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REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POWER

ON

**ACTION TAKEN BY THE POWER DIVISION ON THE REPORT OF
THE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE SSC ON POWER ON LAKHRA
POWER PLANT (GENCO-IV) AND ALLEGED SALE OF GAS
TURBINE POWER STATION (GENCO-I), KOTRI, SINDH**

PRESENTED BY:

SENATOR FIDA MUHAMMAD
CHAIRMAN

SENATE SECRETARIAT

REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON POWER ON POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE RAISED BY SENATOR MOULA BUX CHANDIO REGARDING ACTION TAKEN BY THE POWER DIVISION ON THE REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE OF THE SSC ON POWER ON LAKHRA POWER PLANT (GENCO-IV) AND ALLEGED SALE OF GAS TURBINE POWER STATION (GENCO-I), KOTRI, SINDH

I, Senator Fida Muhammad, Chairman, Standing Committee on Power, have the honour to present, on behalf of the Committee, this report on Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Moula Bux Chandio in the House on 20th July, 2020 regarding "Action taken by the Power Division on the report of the Sub-Committee of the SSC on Power on Lakhra Power Plant (GENCO-IV) and alleged sale of Gas Turbine Power Station (GENCO-I), Kotri, Sindh.

2. The composition of the Standing Committee is as under:-

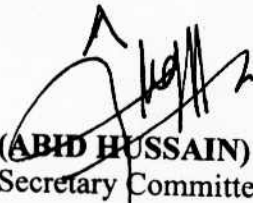
1.	Senator Fida Muhammad	Chairman
2.	Senator Mirza Muhammad Afridi	Member
3.	Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak	Member
4.	Senator Dr. Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi	Member
5.	Senator Ahmed Khan	Member
6.	Senator Agha Shahzaib Durrani	Member
7.	Senator Mushahidullah Khan	Member
8.	Senator Dilawar Khan	Member
9.	Senator Moula Bux Chandio	Member
10.	Senator Syed Muhammad Ali Shah Jamot	Member
11.	Senator Muhammad Akram	Member
12.	Senator Molvi Faiz Muhammad	Member
13.	Senator Siraj ul Haq	Member

3. The Committee considered the subject matter in its meeting held on 18th August, 2020, at 02:00 pm. in Committee Room No. 1, Parliament House, Islamabad. The following attended the meeting:-

1.	Senator Fida Muhammad	Chairman
2.	Senator Agha Shahzaib Durrani	Member
3.	Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak	Member
4.	Senator Dr. Ghous Muhammad Khan Niazi	Member
5.	Senator Moula Bux Chandio	Member/Mover
6.	Senator Mirza Muhammad Afridi	Member
7.	Senator Dilawar Khan	Member
8.	Senator Molvi Faiz Muhammad	Member
9.	Senator Syed Muhammad Ali Shah Jamot	Member
10.	Senator Siraj Ul Haq	Member

4. Senator Moula Bux Chandio, Mover of the agenda item said that a sub-Committee was constituted with reference to Lakhra Power Plant which had given recommendations in the matter but after passage of almost one and half year no progress had been made in that regard. He alleged that the government was not serious in making the plant functional. The MD, GHCL, informed the Committee that with regard to rehabilitation of existing 3X50 MW power plants, bidding process for carrying out feasibility study was completed in October 2019 and funds of Rs.79 million were required from Power Division to complete the feasibility study. It was advised by the Power Division to prepare PC-II for funding from PSDP which was submitted on 13-02-2020, he added. As regards new power plant of 330 MW, the Committee was informed that concept clearance paper was initially submitted on 22-11-2019 for government's approval. Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak was of the view that rehabilitation of the existing power plants would not produce the desired result. He advocated for establishment of a new 330 MW Power Plant in place of the existing one where infrastructure was already available including coal.

5. While talking on the second part of his Point of Public Importance, Senator Moula Bux Chandio brought to the notice of the Committee that he had learnt that the government was allegedly planning to sell the Gas Turbine Power Station, Kotri. The Committee was informed by the CEO, GENCO-I, that there was no proposal, under consideration, to sell the plant. It was further informed that GTPS was de-licensed by NEPRA on 13-02-2020 on the basis of inefficiency. The Committee was told that a review petition had been filed to NEPRA with an effective business plan requesting that either the units might be rehabilitated up to their designed efficiency or installation of latest power plant. Outcome of the petition was awaited, the Committee was informed. It was further informed that in case NEPRA did not accept the grievances of the JPCL, the management would plead the case in the Court of Law. The Committee recommended that the Power Division should actively pursue the cases/proposals for i) rehabilitation of the Lakhra Power Plant; ii) installation of new 330 MW Power Plant at the same site; and iii) making functional the Gas Turbine Power Station, Kotri. Since no more questions were raised by Senator Chandio, therefore, the Committee disposed of the matter accordingly.


(ABID HUSSAIN)
Secretary Committee


(SENATOR FIDA MUHAMMAD)
Chairman Committee