## SENATE OF PAKISTAN HOUSE OF FEDERATION

Report No. 13 of the Committee



REPORT OF THE FUNCTIONAL COMMITTEE ON HUMAN RIGHTS ON PAYMENT
OF ANY COMPENSATION TO THE AFFECTEES RELEASED FROM BAGRAM
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PRESENTED BY
SENATOR NASREEN JALIL
CHAIRPERSON



## SENATE SECRETARIAT

Subject:-

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- I, Senator Nasreen Jalil, Chairperson Senate Functional Committee on Human Rights, have honour to present the report on the subject matter referred by the House during the sitting of the Senate held on 12<sup>th</sup> Sep, 2017. The matter was referred by the House to the Senate Functional Committee on Human Rights for consideration and report.
- 2. The agenda before the Committee was "Discussion on a matter referred from the House on 12<sup>th</sup> Sep, 2017 raised by Senator Sherry Rehman, regarding the issue of payment of any compensation to the affectees released from Bagram Prison, Afghanistan under Civilian Victims Act or any other law with the directions to report back within one month"
- 3. The composition of the Committee is as under:-

i.	Senator Nasreen Jalil	Chairperson
ii.	Senator Ms. Sitara Ayaz	Member
iii.	Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini	Member
iv.	Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari	Member
v.	Senator Mufti Abdul Sattar	Member
vi.	Senator Mir Kabir Ahmed Muhammad Shahi	Member
vii.	Senator Nisar Muhammad	Member
viii.	Senator Mrs. Sehar Kamran	Member
ix.	Senator Aitzaz Ahsan	Member
X.	Senator Farhatullah Babar	Member
xi.	Senator Asif Saeed Kirmani	Member
xii.	Senator Ms. Samina Saeed	Member

4. Accordingly, the issue was discussed in the meetings of the Functional Committee on Human Rights held on 5<sup>th</sup> Oct, 2017 & 16<sup>th</sup> Nov. 2017. The following Members attended the meetings.

i.	Senator Nasreen Jalil	Chairperson
ii.	Senator Sitara Ayaz	Member
iii.	Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari	Member
iv.	Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini	Member
v.	Senator Ms. Samina Saeed	Member



vi.	i. Senator Farhatullah Babar	
vii. Senator Nisar Muhamm		
viii	Senator Sehar Kamran	

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5. The Committee thoroughly discussed the subject matter. The D.G Ministry of Foreign Affairs, apprised the Committee that as per the details shared by the Mission at Kabul, no compensation has been paid to the affectees, except for the traveling charges. In another meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> Nov, 2017, the representative of Ministry of Foreign Affairs, briefed the Committee that there is no law for payment of compensation to such persons and that proper legislation is required for such law. The Mover, Senator Sherry Rehman, didn't attend consecutive meetings, therefore, the Committee decided to dispose off the matter with direction to Ministry of Law and Justice, and National Commission for Human Rights to initiate a procedure of holistic law applicable all over Pakistan. The Committee also directed Ministry of Foreign Affairs to take up the issue at the state level having some support for the victim of terrorism, in the jails of different countries who were declared innocent. The Committee urged the role of NGOs for financial support of innocent victims of terrorism and recommended that the Government should raise the voice for their support.

(Malik Arshad Iqbal) Secretary Committee (Senator Nasreen Jalil) Chairperson Committee