

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
DAILY JOURNAL
(300TH SESSION)

Date and Day	24 th July, 2020 (Friday)
Commenced at	10:30 A.M.
Adjourned at	03:18 P.M.
Presided by	Deputy Chairman Senate
Attendance	61
Total Working Hours	05 Hours 12 Minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

QUESTION HOUR

Question Nos. 36, 37, 39, 40, 50, 51 and 52 were asked and replied in the House. Question Nos. 35, 38, 41, 42, 44, 45, 48, 49, 54 and 55 were treated as laid on the Table of the House due to absence of the Members concerned. Questions Nos. 40 and 51 were referred to the Standing Committees concerned. Question Nos. 43, 46, 47, 53, 56, 57 and 58 were deferred on the requests of the Senators concerned.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

PRIVILEGE MOTION

Senators Hidayat Ullah, Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar and Dilawar Khan moved privilege motion regarding breach of privilege by the Secretary, Ministry of National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination.

After hearing the movers the Deputy Chairman referred the Privilege Motion to the Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges for consideration and report.

M O T I O N S

[Under Rule 194(1)]

- **Senator Mohsin Aziz**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Petroleum, 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 a Calling Attention Notice moved by Senators Sherry Rehman and Sassui Palijo on 10th January, 2020, regarding shortage of gas in the country, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 20th July, 2020.

The Motion was put to the House and carried and the requisite extension was granted.

- **Senator Mohsin Aziz**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Petroleum, 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. Sikandar Mandhro on 21st January, 2020, regarding distribution of natural gas amongst the provinces under Articles 158 and 172 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 30th July, 2020.

The Motion was put to the House and carried and the requisite extension was granted.

- **Senator Walid Iqbal**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Defence, 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 Nauman Wazir Khattak on 5th March, 2019, regarding appointment of Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff Committee, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 24th July, 2020.

The Motion was put to the House and carried and the requisite extension was granted.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE

- **Senators Sherry Rehman and Mushtaq Ahmed**, drew attention of the Minister for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination towards the increase of 10% in the prices of medicines by the Government.

Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs, made a statement and the Calling Attention Notice was disposed of by the Chairman. Thereafter, the Deputy Chairman referred the subject matter of the Calling Attention Notice to the Standing Committee concerned for examination and report.

- **Senators Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Mian Raza Rabbani and Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi**, drew attention of the Minister for Aviation Division towards the fact that the European Union Aviation Safety Agency amongst others have suspended the operation of PIA flights to their respective countries / region.

[At 12:55 p.m. the House was adjourned for Jumma prayers and re-assembled at 01:35 p.m.]

Mr. Ghulam Sarwar Khan, Minister for Aviation Division, made a statement and thereafter the Calling Attention Notice was disposed of by the Chairman.

POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

● **Senator Rana Maqbool Ahmad**, raised the following points of public importance regarding:-

- (i) suicide of one namely Mr. Qadeer and his family due to hunger in Narowal; and
- (ii) the incident of beating up of a mother by her son in Rawalpindi.

Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs, responded the issues raised. Thereafter, the Deputy Chairman referred both the issues to the Functional Committee on Human Rights for consideration and report.

● **Senator Kalsoom Perveen** raised the issue of only two flights from Quetta to Islamabad and also requested for extension in time period for use of the PIA Tickets issued the Members.

Mr. Ghulam Sarwar Khan, Minister for Aviation Division, responded the issues.

● **Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh** raised a point of public importance regarding problems being faced by the Call Centres in Karachi.

Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Leader of the House, responded the issues raised by the Senator. Thereafter, the Deputy Chairman Senate referred the issue to the Standing Committee concerned for consideration and report.

● **Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan** raised the following points of public importance regarding:-

- (i) issuance of fake licenses to PIA pilots; and
- (ii) extra-charging of fares from the Students coming back to the country from China.

Mr. Ghulam Sarwar Khan, Minister for Aviation Division, responded the issues.

- **Senator Gianchand** raised a point of public importance regarding discrimination and insecurity being felt by the Parsi Community.

The Deputy Chairman Senate apprised that the Secretary Senate has informed that the issue is already under consideration of the Standing Committee concerned. He also directed that if the issue is not with the Committee then he refer the same to the Functional Committee on Human Rights.

- **Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed** raised the issue regarding shifting of Kashmiri freedom fighter Asiya Andrabi to isolation and punishment ward of Tehar Jail.

The Deputy Chairman Senate thanked Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed for raising the issue and desired that a Resolution in this regard may be moved and passed by the House.

- **Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar** raised the issue regarding taking of illegal money from mine owners by the FC personnel in Balochistan.

The Deputy Chairman Senate advised the Honourable Senator give the exact issue in writing, so that it is referred to the Standing Committee on Interior.

- **Senator Muhammad Akram** raised the issues regarding unemployment and lack of opportunities in Balochistan.

- **Senator Sherry Rehman** raised a point of public importance pertaining to a Privilege Motion regarding contradictory statements by the Aviation Division officials in the meeting of the Senate Standing Committee on Aviation. The following Senators and Minister also spoke on the issue:-

- (i) **Senator Mian Raza Rabbani**
- (ii) **Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Leader of the House**
- (iii) **Mr. Ghulam Sarwar Khan, Minister for Aviation Division**
- (iv) **Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan**

Senator Sherry Rehman did not press her Privilege Motion subject to the condition that the issue will be taken up Thereafter, the Deputy Chairman asked the Minister for aviation.

M O T I O N
[Under Rule 263]

- **Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed** moved under Rule 263 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the requirement of Rules 25, 29 and 133 of the said Rules be dispensed with in order to enable the House to pass a resolution.

The Motion was put to the House and carried. Thereafter, Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed moved the following resolution:-

R E S O L U T I O N

The Senate of Pakistan taking note of the plight of the brave political prisoner of Indian Occupied Kashmir, Mohtarama Aasiya Andrabi Sahiba. The Leader of Dukhtaran-e-Millat (Daughters of the nation). Who is illegally detained in Jail to the isolation punishment ward of Delhi's notorious Tihar Jail, strongly condemns this action of the Modi regime against an innocent person whose only crime is raising her voice for "Azadi".

The Senate of Pakistan, expresses full solidarity with Aasiya Andrabi Sahiba, Salute her courage and that of all the political prisoners in Indian Occupied Kashmir, and urges her immediate release from illegal imprisonment.

The Senate, urges the Government of Pakistan to take up the issue of Mohtarama Aasiya Andrabi Sahiba with the UN Human Rights Council and all other relevant International bodies, so that the suffering of the oppressed people of Occupied Kashmir, who are bravely facing bayonets of the Indian Occupation Army, can end with the restoration of their inalienable rights.

The Resolution was not opposed. Thereafter, the Resolution was put to the House and passed unanimously.

At 03:18 p.m. the Deputy Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Monday, the 27th July, 2020, at 03:00 p.m.

DR. SYED PERVAIZ ABBAS
Secretary

Islamabad,
The 24th July, 2020.