

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
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Date and Day	27 th July, 2020 (Monday)
Commenced at	03:04 p.m.
Adjourned at	07:44 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	62
Total Working Hours	04 hours and 40 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

MOTION

[Under Rule 194(1)]

Senator Fida Muhammad, Chairman, Standing Committee on Power, 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 4th March, 2020, regarding exact figures of circular debt, may be extended for a period of sixty working days with effect from 31st July, 2020.

The motion was carried and the requisite extension was granted.

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF PROCEDURE AND PRIVILEGES - PRESENTATION OF:

1. Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq, Chairperson, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, presented report of the Committee on a Privilege Motion moved by Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan on 14th January, 2020, against the Ambassadors and other concerned officers posted in Pakistan Missions at Doha and Paris.

The Report stood laid.

2. Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq, Chairperson, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, presented report of the Committee on a Privilege Motion moved by Senator Lt. Gen. (R) Salahuddin Tirmizi on 17th January, 2020, against the Secretary Ministry of Communications for not following the recommendations of the Senate Committee on Communication regarding the

payment to the land owners whose land was acquired for the construction of road from Kaghan to Babusar Top.

The Report stood laid.

REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES - PRESENTATION OF:

1. Senator Javed Abbasi on behalf of Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Provincial Motor Vehicles Ordinance, 1965 [The Provincial Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2020], introduced by Senator Faisal Javed on 8th June, 2020.

The Report stood laid.

2. Senator Javed Abbasi on behalf of Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi on 24th June, 2020, regarding relief package for business especially hotels and restaurants.

The Report stood laid.

3. Senator Mirza Muhammad Afridi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Commerce, presented report of the Standing Committee on the subject matter of starred question No.169, asked by Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood on 21st January, 2020, regarding the names and designations of the officers of the Ministry of Commerce, its attached departments, corporations, and other public entities under its administrative control who went abroad on official visits since July, 2015, indicating also the names of the countries visited, purpose of the visits and amount spent in each case.

The Report stood laid.

4. Senator Mirza Muhammad Afridi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Commerce, presented report of the Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak on 14th January, 2020, regarding performance of Commercial Counsellors posted in Embassies, especially other than the Commerce and Trade Group, clubbed with starred question No. 326 asked by Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood on 7th February, 2020, regarding the procedure laid down for selection or appointment of Commercial Counsellors, Commercial Secretaries and Trade Ministers for posting in Pakistan's missions abroad; and the name of authority which accord final approval for the appointment and posting of the said officers.

The Report stood laid.

5. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, presented report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020] (**Amendment of Articles 213 and 215**), introduced by Senator Lt. Gen. (Retd.) Abdul Qayyum on 13th January, 2020.

The Report stood laid.

6. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, presented report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020] (**Amendment of Article 213**), introduced by Senator Sirajul Haq on 20th January, 2020.

The Report stood laid.

BILLS INTRODUCED

1. Senator Faisal Javed, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the National Commission on the Rights of Child Act, 2017 [The National Commission on Rights of Child (Amendment) Bill, 2020].

Minister for Human Rights opposed the Bill. Thereafter, the Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the Bill was granted.

2. Senator Faisal Javed, introduced the Bill further to amend the National Commission on the Rights of Child Act, 2017 [The National Commission on Rights of Child (Amendment) Bill, 2020].

The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

3. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Islamabad High Court Act, 2010 [The Islamabad High Court (Amendment) Bill, 2020].

Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs opposed the Bill. Thereafter, the Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the Bill was granted.

4. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, introduced the Bill further to amend the Islamabad High Court Act, 2010 [The Islamabad High Court (Amendment) Bill, 2020].

The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

5. Senator Kauda Babar, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Federal Board of Revenue Act, 2007 [The Federal Board of Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 2020].

Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs opposed the Bill. Thereafter, the Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the Bill was granted.

6. Senator Kauda Babar, introduced the Bill further to amend the Federal Board of Revenue Act, 2007 [The Federal Board of Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 2020].

The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

7. Senator Sherry Rehman, moved for leave to introduce a Bill to make provisions for protection against domestic violence [The Domestic Violence (Prevention and Protection) Bill, 2020].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the Bill was granted.

8. Senator Sherry Rehman, introduced the Bill to make provisions for protection against domestic violence [The Domestic Violence (Prevention and Protection) Bill, 2020].

The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

9. Senator Faisal Javed, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the National Commission for Human Rights Act, 2012 [The National Commission for Human Rights (Amendment) Bill, 2020].

Minister for Human Rights opposed the Bill on technical basis. Thereafter, the Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the Bill was not granted and the Member was directed to give fresh notice.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

1. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh, moved that the Bill further to amend the Islamabad Consumers Protection Act, 1995 [The Islamabad Consumers Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2020], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.
2. **The Motion was put to House and Rejected with votes of 3:6. Whereas 21 members abstained the voting.**
3. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh moved that 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, 2020], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.
The Motion was opposed by the majority of the Members so with the consent of the Mover and the sense of the House, the Bill was referred back to Standing Committee concerned.
4. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh moved that the Bill further to amend the Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997 [The Anti-terrorism (Amendment) Bill, 2020], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.
5. **The Motion was opposed by the majority of the Members so with the consent of the Mover and the sense of the House, the Bill was referred back to Standing Committee concerned.**
6. Senator Sirajul Haq to move that the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020] (**Amendment of Article 45**), as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.
The Motion was deferred by the Chairman due to lack of required number of Members i.e. 2/3rd.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed moved the following resolution:-

“The Senate of Pakistan,

Lauding the selfless and relentless struggle and sacrifices of Syed Ali Shah Gilani for the right of self-determination for the people of Indian Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IOJK);

Recognizing his unwavering commitment, dedication, preservice and leadership;

Acknowledging his role in exposing Indian atrocities, suppressive measures and human rights violations in IOJK; and

Concerned that Syed Ali Shah Gilani continues to remain under unjustified house arrest in frail health at the age of 90 years;

Calls upon the Government of Pakistan to:

- i) Name the proposed 'Pakistan University of Engineering and Emerging Technologies' near Prime Minister House in Islamabad as ' Syed Ali Shah Gilani University of Engineering and Emerging Technologies';
- ii) Confer the highest Civil Award ' Nishan-e-Pakistan' on Syed Ali Shah Gilani for his life-long services and sacrifices for the just and fair settlement of Kashmir issue in the light of UN Resolutions, and the right of self-determination duly recognized by international law;
- iii) Include the life and struggle of Syed Ali Shah Gilani in the educational curriculum at federal and provincial level; and
- iv) Mobilize world conscience to help Syed Ali Shah Gilani get best available medical treatment at a place of his choice.”

The Resolution was not opposed and unanimously passed by the House.

2. Senator Sirajul Haq moved the following resolution:-

“This House recommends that the Government may declare Friday as weekly public holiday in the country.”

The Resolution was opposed by the Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs thereafter, the Chairman directed that the matter be brought before the Business Advisory Committee.

3. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed to move the following resolution:-

“This House recommends that the Government should take necessary steps to fix the minimum wage for labourers at par with the price of one tola gold, ensure the provision of financial assistance and ration to daily wagers and labourers working in informal sectors and issue special passes to the labourers for purchasing kitchen items from utility stores on discount rates.”

The Resolution was deferred on written request of the Member.

MOTIONS

[Under Rule 218]

- 1. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed moved that this House may discuss US-Taliban peace deal in Afghanistan with particular reference to its impacts on Pakistan and the region.**

The following Members also spoke on the issue:

- Senator Mushtaq Ahmed
- Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed
- Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif
- Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Leader of the House
- Senator Lt. Gen. (R) Abdul Qayyum HI (M)
- Senator Sirajul Haq
- Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar
- Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan
- Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs

The Motion was talked out.

- 2. Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi to move that this House may discuss the lack of proactive role of National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) in disaster management and the need to strengthen its role in disaster management.**

The Motion was dropped due to absence of Member.

- 3. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed moved that this House may discuss the issue of increase of circular debt beyond Rs. 1660 Billion.**

The following Members also spoke on the issue:

- Senator Mushtaq Ahmed
- Senator Mohsin Aziz
- Mr. Umer Ayub Khan, Minister for Energy

The Motion was talked out.

4. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi moved that the House may discuss the need for establishment of a Constitutional Court and the options for enhancing current setup of the Supreme Court of Pakistan.

The following Members also spoke on the issue:

- i. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi
- ii. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar
- iii. Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed
- iv. Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi
- v. Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs.

The Motion was talked out.

POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

- Senator Dilawar Khan Spoke about the deportation of doctors from various provinces working at PIMS.

The Chairman directed to seek report from the Secretary Health with the direction to withdraw the show cause notices issued to the doctors.

- Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi spoke about Anwar Kethran, Journalist from Barkhan, brutally killed in Balochistan.

The Matter was referred to Standing Committee concerned.

- Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar spoke about dispute of land allocated for BUITEMS Campus.

The Chairman directed to seek report from the Chief Secretary.

At 07:44 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Wednesday, the 29th July, 2020, at 10:30 a.m.

**Islamabad,
the 27th of July, 2020.**