

SENATE OF PAKISTAN



REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON WATER RESOURCES

ON

POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE MOVED BY SENATORS SASSUI
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SHOQUEEN.

Report No.1

PRESENTED BY

SENATOR SHAMMIM AFRIDI
CHAIRMAN

SENATE SECRETARIAT**REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON WATER RESOURCES ON POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE MOVED BY SENATORS SASSUI PALIJO, SYED MUZAFFAR HUSSAIN SHAH AND IMAMUDDIN SHOQUEEN.**

I Senator Shammim Afridi, Chairman Senate Standing Committee on Water Resources, have the honour to present the Report on 03 Points of Public Importance of similar nature moved by Senators Sassui Palijo, Syed Muzaffar Hussain Shah and Imamuddin Shoqueen raised in the Senate sittings held on 11th April, 2018, 15th May, 2018 and 30th August, 2018 respectively as below:

- i. Point of Public Importance moved by Senators Sassui Palijo and Syed Muzaffar Hussain Shah regarding the alarming situation of water scarcity in the province of Sindh and irresponsible behavior of IRSA regarding queries raised in the Senate sitting held on 11th April, 2018.
 - ii. Point of Public Importance moved by Senator Imamuddin Shoqueen regarding distribution of water to the province of Sindh in accordance with the water accord in the sitting held on 15th May, 2018.
 - iii. Point of Public Importance moved by Senator Imamuddin Shoqueen regarding shortage of water in the province of Sindh raised in the sitting held on 30th August, 2018.
2. The Hon'able Chairman Senate referred the matters to the Senate Standing Committee on Water Resources for consideration and submission of report.
3. The composition of the Senate Standing Committee on Water Resources is as follows:-

1.	Senator Shammim Afridi	Chairman
2.	Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini	Member
3.	Senator Sana Jamali	Member
4.	Senator Syed Muhammad Sabir Shah	Member
5.	Senator Mir Muhammad Yousaf Badini	Member
6.	Senator Hasil Khan Bizenjo	Member
7.	Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar	Member
8.	Senator Agha Shahzaib Khan Durrani	Member

9.	Senator Gianchand	Member
10.	Senator Qurat ul Ain Marri	Member
11.	Senator Syed Shibli Faraz	Member
12.	Senator Haroon Khan	Member
13.	Senator Ahmed Khan	Member
14.	Minister for Water Resources	Ex-Officio Member


4. The matters were taken up for consideration in the Committee meetings held on 06th June, 2018, 24th September, 2018 and 11th October, 2018. The following Members of the Committee attended the meetings:

1.	Senator Shammim Afridi	Chairman
2.	Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini	Member
3.	Senator Sana Jamali	Member
4.	Senator Syed Muhammad Sabir Shah	Member
5.	Senator Mir Muhammad Yousaf Badini	Member
6.	Senator Hasil Khan Bizenjo	Member
7.	Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar	Member
8.	Senator Agha Shahzaib Khan Durrani	Member
9.	Senator Gianchand	Member
10.	Senator Qurat ul Ain Marri	Member
11.	Senator Syed Shibli Faraz	Member
12.	Senator Ahmed Khan	Member
13.	Senator Syed Muzaffar Hussain Shah	Mover
14.	Senator Sassui Palijo	Mover

5. Senator Imamudin Shoqueen could not attend the last two meetings of the Committee while Movers of item (i) comprehensively deliberated their view points in the consecutive meetings and raised different queries for the Ministry of Water Resources and their attached Departments, which were responded to by the Ministry and discussed at length. In the light of deliberations from both sides, the Committee in its final meeting on 11th October, 2018 decided that the following recommendations may be presented in the Inter-Provincial Committee of the Council of Common Interests (CCI):

- (i) **That necessary measures must be taken to ensure that water distribution amongst Provinces takes place strictly in accordance with the Water Apportionment Accord (WAA) 1991**

- (ii) That determination of status of the Chashma Jehlum link Canal, the greater Thal Canal and the consent of the Lower Riparian is necessary before the two canals are made operational
- (iii) That as per para-7 of Water Apportionment Accord (WAA) 1991 a minimum quantity of 10 MAF water should flow downstream of Kotri Barrage to protect the environment and to check the sea intrusion in the coastal belts of Badin and Thatta
- (iv) That the recommendations of the 2005 report of International Panel of Experts (IPOE), regarding 5 MAF water should flow downstream of Kotri, so as to protect the environment and the coastal belt, should have been implemented
- (v) That after repeated complaints that the Telemetry System installed by WAPDA is defective, steps are now being taken to install a new system by IRSA aided by World Bank. This new Telemetry System should be checked by all the 4 participants to ensure its accuracy and acceptability



(ASIM KHAN GORAYA)
JS/Secretary Committee



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Chairman Senate Standing Committee on
Water Resources

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