

**SENATE OF PAKISTAN**  
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**(276<sup>th</sup> Session)**

Date and day	9 <sup>th</sup> April, 2018 (Monday)
Commenced at	03:00 p.m.
Adjourned at	7:50 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	89
Total working hours	04 hour and 50 minutes

- Recitation from the Holy Quran.

**PANEL OF PRESIDING OFFICERS FOR 273<sup>rd</sup> SESSION**

1. Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed
2. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati
3. Senator Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri

**OFFERING OF FATEHA**

The House offered Fateha for the victims of Qandooz incident, innocent Kashmiris and the deceased mother Senator Shaheen Khalid Butt.

**UNANIMOUS RESOLUTION**

Senator Sherry Rehman, Leader of the Opposition, moved motion under rule 263 for the suspension of relevant rules in order to enable the House to move and pass a unanimous resolution on Kashmir.

The Motion was put to the House and adopted.

Thereafter, Senator Sherry Rehman, Leader of the Opposition, moved a unanimous resolution condemning the atrocities being committed by Indian forces in Occupied Kashmir.

Following Members spoke on the resolution:-

1. Senator Ata Ur Rehman.
2. Senator Sirajul Haq.

3. Senator Sabir Shah.
4. Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmed.
5. Senator Sassui Palijo.
6. Senator Ch. Muhammad Sarwar.
7. Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif.
8. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik.
9. Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah.
10. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati.
11. Senator Mushtad Ahmed.
12. Senator Sitara Ayaz.
13. Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed.
14. Senator Nauman Wazir Khatak.
15. Senator Prof. Sajid Mir.
16. Senator Lt. Gen. (R) Abdul Qayyum.
17. Senator Anwar ul Haq Kakar.
18. Senator Mian Raza Rabbani.

Thereafter, resolution was put to the House and passed unanimously.

**MATTER OF BREACH OF PRIVILEGE OF THE HOUSE RAISED ON POINT OF  
ORDER**

Senator Mian Raza Rabbani pointed out the issuance of four Ordinances by the President soon before the sessions of both Houses of the Parliament and stated that it is breach of the Parliament. He further pointed out some glaring irregularities in the promulgation of the Ordinances.

Following Members also spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati.
2. Senator Sherry Rehman.
3. Senator Dr. Asad Ashraf.
4. Senator Haroon Khan.
5. Senator Sirajul Haq
6. Rana Muhammad Afzal, Minister of State for Finance.

**[Opposition staged walkout as protest]**

## **BILLS TO BE INTRODUCED**

1. Senator Samina Saeed moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Right to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2012 [The Right to Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Bill, 2018].

Motion was not opposed by the Leader of the House and the leave was granted.

Thereafter, Senator Samina Saeed introduced the Bill further to amend the Right to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2012 [The Right to Free and Compulsory Education (Amendment) Bill, 2018].

**The Bill was referred to the Standing Committee concerned.**

2. Senator Mustafa Nawaz Khokhar moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2018].

The Motion was opposed by the Minister for Law and Justice on the ground that the amendment proposed by the Member has already been made through Act No. IV of 2017.

**However, on insisting upon by the Member, the Chairman deferred the Bill.**

### **MOTIONS** **(Under Rule 218)**

1. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar moved that this House may discuss the situation arising out of poor signals from Telecom towers of cellular phone service providers installed through the funds from USF in Districts Musa Khel, Sherani, Qilla Saifullah, Muslim Bagh, Harnai and Lora Lai in Balochistan.

**With the sense of the House the Chairman referred the subject matter of the motion to the Standing Committee concerned for consideration and report.**

2. Senators Sirajul Haq and Mushtaq Ahmed moved that the House may discuss the taxes levied on petroleum products in the country.

Following Members spoke:-

1. Senator Sirajul Haq.
2. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh.
3. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed.
4. Senator Dr. Jahanzeb Jamaldini.
5. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar.
6. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati.
7. Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak.
8. Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi.
9. Senator Ch. Muhammad Sarwar.

10. Senator Behramand.

11. Senator Sherry Rehman.

**The Motion was talked out.**

3. Senator Sherry Rehman, Leader of the Opposition moved that this House may discuss the Pakistan's deteriorating healthcare system.

Following Members spoke:-

1. Senator Sherry Rehman.
2. Senator Muhamad Azam Khan Swati.
3. Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi.
4. Senator Sitara Ayaz.
5. Senator Prof. Dr. Mehar Taj Roghani.
6. Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif.
7. Senator Dr. Sikandar Mandhro.
8. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel.

The discussion was wound up by Minister of State Dr. Darshan.

**The Motion was thus talked out.**

4. Senator Lt. Gen. (R) Abdul Qayyum was to move that the House may discuss the issue of energy crisis in the country and the steps taken by the present Government to address the same.

**The Motion was deferred on request of the Minister.**

5. Senator Mohsin Aziz moved that the House may discuss the recent devaluation of Pakistani Rupee by 5% in addition to the sharp devaluation in December, 2017, which will have very negative impact on the economy making imports more expensive.

Following Members spoke:-

1. Senator Mohsin Aziz.
2. Senator Dr. Jahanzeb Jamaldini.
3. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar.
4. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh.
5. Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak.
6. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati.
7. Senator Mustafa Nawaz Khokhar.

Rana Muhammad Afzal, Minister of State for Finance wound up the debate.

**The Motion was thus talked out.**

## **RESOLUTIONS**

1. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati moved the following resolution:-  
“This House recommends that the provision of development funds to Parliamentarians should be stopped immediately as the same is against the spirit of good governance and democratic norms.”.  
**The Resolution was rejected by the House.**
  2. Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan was to move the following resolution:-  
“This House recommends that the Government should take necessary steps to improve the performance of Pakistan Television Network.”.  
**The Resolution was dropped due to absence of the Member.**
  3. Senator Syed Shibli Faraz was to move the following resolution:-  
“This House recommends that the Government should take necessary steps to evolve a simple and practical mechanism for the payment of pension to address the problems being faced by poor and elderly pensioners by keeping their comfort and dignity intact.”.  
**The Resolution was dropped due to absence of the Member.**
  4. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel to move the following resolution:-  
“This House recommends that the Government should take necessary steps to allocate funds in the PSDP for opening of new Passport Offices in all provinces of the country and ensure recruitment of required staff for the same.”.  
**The Resolution was passed.**
  5. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh to move the following resolution:-  
“This House recommends that the Government should reduce the prices of life saving drugs in the country.”.  
**The Resolution was passed.**
  6. Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi to move the following resolution:-  
“This House recommends that the Aaghaz-e-Haqooq-e-Balochistan Package be implemented in letter and spirit.”.  
**The Resolution was passed.**
- At 7:50 p.m., the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Tuesday, the 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 at 3:00 p.m.