SENATE OF PAKISTAN



THIRD QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE

ON

DELEGATED LEGISLATION

PRESENTED BY

SENATOR TAJ HAIDER CHAIRMAN

SENATE SECRETARIAT

QUARTERLY REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON <u>DELEGATED LEGISLATION</u> (OCTOBER – DECEMBER, 2016)

I, Chairman of the Senate Committee on Delegated Legislation have the honour to present third quarterly report of the Committee on Delegated Legislation under rule 172E(3) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, for the period from October to December, 2016.

2. The composition of the Committee is as follows:-

i.	Senator Taj Haider	Chairman
ii.	Senator Muhammad Daud Khan Achakzai, Advocate	Member
iii.	Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari	Member
iv.	Senator Syed Muzaffar Hussain Shah	Member
V.	Senator Saeed Ghani	Member
vi.	Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood	Member
vii.	Senator Farooq Hamid Naek	Member
viii.	Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif	Member
ix.	Senator Mrs. Kalsoom Parveen	Member
x.	Senator Mir Hasil Khan Bizenjo	Member
xi.	Senator Ms. Ayesha Raza Farooq	Member
xii.	Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi	Member
xiii.	Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati	Member

3. A meeting of the Committee was held on 22nd November, 2016, to review the progress of the Committee.

4. The following Members of the Committee attended the meeting:-

i.	Senator Taj Haider	Chairman
ii.	Senator Syed Muzaffar Hussain Shah	Member
iii.	Senator Mrs. Kalsoom Parveen	Member
iv.	Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati	Member

- 5. The Committee reiterated that the request in the letter written to the Honourable Chairman Senate on 4th November, 2016 may be treated as urgent for the reason that since the Senate Committee on Delegated Legislation had been mandated to collect all past and present rules and scrutinize them in the Committee, and it would amount to a very heavy workload. For this reason, four persons with legal background and a relevant experience of at least seven years each may be appointed on contract or permanent basis to assist the Committee.
- 6. The Committee decided to write another letter to the Honourable Chairman Senate in this respect. Members expressed their unanimous view that instead of hiring the services of a legal company or assigning the task to the Senate's Research Directorate, it would be helpful if four persons with legal experience of at least seven years were hired on permanent or contract basis.
- 7. The Committee noted that if the proposed team of specialists was not formed soon it would only hinder the mandate of the Committee and that in order to make headway in this pioneering and historic task of placing a parliamentary mechanism to check all past and present delegated legislation, it would be prudent that the work of collecting and scrutinizing past and present rules commenced immediately.
- 8. It is relevant to mention here that the Committee has constituted three Sub-Committees, with the mandate to examine laws, rules, notifications and SROs of various departments of the Government. Out of the three Sub-Committees, Sub-Committee No-II held four meetings during the third quarter of 2016.
- 9. In terms of rule 172E(3) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, the quarterly report of the Committee is presented for the perusal of the House.

(HAMMAD KHAN MARRI)
DS/Secretary Committee

(SENATOR TAJ HAIDER)

Committee on Delegated Legislation