

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

to be asked at a sitting of the Senate to be held on

Wednesday, the 30th January, 2013

DEFERRED QUESTION

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| (i) | Question No. 86 | : | Set down for answering on 18th October, 2012 |
| (ii) | Questions Nos. 45 to 52, 55 to 58 and 62 | : | Set down for answering on 16th November, 2012 |
| (iii) | Questions Nos. 15, 15-A, 17, 18, 19 and 20 | : | Set down for answering on 4th January, 2013 |

86. ***Mr. Shahi Syed:** (Notice received on 17-05-2012 at 14:00 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names, designation, place of domicile and length of service of the employees of KESC retrenched or compulsorily retired since privatization of the company indicating also their salary at the time of retrenchment / retirement and the amount paid to them at that time; and*
- (b) *the terms and conditions of privatization of KESC under which the said persons were retrenched / compulsorily retired?*

Reply not received.

45. ***Syeda Sughra Imam:** (Notice received on 18-10-2012 at 20:40 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state the particulars of staff working or posted in the Ministry, the Gencos and the DISCOs facing enquiries or disciplinary action for misconduct or financial misdemeanors and action taken against them?

Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar: A total of 1275 cases of employees working/posted in DISCOs, GENCO's and MoWP are facing enquiries or disciplinary action for misconduct or financial misdemeanor in the (FY 2011-12 till date) the details of which is briefed as under:—

Sr. No.	Company	No. of employees involved	Annexures
1.	IESCO	NIL	—
2.	MEPCO	1123	Annex-A
3.	GEPSCO	NIL	—
4.	FESCO	125	Annex-B
5.	LESCO	1	Annex-C
6.	QESCO	23	Annex-D
7.	PESCO	3	Annex-E
8.	TESCO	NIL	—
9.	HESCO	NIL	—
10.	SEPCO	NIL	—
11.	GENCO-I	NIL	—
12.	GENCO-II	NIL	—
13.	GENCO-III	NIL	—
14.	GENCO-IV	NIL	—
15.	MoWP	NIL	—

G. TOTAL 1275

(Annexures have been placed on the Table of the House as well as Library.)

46. ***Haji Ghulam Ali:** (Notice received on 19-10-2012 at 09:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Government invited tenders and awarded contract for construction of Houses in the Officers Housing Scheme, Kurri Road, Islamabad, if so, the date on which the tenders were invited, particulars of tenders and the details of the contract so awarded;*
- (b) whether it is also a fact that said contract has been cancelled, if so, its reasons; and*
- (c) whether it is further a fact that the new tenders are being invited for the said scheme, if so, the time by which the tenders will be invited and the process of awarding the contract will be completed?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) Tenders for various categories of houses for Federal Government Officers of BPS-20-22 in four (04) packages were invited by PHA on March 16, 2012. Details of which are as under:—

- Cat-I Houses project is of Rs. 614.100 Mn. M/s Abdul Majeed & Co. is the lowest bidder in this package.
- Cat-II Houses project is of Rs. 862.843 Mn. M/s Techno International is the lowest bidder in this package.
- Cat-III (South) Houses project is of Rs. 421.297 Mn. M/s Abdul Majeed & Co. is the lowest bidder in this package.

Cat-III (North) Houses project is of Rs. 431.467 Mn. M/s National Construction Ltd is the lowest bidder in this package.

(b) The tenders were cancelled by the Board of Directors of PHA Foundation in its 3rd meeting held on May 18, 2012, in exercise of powers set out in the advertisement and Clause 17.04 or the instructions to the-bidders.

(c) Board of Directors of PHA Foundation reconsidered its decision regarding cancellation of tenders in its 4th meeting held on July 17, 2012 and decided to award the works to the lowest bidders keeping in view the time constraints and pressure of the allottees. Although Letters of Acceptance have been issued to all Contractors but further action on the matter has been stopped by Islamabad High Court by issuing stay Order.

47. ***Haji Ghulam Ali:** (Notice received on 19-10-2012 at 09:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state the ratio of land development charges and cost of plot / land levied by the Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation and the Pakistan Housing Authority on each of their individual project(s) in Islamabad?

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (A) FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES HOUSING FOUNDATION (FGEHF):

Cost of land and development charges were decided by the CDA and the rate per Sq.Yds. including development charging was applied @ Rs.250/- per Sq.Yd as directed by the Capital Development Authority (CDA).

Phase-II Sector E-12 & D-12:

Cost of land for I-8 was Rs.300 per Sq.Yard for development and Rs.650/- per Sq.Yard cost of land.

Phase-III G-13:

The Housing Foundation has charged @ Rs.600/- on of development charges with respective from allottee.

Phase-IV:

Initially Housing Foundation has allotted the plots on the basis of Phase-III plots as the land of G-14/1,2,3 is to be acquired yet and consequently the cost of land & development charge to be finalized.

Phase-V:

Land was provided by the Government for flats, only the cost of construction was charged by the allottee for flat on subsidized basis.

The cost of C type apartment 1100 sq.feet was Rs.21,60,000/-

The cost of D type apartment 900 sq.feet was Rs.16,66,000/-

The cost of E type apartment 700 sq.feet was Rs.13,20,000/-

(B) PAKISTAN HOUSING AUTHORITY FOUNDATION (PHAF):

None of the projects of Pakistan Housing Authority Foundation is developing plots in Islamabad, however, ratio of the land development charges to the cost of land in each of the ongoing housing projects in Islamabad is given below:—

Sl. No.	Project	Land Development Cost (Rs.)	Cost of Land (Rs.)	Ratio (Land Development Cost / Cost of Land.
1.	Housing scheme at Kurri Road Islamabad.	579,768,929	494,514,900	1.172
2.	Construction of D-Type Apartments at Sector G-10/2, Islamabad.	197,676,051	112,711,500	1.754
3.	Construction of C & E type Apartments at Sector G-11/3, Islamabad.	184,996,328	145,381,500	1.272
4.	Construction of C & D type Apartments at Sector I-11, Islamabad.	79,974,135	46,488,200	1.720

48. ***Haji Ghulam Ali:** (Notice received on 19-10-2012 at 09:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state whether it is a fact that service charges @ 16 percent are being charged from the Government officers who have been allotted houses in Officer's Housing Scheme, Korri Road, Islamabad, if so, its reasons?

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: It is to clarify that 16% service charges have not been charged from the Government Officers who have been allotted houses in the Officer's Housing Scheme, Kurri Road, Islamabad. However, 17.5% Miscellaneous Charges are being charged by Pakistan Housing Authority Foundation (PHAF), details are as under:—

- 5% Departmental Charges to meet the office charges.
- 3% Contingency Charges to meet the expenditure to be incurred on the project for petty purchases, expenditures on Lab charges etc.
- 3% Design and Supervision Consultancy Charges.
- 6.5% Escalation Provision to meet the price adjustment.

49. ***Mr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari:** (Notice received on 19-10-2012 at 10:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state the names and designation of the officers who have been allotted houses in Officers' Housing Scheme, Kurri Road, Islamabad, with category wise break up indicating also the amount of down payment and each installment fixed as well as deposited by each allottee so far?

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: Total 588 housing units of Cat-I, II & III have been allotted to Officers of BS-20, 21 and 22 in Officers' Housing Scheme, Kurri Road, Islamabad. The category wise lists of the officers who have been allotted houses in the said scheme including their names designations, the amount of down payment and each installment fixed as well as deposited by them so far are enclosed at Annex-A.

(Annexure has been placed on the Table of the House as well as Library.)

50. ***Mr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari:** (Notice received on 19-10-2012 at 10:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) the names, educational qualifications and experience of Directors and other officials working on the Officers' Housing Scheme, Kurri Road, Islamabad; and*
- (b) the name and previous experience of the company / firm / contractor executing the said scheme?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) The names, educational qualification and experience of Director and other officials working on the Officer's Housing Scheme, Kurri Road, Islamabad in PHA Foundation are:

S. No.	NAME	DESIGNATION	QUALIFICATION	EXPERIENCE
1.	Mr. Farooq Khan Sherwani	Director (Engineering)	BSc Engineering (Civil)	40 years
2.	Mr. Ali Akbar Sheikh	Project Director	BSc Engineering (Civil)	34 years

S. No.	NAME	DESIGNATION	QUALIFICATION	EXPERIENCE
3.	Mr. Muhammad Farooq Azam	Dy. Director (Engineering)	B. Tech (Honours) (Civil)	26 years in Capital Development Authority, Islamabad.
4.	Syed Afaq Ahmed	Assistant Director	BSc Engineering (Civil)	6 months in PHA Foundation, Islamabad.
5.	Mr. Adnan Nomi	Assistant Director	BSc Engineering (Civil)	6 months in PHA Foundation, Islamabad.
6.	Mr. Farooq Khan	Sub-Engineer	Diploma in Associate Engineering (Civil)	6 months in PHA Foundation, Islamabad.
7.	Mr. Faisal Rasool Ranjha	Sub-Engineer	Diploma in Associate Engineering (Civil)	6 months in PHA Foundation, Islamabad.

(b) M/s Progressive (Pvt) Ltd. was hired as Design Consultant for the Kurri Project while M/s MAAKSONS (Pvt) Ltd. is the Contractor executing the infrastructure works at site. Previous experiences of both the firms are enclosed as Annex-A and Annex-B respectively.

51. ***Mr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari:** (Notice received on 19-10-2012 at 10:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) *the schedule of completion of work on the Officers Housing Scheme, Kuri Road, Islamabad, which was intimated to the allottees;*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that work on said scheme is not being completed according to the said schedule, if so, its reasons; and*

(c) *the percentage of work completed on the said scheme so far and the time by which remaining work will be completed?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) The allottees were intimated that construction of housing units will be completed within 24 months of start of execution of work.

(b) Start of work was delayed due to litigation among the Contractors. However, infrastructure development work has started and efforts are being made to complete the work at site as per given schedule.

(c) The infrastructure works started on March 22, 2012 which has been completed, by 19% so far. Its remaining work, will be completed by September, 2013.

52. ***Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 20-10-2012 at 09:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state the present stage of the work on Turkmenistan-Afghanistan-Pakistan-India (TAPI) Gas Project?

Dr. Asim Hussain:

Project Implementation Status:

- Turkmenistan-Pakistan and Turkmenistan-India bilateral Gas Sale and Purchase Agreements (GSPAs) has been signed by the heads of respective commercial entities on 23rd May 2012. On the same day, Afghanistan and Turkmenistan have signed a Memorandum of Understanding on “Long Term Cooperation in Gas Sector”.
- TAPI Parties have agreed to a transit fee figure.
- Road Shows to verify Project Sponsor held during 9th -20th September 2012 in Singapore, New York and London.
- Discussion with the potential sponsors is currently in progress.

Way Forward on TAPI Project:

- *Appointment of Transaction Advisor.*—TAPI Parties already agreed in principle to appoint ADB as Transaction Advisor to broadly update the Pre-feasibility study, market the project, take the transaction to Financial Close and assist Parties in finalization of Pipeline Consortium.
- *Formation of Pipeline Consortium.*—Under the GPFA signed on 11th December 2010, TAPI Parties agreed to jointly form a consortium to finance, design and construct the project.

- The first gas flow is planned in Year 2017.

55. ***Mrs. Nasreen Jalil:** (Notice received on 23-10-2012 at 11:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state the names, designation and place of domicile of the persons appointed in the Ministry of Housing and its attached departments during 2010 and 2011?

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: The recruitments/appointments made in the Ministry of Housing and its following attached departments during 2010 and 2011 may be treated as “Nil”.

(a) National Housing Authority

(b) Estate Office Management

However, recruitments made in the following organizations under the Ministry of Housing during 2010 and 2011 are placed at flags mentioned against each.

(i) FGE Housing Foundation (**Annexure-A**).

(ii) PHA Foundation (**Annexure-B**).

56. ***Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 23-10-2012 at 11:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the losses caused due to pilferage of gas in the country are being passed on to the consumers, if so, its reasons?

Dr. Asim Hussain: This is not true that “all losses caused due to pilferage of gas in the country are being passed on to the consumers”.

There can be a number of factors comprising UFG such as leakages, measurement errors and theft/pilferage by consumer and non-consumers etc. The pilferage of gas is one of the reasons for Unaccounted for gas (UFG).

UFG is the difference between gas purchased, used by company and sold to the consumer.

Gas Utility Companies in Pakistan, in line with worldwide practice are allowed a certain percentage against the benchmark set by the Regulatory Authority. UFG within the allowable limits remains part of company’s revenue requirements (being passed on to consumers) while the impact of volumes over and above the benchmark limits does not form part of revenue requirement.

Hence not all UFG is passed on to the consumers. Gas Utility companies are penalized if UFG is above the allowed benchmark and have to pay from their own profits.

57. ***Mir Hasil Khan Bizenjo:** (Notice received on 23-10-2012 at 13:15 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to refer to the Senate starred question No. 24 replied on 10th October, 2012 and state the present status of work on restoration of damaged road between village Sagri and Doke Fatima, Tehsil and District Rawalpindi, due to laying of gas pipeline in that area?

Dr. Asim Hussain: The restoration of damaged road between Village Sagri and Dhok Fatima, Tehsil and District Rawalpindi has commenced and will be completed by 31st, January, 2013 barring unforeseen circumstances.

58. ***Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq:** (Notice received on 24-10-2012 at 09:10 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state the role of Pakistan State Oil in fixing prices of POL and petroleum products?

Dr. Asim Hussain: The price HSD, PMG, HOBC, SKO, LDO & Jet Fuel comprise of different components determined by different authorities as given below:—

1. Cost of Supply (Determined by PSO on the basis of its purchase cost).
2. Inland Freight Equalization Margin (Determined by OGRA).
3. Petroleum Levy (Announced by MP&NR).
4. PSO/OMCs Margin (Fixed by GoP).
5. Dealer Margin (Fixed by GoP).
6. Sales Tax (Fixed in Finance Bill each year).

62. ***Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq:** (Notice received on 30-10-2012 at 12:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation recently launched membership drive for registration for Federal Government Employees to provide them plots, if so, the number of employees registered under that drive so far;*

- (b) *the amount collected from the applicants and details of its utilization; and*
- (c) *whether it is also a fact that no housing scheme for allotment of plots has been launched for the registered employees so far, if so, its reasons and the steps taken to launch scheme in proper CDA sector?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation (FGEHF) has launched membership drive with the approval of Honourable Prime Minister of Pakistan in 2009 for registration of Federal Government Employees to provide them housing facility, 20148 employees of BS-1 to BS-22 have registered themselves so far.

(b) Rs.478 million has been collected so far on account of registration. The collected amount has been utilized for the initial payment of purchase of land for proposed housing scheme at Bara Kahu, CDA Zone-IV, Islamabad.

(c) Following two projects are in pipe-line to be launched in near future:—

- i. Proposed Housing Scheme at Bara Kahu, Zone-IV, Islamabad. Planning work on launch of the scheme has been completed and submitted to CDA for NOC. The Honourable Supreme Court of Pakistan took *Suo Moto* notice on above mentioned scheme. The matter is still under consideration before the Supreme Court.
- ii. G-14 storey apartments scheme in Sector G-13, Islamabad. Applications are invited from employees & General Public and are still under process. The project will be completed in 48 months after launch.
- iii. Summary to the Prime Minister of Pakistan for allocation of CDA Sector F-14 submitted on 20-09-2011 and resubmitted to the Ministry on 27-09-2012.
- iv. Foundation is unable to launch any scheme after 2005 because CDA could not provide any land for development of a housing scheme. However, Housing Foundation recently advertised Expression of Interest for Joint Venture for new housing/apartments schemes for Federal Government Employees. The matter is under process.

15. ***Mr. Muhammad Zafar Ullah Khan:** (Notice received on 21-12-2012 at 13:16 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state the names of Mohallahs / areas of Bhakkar city to which natural gas has not been supplied so far and the time by which the same will be supplied to those Mohallahs / areas?

Dr. Asim Hussain: The names of Mohallahs/areas of Bhakkar city to which natural gas has not been supplied so far are as under:—

1. Old City area Moh. Jatt.
2. Moh. Sakindri.
3. Moh. Jamia Rashidia.
4. Moh. Chah Kamal.
5. Moh. Eid Gah.
6. Moh. Zafar Shah.
7. Moh. Qasai Wala.
8. Moh. Sheikh Rao Sardar Bux Road.
9. Moh. Chamani.
10. Moh. Shaheen Cinema(Moh. Dhandla).
11. Chisti Hotel Chowk.
12. Mandi Town.
13. Katchi Abadi Mandi Town.
14. Moh. Ahmed Abad.
15. Moh. Raheem Abad.
16. Alam Abad.
17. Awan Chowk.
18. Kumharan Wala.
19. Sharmoon Wala.
20. Moh, Eid Gah.
21. Moh. Shahni.
22. Remaining parts of Hussain Abad.
23. Moh, Pir Bhar Shah.
24. Awan Abad.

Gas will be supplied to the remaining Mohallas/Areas in a phased manner during subsequent fiscal years.

15-A. ***Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq:** (Notice received on 21-12-2012 at 15:00 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister's Secretariat be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names, educational qualifications, experience and expertise of the consultants appointed in the Prime Minister's Secretariat since March 2008 indicating also the job assigned and salary, allowances and other fringe benefits admissible in each case;*

(b) *the criteria adopted for appointment of the said consultants; and*

(c) *the authority which approved those appointments?*

Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister's Secretariat: (a) Mr. Zain Iftikhar Sukhera was appointed as Consultant (BS-20) on Honorary Basis in Prime Minister's Secretariat (Public) on 26-07-2008. (Annex-I & II).

(b) His appointment was notified by the Establishment Division with the approval of the Prime Minister.

(c) As in (b) above.

17. ***Mrs. Nasreen Jalil:** (Notice received on 24-12-2012 at 13:45 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

(a) *the sectors earmarked for allotment of plots to Government employees in Islamabad, indicating the years in which these were developed;*

(b) *the number of plots earmarked for allotment to Government employees in each of the said sectors; and*

(c) *the steps taken by the Government to open new sectors for allotment of plots to age-wise eligible employees, retired or retiring, after opening of the last such sector?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) The FGE Housing Foundation has launched following five phases since its establishment:—

Phase	Sector	year of development	Total Plot earmarked for allotment
I	I-8/G-11	1994	3455
II	E-12/D-12	2010	2829
III	G-13/G-14/4	2003	6741
IV	G-14/1,2,3	Under process	5486
V.	G-11 (Flats)	2009	1094

(b) As above.

(c) Following two projects are in pipe-line to be launched in near future.

- (i) Housing Scheme at Bara Kahu, Zone-IV, Islamabad. Land has been acquired by Housing Foundation, however, the Honourable Supreme Court of Pakistan took *Suo-Moto* notice in June, 2009. The matter is now subjudice in Honourable Supreme Court of Pakistan. The decision is still awaited.
- (ii) Summary to the Prime Minister of Pakistan for allocation sector F-14 has been submitted. In 2009, with the approval of Prime Minister, the FGE Housing Foundation introduced Membership Drive for the purpose of registration of Federal Government Employees for allotment of plots / houses / apartments in future schemes.

Seniority of members is based on the date of deposit of fee on **first come first serve** basis. Retired employees can also opt for registration provided they have not got any plot from FGEHF or CDA.

18. ***Haji Ghulam Ali:** (Notice received on 24-12-2012 at 16:20 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) *the details of the per unit cost conveyed to the allottees of the Officers' Housing Scheme, Kurri Road, Islamabad, in January, 2011;*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that the said cost/price has latter been revised upward, if so, its details and reasons;*
- (c) *whether it is also a fact that according to schedule conveyed to allottees in January, 2011, the scheme was to be completed within three years;*
- (d) *whether it is further a fact that the work on the scheme is far behind the schedule, if so, its reasons; and*
- (e) *whether the allottees of the scheme are entitled for refund without any deduction on account of delay in completion of the scheme, if so, the procedure prescribed for it?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) The tentative per unit price conveyed to the allottees of the Officers' Housing Scheme, Kurri Road, Islamabad in January, 2011 is given below:—

BPS	Plot Size	Covered Area (Sft)	Tentative Price (Rs.)
22	50*90	4200	11,800,000
21	40*80	3000	8,500,000
20	30*60	1675	5,000,000

(b) Yes, the said prices were revised along with the covered areas of houses. Also, two options of houses were introduced that were Grey House and Finished House. The revised prices inclusive of land cost are given below:—

BPS	Type	Covered Area (Sft)/Plot Size	Sales Price (Rs.)	
22	Cat -I	4,272 (50' x 90')	10,294,692 (Grey House)	15,565,272 (Finished House)
21	Cat-II	3,431 (40' x 80')	8,262,848 (Grey House)	12,580,504 (Finished House)
20	Cat-III	1,995 (30' x 60')	4,720,972 (Grey House)	7,280,756 (Finished House)

(c) No, according to the schedule conveyed to the allottees the scheme will be completed within two years.

(d) No, the work on the scheme is going on according to the schedule.

(e) There is no refund policy on account of delay in completion of the scheme.

19. ***Haji Ghulam Ali:** (Notice received on 24-12-2012 at 16:20 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the Government Employees Housing Foundation charged development charges from the allottees in its projects in Sector D-12, E-12 and G-13@ per square yard; and*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the allottees of Houses in Officers' Housing Scheme, Kurri Road, Islamabad, are being charged development charges on the basis of total cost of land acquired for the scheme, if so, the reasons for this discrimination and the rate of development charges that runs into per square yard for this scheme?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) (A) FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES HOUSING FOUNDATION (FGEHF):

(i) The FGE Housing Foundation charged allottees for development in sector D-12/E-12 @ Rs.650/- per sq. yard in 1999 in three easy installments of six months. It is however, to mention that the CDA had allocated only developed plots to the Housing Foundation for allotment to Federal Government Employees and the land was acquired and developed by the CDA on their own arrangement. The rates of development charges per sq. yard were also assessed by CDA.

(ii) The Sector G-12 was acquired and developed by Housing Foundation exclusively with its own funds on self finance basis and the Housing Foundation charged Rs.350 per sq. yard in 2003-05 as development charges from the allottees. The Housing Foundation shifted only meager portion of the development cost and the rest was made good from the proceeds of disposition of commercial area.

(B) PAKISTAN HOUSING AUTHORITY FOUNDATION (PHAF):

Does not relate to PHA Foundation.

(b) (A) FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES HOUSING FOUNDATION (FGEHF):

Does not relate to FGE Housing Foundation.

(B) PAKISTAN HOUSING AUTHORITY FOUNDATION (PHAF):

The development charges are not being charged on the basis of total cost of land, so there is no discrimination.

20. ***Haji Ghulam Ali:** (Notice received on 26-12-2012 at 14:45 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) *the per square yard price of land acquired/purchased by the Government for the Officers' Housing Scheme, Kurri Road, Islamabad;*
- (b) *the per square yard price being charged by the Government from the officers who have been allotted plots in the said scheme; and*
- (c) *the per square yard development charges being charged from the allottees of the scheme?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) The land for development of houses under Kurri Housing Scheme is purchased @ Rs.1,125/- per sq. yard.

(b) The price of land being charged from the officers in Kurri Road Housing Scheme is Rs.1,125/- per sq. yard.

(c) The land development charges being charged from the allottees of Kurri Road Housing Scheme are @ Rs.1,818/- per sq. yard.

39. ***Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 07-01-2013 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state the duration of load shedding in the rural and urban areas?

Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar: Disco-wise load shedding being observed in rural and urban areas is given as under.

Disco	Duration of load shedding (Hrs) per day		REMARKS
	Urban Areas	Rural Areas	
TESCO	6 Hrs	6-12 Hrs	Duration of load shedding varies with the quantum of electricity shortfall.
POESCO	6 Hrs	6-12 Hrs	
QESCO	2 Hrs	12-18Hrs	
HESCO	6 Hrs	8 Hrs	
SEPCO	4 Hrs	8 Hrs	

Disco	Duration of load shedding (Hrs) per day		REMARKS
	Urban Areas	Rural Areas	
IESCO	3-5 Hrs	3-5 Hrs	
MEPCO	5-6 Hrs	10-12Hrs	
FESCO	4 Hrs	5 Hrs	
GEPCO	3-6 Hrs	3-6 Hrs	
LESCO	6 Hrs	6 Hrs	

40. ***Mrs. Farah Aqil:** (Notice received on 07-01-2013 at 10:20 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Works be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the road constructed by Pak PWD in Street 2, Bani Gala, Islamabad, out of my development funds for the year 2011-12, is in dilapidated condition; and*
- (b) *whether any inquiry has been conducted into the substandard work of the said road, if so, the action taken against the contractor / officials responsible for the substandard work, if not, its reasons?*

Reply not received.

41. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 07-01-2013 at 10:25 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to import LPG and LNG in near future, if so, when; and*
- (b) *the steps taken by the Government in this regard so far?*

Dr. Asim Hussain: (a) Yes. Government is pursuing import of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) and Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) under different projects. The implementation time will be clear after project award and execution of relevant agreements;

(b) Economic -Coordination Committee (ECC) of the Cabinet have approved following LNG and LPG import projects, which are at different stages of implementation;

LNG

- i. Two long term LNG import projects under integrated project structure for delivery of 400 MMCFD each at SSGC delivery point. M/s SSGC have received bids under 1st phase, while under 2nd phase, last date for bid submission is 15-02-2013.
- ii. Fast track LNG mport on tolling basis for 200 MMCFD. Under this arrangement, a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) will procure LNG from international sources. For LNG/RLNG receiving, the SPV will invite proposals for setting up of terminal under tolling arrangement from existing terminal holders if SPV's own LPG terminal is not feasible. The project has been put on hold till outcome of bidding process of long term projects.
- iii. Import of approximately 200 MMSCFD Regasified LNG (RLNG) from India.

Negotiations with India's nominated commercial entity (*i.e.* M/s GAIL) for supply of RLNG to Pakistan for 3-5 years is in progress.

LPG

- iv. M/s SSGCL LPG Ltd is reviewing its LPG import plans based on the expected LPG volumes demand and requirement of Air-Mix/ SNG plants.
42. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 07-01-2013 at 10:25 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of Government Employees registered so far for the housing scheme launched by the Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation with year-wise and category-wise break-up; and*

(b) *the amount collected as registration fee from the said employees with year-wise break-up?*

Reply not received.

43. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 07-01-2013 at 10:25 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

(a) *the names and location of oil refineries in the country indicating also refining capacity of each refinery; and*

(b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to establish new oil refineries in the country, if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?*

Dr. Asim Hussain: (a) Seven oil refineries are operating in the country. Location and capacity of each refinery is as under:—

S.No	Name of Refinery and location	Capacity (Barrel per. day)
1	Pak-Arab Refinery Limited (PARCO), Mahmood Kot, Muzafargarh.	100,000
2	National Refinery Limited (NRL), Karachi	62,050
3	Pakistan Refinery Limited (PRL), Karachi	47,110
4	Attock Refinery Limited (ARL), Rawalpindi	42,000
5	Byco Petroleum Pakistan Limited (BYCO), Hub, Baluchistan	35,000
6	Enar Petroleum Refining Facility, Karachi	2,500
7	Byco Oil Pakistan Limited, Hub Baluchistan	120,000

(b) Proposals of Oil Refinery projects are as under:—

Name of Refinery Project	Location	Capacity Barrels Per Day (Million tons per annum)
Trans Asia Refinery Limited	Port Qasim Karachi	100,000 (4.5)

Khalifa Coastal Refinery	Khalifa Point Hub Baluchistan	250,000 (11.5)
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	Not yet finalized	40,000 (1.8)

GOP has provided various incentives to encourage investment in oil refining sector, which interalia includes as under:—

- No prior permission is required for setting up of new refineries or for expanding the existing ones.
- There will be no restriction on the import of crude oil.
- Refineries shall be allowed to sell products to any marketing company or they can setup their own companies.
- Refinery can be set up at their own location/choice.

44. ***Mr. Hamza:** (Notice received on 07-01-2013 at 13:20 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of villages to which natural gas was supplied by Sui Norther Gas Pipeline Limited during 2011 and 2012;*
- (b) *the names of villages in district Toba Taik-Singh to which natural gas was supplied from 2008 to 2012 and the expenditure incurred in each case; and*
- (c) *the reasons for granting permission for supply of natural gas at a time when country is facing its shortage?*

Dr. Asim Hussain: (a) Natural gas was supplied to 408 villages during 2011-2012 under the area of operation of SNGPL.

(b) We attach at **Annex-I** indicating the names of villages in district Toba Taik Singh to which natural gas was supplied from 2008 to 2012 and the expenditure incurred in each case.

(c) Although, the country is facing gas shortage, SNGPL has been conveying demand supply gas position while submitting cost estimates to the Ministry. However, projects for supply of gas to new towns/villages are only undertaken after issuance of Prime Minister's directives.

45. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mehmood:** (Notice received on 08-01-2013 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to enhance rental ceiling of the Government employees for hiring residences, if so, when?

Reply not received.

46. ***Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 08-01-2013 at 10:20 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state whether it is a fact that foreign institutions have refused to provide funds for Bhasha Dam, if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar: • Foreign institution has not refused to provide funds for Diamer Basha Dam Project.

- Economic Affairs Division (EAD) has increased its efforts to arrange financing for Diamer Basha Dam Project.
- Negotiations are under way with Asian development Bank (ADB), United states Agency for International development (USAID), Islamic Development Bank (IDB), Friends of Democratic Pakistan (FODP) and Abu Dhabi Fund etc. but no confirm commitment is received as yet.

47. ***Syeda Sughra Imam:** (Notice received on 08-01-2013)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state:

- (a) *the year in which India started construction of Baglihar Dam and the year in which it was completed; and*
- (b) *the steps taken by the Government of Pakistan to object to the construction of dam under the Indus Water Treaty?*

Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar:

- (a) Date of start of construction of Baglihar 1999
Hydroelectric Plant:

Completion Date:

2008

(b) India supplied information about Baglihar Hydroelectric Plant in 1992. Pakistan raised its objection on the design of the Plant in 1992. The issue was discussed in various meetings of Permanent Indus Commission but could not be resolved. After failure of the Commission Pakistan requested the World Bank to appoint Neutral Expert for the resolution of the issue. The World Bank appointed the Neutral Expert in May 2005. Five meetings of the Parties with Neutral Expert were held in Jun. 2005, Oct. 2005, May 2006, Oct. 2006 and Nov. 2006 respectively.

The Neutral Expert gave his final determination on 12th February, 2007. In which Neutral Expert decided three out of four questions in Pakistan's favour but the Major objection by Pakistan on the positioning of Spillways was in favour of India.

48. ***Syeda Sughra Imam:** (Notice received on 08-01-2013)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state:

- (a) *the years of start of construction work and completion of Kishan Ganga Dam by India; and*
- (b) *whether the construction of Dam was in violation of Indus Water Treaty, if so, the steps taken by the Government to object to the construction?*

Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar:

- (a) Date of start of construction of Kishenganga Hydroelectric Plant: 2008

Completion Date:

Expected in 2016

(b) The detailed information about Kishenganga run-of-river hydroelectric plant was received from India in June 2006. Pakistan communicated its objections on the design of spillway and diversion of flow from one tributary to another tributary in August 2006. Pakistan's questions/ objections on the design of the proposed plant were discussed in three meetings of the commission without reaching the resolution by agreement. On the request of Pakistan a seven member court of arbitration was instituted in 2010. Now the case is under resolution by the court of arbitration. All the written submissions have completed. Pakistan submitted application to the CoA for 'interim measures' in June 2011 and the hearing of the Court regarding Interim Measures was held in August 2011. The Court issued an Order on Interim Measures in September 2011. The final oral hearing of the Court was held in August 2012. Under the Court of Arbitration's Rules of Procedure, the Court shall endeavour to render its Award within 6 Months of the close of hearings.

49. ***Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 09-01-2013 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state the details of punishments awarded to the persons involved in theft of electricity by tempering electricity cables and meters?

Reply not received.

50. ***Syeda Sughra Imam:** (Notice received on 09-01-2013)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state:

- (a) *the year in which India started construction of Nimoo Baghazoo Dam and the year in which it was completed; and*
- (b) *the steps taken by the Government of Pakistan to object to the construction of dam under Indus Water Treaty?*

Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar:

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| (a) Date of start of construction of Nimoo | 2006 |
| Bazgo Dam Hydroelectric Plant: | |
| Completion Date: | 2012 |

(b) India supplied information about the Plant on 27 December 2006 and within the stipulated period of three months, Pakistan Commissioner for Indus Waters communicated the objections on the design of the Plant on 30 March 2007 that it does not conform the criteria (a), (c), (d), (e) and (f) laid down in Paragraph 8 of Annexure D to the Treaty.

Pakistan's questions with regard to freeboard/parapet wall was addressed by ICIW during the meeting by making openings (4x4") in the solid parapet wall at the dam crest level as have been agreed for Uri-II and Chutak Plants. With reference to the Pondage and Orifice spillway, however, India was unable to support its design as it lacked data and information. PCIW therefore, recorded his intention to proceed further for the next step as provided in the Treaty for resolution of the issue. The matter was taken up with the Indian 'Government in accordance with Article IX(4) of the Treaty and the Government of India was invited to resolve the dispute by agreement. As India has completed the Nimoo-Bazgo HEP and the plant is under operation, therefore, a re-evaluation of the matter is under consideration for taking up the case with Neutral Expert/Court of Arbitration.

51. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mehmood:** (Notice received on 10-01-2013 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) *the estimated number of homeless families in the country; and*
- (b) *the steps being taken by the Government to provide housing facilities to the said families?*

Reply not received.

52. ***Maulana Muhammad Saleh Shah:** (Notice received on 10-01-2013 at 16:40 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names and designations of Officers in BPS-22 who have been allotted one kanal plots under the Prime Minister package since its inception indicating also the number and location of plot in each case;*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that the apex Court has recently struck down some of the said allotments, if so, the details of such allotments with names of the allottees;*
- (c) *the reasons for striking down the said allotments and steps taken to allot them plots; and*
- (d) *the names and designation of the officers in BPS-22 who have not been allotted plots under the said package so far indicating also the reasons thereof and the steps being taken by the Government to allot them plots?*

Reply not received.

53. ***Maulana Muhammad Saleh Shah:** (Notice received on 10-01-2013 at 16:40 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is fact that the Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation initiated a housing scheme at Bara Kahu, Islamabad, in 2009;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the Supreme Court of Pakistan has taken notice of the scheme, if so, the findings of the court; and*
- (c) *the steps taken by the Government for provision of plots to the employees who have been retired after the initiation of the Bara Kahu housing scheme or retiring till the finalization of the case by the Supreme Court?*

Reply not received.