are some financial issues being faced by the PCP for which a summary has been moved to the Prime Minister and hopefully the issue will be resolved in a couple of days.

The Chairman asked the Minister to convey the sense of the House to the Prime Minister in order to make sure the resolving of the issue at the earliest as the most important business of the Parliament i.e. question hour is at halt due to strike by the PCP.

Thereafter, the Motion was put to the House which was adopted and the question hour for today's sitting was dispensed with.

CONDEMNATION OF THE TERRORIST ATTACK

The Chairman strongly condemned the terrorist attack on a vehicle of Pakistan Army in South Waziristan Agency which resulted into martyrdom of one second Lt. and one Sepoy of Pak Army. The Chairman shared the grief of the bereaved families on behalf of the Senate of Pakistan. The Chairman further expressed his serious concern over the recent wave of attacks on the men in uniform and reaffirmed full support of the Parliament and the people of Pakistan to the Law Enforcement Agencies and stated that such coward attacks cannot demoralize the LEAs as well as the people of Pakistan.

POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

[Zero Hour]

1. Senator Kamil Ali Agha while referring to a letter written by Senator Hafiz Hamadullah to the Chairman Senate about a sensitive amendment pending with the Functional Committee on Human Rights stated that the Parliament should avoid touching the sensitive issues keeping in view the already aggravated situation in the country.

The Chairman stated that he will look into the matter after getting details from the Committee.

2. Senator Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi pointed out the load shedding of gas in the outskirts of Rawalpindi and Islamabad causing great problems to the public at large.

The Chairman directed to send the verbatim to the Minister concerned for ministerial response on this issue.

3. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar pointed out the extensive load shedding of electricity in Balochistan in spite of the announcement of zero load shedding by the Government.
4. Senator Shahi Syed pointed out the lingering on of the constitutional amendment in the Senate which amounts to depriving of the Provinces of Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa as the seats of both the provinces were to be enhanced by way of this amendment.

Chairman apprised the Member that the House Business Advisory Committee has taken up this issue seriously and the Leader of the House and the Leader of the Opposition will take up this issue with their party heads.

5. Senator Dr. Ashok Kumar pointed out the low pressure of gas in Qallat, Mastung and Khaliq Abad districts of Balochistan. He further expressed his apprehension regarding violation of quota in the posts of nurses being advertised for PIMS.

The Chairman directed to send the verbatim regarding low pressure of gas to the Minister concerned for ministerial response.

6. Senator Dr. Jahanzeb Jamaldini spoke about the non-observance of quota by OGDCL in appointments in SSGC and SNGPL causing great unrest in the educated youth of Balochistan.
7. Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi spoke about the low pressure of gas in Balochistan.

The Chairman directed to send the verbatim regarding low pressure of gas to the Minister concerned for ministerial response.

8. Senator Mohsin Khan Leghari pointed out the problems being faced by the cultivators of sugarcane in connection with the price of the produce as the middle men are purchasing the same from them at lower rate as fixed by the Government.

The Chairman stated that he will look into the matter himself.

9. Senator Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail expressed his concern on the announcement of China regarding the halting of some road projects of CPEC.

Chairman suggested the Member to raise the issue before the Special Committee of Senate on CPEC.

10. Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja pointed out the decision of the Interior Ministry to close down the offices of 21 INGOs due to which almost 60000 people will be deprived of their jobs.

The Chairman directed to send the verbatim to the Minister concerned for ministerial response.

11. Senator Farhatullah Babar spoke about some hidden powers who are playing their role to destabilize the current setup. He urged the Parliament to be aware of its role.
12. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel pointed out that 8500 Pakistanis are working in South Korea out of which only 13 belong to Balochistan. He criticized the ignoring of Balochistan in every sector.

13. Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi urged the Government to appoint a Project Director for Mirani Dam.

14. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar pointed out the increase in tendency of missing persons in the country. He particularly referred the missing of a women rights activist namely Mr. Raza Mehmood Khan from Model Colony Street No. 3 Lahore on 2nd December, 2017.

After hearing the Members, the Chairman directed to refer the matter to the Minister concerned for Ministerial response.

15. Senator Nighat Mirza raised some issues pertaining to performance of PIA.

After hearing the Member, the Chairman referred the matter to the Special Committee on performance of PIA for consideration and report.

16. Senator Shahi Syed urged the Government to draft the rules under the Prevention of Electronic Crimes Act, 2016 at the earliest.

The Chairman referred his ruling wherein he had already given specific direction to the Government to draft rules under the Act.

17. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi expressed his concerns over the pendency of important legislations in the Parliament.

18. Senator Daud Khan Achakzai spoke about the need to have a uniform accountability law in the country.

19. Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif pointed out that as per media reports 200 Pakistanis have been detained in Bagram prison Afghanistan and most of them have undergone their sentences but still detained in the jail for which the Foreign Office should take some action.

After hearing the Member, the Chairman directed to refer the matter to the Minister concerned for Ministerial response.

20. Senator Dr. Jahanzeb Jamaldini pointed out the illegal hunting in Balochistan by the Arab Princes and the local MPAs and elders of the area assist them in this hunting for very meager gains.

Senator Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail also spoke on this issue and stated that this activity of hunting has also some positive aspects like job opportunities for the locals.

After hearing the Member, the Chairman referred the matter to the concerned Standing Committee of the Senate for consideration and report.

21. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati spoke about the serious eye injury caused to a police official during the sit-in. He urged the Government to bear the expenditures of his treatment. He further spoke about extensive load shedding of gas in various parts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

The Chairman referred the matter of load shedding of gas to the Minister concerned for ministerial response.

22. Senator Aitzaz Ahsan condemned the highhandedness of the lawyers exhibited in Multan. He stated that although the issues of the lawyers were genuine but the same can be addressed through dialogues between the Bar and the Bench.
23. Senator Sehar Kamran spoke about the shortage in supply of cardiac surgical equipment due to stucking of shipments at ports. She stated that many heart surgeries are pending due to non-availability of surgical equipment.

The Chairman asked Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan to look into the issue.

24. Senator Nehal Hashmi pointed out the incident of capsizing of a boat in Thatta Sindh which resulted into casualties and injuries. He urged the Government of Sindh to give some financial relief to the families of the victims.
25. Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari spoke about the problems of sugarcane growers.
26. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati pointed out the poor quality of food being served in PIA flights. He further spoke against the practice of issuance of development funds for MNAs and Senators which was started in Zia regime. He was of the view that the development funds should only be released through PSDP.
27. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel spoke about the survey work being carried out by OGDCL in Zhob. He was of the view that the exploration companies do not perform their role under the Corporate Social Responsibility.

28. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar pointed out the problems being faced by Pakistani families in Libya.

The Chairman directed to refer the matter to the Foreign Office for reply in writing.

29. Senator Sehar Kamran pointed out the load shedding of gas in Islamabad.

30. Senator Nisar Muhammad Khan urged the Government to improve their governance standards.

31. Regarding the situation arising out of the manner in which the recent sit-in at Faizabad was called off culminating into abject surrender of the rule of law and constitutionally established Government before a stick and gun wielding mob.

32. Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz expressed his concerns over the long standing pendency of a Bill in the National Assembly regarding the Quota system. He also spoke about the delay in nomination of Member IRSA from Sindh.

The Chairman directed that the Secretary Ministry of Water Resources shall appear in person in the office of the Chairman Senate to explain this issue or shall submit a written reply about the issue raised by the Members to the office of the Chairman Senate by Tuesday, the 26th December, 2017, otherwise the matter will be treated as breach of privilege of the House and will be referred to the Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges.

33. Senator Nasreen Jalil spoke on Gas load shading in Karachi.

Chairman stated that he will speak to the Secretary Petroleum Division in this regard.

She also spoke about the non-issuance of a large number of women folk in the country.

Senator Taj Haider also spoke on the issue.

34. Senator Atta Ur Rehman drew attention of the House towards the inclusion of a subject in the syllabus of M.A Islamic Studies from AIOU wherein a Tafseer having been written by the Qadianis has been included.

Chairman asked the Leader of the House to look into the issue.

35. Senator Farhatullah Babar expressed his concerns over the mainstreaming of the militant organizations in the country with the objective to take part in upcoming general elections. He further spoke about the cancellation of registrations of INGOs working in the country.

Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif also spoke on the same issue.

Minister of State for Interior responded both the issues raised by the Member.

DIRECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN

1. Chairman directed the Secretariat to expedite the process of installation of table top computers on the Tables of the House. The Minister for Planning assured that the Government will provide full support to this project.
2. The Chairman directed the Government to issue notification in terms of sub-section (3) of section 1 of the Cost of Litigation Act, 2017 and place the copy of the Notification in the House till Thursday the 21st December, 2017.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN

1. The Chairman announced in the House that tomorrow the Chief of Army Staff along with the D.G (MO) will attend the meeting of the Committee of the Whole so the Member are requested to ensure to remain present in the House to become part of the discussion.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SECRETARY.

1. The Secretary Senate made announcement regarding the Public Petitions.

MINISTERIAL RESPONSE

Statements by the Ministers concerned on the following points of public importance raised by the members and referred by the Chairman to the concerned Ministries:-

1. Regarding the measures taken by the Government in the present situation of environmental and industrial pollution and smog in the country (raised by Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood on 6th

November, 2017). **Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan, Minister for Climate Change made statement on the issue and the matter was disposed of.**

2. regarding the nomination of Member IRSA from Sindh which is not being made by the Federal Government despite writing of letter by the Chief Minister of Sindh to the Federal Government (raised by Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja on 20th November, 2017).

Deferred on request of the Minister.

3. Regarding taking into custody of his party worker by the FC Personnel on 20th April, 2017 from Street No. 11, Pashtoon Abad Quetta whose whereabouts are still not known to his family Members. (raised by Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar on 27th November, 2017).

Minister of State for Interior stated that he is getting information from the concern quarters and will apprise the House when the same will be received.

The Chairman directed the Minister to get the information and inform the House during the course of the current session.

4. Regarding the direction issued by the Government to 21 INGOs to close their offices in Pakistan due to which almost 60,000 people will be deprived of their jobs. (raised by Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja on 12th December, 2017).

Minister of State for Interior made statement on the issue and the matter was disposed of.

5. Regarding the low pressure of gas in Kalat, Mastung, Khaliq Abad districts of Balochistan as well as in the outskirts of Rawalpindi and Islamabad and the extensive load shedding of gas in various parts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (raised by Senators Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi, Dr. Ashok Kumar, Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi, Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini and Mohammad Azam Khan Swati on 12th and 14th December, 2017).

The matter was deferred for tomorrow on request of the Minister.

6. Regarding the media reports that 200 Pakistanis have been detained in Bagram prison Afghanistan and most of them have undergone their sentences but still detained in the jail. (raised by Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif on 13th December, 2017).

The matter was deferred due to the reason that the Minister for Foreign Affairs was abroad on Official visit.

7. Regarding the increase in tendency of missing persons in the country with particular reference to missing of a women rights activist from Model Colony, Street No. 3, Lahore, on 2nd December, 2017. (raised by Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar on 13th December, 2017).

Deferred by the Chairman on request of the Minister.

8. Sheikh Aftab Ahmed, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs made statement on behalf of Minister for Energy on the point of public importance regarding the low pressure of gas in Kalat, Mastung, Khaliq Abad districts of Balochistan as well as in the outskirts of Rawalpindi and Islamabad and the extensive load shedding of gas in various parts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa raised by Senators Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi, Dr. Ashok Kumar, Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi, Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini and Mohammad Azam Khan Swati on 12th and 14th December, 2017 and referred by the Chairman to the Ministry.

The matter was disposed of

**OBSERVATION OF THE CHAIRMAN ABOUT STATEMENTS MADE BY
SOME MEMBERS REGARDING THE IN-CAMERA MEETING OF THE
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

The Chairman Senate drew attention of the Leaders of the House and Opposition as well as the Leaders of Parliamentary Parties towards the Rules and Procedure of the Parliament regarding the secrecy of in-camera meetings of the House as well as of its Committees.

The Chairman took serious notice of the making of statements in media by some Members about the points discussed in the in-camera meeting of the Committee of the Whole which is sheer violation of the Rules and prima facie amounts to breach of privilege of the Parliament.

The Chairman referred the matter to the House Business Advisory Committee to determine that as to whether the breach of privilege of the Parliament has been committed by some Members or not and also to draft a Code of conduct to be observed by the Members during and after in-camera meetings as secrecy is of paramount importance in such meetings.

Following Members also spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak.
2. Senator Hafiz Hamadullah.
3. Senator Saud Majeed.
4. Senator Hasil Khan Bizenjo.
5. Senator Farhatullah Babar.
6. Senator Taj Haider.
7. Senator Abdul Qayyum.

THE STATEMENT BY THE PRIME MINISTER

Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi, Prime Minister of Pakistan made supplementary statement on the adjournment motion already discussed in the House regarding the recent move of the Federal Government to delink petroleum and gas Authority from provincial oversight which is not only a direct violation of the Constitution but will also create trust deficit between the Centre and the Provinces.

The Chairman appreciated the fact that Prime Minister is well abreast of the proceedings of the House.

At 7:05 p.m. 20th December, 2017 the Chairman read out the prorogation order of the President.