

**SENATE SECRETARIAT**

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**“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”**

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

**Friday, the 30th January, 2015**

*DEFERRED QUESTIONS*

*(Questions Nos. 88, 77, 78, 80, 81, 93, 95, 97, 98, 103, 104, 105  
and 1 to 26 Deferred on 6th January, 2015 (109th Session))*

88. (Def.) **\*Syeda Sughra Imam:** (Notice received on 8-1-2014 at 12:45 p.m)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state whether it is a fact that some seminaries / madrassahs in the country are receiving financial and other support like training of clerics, teachers, curriculum development etc. from some foreign Islamic countries, if so, the details thereof?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** Madaris are registered under various laws (A) including Companies Ordinance 1984, Trust Act 1882, Societies Registration Act 1860, Voluntary Social Welfare Agencies (Registration and Control Ordinance 1961), Charitable and Religious Trust Act 1920, Musalman Waqf Act 1913, Charitable Endowments Act and Societies Registration Act (1860).

These laws are now devolved to the provinces in the post 18th Amendment arrangement. There is sufficient control and vigilance within these laws to monitor the working of madrassahs, including checking their financial sources and conducting audit. Implementation rests with provincial governments.

Some madaris are receiving financial support from Muslim countries. However often money transactions are difficult to trace. The Anti Money Laundering Act of 2013 is dedicated to tracking down illegal transactions and includes monitoring of any transfer of money to a madrassah (B). Sections 3,4,6, and 7 of AML Act 2013 are specifically focused on restricting illegal monetary transactions.

Available information regarding sources of funding is with provincial government as per requirement within the registration process. The information so far received from provincial governments is at **Annex (C)**.

In terms of security the Ministry of Interior is cognizant of some madaris and particular classification may be associated with these in terms of security and foreign funding. This has



2012	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2013	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2014	147	126	77	57	14	08	429
<b>G.Total</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>486</b>	<b>186</b>	<b>173</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>09</b>	<b>1238</b>

(b) No post is lying vacant.

80. (Def) **\*Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah :** (Notice received on 17-06-2014 at 10:30 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the amount spent by the Federal Government for maintaining law and order in the country since January, 2013;*
- (b) *the steps taken up by the Government to confiscate illegal weapons in Islamabad Capital Territory since 2008;*
- (c) *the number of illegal weapons confiscated during the said period;*
- (d) *the progress made in connection with safe city project for Islamabad Capital Territory so far; and*
- (e) *the steps taken up by the Government to eliminate / minimize the crimes of theft, robbery, dacoity and kidnapping for ransom in Islamabad, Capital Territory?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** (a) Since January, 2013 an amount of Rs.10.06 Billion has been spent for maintaining law & order in the country:—

(b) The ICT Police has taken the following steps to confiscate the illegal weapons from the law violators:—

- Islamabad Capital Territory Police is more vigilant in surveillance of the people accused of these offences and present on bail from the court of law and also keep track of their whereabouts.
- All the SHOs/SDPOs have been strictly directed to check the suspects/suspicious vehicles/motorcycles at all inlets/outlets of Islamabad.
- Random raid at the residence of previous record holders are being conducted.
- Randomly Nakabandi of all exits of Islamabad are held at different venues and times.
- All the accused persons who were released from jail are kept under observation.

(c) The detail of illegal Weapons confiscated since 2008 is as under:—

S. #	Weapons	Total
1.	Kalashnikovs	188
2.	Rifles 44 Bore	139
3.	Rifles 222 Bore	82
4.	Rifles 7/8 mm	82
5.	Rifles 30 Bore	36
6.	Pistols	4510
7.	Revolvers	294
8.	Guns 12 Bore	611
9.	Carbines	67
10.	Magazines	901
11.	Mouzers	05
12.	Knives	219
13.	Cartridges	146777
14.	Grenades	49
15.	Explosive Material	629.500Kg
16.	Rifle MP-5	07
17.	Suicide Jackets	14

(d) The survey of cameras locations has been completed by ICT Police and building design of ECC has also been approved. The Safe City Islamabad Project, has been re-initiated on 26th March, 2014. The Project is in progress and is expected to be completed by the end of June, 2015.

(e) The ICT Police has taken the following steps to eliminate/minimize crime; theft, robbery, dacoity and kidnapping for ransom in Islamabad Capital Territory:—

- Identification of crime pockets.
- Crime Cluster Analysis.
- Action against car lifters, kidnapping for ransom & robbers/dacoits.
- Establishment of Nakas.
- Data Base (survey of Kachi Abadies).
- Intelligence based policing.
- Combining / Search Operations.

81. (Def.) \*Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi: (Notice received on 19-06-2014 at 10:25 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:*

*(a) the details of official vehicles and squad provided to the Ex-Ministers for Interior and Narcotics Control; and*

(b) *the details of expenditures being incurred on POL of the said vehicles and on security and the protocol facilities provided to the said Ministers?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** (a) No official vehicle and squad have been provided to any *ex*-Minister for Interior by the present Government. However, three official vehicles that were still in the use of former Ministers/ MOS for Interior have been retrieved by MoI during tenure of the present government.

(b) Presently no vehicle has been provided to *ex*-Ministers / MOS. Hence, no expenditure on POL is being incurred on this account.

93. (Def.) **\*Syeda Sughra Imam:** (Notice received on 03-07-2014 at 09:10 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state:*

(a) *the number of sites in Pakistan which have been declared world heritage sites by UNESCO; and*

(b) *whether UNESCO provide help or assistance for the said sites, if so, the details thereof?*

**Mr. Pervaiz Rashid:** (a) There are six Archaeological Sites / Monuments of Pakistan declared World Heritage Sites by UNESCO. The names of these Archaeological sites are as under:—

Name	Sl. No.
1. Archaeological Ruins at Moenjodaro	
2. Archaeological Ruins at Taxila	
3. Buddhist Ruins at Takht-e-Bahi and neighbouring city at Sehr-e-Behlol, Mardan	
4. Historical Monuments at Makli, Thatta	
5. Lahore Fort and Shalimar Garden, Lahore	
6. Rohtas Fort, Jhelum	

(b) UNESCO provides help/assistance for the preservation and conservation of world heritage sites.

UNESCO has provided financial/technical assistance for the preservation and conservation of World Heritage Sites of Pakistan. The detail of the same is as under:—

- I. Establishment of Scientific Laboratory at Water & Soil Investigation Laboratory (WASIL). Moenjodaro.
- II. Holding of Workshops / Trainings for conservation of World Heritage sites of Pakistan at Pakistan Institute of Archaeological Training and Research, Old Fort, Lahore (PIATR), Lahore.

- III. Preservation and Documentation of Lahore Fort, Shalimar Garden, Buddhist site of Ranighat and Swat through the financial assistance of friendly countries like Japan, Norway, etc.
- IV. Development of Master Plan for Preservation of Monuments at Makli Hills, Thatta and study of the cultural heritage of Pakistan for the purpose of promotion of tourism in the country.

Since April, 2011 after Constitution (18th Amendment) Act, 2010 (Act No. X of 2010) all world heritage sites of Pakistan are under the administrative control of the Provinces

95. (Def.) \***Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah** : (Notice received on 07-07-2014 at 10:15 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the educational qualifications and other criteria laid down for appointment of Chairman and Members of Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority;*
- (b) *whether there is any provision in the law / rules to appoint the Chairman and Members of the said authority on temporary and adhoc basis, if so, the details thereof; and*
- (c) *the procedure laid down for removal of the Chairman and Members of that authority?*

**Mr. Pervaiz Rashid:** (a) Under Section 6 (2) of Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority Ordinance 2002 as amended by PEMRA (Amendment) Act 2007, the Chairman shall be an eminent professional of known integrity and competence having substantial experience in media, business, management, finance, economics or law.

(b) There is no provision for adhoc or temporary appointment of the Chairman and Members of the Authority.

(c) Under Section 7 of Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority Ordinance 2002 as amended by PEMRA (Amendment) Act 2007, the Chairman and Members can be removed for misconduct, physical or mental incapacity. Excerpt of law is reproduced below:—

7. **Tenure of members.**—(1) *The Chairman and members, other than ex officio members, unless earlier removed for misconduct or physical or mental incapacity, shall hold office for a period of four years and shall be eligible for re-appointment for a similar term or as the Federal Government may determine:*

*Provided that the Chairman and a member shall retire on attaining the age of sixty-five years.*

*Explanation.—For the purposes of this section the expression “misconduct” means conviction for any offence involving moral turpitude and includes conduct prejudicial to good order or unbecoming of a gentleman.*

97. (Def.) \***Mr. Amar Jeet** : (Notice received on 08-07-2014 at 09:30 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state:*

- (a) the names, educational qualifications and place of domicile of the persons, including those belonging to minorities, appointed in National Language Promotion Department during the last five years; and*
- (b) whether the quotas reserved for minorities, disabled and women were observed in the said appointments, if not, its reasons?*

**Mr. Pervaiz Rashid:** (a) Detail of persons appointed in National Language Promotion Department (NLPD) during the last five years is attached at **Annex-I**.

(b) The quotas reserved for minorities, disabled and women were observed in the said appointments.

98. (Def.) \***Mr. Amar Jeet** : (Notice received on 08-07-2014 at 09:30 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state:*

- (a) the names, educational qualifications and place of domicile of the persons, including those belonging to minorities, appointed in Federal Land Commission during the last five years; and*
- (b) whether the quotas reserved for minorities, disabled and women were observed in the said appointments, if not, its reasons?*

**Mr. Pervaiz Rashid:** (a) The detail of appointments made during the last five years is at **Annex-I**.

(b) Federal Land Commission (FLC) is observing quota reserved for employment of Minorities (Non Muslims) and presently one employee is working in the Commission, whereas a post of this quota has been lying vacant since 1-7-2013. Three women have been employed in the Commission, Two employees against disabled quota have also been employed in the Commission. It is, further submitted that 09 posts are lying vacant in the FLC which will be filled upon lifting of ban and shortfall (if any) shall be fulfilled accordingly.

103. (Def.) \***Mr. Osman Saifullah Khan** : (Notice received on 26-08-2014 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state the steps taken / being taken by the Government to promote bicycling in Islamabad Capital Territory indicating also the measures taken for the safety of bicyclists?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** Education Wing of Islamabad Traffic Police (ITP) has conducted programmes for school children called “**Bicycle Rodeo**”, wherein school’s students are invited at Islamabad (Traffic Police Headquarters) to undergo road safety test. The test comprises of theoretical questions and practical/physical awareness about Traffic Rules while riding bicycles at Traffic Theme Park.

2. In addition, Traffic Rules for Cyclists of Highway Code Book, was well defended as under:—

- **There should be proper brakes in bicycle.**
- **Bicyclists will ensure proper front and rear lights.**
- **Bicyclists will ensure reflective board on the back of his cycle.**
- **If a cyclist is taking a cycle on the road without using lights, he should walk towards left side of the road.**
- **The bicyclists are authorized to observe the instructions of Highway Code Book to save their own precious lives as well as of others.**

3. ITP is planning to start education programme/campaign to inculcate traffic awareness with regard to use of bicycles in ICT area and safety of bicyclists.

4. In the developed and planned areas of ICT, a special road marking with “yellow continuous line on extreme left side of the road” highlights the following:—

- **Bicyclists can ride on extreme left side in between continuous yellow line and footpath.**
- **Temporary parking of the private vehicles for a short time can to be made here. However, proper road furniture for bicyclist in entire ICT Police are is utmost essential.**

5. In addition, necessary amendments in Motor Vehicles Ordinance, 2008 for addition in the 12th Schedule regarding violation of Traffic Rules by the cyclist at Sr. No. 53 (Violation of Red Light by cyclists) *i.e.* “Riding a bicycle in the fast lane or without front/rear reflectors or taking turn without proper indication by the arm” are under process.



104. (Def.) \***Mr. Abdul Nabi Bangash:** (Notice received on 09-09-2014 at 09:40 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state whether PEMRA has framed / issued code of conduct / moral values for TV channels in the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons thereof?*

**Mr. Pervaiz Rashid:** Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (PEMRA) was established on 1st March, 2002 through an Ordinance to facilitate the growth of Electronic Media and to regulate its operations.

PEMRA has devised Code of Conduct for programmes and advertisements for broadcast media and distribution services through PEMRA Rules 2002 and which is part of PEMRA Rules 2009 [Clause 2 (1) (f) and 15(1)]. (Copy of Code of Conduct is annexed at **Annex-I**). The same has been incorporated in the terms and conditions of the licence. This Code of Conduct is duly signed by all the licensees of PEMRA.

For a mutually accepted code of conduct Federal Government constituted a Committee of neutral and eminent experts in 2009 headed by Justice (R) Fakharuddin G Ibrahim. The committee was assigned the task to assist the Government to formulate a mutually accepted voluntary Code of Conduct/ethics based on the principle of self regulation for the electronic media in Pakistan. The committee on the basis of draft code of conduct of PBA and after taking input from all stakeholders furnished its findings/draft to the Government which was circulated amongst the stakeholders for review & comments. However, Pakistan Broadcasters Association did not respond on to the draft prepared by the Committee.

Ministry of Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage on 08-05-2014 constituted another Committee on the directions of the Prime Minister of Pakistan to remove ambiguities in the code of conduct for the electronic media. The Committee is headed by Mr. Irfan Siddiqui, Special Assistant to the Prime Minister while President All Pakistan Newspapers Society (APNS), President Pakistan Broadcasters Association (PBA), President Council of Pakistan Newspaper Editors (CPNE), Secretary, Law and Justice and Human Rights Division, and Additional Secretary, Ministry of Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage are its members.

The committee convened various meetings with stakeholders and thoroughly deliberated upon the provisions of Code of Conduct set out in Schedule-A of the PEMRA Rules, 2009, Code of Conduct devised by the Committee headed by Justice (R) Fakharuddin G Ibrahim, Self Regulatory Code of Conduct of PBA, and PEMRA (Content Regulations) 2012 (set aside by Supreme Court). The Committee has formulated draft Code of Conduct after removing the ambiguities in existing Code of Conduct for effective implementation mechanism of PEMRA laws.

105. (Def) \***Mr. Abdul Nabi Bangash:** (Notice received on 09-09-2014 at 09:40 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state whether PEMRA has framed / issued rules and regulations for commercial advertisements on TV channels in the country, if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons thereof?*

**Mr. Pervaiz Rashid:** Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (PEMRA) was established under PEMRA Ordinance 2002 which was subsequently amended as PEMRA (Amendment) Act 2007 with the mandate to regulate “**private electronic media**” in Pakistan *i.e.* Private Satellite TV channels, FM Radios, Cable TV networks, MMDS, DTH, IPTV, Mobile TV etc.

Advertisement has been defined in PEMRA Ordinance 2002/Amendment Act 2007 as “advertisement means a set of visual and audio messages for the projection of a product, service, or idea with the object of propagating sale, purchase or hire of the product, service or idea for creating other related effects”.

Section 19 (5) of PEMRA Ordinance 2002/Amendment Act 2007 states that the Authority is ordained to devise a Code of Conduct for programmes and advertisements for compliance by the licensees”.

Pursuant to the law, PEMRA has devised Code of Conduct for programmes and advertisements for broadcast media and distribution services through PEMRA Rules 2002 and also the same is part of PEMRA Rules 2009 [Clause 2 (1) (f) and 15(1)]. (Copy of Code of Conduct for advertisements is annexed at **Annexure-I**). This Code of Conduct is duly signed by all the Licensees of PEMRA.

Moreover, section 20 states the terms and conditions of the licence, in which (c) specifically provides which kind be aired or not, further clause (g) provides the compliance of copy rights, the same is reproduced below for ready reference:-

**20. Terms and conditions of licence:**—A person who is issued a licence under this Ordinance shall—

(c) ensure that all programmes and advertisements do not contain or encourage violence, terrorism, racial, ethnic or religious discrimination, sectarianism, extremism, militancy, hatred, pornography, obscenity, vulgarity or other material offensive to commonly accepted standards of decency 42;

(g) not broadcast or distribute any programme or advertisement in violation of copyright or other property right;

Furthermore, Rule 15 of PEMRA Rules 2009 states that all licensees have to strict compliance with the provisions of Section 20 of PEMRA Ordinance 2002/Amendment Act 2007. The same is reproduced below:—

**15. Programms and advertisement content.**—(1) The contents of the programmes and advertisements which are broadcast or distributed by the broadcast media or

distribution service operator, shall conform to the provisions of section 20 of the Ordinance, these rules, the code set out in the Schedule-A and terms and conditions of the licence.

- (2) The programmes shall also conform to the provisions of the Motion Pictures Ordinance, 1979 (XLIII of 1979), the rules and code of conduct made thereunder, whereas the advertisements shall also conform to the TV Code of Advertising Standards and Practices in Pakistan and Advertisement Code issued by the Authority.
- (3) During a regular programme a continuous break for advertising shall not exceed three minutes and duration between two such successive breaks shall not be less than fifteen minutes.
- (4) The licensee shall maintain a record and register of the programmes being broadcast or distributed by him and shall, for a period of not less than forty-five days, preserve such programmes.

It is pertinent to mention that PEMRA laws have no provision regarding censorship of advertisements.

1. (Def) **\*Mr. Hidayat Ullah :** (Notice received on 31-10-2014 at 11:30 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state the number of lungies conferred by the Government upon the people of FATA from March, 2008 to March, 2013 with Agency wise break up indicating also amount granted per lungi?*

**Lt. General (Retd.) Abdul Qadir Baloch:** “A total of 6325 Lungies were conferred in FATA from March, 2008 to March, 2013. The Agency wise detail is annexed.”

2. (Def) **\*Mr. Hidayat Ullah :** (Notice received on 31-10-2014 at 11:30 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the number of educational institutions in FATA and the number of students enrolled therein with agency-wise breakup;*
- (b) *the average number of students per class in the said institutions; and*
- (c) *the average students-teachers ratio in those institutions?*

**Lt. General (Retd.) Abdul Qadir Baloch:**

- (b) Students per Class

Primary 1 : 53

Secondary 1 : 35

Average 1 : 44

(c) Students Teacher ratio

Male 1 : 29

Female 1 : 33

3. (Def) **\*Mr. Hidayat Ullah :** (Notice received on 31-10-2014 at 11:30 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state the number of retired officers presently re-employed in FATA / FATA Secretariat with agency-wise break up?*

**Lt. General (Retd.) Abdul Qadir Baloch:** FATA Secretariat has stated that they did not reemploy any person retired after attaining the age of superannuation. Hence reply to the question may be treated as 'NIL'.

4. (Def) **\*Mr. Karim Ahmed Khawaja:** (Notice received on 31-10-2014 at 11:35 a. m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state whether it is a fact that there is a security threat to Centaurus Mall, Islamabad, if so, the steps taken / being taken by the Government for safety and protection of that Mall?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** A threat was received by the administration of Centaurus through e-mail. An F.I.R. was duly registered at Police Station, Marglla on 11-10-2014 and the e-mail traced to an address in Afghanistan. Due Security is being provided to Centaurus which among other steps include:—

- (1) Deployment of Police Officials at all sensitive places including Centurus with the directions to maintain extra security measures at sensitive places.
- (2) The supervisors at Centaurus were directed to maintain alert through their own private security guards in consultation with local police.

5. (Def) **\*Mr. Ahmed Hassan:** (Notice received on 31-10-2014 at 11:45 a. m.)

*Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the number of registered IDPs of North Waziristan Agency at present;*
- (b) *the amount disbursed for the said IDPs so far with head-wise break-up; and*
- (c) *whether the Government has prepared any plan for repatriation of those IDPs if so, the details thereof?*

**Lt. General (Retd.) Abdul Qadir Baloch:** (a) “Up to 22nd January, 2015 FDMA has registered a total of 102,047 families out of these NADRA has verified 93,231 families.

(b) “Federal Government has released Rs. 6,075.154/- Million for payment of cash grant and allied expenditures of North TDPs. The detail of head wise expenditure made by FDMA is annexed at –A”.

(c) “Presently Operation Zarb-e-Azb is going on due to which return process of the North TDPs can not be initiated. As soon as the area is cleared by the Law Enforcing Agencies (LEAs) and handed over to the Civil Administration, processes for return and rehabilitation of the TDPs will be initiated by the Government in consultation with all stakeholders”

6. (Def) **\*Begum Najma Hameed:**(Notice received on 05-11-2014 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the number of persons Working in PTV with grade-wise and province wise breakup; and*
- (b) *the salary, allowances and other fringe benefits admissible to the said employees with grade-wise breakup?*

**Mr. Pervaiz Rashid:** (a) Group wise/Province wise breakup of working PTV employees at “Annexure-A”.

(b) Group wise breakup of Salary/Pay Scale along with fringe benefits admissible to PTV Employees of Pay Group-1 to 9 at “Annexure-B”.

7. (Def) **\*Syeda Sughra Imam:** (Notice received on 05-11-2014 at 10:35 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether there is any mechanism / procedure in the National Security Policy to prevent foreign financing to the banned, terrorist and militant organizations and individuals in the country, if so, the details thereof; and*
- (b) *the details of steps taken by the Government to stop foreign financing to the said organizations and individuals in country so far?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** (a&b) Money provides an essential fuel to terrorism. The counter terrorism strategy provides for a legal framework to effectively disrupt and dismantle terrorist financing networks by choking and interdicting terrorist funding.

2. The following legislation has been done to prevent foreign financing to terrorists and to banned militant organization:

- i. Amendments in Anti-Terrorism Act (ATA) 1997 which provide for:
  - a. Freezing/ forfeiture of property and money.
  - b. Enhancement in imprisonment and fine.
  - c. Placement of banned militant organization in schedule-I and activists in schedule-IV.
- ii. Enactment of Anti Money laundering 2014 Act as per international standards.

3. A special cell has been established in FIA to detect investigate and prosecute terrorist financing cases.

4. The Governments of Australia and UK have organized special short training courses during 2014, for capacity building of FIA staff, personnel of State Bank and relevant staff of Ministry of Finance. The areas of training relate to monitoring of transaction through Hawala/ Hundi, strengthening investigation skills, preparation of documents, transaction procedures and monitoring of suspicious transactions.

5. Ministry of Finance has also evolved effective mechanism to monitor suspected transactions through State Bank and other scheduled Banks.

8. (Def) \*Mrs. Sehar Kamran : (Notice received on 05-11-2014 at 11:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether the present strength of the ICT Police is sufficient to cope with the law and order situation in the capital; and*
- (b) *the number of vacant posts in the said department with grade-wise break-up and the time by which the same will be filled in?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** (a) Present strength of ICT Police is in-sufficient to cope with the law & order situation in the Capital. Recently, ICT Police requisitioned strength from FC, Punjab Police and AJK Police to cope with the law and order and security situation during sit-ins of PAT and PTI in Islamabad.

Proposal for creation of 6202 new posts is under process.

(b) At present, 700 vacant posts of Constables and 45 of ASIs are available with ICT Police. The recruitment against vacant posts is in process.

9. (Def) **\*Mr. Shahi Syed :** (Notice received on 05-11-2014 at 2:25 p.m)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:*

(a) *the brief history of transit visa policy of Pakistan with India; and*

(b) *whether any change has been brought or not in this policy keeping in view the situation and circumstances?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** (a) Government of Pakistan and the Government of India in pursuance of the provisions in the Simla Agreement of July 1972 regarding extension of travel facilities to the nationals of either country signed a bilateral visa agreement on 14-9-1974 which included the category of transit visa.

(b) Yes, a bilateral Visa Agreement was signed between Pakistan and India on 8th September 2012. The following changes have been brought in the transit visa.

*“Transit visa valid for upto two entries in the city / port of entry for 36 hours in each case will be issued to persons traveling by air or sea and proceeding to another country through Pakistan / India. Such Transit Visa will need to be obtained before undertaking the travel. No visa will be required for a passenger directly transiting through an airport / seaport, but his / her stay shall be confined to the area in the airport / seaport set apart for international transit passengers”.*

10. (Def) **\*Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq:** (Notice received on 05-11-2014 at 2:30 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state the priorities set by the Government / Pakistan Railways for the next five years for making Pakistan Railways a profitable entity and for bringing in private participation for its modernization and technological up-gradation?*

**Khawaja Saad Rafique:** Pakistan Railways managed to earn Rs. 10651.388 million up to 20th November, 2014 against Rs. 8336.875 million in same period of the corresponding year, thus registered an increase of Rs. 2314.513 million (27.8%).

The following steps are underway for making Pakistan Railways a profitable organization.

- Pakistan Railways has involved private parties in commercial management of four passenger carrying trains and cargo express train.
- Right mix of passenger and freight trains

- A Freight Transport Company is being established to give top priority to freight transportation for generating revenues.
- Control over expenditure through computerized payments and pension to eliminate Ghost pensioners and rule out possibility of over payments.
- Procurement new Bogie Oil Tank Wagons.
- Procurement of new state of the art locomotives.
- Project of on line tracking system for tracking of locomotives and freight wagons is on hand.
- The terminal facilities are being augmented to curtail loading un-loading time by introducing modern facilities.
- Pakistan Railways is in process of up –gradation of its existing tracks on main corridor with the collaboration of China. Existing speed of trains from Karachi to Lahore would be increased upto 160 KMs/ per hour and from Lahore to Peshawar upto 120 KMs/ per hour.
- Doubling of track from Shahdara Bagh to Lalamusa.
- Improvement of Signaling System on Lodhran – Khanpur – Kotri section and Provision of Centralized Traffic Control on Shahdara Bagh – Lodhran section.
- Connecting Gwadar port with Railway network.
- Establishment of New Dry Port at Havelian.
- Procurement of new Computerized Relief Cranes.
- Mechanization of Track Machines.
- Renovation & Up-gradation of railway stations in collaboration with NESPAK.
- Procurement of latest detection gadgetry for security of trains and infrastructure.
- Efforts for introduction of E-Governance in Pakistan Railways.
- Vigilance Cell has been re-activated to curb the pilferage and to control the embezzlement by inducting energetic officers who directly report to Ministry of Railways for immediate remedial measures.



11. (Def) \***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 06-11-2014 at 09:20 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the details of facilities and medicines being provided by the Government to drug addicts rehabilitation centers in the country; and*
- (b) *the amount spent on the rehabilitation of drug addicts in each of those centers during the financial year 2013-14 with month wise break up?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** (a) Attached as **Annex – A & B.**

(b) Attached as **Annex – C & D.**

12. (Def) \***Mr. Ahmed Hassan:** (Notice received on 06-11-2014 at 09:20 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state the measures taken by the present Government to improve the performance of ICT Police so far?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** In order to control the crime in Islamabad, following steps have been taken by the ICT Police:—

- The patrolling system in ICT have been revamped and a rational number of police strength and Logistics have been deployed which is working in three shifts for surveillance and to control street crimes. Besides this, the SHOs of all the Police Stations of ICT have been strictly directed to utilize their mobiles as well as staff from Rescue-15 to curb this menace.
- A rational number of Nakabandi points have been established at various key points of ICT which are functioning round the clock. Proper Nakabandi of all exit and entry points of Islamabad are also being held randomly alongwith other places at different venues and times.
- The Federal Capital has been divided in different beats and experienced officers have been deputed in each beat to watch the activities of suspects and patrolling vehicles of concerned police station also patrolling in each beat.
- To redress the grievances of public and to involve the local police in community policing, Community Police Centre (CPC) have been established in ICT. An officer of the rank of Sub-Inspector has been deployed at each CP Centre to received the complaints by the general public and to initiate and immediate action upon the same to save the general public from inconvenience.

- Different kind of surveys *i.e* Kachi Abadies, house hold servants, property dealers, guests houses, hotels/motels/hostels, Sarias etc. situated in the Federal Capital have been completed with the cooperation of NADRA authorities and the particulars of the persons are being scrutinized to identify the outlaws for initiating further action against them in accordance with law.
- A ban has been imposed upon the owner/property dealers as well as the owner of the hotel, motels, guests houses u/s 144 Cr.PC through which the concerned persons have been made responsible to provide the requisite date to police and in case of violation action under 188 PPC is being initiated against the violators.
- In this regard, Arms Ordinance, 1965 is fully operative. The violators are being dealt with in accordance with the law, irrespective of their status. Furthermore, to deface the criminals involved in trafficking of illicit arms and ammunition, general hold ups at outgoing/incoming roads are being conducted.
- Besides, the previous convicts are also being checked frequently by the ICT Police through physically checking as well as through informers. The attention of public is also invited to co-operate with police by disclosing the names of suspicious persons to Police, Leaflets and pamphlets and distributed for educating the inhabitants of the capital city. Besides, a contingency plan has been chalked out and the ICT Police officers are being specially trained to Counter Terrorism. Exchange of secret information and intelligence is being ensured to prevent and combat the crime/criminals.
- In order to curb the crime in the general and terrorism in particular, time to time surveys of the Mosques and Deeni Madaris Situated in Islamabad are being carried out for regular surveillance of the activities of students studying in these Mosques and Madaris and if anyone is found involved in any illegal activity, legal action is being initiated without creed and cast.
- The important/secret information are also being shared With the local police of Adjoining District Rawalpindi and other LEAs to prevent the crime as well as to maintain law and order situation.

After beefing of Patrolling by Rangers and ICT Police round the clock in the Islamabad since 06-01-2014, there is a considerable decrease noticed in various crimes. The comparative statement from 27-11-2013 to 26-05-2014 and 27-05-2014 to 28-11-2014 regarding different crimes *i.e* murder, dacoity, Burglary, Car/Motor Bike snatching, general theft etc. is as under:—

<b>S.#</b>	<b>Nature of street crime</b>	<b>Comparative detail</b>	<b>Difference</b>
		27-11-2013 to 26-05-2014	27-05-2014 to 28-11-2014

1.	Murder	83	67	-16
2.	Burglary Day	62	45	-17
3.	Burglary Night	173	113	-8
4.	Dacoity	34	22	-12
5.	Robbery	305	201	-104
6.	Car snatching	12	4	-8
7.	M/Cycle Snatching	23	17	-6
8.	General theft.	365	291	-74
9.	Car theft	372	272	-100
10.	M/cycle theft	207	233	+26

13. (Def.) \*Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi: (Notice received on 06-11-2014 at 10:20 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to link Pakistan Railways network with Afghanistan and Central Asia, if so, the details thereof; and*
- (b) *whether any feasibility study regarding cost and implementation of the said project has been carried out, if so, the details thereof?*

**Khawaja Saad Rafique:** (a) There are two proposals under consideration to link Pakistan with Afghanistan through Railway network.

(i) New Rail Link Between Chaman-Spinboldak (11.5 Kms).

To link Chaman (Pakistan) with Spinboldak (Afghanistan), a PC-I amounting to Rs, 417.000 million, was approved by the CDWP during its meeting held on 24-6-2004. The execution could not be started for want of issuance of NOC from Government of Afghanistan and non-allocation of funds. Revised project at a cost of Rs. 1,378 million is under approval process at Planning Commission.

The work will be started in tandem with the progress on Spinboldak-Kandhar section by Afghanistan.

On wards to Kandhar, Afghanistan has planned to further extend the rail link upto Turkmenistan.

(ii) Rail Link from Peshawar to Jalalabad via Loi Shalman Valley (145 km).

PC-II amounting to Rs. 80.500 million for carrying out feasibility study to connect Peshawar (Pakistan) with Jalalabad (Afghanistan) is under approval process at Planning Commission. Central Development Working Party (CDWP) approved the PC-II in its meeting held on 19th November 2014.

(b) Feasibility Study for new link from Chaman to Kandhar was carried out during 2004 according to which the cost of the project was estimated to US \$ 1100 million.

As regards linking Peshawar with Jalalabad *via* Loi Shalman valley, feasibility study will be started after hiring of consultants.

14. (Def) \***Syeda Sughra Imam:** (Notice received on 06-11-2014 at 10:55 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state whether a license for media broadcast or distribution service can be issued to a person / company which is funded or sponsored by a foreign government or organization under the PEMRA laws / rules, if so, the details thereof?*

**Mr. Pervaiz Rashid:** In this regard it is informed that under Section 25 of PEMRA Ordinance 2002 (Amendment Act 2007) reproduced as under:—

25. **Certain persons not be granted licence:-** A licence shall not be granted to
- (a) any person who is not citizen or resident of Pakistan,
  - (b) a foreign company organized under the laws of any foreign government,
  - (c) a company the majority of whose shares are owned or controlled by foreign nationals or companies whose management or control is vested in foreign nationals or companies,
  - (d) any person funded or sponsored by a foreign government or organization.

15. (Def) \***Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq:** (Notice received on 07-11-2014 at 11:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the details of funds allocated for FATA by the Federal Government and those released out of the same from 2008-09 to 2012-13 for education and health sectors;*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that corruption at large scale has been surfaced in utilization of said funds, if so, the details thereof and the steps being taken by the Government to probe into the same; and*
- (c) *the steps being taken by the Government to formulate state of the art mechanism to ensure fair utilization of the funds reserved for those areas in future;*
- (d) *the names of agencies which have granted special economic packages for the overall and accelerated development during the said period; and*

(e) *the basis on which the funds are distributed amongst various agencies of FATA?*

**Lt. General (Retd.) Abdul Qadir Baloch:**

(b) No case of corruption at large scale has been surfaced/reported in utilization of the said funds, because the funds are being distributed transparently and the utilization is strictly supervised under accountable mechanism. However minor issues like delay in utilization of funds have been noticed and strict actions are taken at the moment for rectification.

(c) The following mechanism has been evolved:

1. The fund is released by the P&D Department through Finance Department according to their ADP formula, 65% on Population & 35% on area basis.
2. Monitoring & Evaluation Department has been given the tasks to closely supervise/monitor the implementation of funded schemes.
3. FATA Secretariat has established an Internal Audit Department which critically assess the performance of respective schemes.
4. Funds released to Agencies/FRs as per approved development schemes.

(d) No such package has been granted by any agency.

(e) Funds are distributed as per actual pay/salaries of employees whereas on developmental side the fund has been distributed on the formula *i.e.* area/population.

16. (Def) \***Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan:** (Notice received on 10-11-2014 at 10:45 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether the Ministry of Interior and Narcotics Control has implemented the decision of the Supreme Court of Pakistan regarding repatriation of the Government employees working on deputation basis in various Government departments to their parent department, if not, the reasons thereof;*
- (b) *the names, designations, grades and names of parent departments of the persons who have been working in FIA on deputation basis for the last five years; and*
- (c) *the names, designations, grades and names of parent departments of the persons who have been repatriated to their parent departments from FIA during the said period?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** (a) Yes. In order to implement the decision of the honorable Supreme Court of Pakistan, Ministry of Interior has constituted a Special Committee to examine the deputation cases *vis-a-viz* Civil Servants Act, 1976. In the light of the said Committee's recommendations, civil servants with mismatching qualifications/experience and non-civil servants working on deputation basis in its various attached departments are being repatriated to their parent departments, in phases, under intimation to the Establishment Division which is the concerned Ministry to submit implementation report in respect of all the Ministries/Departments, in this regard, to the honorable Court;

(b) 176 out of a total of 276 officers/officials belonging to different departments taken on deputation in FIA during the last five years are working in FIA. Detail with regard to their names, designation, grades and names of the parent departments, is placed at **Annex-I**.

(c) In total 100 officers/officials have so far been repatriated from FIA to their parent departments during the said period. Detail with regard to their names, designation, grades and names of the parent departments, is placed at **Annex-II**.

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

17. (Def.) **\*Mrs. Sehar Kamran :** (Notice received on 10-11-2014 at 2:45 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:*

(a) *the profit earned or loss suffered by Pakistan Railways during the last financial year; and*

(b) *the steps taken by the Government to make Pakistan Railways a profitable organization?*

**Khawaja Saad Rafique:** (a) The gap between revenue and expenditure for financial year 2013-14 depicting a net loss of Rs.32.527 billion is tabulated below:

Revenue, Expenditure & Deficit	
Description	2013-14
Revenue	24.00
Expenditure	55.33
Budget Deficit	33.50
Actual Deficit	31.33

It is pointed out that revenue Target for the year was 21.67 billion whereas actual revenue generated was 24.00 billion surpassing Target by 2.33 billion.

The deficit was compulsorily increased due to increase in the following head:-

S.No.	Head	Amount (Rs. in billion)	Percentage contribution
1.	Pension & old liabilities	2.50	50
2.	Increase in rate of salary	1.50	30
3.	Increase in fuel price	0.55	11
4.	Increase in electric tariff	0.50	09

(b) The following steps are being taken to make Pakistan Railways a profitable organization as under:

1. Freight trains are being increased to earn more revenues.
2. Tariff is being regularly rationalized to attract more passengers.
3. Availability of locomotives, through repair, in freight pool has been increased upto 50 locomotives on daily basis which has made it possible to start more than six freight trains daily from Karachi Port. This has increased earning and Pakistan Railways is set to surpass revenue target of 28 billion fixed by the Government.
4. Punctuality of Passenger trains has been improved from 10% to 55%.
5. HSD Oil reserves were limited to one day which have been increased to 20 days for smooth trains operation.
6. Cargo Express Train between Karachi Bandar — Badami Bagh/Lahore has been reintroduced from 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2014.
7. Induction of new Locos and repair of existing fleet under different PSDP will enhance the haulage capacity of Pakistan Railways which will result in more revenue generation.
8. Competitive freight rates are being offered to divert freight traffic from road to rail.
9. Induction of Ten (10) leased locos from NLC and 15 new locomotives will further enhance freight productivity.

**18. (Def.) \*Syeda Sughra Imam:** (Notice received on 11-11-2014 at 4:00 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the number of persons internally displaced (IDPs) due to the operation Zarb-e-Azb in North Waziristan;*

- (b) *the number of the said IDPs who have been registered so far;*
- (c) *the number of the said IDPs whom assistance has been provided by the Government so far indicating also the details of assistance provided to them;*
- (d) *the amount / funds disbursed by the Federal and Provincial Governments, separately, for the said persons so far;*
- (e) *whether the private donors have disbursed or contributed funds for the said persons, if so, the details thereof; and*
- (f) *whether the international community has disbursed or contributed funds for those persons, if so, the details thereof?*

**Lt. General (Retd.) Abdul Qadir Baloch:** (a) “Up to 22nd January, 2015 a total of 102,047 families became TDPs from North Waziristan Agency due to operation Zarb-e-Azb. According to average family size of 1:6 ratio, the total number of TDPs comes to 612,282.”

(b) “FDMA has registered a total of 102,047 families and NADRA verified 93,231 families so far.”

(c) “A total of 93,231 NADRA verified TDP families are being provided assistance by the Government as per following details:—

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|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| (a) Monthly cash assistance         | Rs. 12,000/-  |
| (b) One time cost of Non Food Items | Rs. 5,000/-   |
| (c) Ramazan Package.                | Rs. 20,000/-” |

(d) “Federal Government has released Rs. 6,075.154/- Million for payment of cash grant and allied expenditures of North TDPs”.

“The Government of Punjab and KP have released an amount of Rs. 772.522/- Million and Rs. 654.502/- Million respectively as cash assistance to NADRA verified TDPs”.

(e) “FDMA has not received any direct donations from private donors for disbursement amongst North TDPs.”

(f) “The People Republic of China has donated 4500 Metric Tons of Relief Goods for North TDPs. World Food Programme has been providing monthly ration to NADRA verified North TDPs as per breakup given in the **Annexure-I**.”

**Annexure-I**

**FOOD ITEMS**

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Items	Quantity
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Wheat Flour	40 Kg
Rice	40 Kg
Pulses	4 Kg
Salt	1 Kg
Oil	3.7 Kg
Plumpy doze	1.5 Kg
High energy biscuit (HEB)	2.25 Kg

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19. (Def.) **\*Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 13-11-2014 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to include new locomotives in Pakistan Railways during the current fiscal year, if so, the details thereof and the time by which the same will be included?*

**Khawaja Saad Rafique:** Currently, there are two projects under which new locomotives are being inducted in Pakistan Railways during current financial year.

First, Pakistan Railway has purchased 58 D.E. Locomotives from M/s CSR Ziyang Co, China in 2012-13. Out of which, 43 Nos. have arrived Pakistan from 08-04-2014 to 27-07-2014. All these locomotives are working on passenger and freight trains. Remaining 15 DE Locomotives are expected to arrive in January 2015.

Second, five (05) new locomotives procured in completely knock down (CKD) condition are being assembled at Pakistan Locomotive Factory, Risalpur. These locomotive will be inducted in Pakistan Railways during current financial year.

In addition, Pakistan Railways has also initiated the process for procurement of 55 locomotives.

20. (Def) **\*Mr. Muhammad Talha Mehmood:** (Notice received on 13-11-2014 at 01:00 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state the numbers, make and models of vehicles owned by the Islamabad Capital Territory Police indicating also the names of officers / officials using the same and expenditure incurred on fuel, repairing and maintenance in each case during the last three years with year-wise break-up?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** Detail of vehicles, expenditure on fuel/POL and repair/maintenance of ICT Administration and ICT Police during the last three years are as under :—

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Name of office	No of Vehicles	Total expenditure on fuel during last three years Rs. (in Million)	Total expenditure on Repair & Maintenance during the last three years Rs. (in Million)
Chief Commissioner, ICT and its attached departments	78	Rs. 20.631	Rs.6.939
Inspector General of Police ICT	496	Rs. 691.837	Rs. 73.388

(b) Detail for each office is attached (**Annex-A to Annex-R**).

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

21. (Def) \***Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi** : (Notice received on 13-11-2014 at 01:40 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to refer to Senate starred question No. 85 replied on 22nd October, 2014 and state whether it is a fact that arms licenses issued by NADRA for one year which have been expired, are not being renewed, if so, its reasons and the time by which the same will be renewed?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** Renewal of Computerization Arms licences with one year validity is being carried out by NADRA since February 2013 which is an ongoing and continuous process. So far, 34,791 x expired licenses have been renewed by NADRA. NADRA only renews an arms licence after due approval/ verification of booklet by Ministry of Interior. Applicants whose verifications have been received and they have not approached NADRA for renewals, were recently contacted through phone cell to renew their expired licences.

22. (Def) \***Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi:** (Notice received on 13-11-2014 at 01:40 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:*

- (a) the number of cases of violence against women and rape cases registered in ICT since 2008 with year wise break up; and*
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to control the said crimes?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** (a) During the period under report, 326 cases of domestic violence against women were registered in Islamabad out of which 11 cases cancelled, 302 challaned, 04 untraced and 09 cases are still under investigation. Detail is given at **Annex-A**.

Similarly, 113 cases of rape were registered in Islamabad, out of which 94 cases were challaned, 14 cancelled, 03 untraced and 02 are still under investigation. Detail is given at **Annex-B**.

**(b) Steps taken by the Government:**

“For the protection of rights of women **The Women Protection Act 2006** has been promulgated. The protection of Women Act 2006 is very important legislation with far-reaching consequences in our social life and intended to introduce few social reforms safeguarding the rights of women for protecting their rights which were being adversely affected due to misuse and abuse of law”.

The offence listed in Zina (enforcement of Hudood) Ordinance 1979 except those contained in Holy Quran and Sunnah have been declared Tazir offences and inserted in PPC *vide* sections 365-B, 367-A, 371-A, 371-B, 393-A and 396-A. The offences punishable with Tazir have been deleted from Zina (Enforcement Hudood) Ordinance 1979 by virtue of the above said Act.

**Steps taken to control the crime by ICT Police:**

Following steps have been taken by ICT Police to combat/control the crimes:

1. Islamabad Capital Territory Police is performing its duties round the clock to nab the criminals and create a sense of security amongst the citizens of Islamabad. Pro-active policing strategies *i.e.* safe home scheme is being implemented in all the police stations. Special attention is being given to minimize the crime rate by adopting effective preventive and patrolling measures.
2. Special attention is being given to prosecute the cases relating to women for the conclusion of trial well in time.
3. All the SHOs/SDPOs have been strictly directed to give proper attention to the matters related to violence against women and take prompt action against the violators.
4. A separate women police station has already been established in ICT for investigation of cases related to women and a lady DSP has also been posted there who will supervise the investigations.

23. (Def) **\*Mr. Muhammad Talha Mehmood:** (Notice received on 14-11-2014 at 08:45 a. m.)

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the steps being taken by the Government to promote various regional cultures in the country; and*
- (b) *the amount spent for the said purpose during the last five years?*

**Mr. Pervaiz Rashid:** (a) The Pakistan National Council of the Arts has taken the following steps for promotion of various regional cultures in the Country;

1. Mega cultural festivals/ fairs were organized by PNCA at all major cities of the country to promote regional cultures. List at **Annex-I**.
2. A number of cultural programs were organized by PNCA at Islamabad, in which artists from all over the country participated to project and promote the regional arts and culture. List at **Annex-II**.
3. A number of art exhibitions were organized by PNCA to showcase exhibits of artists from all over Pakistan. List at **Annex-III**.
4. Sixteen cultural troupes have been sent to different countries of the world during last five years for promotion of Pakistani culture, a composite of regional cultures. List at **Annex-IV**.
5. Several cultural performances of regional and folk dances and music have been arranged for foreign delegations who visited PNCA from time to time.

In order to promote regional culture in the country, Lok Virsa holds one major festival in its premises and many in other parts the country every year. Around 500 artists and artisans participate in the events which plays vital role in their exposure, promotion and financial benefits. The artists and artisans are also sent abroad for their wider projection.

(b) Detail of expenditure incurred on promotional activities of culture during the last five years is placed at **Annex-V**.

Similarly an amount of Rs.67,354,000/- (tentative) has been spent by Lok Virsa in the above festivals/programmes over the five years.

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24. (Def) \***Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi** : (Notice received on 14-11-2014 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that Jammu and Kashmir Housing Society has received development charges from the allottees for development of its housing scheme in Zone-V, Islamabad but no development work has been carried out in that scheme so far, if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) *the action taken by the Cooperative Department against the said society for not carrying out the said work so far?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** (a) According to the report of Managing Committee of the Society, they have received 7% development charges from the allottees for development of its housing scheme in Zone-V, Islamabad. However, no development work has been carried out because most of the allottees did not deposit development charges. An amount of Rs.1.02 billion in the head of development charges is outstanding against the allottees/members.

(b) The Cooperative Societies Department, ICT is the regulatory authority of Cooperative Societies under Cooperative Societies Act, 1925 and Cooperative Societies Rules, 1927. The Cooperative Societies Department, ICT conducts Annual Audit, Elections, General body Meeting, inspections, Inquiries under section 34 of Cooperative Societies Act, 1925 and initiates action against Managing Committees of the Societies under section 50-A of Cooperative Societies Act, 1925. However, to monitor development activities of Housing Societies is the responsibility of the CDA and action against Housing Societies which fail to develop housing scheme within the prescribed time is in the domain of CDA Islamabad as per Zoning Regulations, 1992.

25. (Def) \*Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq: (Notice received on 14-11-2014 at 10:20 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit Baltistan be pleased to state the details of steps being taken by the Government to improve the economy of AJK and Gilgit Baltistan?*

**Mr. Muhammad Barjees Tahir:** Azad Jammu & Kashmir (AJ&K) and Gilgit-Baltistan (GB) have peculiar status. The GB Government is run by the Gilgit-Baltistan (Empowerment and Self-Governance) Order, 2009; and the AJ&K Government is by AJ&K Interim Constitution Act 1974. The Federal Government has been taking a number of steps since decades to improve the economic conditions of both the areas and uplifting the socio-economic position of the people by providing funds through Annual Development Programmes (ADP) (Annex-I) and Public Sector Development Programme (PSDP) (Annex-II). The Federal Government is giving subsidy in the shape of transportation and handling charges of wheat to people of Gilgit-Baltistan. Presently the sale price of subsidized wheat in GB is Rs. 11.00 per Kg as compared to Rs. 33.25 in Pakistan (Annex-III). The Federal Government is also taking keen interest to improve the infrastructure of both the areas. In this context, several mega projects like Diamer Basha Dam Project, Mangla Dam Raising Project, Neelum Jhelum Hydro Power Project, etc. These projects are being implemented in collaboration with different Ministries/Divisions. Proposals of Rawalakot Airport and feasibility study for construction of new rail link from Islamabad to Muzaffarabad are also a step forward to improve the infrastructure of the area. Total development outlay for

AJ&K and GB is Rs.96.391 billion for the financial year 2014-2015 (annex-IV). ERRA had substantial contribution for infrastructure rehabilitation in the wake of disastrous earthquake of Oct, 2005.

2. Both the GB and AJ&K Councils act as a linkage between the Government of Pakistan and Governments of GB and AJ&K respectively. In addition to the steps taken by the Federal Government, AJK Council releases 80% of the net income tax collection from AJ&K Territory for use in AJ&K. An amount of Rs. 9284.831 million has been proposed to be released to the AJ&K Government during the current financial year. Moreover out of remaining 20%, an amount of 2613.813 million has also been allocated for development activities in AJ&K territory during the current financial year through Minister's Development Schemes.

3. The Federal Government is also taking interest to improve the economy of the Gilgit-Baltistan through various interventions. One of the significant initiatives is Pakistan-China Economic Corridor from China to Gwadar. Completion of this project will open GB to China and other western countries through Gwadar. Other sectors are hydel power generation; transport and communication; education and health (Annex-V).

4. Likewise, the same steps are being taken for the area of AJ&K ADP of AJ&K is also financed by the Government of Pakistan through development grant/loans. The Government of AJ&K has identified seven key sectors like human resource development for manpower export; development of transport & communication; hydro power potential; tourism development; minerals resource exploitation; rural agriculture development and SMEs/growing business (Annex-VI).

5. Besides, the Prime Minister of Pakistan is also taking keen interest in uplifting the economic position of the people and developing/improving the infrastructure of the areas. In this connection, several PM Directives have been given by the Prime Minister's Office of Pakistan. (Annex-VII).

6. The Federal Government also releases the Zakat amount from Central Zakat Fund to the GB Zakat Fund as per formula (18.57% of 7% share of Federal Share) (Annex-VIII). AJ&K and GB students are also covered for laptop distribution under Prime Minister of Pakistan Youth Program/Scheme.

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26.(Def) \***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mehmood:** (Notice received on 18-11-2014 at 10:01 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state details of cases of corruption surfaced in the Punjab Rangers during the last five years indicating also the names of officers / officials found involved in those cases and action taken against them?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** No case of corruption surfaced in the Pakistan Ranger's (Punjab) during the last five years. Thus, the reply may be treated as "NIL".

1. **\*Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan:** (Notice received on 04-12-2014 at 12:00 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the number of persons appointed in FIA since July, 2014 with grade-wise breakup;*
- (b) *the procedure adopted for the said appointments;*
- (c) *whether it is a fact that NTS conducted tests for the said appointments, if so, the dates on which tests were conducted by NTS and the dates on which the results of those tests were communicated to FIA in each case; and*
- (d) *whether it is also a fact that in some cases appointments were made without waiting for the results of NTS, if so, the reasons thereof?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** (a) In total, 563 persons have been appointed in FIA since July, 2014. Grade-wise breakup is as under:

<b>Grade-wise</b>	<b>No. of persons appointed</b>
BS-07	83
BS-05	454
BS-04	05
BS-01	21
<b>Total :</b>	<b>563</b>

(b) the following procedure was adopted for making the said appointments:

- National Testing Service (NTS) conducted written/physical/skill test of candidates and submitted a panel of 04 top most successful candidates against each post for interview;
- DG, FIA constituted the Departmental Selection Committees (DSCs) for conducting interviews;
- The respective DSC's conducted interviews of the successful candidates and intimated the result to the Admn. Branch in respect of the short listed candidates;
- Thereafter, the merit lists were prepared including the marks of written and interviews;
- The offers of appointments were issued to the Candidates as per vacancy position on merit.

(c) Yes. NTS conducted the written/physical/skill tests for the posts from BS-01 to 07 on following dates:

- (i) Written test held on 05-7-2014;
- (ii) Physical tests were held on different dates mentioned as under:
- 30th and 31st August, 2014 in Karachi, Sukkur, Hyderabad, Quetta, Peshawar, Lahore, Multan and Faisalabad:
  - The physical/skill tests were got conducted in Islamabad/Rawalpindi on 20th to 23rd September, 2014 due to unstable security and political situation in Islamabad.
- (iii) Results of overall tests for the posts from BS-01 to 04 were received from NTS on 02-8-2014 whereas the results for the posts of BS-07 and BS-05 were received on 10-9-2014 and on 01-10-2014, respectively.

(d) This is not correct. All the appointments were made only after fulfillments of codal formalities *i.e.* written/physical/skill test through NTS and interviewed by DSC's of FIA.

2. **\*Begum. Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 07-01-2015 at 12:30 p.m.).

*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the names of the employees of National Assembly and Senate Secretariats who have been allotted plots by the Federal Government Employees Housing Society in Jinnah Garden, Phase I, Zone V, Islamabad from 1st March to 30th April, 2014 indicating also the number of plot and date of allotment in each case; and*
- (b) *whether it is fact that possession of the said plots was to be handed over to those employees by July, 2014 but the same has not been done so far, if so, the reasons thereof and the time by which possession of plots will be handed over to them?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** (a) As per report of the Cooperative Societies Department ICT, 401 plots were allotted by the Federal Employees Cooperative Housing Society on 24.03.2014 to the members of the National Assembly Secretariat Employees Cooperative Housing Society (NAECHS).

(b) The plots could not be handed over within scheduled time due to non possession of land as well as slow pace of development work. Possession is expected to be made before the end of 2015.

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

3. **\*Begum. Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 08-01-2015 at 09:15 a.m.)



*Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state the details of cases of dacoity, theft and car lifting registered in Islamabad during the last two years indicating also the number of persons arrested and present status of each case?*

**Chaudhry Nisar Ali Khan:** The cases of dacoity, theft and car lifting registered in Islamabad during the last two years alongwith number of persons arrested and status of cases is attached at Annexure-A.

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AMJED PERVEZ,  
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**“UN-STARRED QUESTION AND ITS REPLY”**

**for Friday, the 30th January, 2015**

*DEFERRED QUESTION*

(Un-Starred Question No. 1 Deferred on 6th January, 2015  
(109th Session))

1. (Def.) **Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq:** (Notice received on 04-07-2014 at 09:30 p.m)

*Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that Station Headquarters, Rawalpindi has awarded a contract to collect adda / parking fee on Kallar Syedan Road, Rawat, under the name of Army Camping Ground;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the said adda / area is out side the jurisdiction of Army Camping Ground and is under the administrative control of Islamabad Administration, if so, the reasons for awarding the said contract by the Station Headquarters, Rawalpindi; and*
- (c) *the time by which charging of the said adda / parking fee will be discontinued?*

**Khawaja Muhammad Asif:** No Adda is functioning on the Army Camping Ground, Rawat.

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*Secretary.*