

**SENATE OF PAKISTAN
DAILY JOURNAL
(258th Session)**

Date and Day	10 th January, 2017 (Tuesday)
Commenced at	02:30 p.m.
Adjourned at	05:55 p.m.
Presided by	Senator Ahmed Hassan (during the question hour) & Mian Raza Rabbani Chairman Senate of Pakistan (for the rest of the proceedings of the House)
Attendance	72
Total working hours	3 hrs. and 25 minutes

QUESTION HOUR

8 questions were replied in the House whereas reply to 1 question was treated as laid on the table of the House, due to absence of concerned Member. One question was referred to the Standing Committee concerned and 4 questions were deferred. The remaining printed questions and their replies were treated as laid on the table of the House.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

- The leave applications were read by the Chairman.

CONSIDERATION OF ADMISSIBILITY OF ADJOURNMENT MOTION

Sr. No.	Subject matter of the adjournment motion	Name(s) of the Mover(s)	Concerned Ministry	Ruling of the Chairman
1.	The consequences of signing long term RLNG contracts with varying prices to buy 1.3 million tons LNG every year for the next twenty years.	Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh		The Motion was held out of order. The Chair suggested the Member to use motion under rule 218.

2.	The incident of blast at Gaddani Ship Breaking Yard which resulted into loss of 22 lives and injuries to many.	Senator Maulana Hafiz Hamadullah		The Motion was deferred on prior request of the Member.
3.	The sudden outbreak of Chikungunya disease in Karachi which has affected thousands of people and requires a prompt action by the Federal Government in support of the Provincial Government of Sindh.	Senator Mohsin Aziz	National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination	The Motion was held out of order as it's a provincial issue.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF PROCEDURE AND PRIVILEGES - PRESENTATION OF

Sr. No.	Name of the Committee	Report presented by	Subject matter of the report	Direction of the Chairman
1.	Rules of Procedure and Privileges	Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini	Report of the Committee, on Privilege Motion No. 3 (250)/2016-M, moved by Senator Atta Ur Rehman on 26th July, 2016, against irresponsible, insulting and threatening attitude of police officials deputed near Chashma Hydropower check post of Kundian and DPO, Mianwali.	Report stands laid.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE

- **Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi**, to draw attention of the Minister for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination towards the non-provision of nutrition and health services to children under five years of age and increase in child mortality rate in the country.

Mrs. Saira Afzal Tarar, Minister of State for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination, made the statement and notice was disposed of.

ORDINANCE TO BE LAID

Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice, laid before the Senate the National Accountability (Amendment) Ordinance, 2017 (Ordinance No. II of 2017) as required by clause (2) of Article 89 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

Senator Aitzaz Ahsan, Leader of the Opposition pointed out that since a Law when promulgated becomes the public property so there is no need to lay it on the Tables in so formal manner.

The Chairman referred the Ordinance to the Standing Committee on Law and Justice while treating it as a Bill in terms of Clause (3)(b) of Article 89 of the Constitution as it was first laid in the Senate.

The Chairman further directed the Secretariat that in future whenever the Government is to lay an Ordinance before the House the same should prior be placed on the Tables.

GOVERNMENT BILLS TO BE INTRODUCED

Sr. No.	Title of the Bill	Introduced by (Member In-charge)	Whether opposed by the Government, if opposed by whom	Directions
1.	The COMSATS University Islamabad Bill, 2017].	Rana Tanveer Hussain, Minister for Science and Technology		Referred to the Standing Committee concerned.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

The following Government Bills passed by the National Assembly were referred to the Standing Committees concerned for consideration and report:-

1. The Pakistan Council for Science and Technology Bill, 2016.
2. The Pakistan National Accreditation Council Bill, 2016.

MINISTERIAL RESPONSE

Ch. Nisar Ali Khan, Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control made statement on the matter referred by the Chairman on 9th January, 2017 regarding the incidents of abduction of four members of civil society.

The Minister also spoke about the negative criticism made in the House about his Ministry and personal remarks given by some Members about him. He urged the Members to speak while relying on facts and figures.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRESENCE

The House acknowledged the presence of a group of 46 students and 20 faculty members along with Chancellor of Sindh Madrassa Tul Islam University who were present in the visitors' gallery to witness the proceedings.

MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE RAISED DURING ZERO HOUR

Sr. No.	Name of the Member(s)	The issue in brief	Direction of the Chairman, if any
1.	Senators Kalsoom Perveen, Nisar Muhammad and Ahmed Hassan	Pointed out the repeated incidents of at Gaddani Ship Breaking Yard resulting into death of many people.	Mir Hasil Khan Bizenjo, Minister for Ports and Shipping made statement on the matter
2.	Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati	Pointed out the use of spurious herbal drugs as alternate medicines.	
3.	Senator Syed Shibli Faraz	Pointed out the use of low quality gas appliances which results into accidents as well as wastage of gas.	
4.	Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh	Urged the Government to re-visit the Local Governments Act in order to empower the elected representatives	

5.	Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak	Spoke about the announcement of amnesty schemes	
7.	Senator Tahir Hussain Mashhadi	Urged the Federal Government to help the provincial Government to resolve the water crisis in the province especially in Karachi	
8.	Senator Jahanzeb Jamaldini	Pointed out the amnesty schemes announced by the Government whereby the smuggled vehicles were got registered but now after audit it has been transpired that the FBR collected less taxes from vehicle owners and now the Government is issuing notices to 18000 vehicle owners to deposit the differential amount	Chairman referred the matter to the Standing Committee concerned.
9.	Senator Mohsin Khan Leghari	Pointed out the withdrawal of subsidy by the Government on fertilizers.	Chairman directed to refer the matter to the concerned Minister with the direction to come in the House on Friday the 13 th January, 2016 and brief the House

10.	Senator Nehal Hashmi	Pointed out the bad sewerage condition in front of Jinnah Hospital Karachi	
11	Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel	Stated that there are various check posts of different agencies in Balochistan which collects illegal taxes from the traders and transporters. He urged the Government to give facilities in Chaman and Taftan as available in Wagha and Thar sectors of trading.	
12	Senator Abdul Qayyum	He urged the Chairman to hold a discussion on Pak-America relationships in the wake of change in leadership of America. He also urged the Government to give briefing in the House about the latest situation on western boarder and the requirements of it further strengthening.	

The House was adjourned to meet again on Wednesday the 11th January, 2017 at 02:30 p.m.

Islamabad, the
10th January, 2017