

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 20th May, 2016**

@\*Question No. 127. **Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood:**

(Notice received on 09-12-2015 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Planning, Development and Reform be pleased to state:*

- (a) the number of Chinese working in Pakistan on various projects under China-Pakistan Economic Corridor; and*
- (b) the steps taken by the Government for security of the said Chinese?*

**Mr. Ahsan Iqbal:** (a) At present there are a numbr of Chinese working on various projects in Pakistan. Ministry of Interior has updated details of Chinese workers on various projects. However, in view of security considerations it would be appropriate not to make the number public.

(b) Security of Chinese working in Pakistan on various projects lies with M/o Interior, being the focal agency responsible for security of Chinese. A Special Security Division (SSD) has been raised comprising 9,000 Army personnel and 6,000 civil armed forces, which will be deployed to ensure security of Chinese working on CPEC projects.

@\*Question No. 72. **Senator Saleem H. Mandviwalla:**

(Notice received on 14-03-2016 at 10:12 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Industries and Production be pleased to state:*

- (a) the number of persons working in the Pakistan Steel Mills on regular, contract and daily wages basis at present;*
- (b) whether it is a fact that the said persons have not been paid their salaries since June, 2015, if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (c) the months and year for which those employees were last paid their salaries?*

**Mr. Ghulam Murtaza Khan Jatoi:** (a) Manpower position in Pakistan Steel Mills as on 31st March, 2016 is as under:—

Regular Employees	12970
Contract Employees	216
Daily Wage Employees	566
<b>Total:</b>	<b>13752</b>

(b) No.

(c) Salaries upto the month of November 2015 have been paid to the employees of Pakistan Steel Mills.

@@\*Question No. 73. **Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood:**  
(Notice received on 07-04-2016 at 11:15 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Industries and Production be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the number of utility stores established in the country at present with province-wise break up;*
- (b) *the number of the said stores being run by the Utility Stores Corporation itself and those being run through franchise; and*
- (c) *the number of complaints received against those stores during the last three years indicating also the action taken on the same?*

**Mr. Ghulam Murtaza Khan Jatoi:** (a) The Utility Stores Corporation at present is operating 5455 stores throughout the country. The province-wise breakup of which is as under:—

S.N	Province	Number of Stores
1.	Punjab	2993
2.	Sindh	671
3.	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	1312
4.	Balochistan	294
5.	AJK	80
6.	Gilgit Baltistan	105

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**Total:**

**5455**

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(b) Out of **5455** stores, **4472** stores are regular stores of the Corporation being operated by Corporation itself and 983 are functioning as Franchise Stores.

(c) The data relating to complaints of the stores is being maintained at Regional level. The same information is being obtained from Regions and will be placed before the house later on.

@\*Question No. 74. **Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood:**

(Notice received on 07-04-2016 at 11:15 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Industries and Production be pleased to state:*

(a) *the amount of subsidy provided to utility stores corporation during the last three years with year-wise breakup; and*

(b) *the names of items for which the said subsidy was provided?*

**Mr. Ghulam Murtaza Khan Jatoi:** (a):

- The amount of subsidy provided to Utility Stores Corporation (USC) under Ramzan Relief Package during the year 2013, 2014 and 2015 is as under:—

*(Rupees in Millions)*

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S.N	Year	Subsidy
1.	2013	1,795.791
2.	2014	1,316.146
3.	2015	1,134.273

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- Subsidy on sugar procured through Trading Corporation of Pakistan (TCP), Ministry of Commerce was discontinued in pursuance of ECC of the Cabinet's decision in case No. ECC-74/12/2014 dated 25-04-2014. However a quantity of 204,978 Metric Tonnes already procured by TCP for USC was provided from 02-04-2014 to 02-05-2016. Details of subsidy on sugar sold by USC from 2013 to 2015 are as under:—

(Rupees in Millions)

S.N	Year	Subsidy
1.	2013	15,965.558
2.	2014	10,447.828
3.	2015	1,433.675

(b) Subsidy was provided by the Government on the following items:—

@\*Question No. 75. **Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood:**

(Notice received on 08-04-2016 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Industries and Production be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether the Federal Government is providing any assistance to the Provincial Governments, for development and promotion of their industrial sector, if so, the details thereof; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to provide special assistance to the Provincial Governments for development of infrastructure and establishment / promotion of industries in less developed areas in the country, if so, the details thereof?*

**Mr. Ghulam Murtaza Khan Jatoi:** (a) Ministry of Industries and Production (MoIP) is implementing (23) ongoing PSDP projects in various districts of all the provinces during CFY 2015-16 (Detail at **Annex-I**).

(b) The establishment of an Export Processing Zone (EPZ) at Gwadar is at preliminary planning stages. 1,000 acres of land has been leased by Government of Balochistan at Karwat Gwadar. PC-II for appointment of consultant has been approved and EPZA has hired the services of M/s. Techno Consultant International for Planning, designing and preparation of PC-I for Gwadar EPZ.

Furthermore out of the total portfolio, Ministry of Industries and Production (MoIP) is sponsoring (12) projects worth Rs. 5.740 Billion and allocation of Rs. 313.893 Million during CFY 2015-16 for development of infrastructure and establishment/promotion of industries in less developed areas of Balochistan, KPK and Sindh (Detail at **Annex-II**).

@\*Question No. 81. **Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari:**

(Notice received on 25-04-2016 at 11:10 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state the targets on “ceiling on net domestic assets” and “floor on net national reserves” agreed with IMF to be achieved by December, 2015 and the actual numbers achieved by that date in respect of the same?*

**Mr. Mohammad Ishaq Dar:** The targets on “Ceiling on net domestic assets” and “floor on net international reserves” agreed with IMF are as below:

	End-December 2015		
	Program Target	Adjusted Program Target	Actual
Floor on net international reserves (NIR) of the SBP (US\$ million)	9,300	6,609	6,882
Ceiling on net domestic assets (NDA) of the SBP (PKR billion)	2,580	2,770	2,633

@\*Question No. 82. **Senator Muhammad Daud Khan Achakzai Advocate:**  
(Notice received on 25-04-2016 at 11:30 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Industries and production be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the annual production of cement in the country during the last two years;*
- (b) *the average per bag price of cement in the country during the said period and its comparison with the prices of the same in other countries of this region; and*
- (c) *whether it is a fact that the prices of cement are high despite the availability of raw material and cheap labour in the country, if so, the reasons thereof?*

**Mr. Ghulam Murtaza Khan Jatoi:** (a) The detail of annual production of cement in the country during the last two years are as under:

- (b) Average Prices of Cement (50 kg/bag) during the last two year are as under:
- (c) Salaries and wages of labour account approximately 3% of estimated cost per 50kg bag therefore, cheap labour has small role of input cost.

Further more, it is to inform that all the cement units in the country (24 units) are in private sector and the government has no role in fixation of cement prices. The prices are governed through market mechanism *i.e.* demand and supply. However, to provide for free competition in all spheres of commercial and economic activity to enhance economic, efficiency and to protect consumers from anti competitive behavior, the Parliament passed an Act called **Competition Act, 2010**. The Competition Commission of Pakistan, is dealing with all

such matters regarding cartels etc. It is working under the administrative control of Finance Division.

**\*Question No. 185. Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari:**

(Notice received on 14-03-2016 at 12:35 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state;*

- (a) the number of people who have availed the facility of Voluntary Registration / Tax Amnesty Scheme recently announced by the Government indicating also the amount collected under that scheme so far; and*
- (b) the amount spent by the Government on advertisements and other activities to promote the said scheme?*

**Mr. Mohammad Ishaq Dar:** (a) At the outset, it is stated that neither any tax amnesty bill was introduced nor passed by the National Assembly, however Voluntary Tax Compliance Scheme (VTCS) was announced by the Government and presented in the form of a Bill before the National Assembly.

So far 9,020 persons availed the facility by filing their returns under the Voluntary Tax Compliance Scheme (VTCS) and tax of Rs. 850 Million has been deposited under the scheme.

- (b) Rs. 61 Million are spent on advertising/publicity of the Scheme.

**\*Question No. 186. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati:**

(Notice received on 16-02-2016 at 10:35 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Industries and Production be pleased to state:*

- (a) the percentage of increase or decrease registered in industrial production in the country during the last two years; and*
- (b) the steps taken / being taken by the Government to increase the said production?*

**Mr. Ghulam Murtaza Khan Jatoi:** (a) According to Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS), the percentage of increase or decrease in the value added Industrial Sector and its components for last two years is as under:—

(b) The following steps have been taken by the government to increase the industrial production:—

- i. The worse Law and Order situation/ terrorism in the country was one of the major obstacle in the way of Industrial Production. The Government started Zarb-e-Azab. Moreover operation in Karachi was also initiated. Due to Zarb-e-Azab and Karachi

Operation the law and order situation has been improved, the industrial production have been improved / stabilized.

- ii. The Government decided that all Industrial feeders will exempt from electricity load shedding. Uninterrupted supply of electricity to the industrial sector will not only help boost economy, but also production of Industrial Sector.
- iii. The State Bank of Pakistan reduced lending rate to 6 percent from 9.5 percent to increase industrial / economic growth in Pakistan.
- iv. **INDUSTRIAL RESEARCH PROGRAM (IRP)**

Industrial Research Program (IRP) has been initiated by Engineering Development Board. Ministry of Industries and Production to promote Research and Development activities in the industry. The Program aims to address Industry's Technical issues pertaining to Product Design/ Development. Production Process and its Materials to foster much-needed innovation in the industry to enhance its competitiveness. EDB has taken on board a team of 992 Professors, Scientists, and Technologists, Researchers (Ph.D and M. Phil) in 308 fields to conduct R&D activities. These fields cover almost all products related to engineering, applied physics and applied chemistry.

So far different industries from sugar, steel re-rolling, surgical, cutlery, fan, automotive vendor, HVACR, electric fittings, etc. are availing R&D facilities under IRP. These services are provided on competitive basis, funded purely the recipients.

- v. **NEW ENTRANT POLICY FOR MOTORCYCLE**

The Government has approved New Entrant Policy for Motorcycle Industry, which has been notified by Ministry of Industries and Production on 26-09-2013. This policy will pave the way for new investment in the country. Under this policy M/s Yamaha Motorcycle Industry have been declared as new entrant. M/s Yamaha Motorcycle Industry will make investment of US \$ 150 million within next 5 years. The other manufacturers in motorcycle industry will be encouraged to make new investment.

- vi. **AUTOMOTIVE DEVELOPMENT POLICY (ADP) 2016-21.**

The Automotive Development Policy 2016-21 has been approved by the ECC. A new manufacturer under Automotive Development Policy (2016-2021), establishing maiden assembly facility will invariably need separate treatment and greater incentives in the early years to enable it to introduce its brand, develop a market niche and share, create a distribution and after-sales service networks, and develop a part-manufacturer base.

Ministry is of the view that a new investor invariably need separate treatment and greater incentives in the early years to enable it to introduce its brand, develop a market niche or share, create a distribution and after-sales service networks and develop a parts-manufacturer base.

- vii. With the induction of present government, the performance of industrial units has been improved. During last three years, 124 new Large Scale Manufacturing Units have been set up in the country.

Ministry of Industries and Production has offered certain incentives / facilities for the promotion of the industrial sector in the country through establishment of Export Processing Zones (EPZs) / Industrial Parks at (**Annexure-I**) and Public Sector Development Programme (PSDP). List of incentives / facilities available for the investors in EPZs / Industrial Parks is at (**Annexure-II**). The objectives targeted in Public Sector Development Programme aim at rejuvenating the industrial sector through 18 projects worth Rs. 26.935 Billion with focus on:—

- a. Innovation and efficiency in industrial sector.
- b. Building high skilled human capacity through targeted worker skills development programs.
- c. Technological up-gradation including Computer Aided Design (CAD) and Computer Aided Manufacturing (CAM).
- d. Development of emerging sectors like Gem and Jewellery, stone development and energy auditing in the textile sector.
- e. Targeted development of small and medium business entities to boost employment and reduce poverty.

**\*Question No. 187. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh:**

(Notice received on 07-04-2016 at 02:20 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the names, designations and grades of Officers / Officials of Pakistan Customs Service who were found involved in illegal clearance of containers of imported consignments at Port Qasim during the last three years indicating also the action taken against them; and*



(b) *the procedure laid down for taking action against persons found involved in illegal clearance of containers?*

**Mr. Mohammad Ishaq Dar:** (a) Names, designation and BPS of the accused officers of MCC Port Qasim Karachi against whom disciplinary proceedings were taken in illegal clearance of consignments during last three years is Annexed.

(b) The officials found involved in the illegal clearance of consignments have been proceeded against under the Government Servants (E&D) Rules, 1973, as detailed against each in the annexure.

\*Question No. 188. **Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood:**  
(Notice received on 08-04-2016 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Industries and Production be pleased to state the details of cases of corruption surfaced in the Utility Stores Corporation during the last three years indicating also the names and designations of officers / officials found involved in those cases and action taken against them?*

**Mr. Ghulam Murtaza Khan Jatoi:** The details of the corruption cases detected in Utility Stores Corporation during the last three years showing the names and designations of the officers / officials alongwith the action taken in each case is Placed at **Annex-A**.

\*Question No. 189. **Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood:**  
(Notice received on 08-04-2016 at 09:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Industries and Production be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the details of profit earned or losses suffered by Utility Stores Corporation during the last three years with year wise break up; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to privatize the said Corporation, if so, when?*

**Mr. Ghulam Murtaza Khan Jatoi:** (a) The detail of profit earned and loss suffered by the Corporation during the last three years is as under:—

Year	Profit earned / loss suffered (in millions)
2012-13	1399.842
2013-14	Profit 202.332 (loss)

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Annual Accounts of the Corporation for the Financial year 2014-15 have not yet been audited.

(b) The reply of this part of question relates to the Privatization Commission of Pakistan.

**\*Question No. 190. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh:**

(Notice received on 08-04-2016 at 11:10 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that there is no mechanism for registration of non-custom paid vehicles in FATA and PATA, if so, the reasons thereof;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the local authorities in the said areas have devised their own mechanisms for registration of the said vehicles; and*
- (c) *the steps taken / being taken by the Government to devise and implement a proper mechanism for registration of those vehicles in the said areas?*

**Mr. Mohammad Ishaq Dar:** (a) In terms of Article 142 (c) read with Fourth Schedule of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Motor Registration is the Provincial subject. Motor Registration Authority in Swat and other parts of PATA register only the duty paid vehicles as per law. As regards registration of non-duty paid vehicles in PATA, the office of the Commissioner, Malakand Division, Swat, *vide* para (ii) of the letter, dated 17-05-2016 (**Annex A**) has informed that the local administration and police have devised a temporary mechanism for registration of the Non-Customs Paid (NCP). Likewise, FATA Secretariat, Peshawar has reported that as per decisions of the Apex Committee meeting in the back drop of National Action Plan, an SOP/ local mechanism has been devised which is currently in place for registration of non-custom paid vehicles in the said region (**Annex-B**).

(b) Same as above at (a).

(c) Non-duty paid vehicles brought into Pakistan in violation of provisions of the Customs Act, 1969 and the prevailing Import Policy Order cannot be registered with any Motor Registration Authority unless the same are duty paid or subjected to legal formalities under the prevailing law/rules. The mechanism adopted by the Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa referred to in para (a) above is a local arrangement.

**\*Question No. 191. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati:**

(Notice received on 11-04-2016 at 11:01 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the amount collected as taxes by Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) during the last three years with province wise break up;*
- (b) *the amount spent by the said Board under the developmental and non developmental heads during the said period with province wise break up;*
- (c) *the amount collected as taxes by that Board from the Province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa during the said period with district wise break up; and*
- (d) *the amount spent by the said Board under the developmental and non developmental heads in that Province during the said period with district wise break up?*

**Mr. Mohammad Ishaq Dar:** (a) The amount collected as taxes by Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) during the last three years with province-wise break-up is at **Annex-A** and

(b) The amount spent by the said board under the developmental and non-developmental heads during the said period with province-wise breakup is placed at **Annex-B**.

(c) The amount collected as taxes by FBR from the province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa during the said period is palced at **Annex-C**.

(d) The amount spent by the said board under the development and Non-developmental Heads in that province during the said period with district-wise breakup is placed at **Annex-D**.

**\*Question No. 192. Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood:**

(Notice received on 14-04-2016 at 10:35 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Industries and Production be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the details of development and non development expenditures of Utility Stores Corporation during the last three years with head wise and year wise break up; and*
- (b) *the steps being taken by the Government to reduce the non developmental expenditures of the said corporations?*

**Mr. Ghulam Murtaza Khan Jatoi:** (a) The detail of Non Development Expenditure during the last three years is enclosed as **Annex-A**.

No Development work has been executed in the Corporation during the last three years and as such expenditure on the said is NIL.

- (b) Following steps are being taken to reduce the Non Development expenditures:—

- a. Computerization of the network of the corporation.
- b. Rationalization of the manpower.
- c. Relocation of the unviable stores.
- d. Direct supply by the vendors to stores which will reduce the cost of transportation.
- e. Control on the TA/DA of the field Officers.

**\*Question No. 193. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh:**

(Notice received on 14-04-2016 at 02:30 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Planning, Development and Reforms be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the number of Chinese and Pakistani workers working on CPEC projects in the country at present;*
- (b) *the name of authority(ies) which approves the appointment of workers in the said projects; and*
- (c) *whether the Government has taken any steps to train more local workers to enable them to work in those projects, if so, the details thereof?*

**Mr. Ahsan Iqbal:** (a) CPEC is a long term plan. The number of labourers will vary from project to project. Therefore, it is difficult to inform exact number of labourers which would be employed on various projects at this point in time.

(b) Concerned Ministries/Organizations/executing agencies appoint the workers as per recruitment rules on said projects.

(c) Vocational trainings/ capacity building is a part of Long Term Plan of CPEC. Long Term Plan of CPEC is under preparation.

**\*Question No. 194. Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari:**

(Notice received on 25-04-2016 at 10:35 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the present Government had announced to do away with the issuance of SROs; and*
- (b) *the details of SROs issued since fiscal year 2013-14 with year wise break up indicating also brief description of the subject and impact of each of the same?*

**Mr. Mohammad Ishaq Dar:** (a) Federal Government following a policy of bringing transparency in tax laws has abolished the powers of FBR to issue exemption orders *vide* Finance Act, 2015. Now the Federal Government can only grant exemption subject to approval of ECC of the Cabinet in exceptional circumstances involving national security, natural disasters, national food security in emergency situation, protection of national economic interest in situation arising out of abnormal fluctuation in international commodity prices, removal of anomaly in taxes, development of backward areas and implementation of bilateral and multilateral agreements.

Furthermore Government has also reviewed the existing Concessionary regime under various SROs. Entire concessionary regime has been reviewed by a High Powered Committee which had recommended a three year time span for elimination of concessionary SROs in three phases. Two out of three phases have been completed.

(b) The details of SROs issued under the Income Tax Ordinance, 2001, Sales Tax Act, 1990 and Federal Excise Act, 2005 and Customs Act 1969, since fiscal year 2013-14 are attached as **Annex-A**, **Annex-B**, **Annex-C** and **Annex-D** respectively

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

**\*Question No. 195. Senator Muhammad Daud Khan Achakzai Advocate:**

(Notice received on 27-04-2016 at 03:15 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Government has launched a Tax Amnesty Scheme to broaden the Tax net in the country, if so, the number of persons who benefited from the said scheme indicating also the amount of tax paid by them and the amount legalized under the same so far?*

**Mr. Mohammad Ishaq Dar:** At the outset, it is stated that neither any tax amnesty bill was introduced nor passed by the National Assembly, however Voluntary Tax Compliance Scheme (VTCS) was announced by the Government and presented in the form of a Bill before the National Assembly.

So far 9,020 persons availed the facility by filing their returns under the Voluntary Tax Compliance Scheme (VTCS) and tax of Rs. 850 Million has been deposited under the scheme.

**\*Question No. 197. Senator Nisar Muhammad:**

(Notice received on 28-04-2016 at 02:15 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state the amount received by the Government in respect of coalition support fund during the period from September 2001 to January, 2016?*

**Mr. Mohammad Ishaq Dar:** An amount of US \$13.7 billion has been received by the Government in respect of Coalition Support Fund (CSF) during the period from September, 2001 to January, 2016.

\*Question No. 198. **Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar:**  
(Notice received on 29-04-2016 at 10:50 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatizations be pleased to state the amount of foreign aid and grants received and released for rehabilitation and development of FATA during the last ten years?*

**Mr. Mohammad Ishaq Dar:** ● The amount of foreign aid and grants received and released for rehabilitation and development of FATA during the last ten years is as under and the details are at **Annex-I:**—

\*Question No. 199. **Senator Nisar Muhammad:**  
(Notice received on 29-04-2016 at 12:10 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state the names of persons who have got their loans written off amounting to Rs. 50 million and above during the period from 1990 to 2000?*

**Mr. Mohammad Ishaq Dar:** Information in this regard will be collected by State Bank of Pakistan from all the financial institutions, which will take some time. It is, therefore, requested that Finance Division may be granted lead time for a period of 15 days for submission of reply.

\*Question No. 200. **Senator Syed Shibli Faraz:**  
(Notice received on 29-04-2016 at 12:50 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:*

- (a) the amount collected as taxes from 1st January to 30th June and 1st July to 31st December, 2015, separately indicating also the number of tax payers from which the same was collected;*
- (b) the amount distributed among the provinces from the divisible pool of taxes including its vertical and horizontal distribution during the said periods, separately; and*
- (c) the details of straight transfers / grants-in-aid provided to the provinces during those periods, separately?*

**Mr. Mohammad Ishaq Dar:** (a) The amount collected as taxes from 1st January to 30th June and 1st July to 31st December, 2015 alongwith number of taxpayers is placed at **Annexure “A”, “B” & “C”**.

(b) Does not pertain to FBR.

(c) Does not pertain to FBR.

**\*Question No. 201. Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan:**

(Notice received on 29-04-2016 at 10:00 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state the direct and indirect losses sustained by the economy due to terrorist acts in the country during the last five years with year wise break up?*

**Mr. Mohammad Ishaq Dar:** Direct and indirect losses sustained by the economy due to terrorist acts in the country during the last five years are given in the table below;

**\*Question No. 202. Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari:**

(Notice received on 03-05-2016 at 08:10 a.m.)

*Will the Minister for Industries and Production be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether any quality standards have been devised for the manufacturers of tractors in the country, if so, the details thereof;*
- (b) *the names of authority which lays down the said standards and the authority / departments which ensures implementations of the same; and*
- (c) *the prices of various models of tractors in the country since 2000 with year wise break up?*

**Mr. Ghulam Murtaza Khan Jatoi:** (a) The standards for Tractors have not been notified by the Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority (PSQCA) A Technical Committee (TC) has already been constituted by the PSQCA for the development and adoption of Tractor Standards. The said Standards are under preparation and shall be finalized soon for submission to the National Standards Committee (NSC) of PSQCA for approval.

(b) The Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority (PSQCA) has a legislative mandate to develop and issue Standards and Regulations to which manufacturers must conform and certify compliance.

At present no authority/department oversees implementation of tractor standards. However, once the standards are developed and notified, the PSQCA would ensure implementation of the said standards

(c) Prices of Millat Tractors (**Annex-A**) Alghazi Tractors (**Annex-B**) and Others (**Annex-C**).

\*Question No. 203. **Senator Najma Hameed:**  
(Notice received on 03-05-2016 at 02:00 p.m.)

*Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to impose Super Tax on persons having in-come of Rs. 500 million and above per annum?*

**Mr. Mohammad Ishaq Dar:** In order to meet enhanced revenue needs for the rehabilitation of Temporarily Displaced Persons, a one-time tax was levied through Finance Act, 2015 on the affluent and rich individuals, association of persons and companies earning income above Rs. 500 million in tax year 2015 at a rate of 4% of income for banking companies and 3% of income for all others.

Government considers various options for raising revenue through taxes while announcing the Federal Budget. These measures are included in the Finance Bill, which is approved by the Parliament. Budget proposals for FY 2016-17 are yet to be finalized.

ISLAMABAD:  
*The 19th May, 2016.*

AMJED PERVEZ,  
*Secretary.*