

**SENATE SECRETARIAT**

No.F.3(3)/2018-2021/C-II(6)

Islamabad, the 15<sup>th</sup> January, 2019

**NOTICE**

A meeting of the Senate Standing Committee on National Food Security & Research will be held on 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 2019 at 11.00 a.m. in Committee Room No.4, Parliament House, Islamabad. **In case of Senate Session in the morning, the meeting will be held at 2.00 p.m.**

2. The agenda before the Committee would be as under:-

- i. Confirmation of the minutes of the last meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2018.
- ii. MD PASSCO to submit detailed report about the latest position on allotment of land to the PASSCO for construction of Godown in District Umerkot (Sindh) alongwith the record.
- iii. Consideration of Starred Question No.107 asked by Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan "regarding the quantum of the wheat production during the last 05 years with year-wise and province-wise breakup" referred by the House on 30<sup>th</sup> August, 2018 to the Standing Committee on National Food Security & Research for consideration and report.
- iv. Ministry of National Food Security & Research to brief the Committee on the reasons why the cultivation of acreage of cotton has decreased, the reasons thereof and the efforts made by the Ministry to address the same.
- v. Whether there is any law or regulations for areas or zones for specific crops, if not what efforts the Ministry has made to ensure that the zone for various crops are given the shape of law.
- vi. The progress report to be submitted by the PARC in relation to filling up the vacancies.
- vii. Zarai Taraqati Bank Ltd. (ZTBL) to brief the Committee on disbursement of credits with districts wise breakup for the season Rabi – 2018.
- viii. The Indus River System Authority (IRSA) to brief the Committee on availability of water for the period December, January, February and early Kharif 2019.
- ix. The Ministry to submit comparative statement of the cost of production of crops like cotton, wheat and sugarcane in Pakistan and other countries where cotton, wheat and sugarcane grown as crop.
- x. What steps can be taken to lower the cost of production of all these crops, so that they can become competitive in the international market.
- xi. Any other item with permission of the Chair.

3. Members are requested to kindly make it convenient to attend the meeting

  
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6. Senator Gul Bashra	<b>Member</b>
7. Senator Muhammad Ali Shah Jamot	<b>Member</b>
8. Senator Hafiz Abdul Karim	<b>Member</b>
9. Senator Imamuddin Shouqeen	<b>Member</b>
10. Senator Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti	<b>Member</b>
11. Senator Qurat ul Ain Marri	<b>Member</b>
12. Senator Sajjad Hussain Turi	<b>Member</b>
13. Senator Seemee Ezdi	<b>Member</b>
14. Senator Mustafa Nawaz Khokhar	<b>Member</b>
15. <u>Minister for National Food Security &amp; Research</u>	<b>Ex.Officio Member</b>
16. Senator Chaudhry Tanvir Khan	<b>Mover</b>