

Journal

247th Session

Sitting Hours and Attendance	
Session summoned on	14-04-2016
Session prorogued on	22-04-2016
Number of working days	9
Number of actual sittings	7
Number of private Members' days	1
Maximum attendance	73
Minimum attendance	63
Average attendance	68.57%
Total hours of sittings	25 hours and 9 minutes
Maximum hours of sitting	4 hours and 40 minutes
Minimum hours of sitting	2 hours and 11 minutes
Average hours of sittings	3 hours and 58 minutes

STARRED QUESTIONS

Received	399
Admitted	298
Disallowed	20
Replied	136
Referred to Standing Committee	03
Admitted but Lapsed	159

UN-STARRED QUESTIONS

Received	02
Admitted	02
Replied	02

OATH BY THE MEMBER ELECT

Senator Sardar Muhammad Yaqoob Khan Nasar, Member Elect, took oath before the Senate and signed the roll of Members on 14-04-2016.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS**BILLS PASSED BY THE SENATE**

Sr. No.	Title of the Bill	Passed by Senate on	Government Bill/Private Members Bill	Bill originated in
1.	The Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal (Amendment) Bill, 2016	14-04-2016	Government Bill	National Assembly
2.	The National University of Medical Sciences (Amendment) Bill, 2015	18-04-2016	Private Member Bill	National Assembly
3.	The Offences in Respect of Banks (Special Courts) (Amendment) Bill, 2016	22-04-2016	Government Bill	National Assembly
4.	The Equity Participation Fund (Repeal) Bill, 2016	22-04-2016	Government Bill	National Assembly
5.	The Banks (Nationalization) (Amendment) Bill, 2016	22-04-2016	Government Bill	National Assembly
6.	The National University of Sciences and Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2016	22-04-2016	Government Bill	National Assembly

GOVERNMENT BILL DEFERRED

On 22-04-2016, MS. SAIRA AFZAL TARAR, Minister of State for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination, moved the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Ordinance, 1962 [The Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (Amendment) Bill, 2016. after moving the Motion, the opposition side opposed the Bill. after hearing both sides, The Chairman deferred the Agenda item No. 8 and 9.

GOVERNMENT BILLS INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE AND REFERRED TO STANDING COMMITTEES:

Sr.No.	Title of The Bill	Referred on	Bill originated in
1.	The Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (Amendment) Bill, 2016	14-04-2016	National Assembly
2.	The National Energy Efficiency and Conservation Bill, 2016	14-04-2016	National Assembly
3.	The Corporate Restructuring Companies Bill, 2016	15-04-2016	National Assembly
4.	The Islamabad Capital Territory Local Government (Amendment) Bill, 2016	22-04-2016	National Assembly
5.	The Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) (Amendment) Bill, 2016	22-04-2016	National Assembly
6.	The Deposit Protection Corporation Bill, 2016	22-04-2016	National Assembly
7.	The Financial Institutions (Secured Transactions) Bill, 2016	22-04-2016	National Assembly

PRIVATE MEMBERS BILLS

Sr. No.	Title of the Bill	Status	Government Member Bill/ Private Member Bill	Bill Originated in
1.	The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2016	Leave was not granted by the Senate to introduce the Bill	Private Member Bill	
2.	The National Accountability (Amendment) Bill, 2015	Deferred on request of the Member	Private Member Bill	

LAYING A COPY OF THE MONEY BILL

Sr. No.	Title of the Bill	Minister/Advisor	Any instruction of the Chairman after laying of the Bill	Date
1.	The Members Election Commission (Salary, Allowances, Perks and Privileges) Bill, 2016	Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs, Sheikh Aftab Ahmed laid the Bill	The Members can submit recommendations till 17th of April. The Committee will present its report, containing recommendations, to the House within 10 days	14-04-2016

AMENDMENTS TO THE SENATE RULES (Under Rule 278)

Mover	Amendments	Status	Date
Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaladini	The proposed amendments in rules 2, 89 and 165 and addition of new rule 264A in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012.	Motion was adopted and Amendments were approved unanimously.	21-04-2016

REPORTS OF THE STANDING/SPECIAL/FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEES, PRESENTATION OF:

Sr. No.	Name of the Standing Committee	Report presented by	Subject matter of the report	Date
1.	Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization	Senator Saleem Mandviwala	Privatization of Heavy Electrical Complex (HEC). (Deferred)	14-04-2016
2.	Law and Justice Senator	Muhammad Javed Abbasi	The number of persons presently working in the Ministry of Law and Justice, its attached departments, corporations, subordinate offices and institutions with grade wise and province wise breakup.	15-04-2016
3.	National Food Security and Research	Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah	Conversion of 1400 acres land of National Agricultural Research Centre (NARC) by the Capital Development Authority (CDA) into residential/commercial plots.	15-04-2016
4.	Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization	Senator Fateh Muhammad Hassani on behalf of Senator Saleem Mandviwala	The examination of facts and figures reported by the custom Authorities about the import and export from Iran.	15-04-2016
5.	Defense	Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed	The proposed construction of the Cantonment at Khawazakhela Swat, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.	15-04-2016
6.	Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and	Senator Saleem Mandviwala	The Offences in Respect of Banks (Special Courts) (Amendment) Bill, 2016	19-04-2016

	Privatization			
7.	Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization	Senator Saleem Mandviwala	The Equity Participation Fund (Repeal) Bill, 2016	19-04-2016
8.	Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization	Senator Saleem Mandviwala	The Banks (Nationalization) (Amendment) Bill, 2016	19-04-2016
9.	National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination	Senator Sajjad Hussain Turi	The Pakistan Medical and Dental Council (Amendment) Bill, 2016	19-04-2016
10.	Defense	Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed	The mid-year review of budget of the Ministry of Defence	20-04-2016
11.	Petroleum and Natural Resources	Senator Hamza on behalf of Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood	the collection and payment of royalty on LPG to the Provinces.	21-04-2016
12.	Science and Technology	Senator Osman Saifullah Khan,	The National University of Sciences and Technology (Amendment) Bill, 2016	21-04-2016
13.	Science and Technology	Senator Osman Saifullah Khan,	The budgetary allocation and its utilization by the Ministry of Science and Technology for the Financial Year 2015-16	21-04-2016
14.	Rules of Procedure and Privileges	Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini	The breach of Privilege of the House due to inappropriate/irresponsible reply submitted by the Joint Secretary, Cabinet Division, on the report of the Senate Special Committee on Devolution process.	21-04-2016
15.	Rules of Procedure and Privileges	Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini	The breach of Privilege of the House due to failure of the Secretary, Ministry of Defence Production, in briefing some other Minister to respond the calling attention notice on behalf of the Minister for Defence Production	21-04-2016
16.	National Health Services, Regulations and	Senator Sajjad Hussain Turi	Increase made in the prices of medicines by the national and international pharmaceutical companies	22-04-2016

	Coordination		in the country.	
17.	Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization	Senator Saleem Mandviwala	Money Bill to provide for salary, allowances and privileges of the Members, Election Commission of Pakistan [The Members, Election Commission (Salary, Allowances, Perks and Privileges) Bill, 2016]	22-04-2016

REPORTS LAID

- Shaikh Aftab Ahmed, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs, laid before the Senate Federal Public Service Commission's Annual Report for the year, 2014 ,on 15-04-2016.
- Zahid Hamid, Minister of Law, Justice and Human Rights, on behalf of Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar, Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, laid before the Senate the Second 3 Quarterly Report for the year 2015-2016 of the Central Board of Directors of the State Bank of Pakistan on the state of the Economy on 15-04-2016.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES

S.No	Subject matter of the Calling Attention Notice	Name(s) of the Mover(s)	Direction of the Chairman at the end of statement, if any	Date
1.	Discontinuation of Prime Minister's Scholarship Program depriving the students of Balochistan to study in higher educational institutions.	Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi	Disposed off	14-04-2016
2.	Media reports regarding involvement of National Police Foundation in China cutting and conversion of residential plots into commercial plots.	Muhammad Azam Khan Swati	Disposed off	14-04-2016
3.	Stranding of more than hundred Pakistani businessmen at Moscow Air Port causing grave concerns amongst public	Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh	Disposed off	15-04-2016
4.	Leftover portion of 8 km of Khanpur road by NHA due to which the people of the area remained stuck during recent rainfall.	Muhammad Talha Mehmood	Notice was dropped due to absence of mover.	15-04-2016

5.	unfortunate incident of rape committed by a male nurse with a female patient admitted in the ICU Ward of PIMS	Senator Hafiz Hamdullah	Deferred	19-04-2016
6.	non-convening of meeting of the National Finance Commission for the constitution of new NFC Award	Senator Saleem Mandviwala	Disposed off	19-04-2016
7.	shifting of summit on Science and Technology from Pakistan to Kazakhstan and the proposed shifting of Head Quarter of COMSTECH from Pakistan to some other country by the OIC, due to non-serious approach of Pakistan	Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed	Deferred due to non-availability of the Minister.	20-04-2016
8.	Non-payment of salaries to the employees of Pakistan Steel Mills for the last five months.	Senator Saleem Mandviwala	Disposed off	20-04-2016
9.	Recent rainfall, flood and land sliding in various areas of Gilgit Baltistan and Khyber Pakhtun khwaand the performance of Disaster Management Authorities in this respect.	Senators SirajulHaq, Shahi Syed, Baz Muhammad Khan, Nisar Muhammad, Muhammad Daud Khan Achakzai, Advocate, Rubina Khalid and SitaraAyaz	Disposed off	21-04-2016
10.	non-initiation of the process of appointment of new members of the Election Commission of Pakistan by the Government despite of the fact that the incumbents will be retiring in June, 2016	Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari	Disposed off	21-04-2016
11.	Depleting water resources in the country particularly in Balochistan.	Senator Saleem Mandviwala	Disposed off	22-04-2016
12.	The non-custom paid vehicles plying on the roads throughout the country involving huge amount of tax evasion	Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh	Disposed off	22-04-2016

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

S.No	Subject matter of the adjournment motion	Name(s) of the Mover(s)	Concerned Ministry	Ruling of the Chairman	Date
1.	The consequences of construction of a 1200 MW coal power plant at Sahiwal which will incur high transportation cost leading to high tariff as well as negative ecological effect	Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh	Ministry of Water and Power. (opposed)	The matter is not primarily the concern of Federal Government. It is, therefore, hit by rule 87(f) and so held out of order.	19-04-2016
2.	The arrest of a high profile spy of Research and Analysis Wing (RAW) operating across the country especially in Baluchistan. Calling Attention Notices of Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari and Senator Farhatullah Babar were also clubbed with the Adjournment Motions.	Senators Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari, Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, Mohsin Aziz, Sehar Kamran and Hafiz Hamdullah	Ministry of Defence. (opposed)	The Concerned Committee has already been given an in-camera briefing on this matter. There is not a sufficient reason to not brief the House. The Motion is held in order and admitted for 2 hour discussion on 20th April, 2016	19-04-2016
3.	The recent sit-in at D-Chowk by an unlawful mob which caused damages to the public properties and failure of the law enforcement agencies to control the same Calling Attention Notice of Senator Mohsin Aziz was also clubbed with the Adjournment Motions	Senators Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi, Muhammad Ali Khan Saif, Ilyas Ahmad Bilour and Sitara Ayaz	-	Motion was held in order and fixed for discussion in the House on 21st April, 2016	20-04-2016
4.	The terrible incident of suicide blast at Gulshan-e-Iqbal Park, Lahore.	Senators Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi, Muhammad Ali Khan Saif and Saeed Ghani		Motion was held in order and was fixed for discussion in the House, second last agenda	21-04-2016

5.	The continuous absence of Director General Geological Survey of Pakistan, Quetta and his misbehaviour with the staff.	Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel	Jam Kamal Khan, Minister for State Petrolia and Natural Resources. (opposed)	Motion was held out of order.	22-04-2016
6.	The poor performance of Pakistan Cricket team in recent T-20 World Cup and the mismanagement of affairs in the Pakistan Cricket Board	Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi	Not Opposed	Motion was held in order and fixed for two hours discussion in the next session.	22-04-2016

DISCUSSION ON THE ADMITTED ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Sr. No	Subject matter of the adjournment motion	Name of speakers	Wind up by (Minister/Advisor)	Direction of the Chairman, if any	Date
1.	The terrible incident of suicide blast at Gulshan-e-Iqbal Park, Lahore	Senator Saeed Ghani, Lt. General (R) Abdul Qayyum , Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh ,Nehal Hashmi, Taj Haidar, Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail, Dr Jahanzaib Jamaldini, Usman khan kakar, Khalida Parveen, Ayesha Raza, Mohsin khan Lagari, Javeed Abbasi, Mukhtar Ahmed Dharma, Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel, Hamza, Aitzaz Ahsan	Sheikh Aftab Ahmed, Minister of state for Parliamentary Affairs	The Motion was talked out.	21-04-2016
2.	The arrest of a high profile spy of Research and Analysis Wing (RAW) operating across the country	Senators Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari, Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, Mohsin Aziz, Sehar Kamran	Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister for Defence	The Motion was talked out.	20-04-2016

	especially in Baluchistan. Calling Attention Notices of Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari and Senator Farhatullah Babar were also clubbed with the Adjournment Motions.	and Hamdullah Hafiz			
3	The recent sit-in at D-Chowk by an unlawful mob which caused damages to the public properties and failure of the law enforcement agencies to control the same Calling Attention Notice of Senator Mohsin Aziz was also clubbed with the Adjournment Motions	Senators Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi, Muhammad Ali Khan Saif, Ilyas Ahmad Bilour and Sitara Ayaz	-	No one spoke on the Motion so the same was disposed off by the Chairman.	22-04-2016

MOTION

On 20-04-2016, Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-Ul-Haq, Leader of the House, moved that the House may approve the Senate Finance Committee Rules, 1973, framed under Article 88 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973, as amended till April, 2016. The motion was adopted and Rules were approved unanimously.

MOTION

On 22-04-2016, Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, to move that recommendations on the Money Bill to provide for salary, allowances and privileges of the Members, Election Commission of Pakistan [The Members, Election Commission (Salary, Allowances, Perks and Privileges) Bill, 2016], as reported by the Committee, be adopted.

The motion is adopted unanimously.

RULING OF THE CHAIR

- Chairman Senate announced his ruling on 19-04-2016 which was reserved on 14th April, 2016, wherein certain Members raised certain issues regarding a report of the Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization on the matter of “Privatization on of Heavy Electrical Complex (HEC)”. The report was referred back to the Committee and Standing Orders with respect to procedures regarding preparation and adoption of reports of Committees and Sub-Committees were also issued.
- On 20-04-2016, The Chairman directed the Secretariat to write to all the ministries that with effect from next Session; the Chair will not allow invoking of provision of the collective responsibility, until it is imperative. Concerned Ministers shall be present in the House in relation to business relating their Ministries/Divisions.

RESOLUTION

On 21-04-2016, Senators Raja Muhammad Zafar-ul-Haq, Aitzaz Ahsan, Saeed Ghani, Nauman Wazir Khattak, Mushahid Hussain Syed, Siraj-ul-Haq, Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini, Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar, Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah, Hasil Khan Bizenjo, Muhammad Talha Mehmood And Ilyas Ahmad Bilour moved the following resolution:

“Whereas the Senate of Pakistan came into existence in 1973, with the promulgation of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan; And whereas since its first oath-taking session that commenced on 6th August, 1973, the Senate has convened as many as 247 Session to date; And whereas unconstitutional suspensions of its functioning through illegal constitutional deviations imposed prolonged periods during which it was denied existence; And wherefore the serial numbering of the Senate Sessions was reinitiated after each revival so that the current session is numbered the 127th Session of the Senate of Pakistan; As whereas in actual fact it is the 247th Session of the Senate of Pakistan as the House of the Federation; and Now therefore the Senate of Pakistan resolves to designate the current Session as the 247th Session and all preceding and succeeding Sessions will be designated numbers accordingly.”

Resolution was passed unanimously.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' RESOLUTIONS

Sr. No.	Subject matter of the Resolution	Name(s) of the Mover(s)	Opposed by the Government or not	Adopted/Rejected unanimously or with majority	Direction of the Chairman, if any	Date
1.	Appointment of an administrator for the Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences, Islamabad	Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati			Minister In charge informed the House that an advertisement had already been published for the appointment, the Mover did not press the resolution	18-04-2016
2.	The Prime Minister's scheme for provision of opportunities of quality education to the talented students of Balochistan and FATA	Senator Mohammad Usman Khan Kakar	Not opposed	Adopted unanimously	-	18-04-2016
3.	Discontinuation of the facility of provision of free of cost electricity to the employees of WAPDA.	Senator(Col).(R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi	Opposed by Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister for Water & Power.	Rejected with majority	-	18-04-2016
4.	The Government should take necessary steps to empower the elected representative body of the ICT to elect its representatives to the Senate of Pakistan on the analogy of elected representative bodies of other federating units. (Deferred on Private Members Day;18-04-2016)	Senator Muhhamad Mohsin Khan Laghari	?	Passed with Majority	-	22-04-2016

COMMENCED MOTIONS UNDER RULE 218 OF PREVIOUS PRIVATE MEMBERS' DAY

Sr. No.	Subject matter of the Motion	Mover(s)	Wind up by (Minister/Advisor)	Direction of the Chair	Date
1.	The sufferings and hardships being faced by the employees of Frontier Constabulary due to inadequacy of basic facilities.	Senator Shahi Syed	Lt. G. (R) Abdul Qadir Baloch, Federal Minister for States & Frontier Regions on behalf of Minister of State for Interior	The Motion was talked out.	18-04-2016
2.	The situation arising out of the closure of the BOL media group as a consequence of action against an IT company.	Senator Taj Haider	Mr. Pervaiz Rasheed, Minister for Information	The Motion was talked out.	18-04-2016

MOTIONS UNDER RULE 218

Sr. No.	Subject matter of the Motion	Name(s) of the Mover(s)	Wound up by Minister/ Adviser	Direction of the Chairman at the end of discussion	Date
1.	The overall performance of the National Accountability Bureau	Senator Saeed Ghani	Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law, Justice and Human Rights	The Motion was talked out	18-04-2016
2.	The situation arising out of the demolition of kiosks in green belts / sectors in Islamabad and their reconstruction and its impacts on environment.	Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh	Lt. G. (R) Abdul Qadir Baloch, Minister for States and Frontier Regions	The Motion was talked out	18-04-2016
3.	The Prime Minister's Youth Business Loan Scheme	Senator Syed Shibli Faraz	-	The Motion was dropped, due to the absence of Mover	18-04-2016
4.	The Implications of former dictator Gen. (R) Pervez Musharraf's departure from the country.	Senator Farhatullah Babar		Minister of Interior and Minister of State both are absent, the Motion will be taken up on Government day as the Leader of the House has	18-04-2016

				agreed	
5.	The need to include safety and security related subjects in the curriculum of private and public educational Institutions in Islamabad Capital Territory and make them compulsory as well.	Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan		Deferred on the written request of Mover	18-04-2016
6.	The implications of former dictator Gen. (R) Pervez Musharraf's departure from the country.	Senator Farhatullah Babar	Muhammad Baligh Ur Rehman, Minister of State for Interior	Talked out	19-04-2016
7	"The House may discuss the revelations made in "Panama Leaks" relating to a number of important personalities/dignitaries of Pakistan."	Mushahid Hussain Syed		The Motion was talked out.	21.04.2016

POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

Sr. No	Senator's Name	Matters of Public Importance	Chairman's Remarks	Date
1	Senator Nighat Mirza	Regarding the matter of passport & CNIC of Bengalis & FIR against the political workers of MQM.	The verbatim will be sent to the Ministry of Interior for action.	19-04-2016
2	Senator Aurangzeb Khan	Teacher's protest of FATA.	The Chair directed the Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs to ask the concerned Minister that why matter has not been resolved till date despite his assurance. The Chair ruled that the concerned Minister shall come to the House tomorrow in this regard.	21-04-2016
3	Senator Aitzaz Ahsan	The arrest of local farmers of Okara by Pakistan Army.		21-04-2016