

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

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

Thursday, the 17th September, 2015

DEFERRED QUESTION

(Question No. 126 Deferred on 13th August 2015 (118th Session))

(Def.)* Question No. 126. **Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati:

(Notice received on 15-07-2015 at 10:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) number of non verified SIMs which have been blocked at present;*
- (b) the number of satellite phones and foreign SIMs being used in the country at present; and*
- (c) whether the said phones and foreign SIMs are registered or traceable in the country?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) There is no non-verified SIM since all the SIMs have already been verified from NADRA at least once. After the launch of Biometric Verification System (BVS), all existing SIMs have been re-verified through BVS and 98.3 Million SIMs which were not re-verified have been blocked.

(b) Active registered satellite phones in the country are 2,270 whereas foreign SIMs on international roaming as 3rd September, 2015 are 223,000.

(c) Yes.

**Question No. 42. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:*

(Notice received on 30-06-2015 at 12:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state that:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that open spaces earmarked in master plan for National Police Foundation Housing Scheme in Sector O-9, Islamabad as approved by CDA are being converted into small residential plots, if so, the action taken by the Government against the same; and*
- (b) *whether there is any procedure or mechanism to ensure that open spaces, utility plots and Parks in Housing Schemes are safeguarded from being converted into residential plots?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) As per Master Plan of Islamabad Sector 0-9 falls in Rawalpindi area and as such it is not included in Islamabad. The proposed housing scheme namely NPF has neither transferred the green spaces/public budding areas nor submitted detailed Engineering Design to CDA and hence CDA has not issued any formal NOC for the development and sale of saleable area in NPF Housing Scheme. Later on sponsors of the scheme expanded the scheme in Islamabad. As per public notice issued by CDA on March 5, 2014, NPF Housing Scheme is included in the list of illegal schemes (Annex-I). Since the sponsors have not taken approval and NOC for the scheme area, CDA has issued notices for submission of documents required for NOC and requisite Fee/penalties.

(b) As per ICT (Zoning) Regulations 1992 and Modalities & Procedures framed there under for housing schemes in Zone-5, open spaces/ play grounds are to be provided to the extent of 8% A and public buildings like masjids, schools hospitals etc are to be provided to the extent of 4 % After the layout plan approval, the sponsors are required to transfer the area under open spaces and public buildings in the name of CDA through transfer deed. This transfer is made to ensure that no area designated for green/open' spaces and public building be converted into any other land use as per executed / transfer deed registered in the office of sub-registrar of the concerned revenue department. In addition to this the sponsors of the scheme are also required to submit the frads/Inteqaqlats of these transferred land to CDA. In the subject case neither CDA has issued NOC for the scheme area nor land uses for parks utility spaces have been transferred by the sponsors in the name of CDA. However CDA has advised the sponsors of NPF to submit the requisite documents for processing of Layout Plan Approval and NOC to pay **Rs. 60,50,000/-** on account of penalty for development of the scheme prior to obtaining NOC, within 07 day .

***Question No. 44. Senator Samina Abid:**

(Notice received on 15-07-2015 at 12:50)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Climate Change Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *the present status / progress made by Government of Pakistan in connection with compliance to Montreal Protocol (MP) for the protection of Ozone Layer; and*
- (b) *the details of any future action plan of the Ozone Cell of the Ministry in this regard?*

Minister Incharge of the Climate Change Division: (a) The present status/progress made by Government of Pakistan in connection with compliance to Montreal Protocol (MP) for the protection of Ozone Layer is as under:—

- i. In order to ensure the compliance of Montreal Protocol, Pakistan has successfully phased out 10% of the total Hydro chlorofluorocarbons (HCFCs) consumption.
 - ii. Restricted the import of the HCFCs by implementing the HCFC import quota system in collaboration with the Ministry of Commerce and FBR.
 - iii. The Phase out of the 2nd Generation of the Ozone Depleting Substances (ODSs) *i.e.* HCFC is successfully in progress.
 - iv. Converted five ODSs based foam industries namely Dawlance Private Limited, United Refrigeration Industries, HNR (Haier), Varioline Intercool and Shadman Electronics into Ozone Friendly Technology.
 - v. Sensitized the Ozone Layer Depletion issue through Public Service Announcements and arranged awareness raising seminars among the relevant stakeholders as well as in general public.
 - vi. Compiled and reported Pakistan's Annual Article-7 Data report to Ozone Secretariat. It is a matter of great satisfaction that Pakistan is in full compliance with regard to Implementation of Montreal Protocol.
 - vii. All Pakistan Essay and Speech Competition on the issue of Ozone Layer Protection was organized in 2014 among schools and colleges to raise awareness regarding ozone protection at grass root level.
 - viii. Trained 175 Refrigeration servicing technicians to adopt good refrigeration practices while servicing HCFC based appliances.
 - ix. To implement effective HCFC import system and to curb the illegal HCFC import issue, 60 Custom Officers were trained.
 - x. To join hand with International Community celebrated the International Ozone Day at National level. Published special newspaper supplement in leading National dailies on the eve of International Ozone Day.
- b. The details are as follows:
- i. Evolving of strategy to meet 35% reduction targets of HCFCs by 1st January, 2020 as set by Montreal Protocol.
 - ii. Web based implementation of HCFC quota system.
 - iii. Training of Custom Officers.

- iv. Training of Servicing Technicians.
- v. Preparation for stage-II of HCFCs Phase Out in Pakistan.
- vi. Awareness raising among the relevant stakeholders and general public on latest development and issues related to Ozone Layer Protection.
- vii. Celebration of International Ozone Day at National level in September, 2015.

***Question No. 45. Senator Samina Abid:**

(Notice received on 16-07-2015 at 9:30 a. m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Climate Change Division be pleased to state the Environmental challenges and threats being faced by the country at present indicating also the steps being taken by the Government to tackle the same?

Minister Incharge of the Climate Change Division: Pakistan is facing serious environmental problems, most of which can be attributed to accelerating but poorly regulated economic development as well as rapid demographic growth that has put acute pressure on the country's natural resource base, especially land and water and significantly increased levels of local pollution. Thus, natural resource degradation and pollution, especially in urban areas, are the core environmental challenges facing the country.

Pakistan's environmental problems are a concern, not just because of the intrinsic virtues of promoting responsible environmental stewardship, but also because of the economic consequences of environmental degradation. Unless the management of natural resources can be improved and pollution levels reduced, they could easily jeopardize sustainable economic growth as is evident by the costs of environmental degradation estimated at 6% of GDP/year (World Bank's Pakistan Strategic Environmental Assessment Report, 2007). Integrating environmental concerns into the mainstream development process can assist in identifying and capitalizing upon the positive linkages between economic growth and environmental protection, and shift the country's development onto a sustainable trajectory. Only this can address issues such as the unsustainable patterns of consumption and production, resource exploitation and mismanagement, lack of waste management treatment and disposal, unsustainable land and forest management, mismanagement of scarce water and energy resources, air and water pollution, and industrial and hospital waste. All of these constitute an avoidable stress on the economy that can be strategically addressed.

The global environmental problems such as climate change also had their toll in Pakistan. Since 2010 the economic losses due to recurrent floods is estimated at approximately US 20 billion. The steps taken by the government to address issues related to environment and climate change includes:

- Establishment of dedicated Ministry of Climate Change (MoCC).

- Establishment of Global Change Impacts Studies Centre, Islamabad which is research arm of MoCC.
- Establishment of National Disaster Management Authority, Provincial Disaster Management Authorities and District Disaster Management Authorities.
- Development of National Climate Change Policy.

After the 18th Constitutional Amendment, the subject of Environment has been devolved to the provinces and the provincial governments are implementing their own environmental laws in their respect provincial jurisdictions.

However, Pakistan Environmental Protection Act, 1997 and a number of rules/regulations notified there under are currently being implemented in the limits of Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT) for improvement of environment.

***Question No. 46. Senator Samina Abid:**

(Notice received on 16-07-2015 at 9:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Climate Change Division be pleased to state the actions / steps required to be taken by the Government to improve environmental governance and adaptation to Climate change impacts in the country?

Minister Incharge of the Climate Change Division: Pakistan is among the countries which are most vulnerable to climate change, and it has very low technical and financial capacity to adapt to its adverse impacts. The more immediate and pressing task for the country is to prepare itself for adaptation to climate change.

Climate Change poses a major threat to food, water and energy security in the country. In addition coastal and marine environment, dryland ecosystems, agriculture and livestock sector, forests and biodiversity and health are other areas which are seriously affected as the climate induced melting of glaciers, cyclonic storm surges, tropical diseases epidemics, flash floods, droughts and variable monsoons turned into an inevitable reality for Pakistan. Only by devising and implementing appropriate adaptation measures it will be possible to ensure water, food and energy security for the country as well as to minimize the impact of natural disasters on human life, health and property.

Government of Pakistan is fully aware of the gravity of the situation and has taken a number of steps to cope with this situation. Some salient steps taken in this regard are as follows:

- Establishment of dedicated Ministry of Climate Change (MoCC)
- Establishment of Global Change Impact Study Centre (GCISC) in 2003 as a development project meant specifically for conducting climate change related research. In 2013 it got a legal status by an Act of the Parliament meant to serve as the research arm of the Ministry of Climate Change;

- In 2007 National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) was established at the federal level with the corresponding disaster management agencies at provincial and district levels by the Provincial Governments to deal with whole spectrum of Disaster Management Activities;
- Setting up by the Planning Commission in 2008 of a Task Force on Climate Change (TFCC) whose Final Report released in February 2010;
- Drafted National Sustainable Development Strategy.
- National Climate Finance Architecture to tap international climate finance.

Realizing the importance of the climate change issue, Government of Pakistan has already approved National Climate Change Policy (NCCP) in 2012 to ensure that climate change is mainstreamed in the economically and socially vulnerable sectors of the economy and to steer Pakistan towards climate resilient development.

In order to adapt to the impacts of climate change and for improvement of environmental governance, it is proposed that:

- Provincial governments may fully implement the recommendations of NCCP and also take necessary measures to ensure implementation of projects identified in Framework of NCCP.
- a Coordination System at federal level may be developed to report the national and international obligations as the provinces have been empowered through devolution to develop and implement their environmental priorities.

***Question No. 47. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:**

(Notice received on 23-07-2015 at 10:45 a. m.)

Will the Minister Incharge for Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state whether it is a fact that more than 20,000 women and children died during pregnancy and child birth in the Federal Government hospitals during the last five years, if so, the steps being taken by the Government to control the same?

Mr. Usman Ibrahim: Annually in Pakistan 20,000 to 30,000 women lose life during pregnancy & child birth. About 20,000 children die annually in Pakistan.

In the Federal Capital there are 2 referral level hospitals under the CA&DD namely FGPC and PIMS.

The National Rates for Maternal Mortality (Death of mother during pregnancy and within 42 days after delivery) is 2.70 per 1000 live births.

The Maternal Mortality (calculated on the number of deliveries occurring during the last five years) at FGPC is 0.65 per 1000 live births for the last five (05) years.

The National Neonatal Mortality (Infant death during first 28 days after live birth) is 43 per 1000 live births.

The Neonatal Mortality at FGPC (also calculated on the number of deliveries occurring during the last five years) is 14.2 per 1000 live births for the last five (05) years.

The detail of the deaths is placed at **Annex-A**.

These low rates in FGPC are due to the following steps and measures in place;

- Highest % allocation of beds of Maternal and child Health services *i.e.* around 55% (298 out of total 545 beds). Which means sufficient medicine and staff is deputed for proper care.
- Each delivery is conducted by expert/specialist doctor.
- Round the clock labour room services with all quality and standard medicines are arranged free of cost.
- Efficient and regular Antenatal clinics which provides;
 - a. Health education.
 - b. Early detection of high risk pregnancies and early plans of interventions through regular Ante-natal visits.
 - c. Immunization against Tetanus.

In PIMS hospital 1-3 women lose their life in a month related to child birth and majority of them are referred from periphery in severely morbid condition for ICU Care & tertiary facilities.

Steps taken by the Federal Government to save Mother & Children:

1. Lady Health Worker Programme (LHW)
2. Preventive Care
 - Distribution of iron tablets to prevent anemia
 - Vaccination of Mothers against Tatanus and EPI Programme for children

- Distribution of Misoprostol for the prevention of PPH among pregnant women at the time of the childbirth in country.
3. Community Midwife program to clean delivery in the community.
 4. Efforts are underway to provide 24 hour service (Emergency) Maternal and Newborn care (EMNC). Antenatal Care & Newborn Care to be available in Primary Health Care Centers.
 5. Improvement of blood bank services has to be undertaken in collaboration with GTZ.
 6. Infection control program specifically to prevent Newborns from infection Chlorhexidine use for umbilical cord care is about to be initiated in collaboration with USAID & IHPEIGO.

Post Abortion care NVA for surgical and Misoprostol tablets for medical abortion is now increasingly available and need more attention so that suppliers are available at all facilities and trained personal.

Annexure-A

Total number of deaths of females due to child-birth related causes in FGPC during the last five years is 34.

Total neonatal deaths in FGPC for last five years in 738 (including all congenital and infectious causes along with those related to birth complications).

Year	Maternal Deaths	Neonatal Deaths
2010-11	4	97
2011-12	8	166
2012-13	9	201
2013-14	6	155
2014-15	7	119
Total	34	738

*Question No. 48. **Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq:**
(Notice received on 27-07-2015 at 9:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state the teacher-student ratio in schools in the Islamabad Capital Territory and its comparison with that ratio in the rest of the country?

Mr. Usman Ibrahim: The Teacher Student Ratio in the schools of Islamabad Capital Territory under Federal Directorate of Education is 1:23. The detail is as under:

Total No of working Teachers	Total Students	Teacher Student Ratio
9092	207519	1:23

The Teacher Student ratio for the rest of the country* is as under:—

● FATA	1:31
● GB	1:24
● AJ&K	1: 21
● BALOCHISTAN	1:26
● KPK	1:31
● SINDH	1:26
● PUNJAB	1:26

* *Source:* Pakistan Education Statistics 2013-14 (Academy of Educational Planning and Management).

*Question No. 49. **Senator Muhammad Daud Khan Achakzai Advocate:**
(Notice received on 29-07-2015 at 11:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the expenditure made/shared by CDA in the construction of route for metro bus project in Islamabad and the losses it suffered due to destruction/dislocation of infrastructure of various amenities falling on the said route?

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: No expenditure was made shared by CDA in the Construction of route for Metro Bus Project in Islamabad. Construction cost of the Metro Bus route including allied facilities (like Stations, terminal, etc) has been shared between the Federal Government and the Government of Punjab 50:50 basis.

No loss has yet been suffered by CDA as shifting of services (like Water Supply Lines, Sewerage Lines, IESCO Lines, SNGPL Lines, Telecommunication lines etc.) and road infrastructure — damaged during construction Metro Bus track — is being repaired by the Executing Agency (RDA) through project cost.

*Question No. 50. **Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan:**
(Notice received on 30-07-2015 at 10:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of trade deficit at present and its comparison with the deficit for the last two financial years; and
- (b) the steps being taken by the Government to control / reduce the said deficit?

Engineer Khurram Dastgir Khan: (a) The trade deficit in goods at present is of 22 billion US (FY 2015) and 2.5 billion USD in services. The detailed comparison of trade in goods and services over the last three years is as follows:

CUMULATIVE TRADE COMPARISON OF LAST FIVE YEARS

(Value in million US\$)
Source: PBS

Fiscal Year	Goods			Services		
	Export	Import	Balance	Export	Import	Balance
2013	24,460	44,950	-20,490	6,724	8,288	-1,564
2014	25,132	45,073	-19,941	5,345	7,995	-2,650
2015	23,885	45,980	-22,095	5,741	8,258	-2,518

(b) Government has taken following steps to reduce trade deficit and promote the exports of the country:—

- Concessionary financing, duty free import of raw material under temporary importation scheme/Duty Tax Remission on Exports (DTRE), concessions in duty/taxes on import of machinery and raw material of priority export sectors.
- Through active trade diplomacy, Government is trying to get better market access for the local businesses in international markets by concluding Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) and Preferential Trade Agreements (PTAs) with different countries.
- Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP) is undertaking various export promotional activities through trade exhibitions and delegations.
- Ministry of Commerce under Strategic Trade Policy Framework 2012-15 announced several initiatives to enhance Pakistan's export competitiveness and institutional strengthening. The initiatives *inter-alia* included, concessionary financing, subsidy on cost of plant & machinery, establishment of EXIM Bank, Services Trade

Development Council, Trade in Services Wing, Trade Dispute Resolution Organization, Pakistan Land Port Authority and Leather Export Promotion Council.

- Services sector comprises 57 % share in GDP, whereas, share of services export is only 20% of the total exports. In order to boost this share and strengthen services industry, Ministry of Commerce has created two wings: Services Trade Development Council and Trade in Services that are mandated to promote and develop services sector of Pakistan.
- Drawback of local taxes at the rate of 2-4% of FOB- realized value of enhanced exports has also been announced under SRO 177(1)/2015 dated 27th February, 2015.

***Question No. 51. Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan:**

(Notice received on 31-07-2015 at 09:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that land of eighty two villages which was illegally occupied by trespasser in Islamabad Capital Territory has been got vacated; and*
- (b) *whether there are any villages out of the said villages which can be developed as Model Villages to attract tourism / tourists, if so, the details thereof?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) No. Land has not yet been got vacated.

(b) Presently, there is no proposal with CDA, for development of model villages for tourists and recreational activities.

***Question No. 53. Senator Mir Muhammad Yousuf Badini:**

(Notice received on 13-08-2015 at 05:36 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of Aviation Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether any procedure has been laid down to regulate the fares of private airlines in the country, if so, the details thereof;*
- (b) *the rate of tax imposed on the said fares; and*
- (c) *the details of air fare of PIA and private airlines in the country for various routes as on 2nd August, 2015?*

Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division: (a) Following is the laid down policy for tariff oversight applicable to Private & National Airline as per Aviation Policy 2015:—

- (i) PCAA as a regulator shall oversee and intervene in case of predatory pricing or collusion by a group of operators in the interest of the traveling public. When so required such cases shall be referred to Competition Commission of Pakistan, which is the appropriate forum to adjudicate the matters pertaining to anticompetitive practices.
- (ii) All fares shall remain deregulated.
- (iii) PCAA shall make rules, regulations and procedures to redress public grievances and adjudicate these on merit.

(b& c) The requisite details regarding airfare of PIA, Air Blue and Shaheen Air International is Annexed.

***Question No. 54. Senator Nehal Hashmi:**

(Notice received on 13-08-2015 at 05:38 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *the steps taken by the Government to remove encroachment on 60 acre land near Bari Imam and 20 acre land on Kashmir Highway, Islamabad;*
- (b) *the time by which the said encroachments will be removed; and*
- (c) *the action taken against the CDA officials to have failed to remove the said encroachments so far or who are responsible for those encroachments?*

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division : (a) The Capital Development Authority is endeavoring to take stringent and forceful actions / steps on ground against all types of encroachments within the territorial limits of Islamabad. This encroached area falls within the schedule of operations already prepared and finalized at the level of CDA, and part of report furnished to the Honourable High Court, Islamabad with identical queries. The illegal occupants shall be evicted no sooner the stay order(s) accorded by the Honourable Supreme Court of Pakistan in the Constitutional Petition is lifted.

(b) The time frame approximately for the said job shall not take more than 15-20 days, if operated at stretch, with requisite police and judicial cover on demand.

(c) Investigations have already been ordered into the matter by the Honuorable Minister of Interior / Prime Minister of Pakistan, and the Federal Investigation Agency is under the mandate of inquiry, conducting the same on war-footing basis.

***Question No. 55. Senator Nehal Hashmi:**

(Notice received on 17-08-2015 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the steps taken by the Government to protect plants / trees and environment of Islamabad?

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division : In the forest area of Margallah Hills National Park, CDA is enforcing Islamabad Wildlife Protection, Preservation, Conservation and Management Wildlife Ordinance, 1979 for protection of the trees and plants; whereas, in urban area, the protection of plants and trees is being carried out through Islamabad Landscape Ordinance, 1966.

These Laws are being enforced in urban & National Park areas of Islamabad through deployment of protection staff like Range Officers, Foresters, Forest Guards and Protection malis who stop the cutting / felling of plants and trees and in case any violation is noticed, they impose fines.

***Question No. 57. Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq:**

(Notice received on 17-08-2015 at 12:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge for Climate Change Division be pleased to state the steps being taken by the Government to control deforestation in the country?

Minister Incharge for Climate Change Division: Constitutionally forestry is a Provincial Subject. Accordingly provincial Governments including CDA and FATA have been requested to furnish their reply. Consolidated reply will be furnished to the house on receipt of the provincial replies.

***Question No. 58. Senator Agha Shahbaz Khan Durrani:**

(Notice received on 17-08-2015 at 02:00 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the decision of Federal Services Tribunal (FST) and Islamabad High Court regarding up-gradation of posts of Assistant from BPS-14 to BPS-16 has not been implemented by the Government so far, if so, the reasons thereof and the time by which the same will be implemented?

Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division: The matter regarding up-gradation of the Ministerial posts of Assistant, UDC and LDC in the Federal Government is under consideration of the Federal Government and a Summary for the Prime Minister to that effect has already been moved by the Establishment Division on 08-05-2015. It is, further highlighted that according to Policy of the up-gradation/re-designation dated 20th January, 2001 (**Annex-A**), the cases of up-gradation of the posts in BS-01 to 19 are to be decided by the Finance Division in consultation with Establishment Division.

***Question No. 60. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel:**

(Notice received on 17-08-2015 at 4:15 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names and place of domicile of the persons working against the top posts in PIMS;*
- (b) *the rules under which the persons were appointed / promoted to present positions; and*
- (c) *whether the said persons fulfill the criteria/qualifications laid down for posts against which they are working?*

Mr. Usman Ibrahim: (a) The list of top officers working in PIMS is at **Annex-A**.

(b) The recruitment / promotion is by merit *cum* fitness rules for the present posts is at **Annex-B**.

(c) Yes, the said persons fulfill the criteria / qualifications laid down for posts against which they are working as per Gazette notification dated 9th March, 1986 (**Annex-B**).

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

***Question No. 61. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel:**

(Notice received on 17-08-2015 at 04:15 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of posts in BPS 1 to 21 in PIMS which are lying vacant at present with grade-wise and province-wise break-up; and*
- (b) *the procedure laid down for filling the said vacancies?*

Mr. Usman Ibrahim: (a) The total 480 posts are lying vacant in PIMS. The breakup is as under:

BPS-20 = 05
BPS-19 = 04
BPS-18 = 33
BPS-17 = 75
BPS-16 = 168
BPS-14 = 14
BPS-12 = 02
BPS-11 = 11
BPS-09 = 03
BPS-07 = 23
BPS-06 = 01
BPS-05 = 13
BPS-04 = 29
BPS-03 = 01

BPS-02 = 46
BPS- 01 = 52

Total = 480

The detail is at **Annex-A**.

(b) The vacant positions were initially sent to the Federal Public Service Commission (FPSC) who did not agree to advertise them as the status of PIMS has been elevated to that of a University *i.e.* Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto Medical University, PIMS by the University Act 21st March, 2013. The recruitment procedure has been laid down in the University Act is at **Annex-B**. Quota will be followed according to the Federal Government policy.

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

***Question No. 63. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati:**

(Notice received on 20-08-2015 at 10.38 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the Prime Minister of Pakistan has allocated Rs. 3 Billion for up-gradation and re-carpeting of roads in Islamabad in the budget 2015-2016; and*
- (b) *the names and length of the roads on which the said amount will be spent indicating also the amount proposed to be spent on each road?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) Rs. 2.00 Billion have been allocated for Rehabilitation of 19 Sectors of Islamabad, the work includes re-carpeting of roads, lane marking, signals, painting of kerb stone repair of footpaths and drainage system, out of which an amount of Rs. 1.400 Billion will be spent on re-carpeting / rehabilitation of roads.

(b) The detail is attached at **Annex-A** Tenders for the F&G series have already been opened against a tender amount of Rs. 1.026 Billion which are under scrutiny / evaluation for award of work.

Cost estimates for carpeting of roads in I&H sectors are under approval for call of tenders.

***Question No. 64. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati:**

(Notice received on 20-08-2015 at 10.40 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of Aviation Division be pleased to state the time by which new Islamabad International Airport at Fateh Jang will become operational?

Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division: As per plan New Islamabad International Airport will become operational by October, 2016.

*Question No. 65. **Senator Taj Muhammad Afridi:**
(Notice received on 20-08-2015 at 11.41 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names of countries with which Pakistan has free / professional trade agreements at present;*
- (b) *the volume of trade of Pakistan with those countries at present; and*
- _____ (c) *the balance of trade of Pakistan with the said countries at present?*

Enginer Kharrum Dastigir: (a) Pakistan has free/preferential trade agreements with China, Malaysia, Sri-Lanka, Iran, Indonesia, Mauritius and countries of South Asian region (SAFTA) countries.

- (b) The trade volumes with these countries are as under:-

*Question No. 66. **Senator Taj Muhammad Afridi:**
(Notice received on 20-08-2015 at 11.45 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *the quota reserved for FATA in the hospitals under the administrative control of the Capital Administration and Development Division;*
- (b) *the number of persons belonging to FATA presently working in those hospitals against the said quota; and*
- (c) *the number of vacant posts of the said quota presently lying vacant in the said hospitals with grade-wise break-up?*

Mr. Usman Ibrahim: (a) It may be apprised that under the rules, there is a collective quota of 4% fixed for GILGIT BALTISTAN/FATA. The said quota is being observed strictly in three Hospitals under administrative control of CA&DD *i.e.* PIMS, FGPC and NIRM.

- (b) **PIMS**

39 persons are presently working against the quota of FATA/GB and break up is:—

BPS 6 - 15 = 09
BPS 16 - 20 = 30

Detail is at **Annex-A.**

FGPC

24 persons belonging to GB/FATA are presently working in FGPC against said quota and break up is:—

BPS 3 - 15 = 11
BPS 16 - 21 = 13

Detail is at **Annex-B.**

NIRM

The number of persons belonging to FATA/GB working in this Institute is as under:—

Specialist (BS-18)	(1)	
Registrar (BS-17)	(1)	
Medical Officer (BS-17)	(1)	
Junior Technician (B-9)	(1)	(1)
LDC (BS-07)	(1)	

Detail is at **Annex-C.**

(c) **PIMS**

24 vacant posts are present against the quota of FATA/GB. The break up is:—

BPS 4 - 14 = 09
BPS 16 - 18 = 15

Detail is at **Annex-D.**

FGPC

Five posts of said quota are presently lying vacant in FGPC and grade-wise break up is:—

BPS-09 = Junior Technician (LHV)	—	01	
BPS-09 = Junior Technician (Lab)	—	01	
BPS-09 = Junior Technician (Disp)	—	01	
BPS-17 = Medical Officer	—	01	
BPS-18 = Associate Physician/Surgeon	—		01

NIRM

19 posts are lying vacant under the said quota. Detail is at **Annex-E**.

***Question No. 68. Senator Rahila Magsi:**

(Notice received on 24-08-2015 at 02:31 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that PIA is not following CAA guidelines, especially in case of delay in flights, if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) *whether there is any penalty for not observing the said guidelines in letter and spirit, if so, the details thereof?*

Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division: (a) PIAC like other airlines is following the guidelines of CAA in all respect. In case of flight delays PIAC provide refreshment to passengers subject to the duration of the delay.

(b) PIAC operates about 2600 flights in a month, and its on time performance (OTP) is 71%. The detail of flights operated in the month June is as under:—

FLIGHTS PUNCTUALITY JUNE 2015

Total schedule flights operated	2615
Flights delayed	767
On schedule	1848
Punctuality	70.7%
PIA punctuality	83.7%

Note: Flights regularity report for the month July and August not yet finalized.

Article D-14 of Air Navigation Order (ANO) defines what operators have to do in case of delays and article D-20 of ANO defines penalties to be imposed upon operators in case of violating CAA's laid down directions as per detail attached at Annexure-A & B, respectively.

ISLAMABAD :
The 16th September, 2015.

AMJED PERVEZ,
Secretary.