

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
DAILY JOURNAL
(303RD SESSION)

Date and Day	16 th September, 2020 (Wednesday)
Commenced at	10:30 a.m.
Adjourned at	12:45 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	79
Total Working Hours	02 hours and 15 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

QUESTIONS

Questions entered in a separate list were asked and their replies were given.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

MOTION

[Under Rule 194(1)]

1. Senator Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri, Chairman, Standing Committee on Religious Affairs and Inter-Faith Harmony, 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 Committee on the Bill further to amend the Muslim Family Laws Ordinance, 1961 [The Muslim Family Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2020], introduced by Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi on 20th July, 2020, may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 18th September, 2020.

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

2. 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 Committee on a Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Mushtaq Ahmed on 20th July, 2020, regarding "Transparency in the recruitment process of Meter Readers and Linemen in PESCO" may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 19th September, 2020.

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

3. 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 Committee on a Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar on 20th July, 2020, regarding "Provision of electricity to Chromite-Mining Areas of Muslim Bagh, District Qilla Saifullah, Balochistan" may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 19th September, 2020.

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

4. Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi on behalf of Senator Rubina Khalid, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Information Technology and Telecommunication 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 Committee on a Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini on 15th July, 2020, regarding non-availability of Internet facility in the areas of Daag, Aarangi and Battu, etc, province of Balochistan, may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 15th September, 2020.

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

5. Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi on behalf of Senator Rubina Khalid, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Information Technology and Telecommunication, 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 Committee on a Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh on 22nd July, 2020, regarding problems being faced by young IT Professionals and Investors due to non-serious attitude of the Government, may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 22nd September, 2020.

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

6. Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi on behalf of Senator Rubina Khalid, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Information Technology and Telecommunication, 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 Committee on a Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh on 24th July, 2020, regarding Imposition of ban on Social Media applications in Pakistan, may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 24th September, 2020.

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

REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES - PRESENTATION OF:

1. Senator Faisal Javed, Chairman, Standing Committee on Information and Broadcasting, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Press Council of Pakistan Ordinance, 2002 [The Press Council of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2020], introduced by Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, on 13th July, 2020.
2. Senator Faisal Javed, Chairman, Standing Committee on Information and Broadcasting, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority Ordinance, 2002 [The Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2020], introduced by Senator Faisal Javed, on 8th June, 2020.
3. Senator Faisal Javed, Chairman, Standing Committee on Information and Broadcasting, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of starred question No. 1, asked by Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi on 3rd March, 2020, regarding, names, educational qualification and experience of the Chairman and Managing Director of PTV including their salaries and allowances and other fringe benefits.
4. Senator Faisal Javed, Chairman, Standing Committee on Information and Broadcasting, presented report of the Committee on a Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar on 15th July, 2020, regarding, closure of PTV Bolan Channel.
5. Senator Fida Muhammad, Chairman, Standing Committee on Power, presented report of the Committee on various problems being faced by the renewable energy projects in the country and actual percentage of line losses/theft of the DISCOs.
6. Senator Fida Muhammad, Chairman, Standing Committee on Power, presented report of the Committee on a Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Moola Bux Chandio on 20th July, 2020, regarding action taken by the Power Division on the report of the sub-committee on Lakhra Power Plant (GENCO-IV) and alleged sale of gas turbine power station (GENCO-I), Kotri, Sindh.
7. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Cooperative Societies Act, 1925 [The Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 2020].
8. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997 [The Anti-Terrorism (Third Amendment) Bill, 2020].

MOTION
[Under Rule 196(1)]

Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq, Chairperson, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, 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 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 Communications regarding the payment to the land owners whose land was acquired for the construction of road from Kaghan to Babusar Top, presented to the House on 27th July, 2020, be considered and adopted.

Following spoke on the report:-

1. Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq.
2. Senator Lt. Gen. (R) Salahudin Tirmizi

The Motion was put to the House and report was adopted.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

1. Mr. Zaheer-Ud-Din Babar Awan, Adviser to the Prime Minister on Parliamentary Affairs, moved that the Bill further to amend the Cooperative Societies Act, 1925 [The Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 2020], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.

The Motion was put to the House which was adopted. Thereafter, the House started second reading of the Bill i.e. clause by clause consideration.

2. Mr. Zaheer-Ud-Din Babar Awan, Adviser to the Prime Minister on Parliamentary Affairs, moved that the Bill further to amend the Cooperative Societies Act, 1925 [The Cooperative Societies (Amendment) Bill, 2020], be passed.

The Motion was put to the House and the Bill was passed.

3. Senator Sajjad Hussain Turi, moved that the Bill further to amend the Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997 [The Anti-Terrorism (Third Amendment) Bill, 2020], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration, at once.

The Motion was put to the House which was adopted. Thereafter, the House started second reading of the Bill i.e. clause by clause consideration.

4. Senator Sajjad Hussain Turi, moved that the Bill further to amend the Anti-Terrorism Act, 1997 [The Anti-Terrorism (Third Amendment) Bill, 2020], be passed.

The Bill was rejected with votes of 31:34.

ZERO HOUR

1. Senator Mushahidullah Khan spoke about the reason/criteria for bestowing Tamgha-e-Imtiaz.

Following spoke on the issue:-

1. Adviser to the Prime Minister on Parliamentary Affairs.
2. Senator Muhammad Ayub.
2. Senator Mushtaq Ahmad spoke about passage of Coperative Societies Bill on the dictation of FATF.
3. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi spoke about the Sialkot Motorway incident.

- **At 12:45 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Friday, the 18th September, 2020, at 10:30 a.m.**

Islamabad,
the 16th of September, 2020.