



## **RESOLUTION NO. 263**

The Senate of Pakistan:-

**Urges** the Federal Government to;

- a) comply with the Constitutional provisions concerning CCI especially regular holding of the meetings of the Council of Common Interests, establishing its permanent Secretariat and timely submission of its reports to the Parliament covering all important aspects including status of implementation of decisions;
- b) ensure holding of population of census as soon as possible but well before the next general elections;
- c) include the issue of construction of water reservoirs in the agenda of every meeting of the CCI;

**Recommends** that;

- a) the public debt management and its implications should be supervised at the forum of CCI;
- b) CCI should play its positive role to impress upon the provinces to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) especially in the fields of climate change and education and to provide assistance to the federating units in making strategies towards the achievement of SDGs;
- c) progress in CPEC should be included in the agenda of every meeting of CCI;
- d) CCI should take up with the provinces the issue of absorption of federal government employees of developed ministries after 18<sup>th</sup> constitutional amendment;
- e) CCI should monitor the distribution system of Zakat in the country;
- f) CCI should devise a mechanism of accountability;

**Urges** upon the Chief Ministers to rigorously attend the meetings of CCI and highlight all the issues of provinces;

**Reiterates** that the final agenda of the meetings should be brought into the knowledge of Parliament as well as the Provincial Assemblies before conduct of every meeting of the CCI;

**Resolves** that the Council of Common Interests should equally safeguard the Constitutional rights of all the provinces for which the Senate of Pakistan, being the House of Federation, could provide necessary support.

**Moved by Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-ul-Haq Leader of the House on his own behalf and on behalf of Senator Aitzaz Ahsan Leader of the Opposition**

**Unanimously passed by the Senate of Pakistan on 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2016**