

**SENATE OF PAKISTAN**  
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<b>Date and Day</b>	19 <sup>th</sup> July, 2017 (Wednesday)
<b>Commenced at</b>	03:35 p.m.
<b>Adjourned at</b>	07:15 p.m.
<b>Presided by</b>	Mian Raza Rabbani Chairman Senate of Pakistan
<b>Attendance</b>	70
<b>Total working hours</b>	3 hour and 40 minutes

**LEAVE APPLICATIONS**

- The leave applications were read by the Chairman.

**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.

**REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE - PRESENTATION OF:**

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.

**INTERIM REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON MARGINALIZED SEGMENTS OF SOCIETY - PRESENTATION OF:**

Senator Nisar Muhammad, Convener, Special Committee on Marginalized Segments of Society presented 5th Interim report of the Special Committee on marginalized segments of society.

**WINDING UP SPEECH**

Winding up speech by Mr. Sartaj Aziz, Adviser to the Prime Minister on Foreign Affairs on the motion moved by Senator Taj Haider on his behalf and on behalf of twenty nine other Senators on 18th July, 2017, on the following:-

1. 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
2. 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.

**The Motion was talked out.**

**MOTION**

**[Under Rule 218]**

Senator Taj Haider on his behalf and on behalf of Senators Aitzaz Ahsan, Leader Of The Opposition, Sherry Rehman, Sardar Fateh Muhammad Muhammad Hassani, Mir Muhammad Yousaf Badini, Sitara Ayaz, Saeed Ghani, Samina Abid, Sehar Kamran, Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz, Ahmed Hassan, Baz Muhammad Khan, Shahi Syed, Khalida Parveen, Sassui Palijo, Mir Israrullah Khan Zehri, Mushahid Hussain Syed, Ilyas Ahmad Bilour, Mohsin Aziz, Syed Shibli Faraz, Islamuddin Shaikh, Farhatullah Babar, Saleem Mandviwala, Khanzada Khan, Gianchand, Hari Ram, Karim Ahmed Khawaja, Rozi Khan Kakar, Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi And Muhammad Daud Khan Achakzai, Advocate moved that the House may discuss the following issues under rule 218:-

1. 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.

The following Members spoke in this regard:

1. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati
2. Senator Sehar Kamran
3. Senator Farhatullah Babar

4. Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja
5. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi
6. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh
7. Senator Sirajul Haq
8. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar
9. Senator Taj Haider
10. Senator Ilyas Ahmed Bilour
11. Senator Brig, (R) John Kenneth Williams
12. Senator Maulana Hafiz Hamadullah
13. Senator Shibli Faraz
14. Senator Aitzaz Ahsan, Leader of the Opposition
15. Ms. Anusha Rehman, Minister of State of Information Technology and Telecommunication

The Chairman drew attention of the Minister of State for Information Technology and Telecommunications and the Minister of State for Interior towards section 53 of the Prevention of Electronic Crimes Act, 2016 which obliges the Agency to submit report before both the Houses after every Six Months but no such report has yet been laid before the Parliament despite lapse of almost one year.

**The Chairman directed that the requisite report shall be submitted before both the Houses within a period of one month.**

16. Mr. Muhammad Baleegh ur Rehman, Minister of State for Interior and Narcotics Control wound up the speech and assured that the requisite report in terms of section 53 of the Act will be presented in both the Houses during the given time.

**The Motion was thus talked out.**

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Kakar, Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi And Muhammad Daud Khan Achakzai, Advocate moved that the House may discuss the following issues under rule 218:-

1. The need for a new accountability mechanism to ensure across the board accountability of all with no exceptions and no sacred cows; and
2. Discussion on dropping level of accountability and increasing level of corruption.

Following Members spoke in this regard:

1. Senator Farhatullah Babar
2. Senator Sehar Kamran
3. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi
4. Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja
5. Senator Mohsin Aziz
6. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar

[At this stage, the Chairman read out the historical evolution of the accountability laws in the country which were used only to victimize the politicians. The Chairman urged that there should be one uniform law for accountability of everyone in the country without any discrimination]

7. Senator Taj Haider
8. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel
9. Senator Aitzaz Ahsan, Leader of the Opposition

**Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for law and Justice wound up the debate and the Motion was thus talked out.**

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1. The reported failure of NAB to continue investigations in the Rs. 19 billion mega scam in DHA Lahore and DHA Rawalpindi.

Following Member spoke in this regard:

1. Senator Farhatullah Babar

**Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for law and Justice wound up the debate and the Motion was thus talked out.**

#### **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.

#### **POINT OF PERSONAL EXPLANATION**

Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati made personal Explanation regarding the allegation of fraud leveled by Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan against him on 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2017. He submitted his wealth statements to the Secretary Senate for record.

**The Chairman expunged some words uttered by the Member about the Speaker National Assembly.**

#### **MINISTERIAL EXPLANATION**

Mr. Muhammad Baleegh ur Rehman, Minister of State for Interior informed the House about the exact amount of compensation paid to the victims of Parachinar terrorist activities i.e. Rs. 10 lac per deceased and Rs. 5 lac per injured. He further informed the House that no development has yet been made in the case of missing of Mr. Nawab Leghari

#### **POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE**

1. 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.**

- The Chairman adjourned the Session to meet again on Thursday the 20<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 at 03:00 p.m.

**Islamabad, the**  
**19<sup>th</sup> July, 2017**