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“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

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DEFERRED QUESTIONS

*Question No. 2, and 17 were deferred on 22nd October, 2020
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(Def.) *Question No. 2 **Senator Seemee Ezdi:**

(Notice Received on 28/08/2020 at 3:35 PM) QID: 37262

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state the details of subsidies and other perks / exemptions granted to K-Electric under the 2009 agreement between the K-Electric and the Government so far indicating also the reasons for granting subsidies to K-Electric?

Mr. Muhammad Hammad Azhar: KE is provided with the subsidies at par with the EX-WAPDA DISCO's as the tariff is being maintained uniform across the board throughout the country.

The detail of the subsidies year wise is attached herewith **(Annex-A)**.

Implementation Agreement was originally signed between K-E and GoP in 2005 and was subsequently amended in 2009 through the Amendment Agreement.

Tariff Differential Subsidy (TDS) is offered to KE's consumers and it is the difference between NEPRA, determined tariff and Applicable and tariff which is normally set at a lower level in line with Government's social obligations.

Annexure-A

Statement showing year wise Subsidy details provided to consumers of K.E

from

2009-10 to 2019-2020.

<u>Years</u>	Amount in Billion Rs.
	<u>Tariff Differential Subsidy</u>
2009-10	31.714
2010-11	46.000
2011-12	45.000
2012-13	84.000
2013-14	64.000
2014-15	36.000
2015-16	53.400
2016-17	10.924
2017-18	10.981
2018-19	10.850
2019-20	25.000

(Def.) *Question No. 17 **Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi:**
(Notice Received on 4/09/2020 at 2:30 PM) QID: 37315

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state:

- (a) *the name of firm / contractor presently at the panel of PESCO for repair / maintenance of out of order transformers;*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that the repair work being carried out by the said firm / contractor is substandard and the repaired transformers get damaged / out of order again and again, if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (c) *whether any inquiry has been conducted against the said firm / contractor for substandard repair work, if so, the findings thereof and the action taken against the firm / contractor?*

Mr. Muhammad Hammad Azhar: (a) The list of workshops is annexed.

(b) There is strict check on substandard material, as proper committee is constituted to visit each workshop for inspection of material. Inadequacies or any irregularity observed are immediately reported to concerned S.E (Operation) circle, Regional Manager M&T PESCO.

In case of non-satisfactory reports received regarding Substandard material from S.E (Operation), the work order of the prequalified registered workshops is canceled immediately. Sometimes the damage to transformers occur due to direct hooks in large numbers being overloaded.

(c) Recently one of the workshops has been black listed and notices have been issued to workshops having high ratio of faulty transformers within warranty period. The SE (Operation), PESCO as well as field store management have been directed to report the performance certificates and satisfactory reports. Regional Manager M&T also directed to carry out the inspections of workshops. The sub-committee frequently visit the workshops to check its performance.

Annexure

S.No	T/F Reclamation Workshops	Work Order No & Date	Work Order Expiry Date	Name of Circle	Remarks
1	PWF Transformer Reclamation shop Kabal River Nowshera. Cell No. 0313-9134451	NIL	NIL	Pesh/Khyber	
2	M/S Transformer Technologies (Pvt) Ltd. Reclamation Workshop, G.T Road, Taru Jabba. Tele No. 091-2964436, Cell # 0344-4181399 Jamsheed	1925-37 dt 29-06-2020	28-06-2021	Pesh/Khyber	
3	M/S Al-Haseeb Engg. Works (Pvt) Ltd. Kohat Road Peshawar Cell No. Salf Ullah 0345-2655020, 0313-8009353	1643-57 dt 22-06-2020	21-06-2021	Pesh/Khyber	Cancelled Work Order No. 2644-S1/COO Dated 06-08-2020
4	M/S SEPCO (Pvt) Ltd. Transformer Reclamation Workshop, G.T Road, Malakand Agency, Near Chakdara Bridge Chowki, Swat. Cell No. 0311-8777555, Arif 0300-8040466	1618-30 dt 22-06-2020	21-06-2021	Swat	
5	M/S Pak-Sarhad Power Transformer Reclamation Workshop, Havelian Road, Abbottabad. Cell No. 0301-8823713, Yasir 0332-8943110	1436-46 dt 10-06-2020	09-06-2021	Hazar-I & II	

6	M/S United Transformers Reclamation Workshop (Pvt) Ltd. Small Industrial Estate, Mansehra. Cell No. 0300-9114615, Zain 0316-5906450	1334-41 dt 02-06-2020	01-06-2021 *	Hazar-i & II	
7	M/s Advance Operational Engineering Mohabat Abad Pattak, Opposite Sheikh Multoon Town, Nowshera Road, Mardan. Cell # 0333-9049669 Jamil, Cell No. 0301-8993222	2080-82 dt 02-06-2020	06-07-2021	Mardan & Swabi	
8	M/s Iftikhar Electrical Engineering Works Main Swat Road, Thana, Swat. Cell No. 0333-7121616, Arshad 0313-9807481, 0314-9910873	1800-1811 dt 26-06-2020	25-06-2021	Swat	
9	M/s Afridi Electric Engineer Works & Company (Pvt) Ltd, Mardan Bypass Gulshan Model Town Muhabbatabad Mardan. Cell No. 0314-9042443, Inam 0345-9401760	2265-75 dt 17-07-2020	16-07-2021	Mardan & Swab	
10	M/S Swabi Electric Transformer Engg & Co. NawaKaly Near Azam Abad howki Mardan Road Swabi. Cell No. Cell # 0304-5058284 Daud, Saif Ullah 0345-2655020	1671-84 dt 22-06-2020	21-06-2021	Mardan & Swab	
11	M/S Buner Electrical Engineering Works. Mingawara Road near Jamal Flour Mill Jawar. Cell No. 0331-9104860, 0313-9417555, Cell # 0345-9468555 Naeem	1812-24 dt 26-06-2020	25-06-2021 *	Swat	
12	M/S Muhammad Salam Construction Electric Engineering Works Hangu Road Kohat. Cell No. 0334-8348045, 0345-9677484, Cell 0333-9618590 A.Razaq	1701-12 dt 24-06-2020	23-06-2021	Pesh & Khyber	
13	M/S Hambal Electrical Engineering Company Transformers Specialist Govt Contractor near Railway line New Adda Mardan. Cell No. 0345-9332528, 0315-9746060	1910-20 dt 29-06-2020	28-06-2021	Mardan & Swabi	
14	Hayatabad, Peshawar. Cell No. 0332-9146462				
15	M/S Wajid Ali Khan & Sons (Pvt) Ltd. Shah Alam Pul, Charsadda Road, Peshawar. Cell No. 0300-5822522, Cell # 0301-8833463 Qari	1990-2000 dt 02-07-2020	01-07-2021	Pesh & Khyber	
16	M/s AL- Hasseb Electric Engg. Works & Company (Pvt) Ltd, Sugar Mills Road, Mardan. Cell No. 0313-8009353	1657-70 dt 22-06-2020	21-06-2021	Mardan & Swabi	
17	M/s Translite Engineering Company (Pvt) Ltd, Fiazgut Bypass Road, Near EshalShadi Hall, Mingora Swat. Cell No. 0345-9177222	1685-95 dt 22-06-2020	21-06-2021 *	Swat	
18	Sardar & Brothers Transformer (Pvt) Ltd, Transformer Reclamation Workshop, Main Malakand Road near Gul CNG, Shergarh Mardan. Cell No. 0313-9640017	2160-68 dt 13-07-2020	12-07-2021	Mardan & Swabi	

19	M/S Taimoor Electrical Engineering Company Hattar Road Swat Chowk Haripur KPK, 0301-8824336	1447-56 dt 10-06-2020	09-06-2021	Hazara-I & II	
20	M/S Hazara Engineering (PVT) Ltd Abbottabad Road Balder Haripur, 0305-9705671	1266-76 dt 13-05-2020	12-05-2021	Hazara-I & II	
21	M/S Raheem Electric Engineering PVT Ltd Canal Road Near Village Budhani Dera Ismail Khan KPK Pakistan, 0333-9128714	1221-29 dt 11-05-2020	10-05-2021	Bannu	
22	M/S Bismillah Electric Engineering Company (Pvt) Ltd, Ring Road, Jameel Chowk near Hazar Khani Chowk, Peshawar, Cell No. 0300-9432989	NIL	NIL	Pesh/Khyber	Work order not issued
23	M/S High Power Transformers (Pvt) Ltd, All Town, Hangu By Pass, Kohat, Cell No. 0333-5016016	1971-80 dt 30-06-2020	29-06-2021	Pesh/Khyber	
24	M/s Irfan Transformer Repairing Company (Pvt) Ltd, Main G.T Road Timergara, Cell No. 0348-4750145	1630-42 dt 22-06-2020	21-06-2021	Swat	
25	M/s Taj Ali & Brothers Electric Transformer Reclamation Workshop Fort Road, D.I. Khan, Cell No. 0333-9730980	NIL	NIL	Bannu	
26	M/S Noor Electric Engineering Works, Mulakand Road, Takht Bai, Near NADRA Office, Cell No. 0312-9104860, 0333-9124877	2105-16 dt 09-07-2020	08-07-2021	Mardan & Swabi	
27	M/S Alfareed Electric Engineers Works Pvt Ltd G.T Road Chughalpura Peshawar, Cell No. 0300-7128194, 0333-9032457	2117-28 dt 10-07-2020	09-07-2021	Pesh & Khyber	
28	M/S Peshawar Electric Engineering Workshop Ring Road Near Hyper Mall	2524-34 dt 27-07-2020	26-07-2021	Pesh & Khyber	

(Def.) *Question No. 16 **Senator Mushtaq Ahmed:**

(Notice Received on 26/11/2020 at 10:00 AM) QID: 37864

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

- whether it is a fact that Foreign Direct Investment in Pakistan has always been less than one percent of GDP, if so, its reasons; and*
- the steps taken / being taken by the Government for increasing Foreign Direct Investment to 3 percent of GDP?*

Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister's Office: (a) It is not correct that FDI has always been less than one percent of GDP. It varied during last 20 years from lowest 0.37% to highest 3.37% of GDP.

(b) Though promotion, facilitation and protection of investment is the domain of BOI; however, attraction of investment needs a whole of government approach. All the economic ministries, provincial governments and the private sector need to play their respective roles in attraction of investment. Other areas which contribute towards inward investment are infrastructure, ease and cost of doing business and federal, provincial and local policy, legal and regulatory frameworks. A number of steps have been/are being taken by the Board of Investment to increase the FDI to GDP ratio as detailed below:

- Improving Ease of Doing Business;
- Improving business climate through Pakistan Regulatory Modernization Initiative;
- Using Special Economic Zones (SEZs) to promote industrialization in the country;
- Devising and implementing Investment Promotion Strategy to attract quality investment in the country;
- Devising a Comprehensive Investment Law;
- Online Investment Facilitation Services like Issuance of Work Visa, Branch/Liaison Office, Security clearance and Issuance of Airport entry Passes.
- Integration of Investor's Grievance Cell with Citizen Portal.

In addition to them following policies have also been introduced by this Government to attract FDI.

- Electric Vehicle Policy
- Mobile Device Manufacturing Policy
- National SME Policy
- Strategic Trade Policy Framework
- National Textile Policy

Details of these initiatives are **annexed**.

Source: PBS & SBP.

Annexure

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Steps taken/ being taken to enhance the FDI**Improving Ease of Doing Business**

BOI, in consultation with all the relevant Ministries/Agencies and the Provincial Governments, is working on a comprehensive strategy to further improve Ease of Doing Business in Pakistan. According to World Bank, Doing Business 2020 Report, Pakistan improved its global ranking by 28 notches from 136 to 108 and we were declared the top reformer of South Asia and sixth on the globe. Pakistan improved in six areas measured by Doing Business report i.e. Starting a Business, Dealing with Construction Permits, Getting Electricity, Registering Property, Paying Taxes and Trading Across Borders.

Improving Business Climate through Pakistan Regulatory Modernization Initiative

The Prime Minister of Pakistan has launched "Pakistan Regulatory Modernization Initiative" to transform the regulatory landscape across the 3 tiers of government; federal, provincial and local government in Pakistan. PRMI is a comprehensive reform initiative that brings together all provinces, territories, and their respective departments to map, simplify, eliminate and automate regulatory landscape to reduce burden on businesses and elevate Pakistan among the top destinations for investment.

Using Special Economic Zones (SEZs) for Promoting Industrialization in the Country

Government has promulgated Special Economic Zones Act and the main objective of this act is to attract both local and foreign investment in the country and to enhance industrialization process. Income tax and Custom duty exemptions are allowed to the developers and enterprises located in these SEZs. Apart from fiscal incentives, other non-fiscal incentives like gas, electricity and other utilities are being provided at the zero-point of the Zones. Till date 22 SEZs has been notified.

Investment Promotion Strategy (IPS) 2020-23

To attract quality investment and to bring investment to GDP ratio at par with our competitors, BOI has launched Investment Promotion Strategy for the next three years 2020 to 2023 after extensive consultations with stakeholders, after studying the successful models of national, regional and global IPAs and their best practices. Strategy provides comprehensive investment cycle, it consisting of policy advocacy, market research, investment facilitation, promotion, protection including investors tracking and sector scanning and after-care services to investors and projects. Targets for FDI set in Investment

Promotion Strategy for Year 2020-21 is \$4 bn, \$ 4.5bn for FY 2021-22 and \$5bn for FY 2022-23.

Drafting a Comprehensive Investment Law

Presently foreign investors are provided protection to their investment through Foreign Private Investment (Promotion and Protection) Act, 1976, Economic Reforms Act, 1992 and several other federal, provincial and local legal frameworks. Keeping in view the global best practices a new comprehensive Investment Act is being devised and proposed to replace the existing legislation on investment protection.

Integration of Investor's Grievance Cell with Citizen Portal

BOI has integrated investor's grievance cell (foreign/ local) with citizen portal introduced by the Prime Minister's Office to further enhance the investors' confidence on government's resolve to solve their problems.

Investment Facilitation Services

BOI has developed online portal titled "Pakistan Online Visa System (POVS)" for processing and recommending work visa cases of foreign expatriates employed by the companies. BOI also made easy the registration of Branch and Liaison Offices and in this regard developed online portal "Branch Liaison Management Information System (BLMIS)" for online receipt and processing of branch/ liaison office by the foreign companies.

***Question No. 3 Senator Fida Muhammad:**

(Notice Received on 8/06/2021 at 12:35 PM) QID: 37932

Will the Minister for Water Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the under-ground water level is going down rapidly in the whole country especially in Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, if so, the steps taken or being taken by the Government to cope up with the issue; and*
- (b) the details / tables of under-ground water level in every districts of Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa during the last ten years (year-wise breakup)?*

Minister for Water Resources: (a)

Response regarding Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

It has been observed that water level has been depleted in certain districts; PHE Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa is monitoring water levels of drinking water schemes in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. Water level is depleting due to over exploitation of ground water. Steps taken to address ground depletion by Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and in particular by PHE Department are at **Annex-I**.

Response regarding Balochistan

Yes, the under-ground water level is going down rapidly throughout Balochistan. The Balochistan Province mostly falls in semi-arid to arid climatic region and ground water level usually depends on the rate of precipitation. Since last thirty years, Balochistan Province is facing drought like condition due to which water table is declining continuously. The Government of Balochistan has taken the following steps in order to protect ground-water aquifer:

1. The GoB has established Provincial Water Board and District Water Committee in order to discourage exploitation of ground-water aquifer.
2. Throughout Balochistan, non-registered tubewells have been strictly banned to avoid stress on ground-water.
3. GoB is encouraging plantation on the piedmont recharge zones to protect the natural eco-system and indirectly recharge zones.
4. Federal Government has accorded priority to water sector projects of Balochistan, which is witnessed by the fact that in financial year 2020-21, forty-five (45) water sector projects costing Rs. 91.666 billion were executed / initiated in Balochistan by Irrigation Department and PHE Department, GoB with Federal financing. In addition, four (04) projects costing Rs. 142.542 billion are also being executed by WAPDA in the province.

(b) **Response regarding Khyber Pakhtunkhwa**

The rate of water level depletion varies in different areas depending on the aquifer status, withdrawals and recharge of the aquifer etc. Average Water levels depletion of those districts where ground water is being extracted through pumping is given in details/tables of relevant districts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa **Annex-II**.

Response regarding Balochistan

List of details / table of under-ground water level in Districts of Balochistan is placed at **Annex-III**.

Annexure-I

The Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, based on provincial needs and in line with the recommendations of the National Water Policy has formulated an Integrated Water Resource Management (IWRM) strategy for the province. The main stakeholders are P&D, Irrigation, PHE, Agriculture, Environment, LG&RD Department, PEDO, Forest Department, University of Engineering and Technology Peshawar and Agriculture University. The strategy recognizes water as a precious and economic good for encouraging its rational use. The core rationale of the strategy is to maximize the resultant economic development and social welfare in an equitable manner from available water resources. Moreover under the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Water Act 2020, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Water Resource Commission has been formulated with head of concerned departments as members chaired by the Chief Minister Khyber Pakhtunkhwa for conserving, redistributing, allocation of water resources and securing its proper use.

Public Health Engineering Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has initiated a pilot project titled "Underground Water Study & Artificial Recharge on Pilot Basis" with ADP No. 302/190024(2020-21) for artificial recharge of the ground water in district Peshawar. Its impacts and benefits will be analyzed after its completion. After successful implementation the same will be replicated to other districts of the province. In addition department has issued instructions of optimum pumping hours of water supply from solar based drinking water supply schemes. Moreover, in other feasible areas, PHE Department has taken a paradigm shift of using surface water instead of ground water to preserve the ground water assets which include the following projects:

(a) Completed Surface Water Based Drinking Water Supply Schemes

1. Bulk Water Supply Scheme, Abbotabad.
2. Gravity Based Water Supply Scheme, Batkhella from River Swat.
3. Gravity Based Drinking Water Supply Scheme, Chitral Town.
4. Gravity Based Drinking Water Supply Scheme, Darosh Town.
5. Master Planning for Rural Areas of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
6. Feasibility Study for Greater Water Supply Scheme Peshawar from Mohmand Dam, Jabba Dam and Bara Dam

7. Around 1830 gravity flow Schemes In settle and 500 gravity flow schemes In NMDs have been completed.

(b) Surface Water Based Drinking Water Supply Schemes under implementation

1. Extension of Gravity Water Supply Scheme from Lawaghar and Chan Ghuz Dams to various UCs of Karak
2. Gravity Water Supply Scheme from Lawaghar Dam to Karak City.
3. Consultancy for F/S and Design of Mega DWSS base on surface Flow and other perennial Water Bodies in Merged Areas (AIP).
4. Construction of Gravity Based Water Supply Schemes and Rehabilitation of Existing Infrastructure for Tehsil Matta to Kuza Bandai and Tehsil Khwazakhela to Charbagh.

(c) Surface Water Based Drinking Water Supply Schemes under consideration

1. Gravity Based Safe Drinking Water Supply System In Malakpur, Buner, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa with the technical and financial assistance from KOIKA (Korea).
2. Drinking Water Supply Scheme Havelian Abbottabad with the technical and financial assistance from KOIKA (Korea).
3. Drinking Water Supply Scheme Haripur City with the technical and financial assistance from JICA
4. Feasibility Study for Drinking Water Supply Scheme Battagram Town.
5. Feasibility Study for Drinking Water Supply Scheme Dir Upper Town.
6. Drinking Water Supply Scheme Agra and Ranizai District Malakand.
7. Gravity Based Safe Drinking Water Supply Mansehra City (Saudi Development Funds)

Annexure-II**Data regarding Depletion of Ground Water Level in Last 10 Years**

S.No	District	Year Wise Depletion In feet										Total Depletion In last 10 years (In feet)
		2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	
1	Peshawar	0.68	0.68	0.77	0.77	0.77	0.85	0.85	1.02	1.02	1.11	8.51
2	Charsadda	0.41	0.41	0.46	0.46	0.46	0.51	0.51	0.62	0.62	0.67	5.14
3	Nowshera	0.28	0.28	0.32	0.32	0.32	0.35	0.35	0.42	0.42	0.46	3.52
4	Kohat	0.53	0.53	0.59	0.59	0.59	0.66	0.66	0.79	0.79	0.86	6.58
5	Karak	0.96	0.96	1.08	1.08	1.08	1.20	1.20	1.43	1.43	1.55	11.95
6	Hangu	0.43	0.43	0.49	0.49	0.49	0.54	0.54	0.65	0.65	0.70	5.41
7	Bannu	0.43	0.43	0.48	0.48	0.48	0.53	0.53	0.64	0.64	0.69	5.34
8	Lakki Marwat	0.77	0.77	0.87	0.87	0.87	0.96	0.96	1.16	1.16	1.25	9.64
9	Tank	0.76	0.76	0.86	0.86	0.86	0.95	0.95	1.14	1.14	1.24	9.53
10	DI Khan	0.63	0.63	0.71	0.71	0.71	0.79	0.79	0.95	0.95	1.03	7.90
11	Khyber	5.92	5.92	6.66	6.66	6.66	7.40	7.40	8.88	8.88	9.62	74.02
12	Mohmand	4.59	4.59	5.17	5.17	5.17	5.74	5.74	6.89	6.89	7.46	57.42
13	Bajaur	2.62	2.62	2.95	2.95	2.95	3.28	3.28	3.93	3.93	4.26	32.79
14	Kurram	2.06	2.06	2.32	2.32	2.32	2.58	2.58	3.09	3.09	3.35	25.75
15	Orakzai	0.21	0.21	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.26	0.26	0.31	0.31	0.34	2.60
16	N.Waziristan	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.48
17	S.Waziristan	0.08	0.08	0.09	0.09	0.09	0.10	0.10	0.12	0.12	0.13	0.98
18	Abbotabad	0.91	0.91	1.03	1.03	1.03	1.14	1.14	1.27	1.37	1.49	11.42
19	Buner	0.03	0.03	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.44
20	Lower Dir	1.39	1.39	1.56	1.56	1.56	1.73	1.73	2.08	2.08	2.25	17.34
21	Haripur	4.92	4.92	5.54	5.54	5.54	6.15	6.15	7.38	7.38	8.00	61.50
22	Malakand	1.10	1.10	1.24	1.24	1.24	1.38	1.38	1.65	1.65	1.79	13.77
23	Mansehra	0.42	0.42	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.53	0.53	0.63	0.63	0.68	5.26
24	Mardan	0.82	0.82	0.93	0.93	0.93	1.03	1.03	1.24	1.24	1.34	10.30
25	Shangla	0.67	0.67	0.75	0.75	0.75	0.83	0.83	1.00	1.00	1.08	8.33
26	Swabi	0.39	0.39	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.48	0.48	0.58	0.58	0.63	4.85
27	Swat	0.64	0.64	0.72	0.72	0.72	0.80	0.80	0.96	0.96	1.04	7.99
28	Upper Dir	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.07	0.07	0.08	0.60

Annex-III**Details/ Table of underground water level in Districts of Balochistan**

S.NO.	District	Average Water Level
1.	Quetta	400'-600'
2.	Pishin	285'-400'
3.	Mastung	300'-400'
4.	Kalat	400'-800'
5.	Khuzdar	200'-300'
6.	Lasbela	80'-300'
7.	Killa Abdullah	300'-800'
8.	Killa Saifullah	200'-400'
9.	Zhob	75'-150'
10.	Sherani	70'-150'
11.	Muskhail	70'-140'
12.	Barkhan	80'-200'
13.	Harnai	40'-80'
14.	Sibi	60'-100'
15.	Awaran	40'-85'
16.	Kachhi (Bolan)	60'-100'
17.	Chagai	85'-180'
18.	Dera Bugti	45'-100'
19.	Gwadar	Nil (low availability)
20.	Turbat (Kech)	110'-200'
21.	Jaffarabad	Nil
22.	Kharan	80'-120'
23.	Kohlu	80'-250'
24.	Loralai	200'-400'
25.	Naseerabad	Nil (no ground water dependency / brackish water)
26.	Panjgoor	100'-400'
27.	Noushki	200'-300'
28.	Wahshuk	80'-100'
29.	Ziarat	600'-800'
30.	Sohbatpur	Nil (no ground water dependency / brackish water)
31.	Dukki	60'-120'
32.	Shaeed Sikandarabad	300'-500'
33.	Jhalmagsi	40'-150'

- Average Yearly draw down 20 feet.
- Stress areas where external recharge zone is not present i.e Kalt, Mastung, Quetta and Pishin.

***Question No. 4 Senator Mushtaq Ahmed:**

(Notice Received on 8/06/2021 at 11:00 PM) QID: 37868

Will the Minister of Human Rights be pleased to state whether it is a fact that two major Human Rights institutions i.e. National Commission for Human Rights (NCHR) and National Commission on the Status of Women (NCSW) are working without Chairpersons since 2019, if so, reasons thereof, indicating also the steps taken by the Government for the appointment of Chairpersons of both institutions?

Dr. Shireen M. Mazari: The operationalization of National Commission for Human Rights (NCHR) and National Commission on the Status of Women (NCSW) is priority of the Government. The appointment of Chairperson and Members NCHR and Chairperson NCSW is already in process.

In this regard, three names for each post of NCHR have been forwarded by the Honourable Prime Minister and Leader of the Opposition in the National Assembly to the Parliamentary Committee on Appointment of Chairperson and Members NCHR under Section 4(2) of the NCHR Act, 2012. The Parliamentary Committee shall, now, forward the names of the nominees confirmed by it to the President of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, who shall appoint the Chairperson and Members, accordingly.

The Honourable Prime Minister and the Leader of Opposition in the National Assembly have also forwarded their respective nominations to the Parliamentary Committee for appointment of Chairperson, NCSW. The Parliamentary Committee shall, now, forward the name of the nominee confirmed by it to the Prime Minister, who shall appoint the Chairperson, accordingly.

The delay in appointment of Chairpersons NCHR and NCSW occurred due to litigation in the Islamabad High Court. The Islamabad High Court *vide* its order dated 29-03-2021 ordered for re-publication of public notice in the newspapers. However, the Chief Justice Supreme Court of Pakistan in a hearing held on 27th April 2021 modified the Islamabad High Court orders dated 29-03-2021 and directed to expedite the process of appointment of Chairperson NCSW and Chairperson, Members NCHR.

In addition, the consultation process as required under Section 4(2) of the NCSW Act, 2012 and Section 4(2) NCHR Act 2012 to finalize three names for each post has also contributed towards delaying the process of making appointments of both institutions.

***Question No. 5 Senator Mushtaq Ahmed:**

(Notice Received on 10/06/2021 at 1:30 PM) QID: 37958

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state the total electricity quota of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa; indicating also the quantum of electricity provided to Khyber Pakhtunkhwa since June 01, 2020 till June 2021 according to the said quota?

Mr. Muhammad Hammad Azhar: Average Monthly Demand, Allocation and Drawl data of DISCOs of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa *i.e.* PESCO and TESCO, since 1st June, 2020 to June 2021, is attached at **Annex-I.**

Annexure-1

Quantum of Electricity provided to Khyber Pakhtunkhwa since June 2020

Month	PESCO			TESCO			TOTAL		
	Average Demand (MW)	Average Allocation (MW)	Average Drawl (MW)	Average Demand (MW)	Average Allocation (MW)	Average Drawl (MW)	Average Demand (MW)	Average Allocation (MW)	Average Drawl (MW)
Jun-20	2,455	2,459	1,711	167	204	127	2,622	2,663	1,838
Jul-20	2,724	2,750	1,896	178	204	137	2,902	2,954	2,033
Aug-20	2,715	2,746	1,904	177	202	135	2,892	2,948	2,039
Sep-20	2,240	2,272	1,589	171	194	133	2,411	2,466	1,722
Oct-20	1,868	1,934	1,278	170	190	126	2,039	2,125	1,404
Nov-20	1,818	1,847	1,130	171	186	125	1,989	2,033	1,255
Dec-20	2,004	2,005	1,222	177	192	127	2,181	2,197	1,349
Jan-21	1,986	2,000	1,177	155	185	105	2,141	2,185	1,282
Feb-21	1,779	1,903	1,059	141	174	96	1,919	2,077	1,155
Mar-21	1,655	1,798	973	128	170	95	1,783	1,969	1,068
Apr-21	1,572	1,714	1,116	122	171	99	1,694	1,885	1,215
May-21	1,906	1,951	1,335	138	174	102	2,044	2,125	1,437
*June-21	2,334	2,350	1,530	144	201	104	2,478	2,551	1,634

* June 2021 data is upto 23rd June 2021.

Errors and Omissions expected, as this data is telephonically obtained by NPCC from DISCOs due to lack of live SCADA System.

***Question No. 6 Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur:**

(Notice Received on 11/06/2021 at 11:15 AM) QID: 37946

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that Chief Secretaries of the four provinces had informed the Prime Minister about the rampant adulteration of essential food items including milk, ghee, cooking oil, drinking water, meat and pulses in February 2020, if so; and*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the Prime Minister had also directed the Chief Secretaries of four provinces to take special measures for controlling the issues mentioned in part (a), if so, the present status of implementation there upon?*

Minister Incharge of Prime Minister's Office: The reply to the question is as under:

(a) The Prime Minister took notice of the food adulteration and directions were conveyed to Chief Secretaries of the four provinces on 15th November, 2019 to closely monitor the quality of food items. Presentations were taken from the Provincial Governments on this issue during a meeting held on 5th December, 2019. The Provincial Governments were, accordingly directed to undertake a comprehensive exercise to compile authentic data to ascertain the nature and extent of adulteration of food items, which should serve as a basis for developing Action Plan against this issue.

The Prime Minister, during a meeting on Prices of Essential Food Items and Food Adulteration held on 13th February, 2020, directed to the Provincial Chief Secretaries and Chief Commissioner (ICT) to prepare their Action Plans to address the challenge of food adulteration on a permanent basis. The Plans would initially focus on five essential food items *i.e.* milk, pulses, spices, ghee/cooking oil and water and encompass administrative, preventive, preemptive, sensitization and legislative measures with specific timelines for effective implementation. All provincial governments informed that their respective Action Plans have been formulated.

(b) During the meeting on Price Control held on 6th July, 2020, the Provincial Governments were advised to step up their efforts to check food adulteration/contamination to protect the vulnerable consumers from health risks. All provincial governments have informed that efforts have been made to check food adulteration.

ISLAMABAD,
the 12th July, 2021

MOHAMMAD QASIM SAMAD KHAN,
Secretary.

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SENATE SECRETARIAT

“UN-STARRED QUESTION AND ITS REPLY”

For Tuesday, the 13th July, 2021

Question No. 1 Senator Syed Muhammad Sabir Shah:
(Notice Received on 3/06/2021 at 3:10 PM) QID: 37918

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact the main transmission electric line to District Tourghar is passing exactly above the Houses of village Bahrre, Union Council Nika Pani, Tehsil Darband, Distric Mansehra; and*
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to change the main transmission line or the safety measures taken to ensure the protection of residents of that village ?*

Reply not received.

ISLAMABAD,
the 12th July, 2021

MOHAMMAD QASIM SAMAD KHAN,
Secretary.