SENATE SECRETARIAT

4th FOLLOW UP REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL FOOD SECURITY & RESEARCH ON THE ISSUE OF PARC LAND.

- I, Chairman of the Standing Committee on National Food Security & Research have the honour to present the 4th follow up report of the Committee on the status of "conversion of 1400 acres land of PARC (Pakistan Agriculture Research Council) into residential / commercial plots" as directed by the Chairman Senate during sitting of Senate dated 11th November, 2015.
- 2. The composition of the Committee on National Food Security & Research is as under:-

1.	Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah	Chairman
2.	Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari	Member
3.	Senator Mst. Gul Bashra	Member
4.	Senator Muhammad Zafarullah Khan Dhandla	Member
5.	Senator Sirdar Zulfiqar Ali Khan Khosa	Member
6.	Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan	Member
7.	Senator Kamran Michael	Member
8.	Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz	Member
9.	Senator Hari Ram	Member
10.	Senator Ms. Sheher Bano Sherry Rehman	Member
11.	Senator Brig. (R) John Kenneth Williams	Member
12.	Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati	Member
13.	Minister for National Food Security and Research	Ex-Officio/Member

- 3. The Standing Committee on National Food Security & Research considered the matter in its meeting held on 13th April, 2016.
- 4. The Committee was informed that the position of the 1400 acres land of PARC continues to be the same and there is no change in the status of the land as the matter is pending before the Supreme Court of Pakistan. The case was last fixed for hearing on 13th January, 2016 but was left over and thereafter new date of hearing is yet to be fixed by the Supreme Court of Pakistan.

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5. As informed by PARC & CDA officers in the meeting, the matter was listed in the hon'ble Supreme Court of Pakistan on 13.01.2016 in which, the learned Counsel for CDA has sought time to place the matter before the board so that the decision could be taken in consonance or otherwise of the recommendations of the Senate Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research. The request for short adjournment was allowed and it was directed to relist the matter in the second week of February, 2016. In the meantime the interm arrangement already made by the Court would remain operative.

6. The officers further informed that a notice was thereafter received from the Director, Supreme Court of Pakistan on 18.01.2016 informing that the case has been fixed for hearing on 10.02.2016. Another notice was received on 09.02.2016 wherein it was mentioned that due to the non availability of regular bench of Hon'ble Chief Justice at Islamabad the case has been relisted and new date for its succession would be communicated later on. No fresh notice for the next date of hearing has been issued, the CDA officer further informed.

7. The Chairman PARC also stated that the position in relation to the 1400 acres of land continues to be same and the possession is with the PARC.

8. The report is submitted to the Senate as per the directions of the Chairman of the Senate.

(HAFEEZULLAH SHEIKH) JS/SECRETARY COMMITTEE (SENATOR SYED MUZAFAR HUSSAIN SHAH Chairman Standing Committee on National Food Security & Research

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