

SESSION JOURNAL
264th Session
(Requisitioned session)

Sitting Hours and Attendance	
Session summoned on	17-07-2017
Session prorogued on	20-07-2017
Number of working days	4
Number of actual sittings	4
Maximum attendance	76
Minimum attendance	66
Average attendance	70
Total hours of sittings	15 hours and 40 minutes
Maximum hours of sitting	5 hours and 50 minutes
Minimum hours of sitting	2 hours

PANEL OF PRESIDING OFFICERS

Order of precedence	Name of the Members
1.	Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah
2.	Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari
3.	Senator Sitara Ayaz

CONDOLENCE RESOLUTION/REFERENCE

On 17th July, 2017, Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar ul Haq, Leader of the House moved the Condolence Resolution and Reference for Senator Agha Shahbaz Khan Durrani, sitting Member of the Senate of Pakistan who passed away on 25th June, 2017.

The resolution was put to the House and passed unanimously. No other business was taken up in the House.

MOTIONS
[Under Rule 194(1)]

1. Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari on behalf of Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Protection of Economic Reforms Act, 1992 [The Protection of Economic Reforms (Amendment) Bill, 2016] introduced by Senator Saleem Mandviwala, on 3 rd October, 2016, may be extended for a further period of thirty working days with effect from 19th July, 2017.

The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.

2. Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) Ordinance, 2001 [The Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) (Amendment) Bill, 2017] introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, on 13th March, 2017, may be extended for a further period of thirty working days with effect from 19th July, 2017.

The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.

3. Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan, Convener, Special Committee on the performance of PIA, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Special Committee on the matter referred by the House on 15th February, 2017, regarding “the sale of PIA Airbus A-310 to a German Firm in violation of PPRA rules”, may be extended for a further period of thirty working days with effect from 18th July, 2017.

The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.

REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES - PRESENTATION OF:

1. Senator Muhammad Daud Khan Achakzai, Advocate, Chairman, Standing Committee on Communications, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Post Office Act, 1898 [The Post Office (Amendment) Bill, 2017].
2. Senator Muhammad Daud Khan Achakzai, Advocate, Chairman, Standing Committee on Communications, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of starred question No. 51,

asked by Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan on 12th April, 2017, regarding the acreage of land leased out by NHA along the GT road from Peshawar to Lahore since 2000.

3. Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan, Chairman, Standing Committee on InterProvincial Coordination, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of starred question No. 73, asked by Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan on 12th January, 2017, regarding the details of income and expenditures of the Pakistan Cricket Board during the last five years.
4. Senator Nisar Muhammad on behalf of Senator Sardar Muhammad Yaqoob Khan Nasar, Chairman, Standing Committee on Water and Power, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of Calling Attention Notice moved by Senators Nauman Wazir Khattak and Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh, on 6th June, 2017, regarding the underutilization of power by the province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
5. Senator Mohsin Aziz, Convener, Special Committee of the Senate constituted to examine the dilapidated condition of Bacha Khan Airport, presented report of the Special Committee.
6. Senator Nisar Muhammad, Convener, Special Committee on Marginalized Segments of Society presented 5th Interim report of the Special Committee on marginalized segments of society.
7. Senator Lt. General (R) Salahuddin Tirmizi on behalf of Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed, Chairman, Standing Committee on Defence, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of adjournment motion moved by Senators Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar, Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel and Gul Bashra, regarding alarming rise in the occupation of land by military and Air Force in District Quetta, causing disharmony amongst the people.
8. Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, presented report of the Committee on the budgetary allocation and utilization in respect of Finance Division, Revenue Division, Economic Affairs Division, Federal Board of Revenue (FBR), Custom and Inland Revenue, Statistics and Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS), Privatization Division, Controller General of Pakistan (CGA) and Accountant General of Pakistan Revenue (AGPR), Auditor General of Pakistan (AGP), Pakistan Mint, Central Directorate of National Savings (CDNS) and Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP), in terms of sub-rule (4) of rule 166 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012.

MOTION
[Under Rule 218]

Following Motions under rule 218 were discussed in the House during the session:-

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| (i) | <p>Implications of the statement of the Chairman, U.S. Armed Services Committee in Kabul soon after his visit to North Waziristan warning Pakistan to either change its attitude towards militant networks particularly the Haqqani network or be prepared to face a changed attitude of the U.S. towards Pakistan; and</p> <p>The ToRs of the Riyadh-based Military Alliance and its impact on Pakistan in the light of the permission given to a recently retired Chief of the Army Staff to Head the Alliance;</p> | Clubbed |
| (ii) | <p>The lingering issue of missing persons exacerbated further by some recent incidents of disappearances in Sindh;</p> <p>Discrimination in payment of compensation to victims of terrorism in Parachinar and to those who died in accidental fire in Ahmed Pur Sharqia; and</p> <p>Non-implementation by the Government of National Action Plan;</p> | Clubbed |
| (iii) | <p>The threat to freedom of expression by misuse of the Electronic Crimes Act and the impunity with which crimes are continuously being committed against journalists and media persons;</p> | |
| (iv) | <p>The need for a new accountability mechanism to ensure across the board accountability of all with no exceptions and no sacred cows; and</p> <p>Discussion on dropping level of accountability and increasing level of corruption;</p> | Clubbed |
| (v) | <p>Discussion on the Report of JIT constituted on PANAMA Case; and</p> <p>Malicious attacks and propaganda against national institutions including Supreme Court of Pakistan;</p> | Clubbed |
| (vi) | <p>The inaction on the FATA Reforms project approved by the Cabinet on March 2, 2017 and the inability of the Government to table in the Parliament Legislative proposals for the implementation of Reforms in the Tribal Areas;</p> | |

- (vii) The reported failure of NAB to continue investigations in the Rs. 19 billion mega scam in DHA Lahore and DHA Rawalpindi;
- (viii) Billions of Rupees withheld by Government of Punjab in gross violation of ECC decision on export of Wheat flour to Afghanistan.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman apprised the House on receiving a letter from Chief Election Commissioner

POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

1. Senator Taj Haider pointed out the misbehavior of a Judge of High Court with him while hearing his case for taking of a custody of a girl from Child Welfare Bureau who was kidnapped despite being given the full custody by the Trial Court.

The Chairman stated that he will write a letter to the Chief Justice Lahore High Court in this regard.

2. Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhmarah @ Aajiz pointed out the non-payment of salaries to the 3000 employees of NCHD who are agitating in Islamabad.

The Chairman stated that the matter is already under consideration of the Committee.

LAYING OF PAPER

The Chairman apprised the House about receipt of a letter from Asian Parliamentary Assembly written by Marwan Barghouti, a Palestinian Parliamentarian who is imprisoned by Israel which covers the Issue of Freedom and Dignity. The letter was laid in the House for information and perusal of the Members.

RULING OF THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman announced his detailed ruling on the admissibility of the agenda item regarding discussion on the Report of JIT constituted on PANAMA Case and set the parameters for discussion.

FAREWELL SPEECH BY SENATOR SAEED GHANI

Senator Saeed Ghani who has been elected as Member Provincial Assembly from PS-114 Karachi in By-election made his farewell speech. The Chairman Senate appreciated Senator Saeed Ghani and wished him best of luck in his future endeavors.

OBSERVATION OF THE CHAIRMAN

At the conclusion of business, the Chairman observed that since the next scheduled session of the Senate is at the end of August, 2017, however, he being the custodian of the House assured that the House will defend the democratic system and will stand against ever unconstitutional step if taken against the parliament and the democracy.

PROROGATION

- On 20th July, 2017 at 08:55 p.m., the Chairman prorogued the Session on conclusion of its business