

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
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Date and Day	3 rd March, 2020 (Tuesday)
Commenced at	03:00 p.m.
Adjourned at	05:17 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	71
Total Working Hours	02 hours 17 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

PANEL OF PRESIDING OFFICERS

In pursuance of sub-rule (1) of rule 14 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, the Chairman nominated Senator Seemee Ezdi, Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi and Senator Nuzhat Sadiq to form a Panel of Presiding Officers for the 297th Session.

QUESTIONS

Questions entered in a separate list were asked and their replies were given. The questions remained unanswered were treated as laid on the Table of the House.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

MOTIONS

[Under Rule 194(1)]

1. Senator Shammim Afridi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Water Resources, 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 Standing Committee on the subject matter of starred question No.223, asked by Senator Sassui Palijo on 3rd May, 2019, regarding the details of the land lost due

to sea intrusion in different coastal districts of Sindh, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 3rd March, 2020.

The motion was carried and the requisite extension was granted.

2. Senator Hidayat Ullah, Chairman, Standing Committee on Communications, 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 Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the National Highways Safety Ordinance, 2000 [The National Highways Safety (Amendment) Bill, 2019], introduced by Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi, on 6th January, 2020, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 4th March, 2020.

The motion was carried and the requisite extension was granted.

3. Senator Hidayat Ullah, Chairman, Standing Committee on Communications, 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 Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Sassui Palijo on 6th January, 2020, regarding alleged objection by NHA on the gas sector schemes pertaining to her constituency (PS-85) of the period when she was member of the Cabinet of Government of Sindh (2002-07 and 2008-13), may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 4th March, 2020.

The motion was carried and the requisite extension was granted.

4. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, 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 Standing Committee on the Bill to provide for the prevention of begging, detention, training and employment of beggars and their dependents in Certified Institutions and the custody, trial and punishment of beggar offenders [The Islamabad Prevention of Beggary Bill, 2019], introduced by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh on 6th January, 2020, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 5th March, 2020.

The motion was carried and the requisite extension was granted.

5. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, 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 Standing Committee on the Bill to define rights of person arrested, detained or under custodial investigation as well as to codify the duties of the arresting, detaining and investigating officers, and providing penalties for violations thereof [The Rights of Persons Arrested, Detained or under Custodial Investigation Bill, 2020], introduced by Senator Farooq Hamid Naek on 6th January, 2020, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 5th March, 2020.

The motion was carried and the requisite extension was granted.

6. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, 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 Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi on 6th January, 2020, regarding the matter of demolition of walls of the House of Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan in Phase-VII, Bahria Town, Rawalpindi, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 5th March, 2020.

The Chairman directed to expedite the matter.

The motion was carried and the requisite extension was granted.

7. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, 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 Standing Committee on the subject matter of starred question No.40, asked by Senator Sassui Palijo on 10th January, 2020, regarding the large number of Foreigners living in the province of Sindh who have illegally been issued CNICs by NADRA, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 9th March, 2020.

The motion was carried and the requisite extension was granted.

8. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, 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 Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem on 13th January, 2020, regarding rights of special people, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 12th March, 2020.

The motion was carried and the requisite extension was granted.

9. Senator Farooq Hamid Naek, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs, 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 Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Mirza Muhammad Afridi on 6th January, 2020, regarding taxation issues arising after merger of FATA with Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 5th March, 2020.

The motion was carried and the requisite extension was granted.

10. Senator Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi on behalf of Senator Khushbakht Shujat, Chairperson, Standing Committee on National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination, 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 Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi on 13th January, 2020, regarding the Mushroom growth of private clinics and hospitals in Islamabad, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 12th March, 2020.

The motion was carried and the requisite extension was granted.

11. Senator Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi on behalf of Senator Khushbakht Shujat, Chairperson, Standing Committee on National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination, 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 Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen on 13th January, 2020, regarding Officers who are working in different hospitals in Islamabad on additional charge basis for a long time, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 12th March, 2020.

The motion was carried and the requisite extension was granted.

12. Senator Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi on behalf of Senator Khushbakht Shujat, Chairperson, Standing Committee on National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination, 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 Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi on 14th January, 2020, regarding appointment in the Health Services Academy, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 13th March, 2020.

The motion was carried and the requisite extension was granted.

13. Senator Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi on behalf of Senator Khushbakht Shujat, Chairperson, Standing Committee on National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination, 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 Standing Committee on the subject matter of starred question No.50, asked by Senator Abdul Rehman Malik on 14th January, 2020, regarding names and locations of pharmaceutical companies sealed on account of manufacturing spurious medicines in the country during the last three years, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 13th March, 2020.

The motion was carried and the requisite extension was granted.

14. Senator Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi on behalf of Senator Khushbakht Shujat, Chairperson, Standing Committee on National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination, 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 Standing Committee on the subject matter of starred question No.58,

asked by Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani on 14th January, 2020, regarding percentage coverage of immunization / vaccination of children under the Expanded Program on Immunization (EPI) in the country at present, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 13th March, 2020.

The motion was carried and the requisite extension was granted.

REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Senator Muhammad Asad Ali Khan Junejo, Chairman, Standing Committee on Railways, presented report of the Standing Committee on the budgetary allocation and its utilization by the Ministry of Railways and its Divisions / Departments as required by proviso to sub-rule (4) of Rule 166 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012.
2. Senator Muhammad Asad Ali Khan Junejo, Chairman, Standing Committee on Railways, presented report of the Standing Committee on the PSDP proposed by the Ministry of Railways for the Financial Year 2020-21, in terms of sub-rule (7) of Rule 166 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012.
3. Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi on behalf of Senator Rahila Magsi, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training, National History and Literary Heritage presented report of the Standing Committee on the budgetary / PSDP allocations by Federal Education and Professional Training, Division for the Financial Year 2020-21, in terms of sub-rule (4) and (7) of Rule 166 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012.
4. Senator Fida Muhammad, Chairman, Standing Committee on Power, to present special report of the Standing Committee on reviewing the issues of high tariff, capacity charges, heat rates and calculation of pay back period of IPPs.
5. Senator Muhammad Asad Ali Khan Junejo, Chairman, Standing Committee on Railways, presented report of the Standing Committee on the subject matter of starred question No.10, asked by Senator Mushtaq Ahmed on 28th January, 2020, regarding suffering of loss of Rs. 29 billion by the Railways

during the last eight months, the reasons thereof and the steps being taken by the Government to get Pakistan Railways out of its deficits / losses.

6. Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani on behalf of Senator Rahila Magsi, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training, National History and Literary Heritage, presented report of the Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi on 14th January, 2020, regarding appointment of Vice Chancellors in the Universities of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

7. Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani on behalf of Senator Rahila Magsi, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training, National History and Literary Heritage, presented report of the Standing Committee on the Bill to provide for special measures for the education of children suffering from dyslexia and/or associated disorders [The Dyslexia Special Measures Bill, 2020], introduced by Senator Samina Saeed, on 6th January, 2020.

8. Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani on behalf of Senator Rahila Magsi, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training, National History and Literary Heritage, presented report of the Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi on 6th January, 2020, regarding hurdles being faced by the students of Balochistan.

9. Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani on behalf of Senator Rahila Magsi, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training, National History and Literary Heritage, presented report of the Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar on 6th January, 2020, regarding non-payment of salaries to the teachers of National Commission for Human Development (NCHD).

10. Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani on behalf of Senator Rahila Magsi, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training, National History and Literary Heritage, presented report of the Standing Committee

on the Bill to provide for establishment of the University of Islamabad [The University of Islamabad Bill, 2020].

11. Senator Fida Muhammad, Chairman, Standing Committee on Power, presented report of the Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Sitara Ayaz on 14th January, 2020, regarding scheduled power shutdown in the Gadoon Industrial area for the last three months.

12. Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi on behalf of Senator Rubina Khalid, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Information Technology and Telecommunication, presented report of the Standing Committee on the subject matter of starred question No.165, asked by Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi, regarding the number of persons working in the Ministry of Information Technology and Telecommunication, its attached departments, Authorities, Corporations, Autonomous/Semi-Autonomous Bodies and Organizations.

13. Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah, Chairman, Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research, presented report of the Standing Committee on the issue of Wheat and Atta crisis in the country.

14. Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan, Chairman, Standing Committee on Aviation, presented report of the Standing Committee on the subject matter of a resolution moved by Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani on 20th January, 2020, regarding re-employment of retired PIA employees on contract basis.

15. Senator Mustafa Nawaz Khokhar, Chairman, Functional Committee on Human Rights, presented report of the Functional Committee on the Bill to make provisions for raising alert, response and recovery of missing and abducted children [The Zainab Alert, Response and Recovery Bill, 2020].

16. Senator Mustafa Nawaz Khokhar, Chairman, Functional Committee on Human Rights, presented report of the Functional Committee on the Maintenance and Welfare of Old Parents and Senior Citizens Bill, 2019, introduced by Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad on 29th April, 2019.

17. Senator Farooq Hamid Naek, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs, presented report of the Standing Committee on the Money Bill further to amend certain tax laws [The Tax Laws (Second Amendment) Bill, 2020].

MOTION

[Under Rule 130(8)]

Senator Farooq Hamid Naek, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs, moved that the recommendations on the Money Bill further to amend certain tax laws [The Tax Laws (Second Amendment) Bill, 2020], as reported by the Standing Committee, be considered and adopted.

The Motion was put to the House and adopted.

MOTION

[Under Rule 196(1)]

1. Senator Moula Bux Chandio, Chairman, Functional Committee on Devolution, moved under sub-rule (1) of Rule 196 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the report of the Functional Committee on non-compliance of the devolution plan of the PTDC and related public petition, presented to the House on 7th February, 2020, be considered and adopted.

The Motion was put to the House and adopted.

2. Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah, Chairman, Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research, moved under sub-rule (1) of Rule 196 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the report of the Standing Committee on the issue of Wheat and Atta crisis in the country, presented to the House on 3rd March, 2020, be considered and adopted.

Following Members' spoke on the report:-

1. Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah
2. Senator Syed Shibli Faraz, Leader of the House
3. Senator Raja Zafar-ul-Haq, Leader of the Opposition
4. Senator Pervaiz Rasheed

5. Senator Sherry Rehman
6. Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan
7. Senator Moula Bux Chandio
8. Senator Mohsin Aziz

The Motion was put to the House and adopted.

REPORTS LAID BEFORE THE SENATE

1. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs on behalf of Minister-in-Charge of Cabinet Secretariat, laid before the Senate the Annual Report of the National Economic Council for the Financial Year 2017-18, as required under clause (5) of Article 156 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
2. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs on behalf of Dr. Fehmida Mirza, Minister for Inter-Provincial Coordination, laid before the Senate the Annual Report of the Council of Common Interests (CCI) for the year 2016-17, as required under clause (4) of Article 153 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs on behalf of Mr. Pervez Khattak, Minister for Defence, move that the Bill to amend the Surveying and Mapping Act, 2014 [The Surveying and Mapping (Amendment) Bill, 2020], as passed by the National Assembly be taken into consideration.

The Bill stands referred to Standing Committee concerned.

- **At 05:17 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Wednesday, the 4th March, 2020, at 03:00 p.m.**

Islamabad,
The 3rd of March, 2020.