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REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

ON

"STARRED QUESTION NO. 54, REGARDING NAMES, DESIGNATIONS
AND DATE OF APPOINTMENTS OF THE PENSIONERS OF TELEPHONE
INDUSTRIES OF PAKISTAN (TIP), HARIPUR, ASKED BY SENATOR
MUHAMMAD JAVED ABBASI IN THE SENATE ON 26TH OCTOBER, 2017"

PRESENTED BY: SENATOR SHAHI SYED

SENATE SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY & TELECOMMUNICATIONS ON THE SUBJECT MATTER OF STARRED QUESTION NO. 54 ASKED BY SENATOR MUHAMMAD JAVED ABBASI IN THE SENATE SITTING HELD ON 26TH OCTOBER, 2017

I, Senator Shahi Syed, Chairman, Standing Committee on Information Technology & Telecommunications, on behalf of the Committee, have the honor, to present this Report of the Committee under sub-rule (1) Rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012.

2. The composition of the Standing Committee is as under:-

1.	Senator Shahi Syed	Chairman
2.	Senator Taj Muhammad Afridi	Member
3.	Senator Abdul Rehman Malik	Member
4.	Senator Mufti Abdul Sattar	Member
5.	Senator Gianchand	Member
6.	Senator Najma Hameed	Member
7.	Senator Syed Shibli Faraz	Member
8.	Senator Murtaza Wahab	Member
9.	Senator Rubina Khalid	Member
10.	Senator Osman Saifullah Khan	Member
11.	Senator Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi	Member
12.	Senator Naseema Ehsan	Member
13.	Minister of state for I.T. and Telecom	Ex-Officio
		Member

3. **BACKGROUND:** During the Senate Sitting held on 26th October, 2017, Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi asked Starred Question No. 54 regarding the names, designations and date of retirement pensioners of Telephone Industries of Pakistan, number of the said persons who have been given the facility of restoration of pension and the names, designations and date of retirement of those pensioners whose cases for restoration of pension are pending indicating also the time by which the same will be approved. The written reply of the same was placed on the table of the house which was taken as read. Thereafter, Senators Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Farhatullah Babar, Muhammad Azam Khan Swati and Muhammad Talha Mehmood also asked supplementary Questions which were replied by Sheikh Aftab Ahmed Khan, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, but he could not satisfy the Hon'ble Senators. Therefore, the Presiding Officer, after taking sense of the House referred the same to the Standing Committee on I.T. & Telecom for consideration and report.



- 4. Accordingly, the Standing Committee in its meeting held on 12th December, 2017, at Parliament House, Islamabad, discussed the issue in detail. The meeting was attended by the following:-
 - 1) Senator Shahi Syed Chairman
 2) Senator A. Rehman Malik Member
 3) Senator Taj Muhammad Afridi Member
 4) Senator Mufti Abdul Sattar Member
 5) Senator Muhamamd Javed Abbasi Mover

Minister of State for I.T. & Telecom

- 6) Senator Farhatullah Babar Special Invitee
 7) Mrs. Anusha Rehman Khan Ex-officio Member
- 5. At the outset, the M.D. Telephone Industries of Pakistan in his comprehensive briefing apprised the Committee that the affairs of the TIP Haripur were managed by a Board of Directors. In order to have proper check and balance over ghost pensioners, to bring in transparency and to save public tax money, the management decided to introduce direct credit of pension in bank accounts whereby the pensioners are required to submit Life Certificate after every six months, No marriage certificate of family pensioner in the event of widow/daughter of the pensioner and an Affidavit on prescribed format.
- (ii). He also stated that TIP pensioners were properly informed well before by means of publishing advertisements through national newspapers across the country by giving them six months time to open accounts in any accessible banks. He further shared that since the inception of direct credit scheme i.e. early 2017, to till the end of September, 2017, cases of 2421pensioners have been computerized for disbursement of restoration of pensions. However, there were only three cases pending due to non-completion of codal formalities. He assured the committee that as soon as the same was fulfilled by pensioner/family pensioner, the payment would be made accordingly. Various queries raised by members of the Committee and Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi were also responded to.
- 6. After detailed deliberations and assurance given by the MD TIP Haripur, Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi didn't press his question further.

7. The Standing Committee, therefore, decided to dispose off the subject matter of starred question No. 54.

(Asim Khan Goraya)
J.S./Secretary Committee

(Shahi Syed) Chairman Committee