

# SESSION JOURNAL

## 261<sup>st</sup> Session

### PANEL OF PRESIDING OFFICERS

Order of precedence	Name of the Members
1.	Senator Col (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi
2.	Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini
3.	Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq

Sitting Hours and Attendance	
Session summoned on	10-04-2017
Session prorogued on	21-04-2017
Number of working days	12
Number of actual sittings	10
Number of private Members' days	2
Maximum attendance	70
Minimum attendance	34
Average attendance	60
Total hours of sittings	29 hours & 30 minutes
Maximum hours of sitting	4 hours & 10 minutes
Minimum hours of sitting	1 hour & 20 minutes
Average hours of sittings	2 hours & 57 minutes

**STARRED QUESTIONS**

Received	467
Admitted	425
Disallowed	22
Lapsed	20
Replied	208
Referred to Committees	04
Carried forward	213

**MOTIONS UNDER RULE 60**

Received	01
Admitted	01
Discussed in the House	01
Lapsed	nil

**SUBJECT OF THE MOTION UNDER RULE 60 DISCUSSED DURING THE 261<sup>st</sup> SESSION**

1. “Regarding the disagreement of FBR with the case of promoting the pioneer industry of Engineering Sector forwarded by the Government to FBR.”.

**MOTIONS UNDER RULE 218**

Received	64
Admitted	48
Disallowed	06
Lapsed	10
Discussed in the House	04
Dropped in the House	03
Admitted but lapsed	41

**SUBJECTS OF THE MOTIONS UNDER RULE 218 DISCUSSED DURING THE 261<sup>st</sup> SESSION**

2. The overall performance of National Highway Authority with particular reference to the steps taken by it to ensure transparency in its projects.
3. The need for effective measures to boost industrial growth in the country.
4. The report of the United Nations Development Programme on the water scarcity issue in Pakistan.
5. The present status of implementation of Sustainable Development Goal No. 3 to ensure universal access to quality treatment at affordable rates.

**RESOLUTIONS**

Received	76
Admitted	59
Disallowed	08
Lapsed	09
Passed by the House	05
Dropped in the House	02
Admitted but lapsed	50
Withdrawn in the House	01

**SUBJECTS OF THE RESOLUTIONS PASSED DURING THE 261<sup>st</sup> SESSION**

1. Recommending that the Government should take effective steps for promotion of wind energy in the country.
2. Recommending that the Government should take effective steps to implement the provision of clause (3) of Article 172 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan in letter and spirit.
3. Recommending the Government should appoint a Minister for the Ministry of Textile Industry in order to promote the growth of textile exports and sustainability of the textile sector.
4. Recommending the Government should take effective steps to promote the celebration of traditional Islamic religious festivals and days of religious significance in the schools and educational institutions to mark the religious outlook of our society.
5. Recommending the Government should take effective steps to control the indecent and vulgar material on electronic and print media and on web.

### OFFERING OF FATEHA

1. The House offered Fateha for the departed souls who lost their lives in terrorist attack in Parachinar on 31st March, 2017.
2. The house offered Fateha for the departed soul of the brother in law of Senator Aitzaz Ahsen (Leader of the Opposition).

### ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRESENCE

- The Chairman recognized the presence of a group of 35 students from Department of Media Studies along with three faculty members from Islamia University Bahawalpur.
- The Chair recognized the presence of former Senator Sardar Mehtab Abbasi, Advisor to the Prime Minister on Aviation.
- The chair recognized the presence of a group of 8 international wrestlers who are present in Pakistan to promote sports in Pakistan.

### OBSERVATIONS OF THE CHAIRMAN

- The Chairman took serious notice of the absence of the Ministers whose Business was on the agenda and stated that he will not tolerate such attitude in future. The Leader of the House assured his cooperation in this regard.
- The Chairman drew attention of the Minister for Finance towards the vacancy of the post of Auditor General of Pakistan after the retirement of the existing Auditor General which has created a Constitutional Vacuum.

**The Finance Minister stated that he has initiated the summary for appointment of most senior officer of the Department till the selection of a suitable candidate for the post and notification in this regard will be issued very soon.**

- The Chairman apprised the House on receiving a letter from the Prime Minister Secretariat on 17th April, 2017 which states that it has been directed to all the Federal Ministers and Federal Secretaries to treat Parliamentary Business as top priority.

### PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS INTRODUCED

1. The Defamation (Amendment) Bill, 2017, moved by Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati.
2. The Islamabad Capital Territory Shops, Business and Industrial Establishments (Security) (Amendment) Bill, 2017, moved by Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati.
3. The National Health Care Bill, 2017, moved by Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati.
4. The Islamabad Consumers Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2017, moved by Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati.

**GOVERNMENT BILLS PASSED BY THE SENATE**

1. The National School of Public Policy (Amendment) Bill, 2017.
2. The Limited Liability Partnership Bill, 2017.

**BILLS WITHDRAWN [Under Rule 115]**

The following Bill was withdrawn by the concerned Mover:-

1. The Provincial Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2017.

**LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS [Under Rule 100]**

The following Private Members' Bills were passed by the House:

1. The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (Amendment of section 323)
2. The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (Amendment of sections 273, 274 and 275)

**CELEBRATION OF 10TH APRIL AS THE CONSTITUTION DAY**

The House celebrated and commemorated the Constitution Day on 10<sup>th</sup> April, 2017.

**FORMING OF QUESTION OF LAW**

The Chairman framed the following question of law:-

**“Whether there is inconsistency in paragraph (c), sub-rule (1) of Rule 100 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012 regarding referral of a Bill, reported by the Standing Committee, to a Select Committee? Does it amount to undermining the recommendations/report of a Standing Committee?”**

and directed Senators Aitzaz Ahsan, Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah, Javed Abbasi, Muhammad Ali Khan Saif and Saifullah Magsi to advance their arguments and assist the Chair on the same.

The Members advanced their arguments on 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2017 and after hearing the Members, the Chairman gave his detailed ruling on the issue on 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2017.

**REPORT LAID BEFORE THE SENATE**

1. Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice on behalf of SENATOR MOHAMMAD ISHAQ DAR, Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, laid before the Senate the Second Quarterly Report for the year 2016-2017 of the Central Board of Directors of the State Bank of Pakistan on the state of Pakistan's Economy, as required under section 9A (2) of the State Bank of Pakistan Act, 1956.

**MOTION (Under Rule 172A)**

Senator Raja Muhammad Zafar-Ul-Haq, Leader of the House, moved under rule 172A of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the House may constitute itself into a Committee of the Whole to develop a strategy that addresses the increasing threat of Water scarcity to the Federation.

**The Motion was put to the House and adopted.**

**CONSIDERATION OF ADMISSIBILITY OF ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS**

1. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi moved Adjournment Motion No. 1- 261/2017-M to discuss the present threat to the people of Pakistan as witnessed in recent terrorist attacks in Peshawar, Mohammad Agency, Lahore and Sehwan Sharif and the State's knee-jerk response to the new spate of terrorist acts and outrages.

**After hearing the Mover, the Chairman held the Motion out of order.**

2. Senators Mohammad Azam Khan Swati and Sirajul Haq moved Adjournment Motion No. 5, 8-261/2017-M, to discuss the recent price hike in basic food items which has further exacerbated the financial position of poor people.

**After hearing the Movers, the Chairman held the Motion in order and fixed the same for two hours discussion on 18th April, 2017.**

3. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi was to move the Adj. Motion No. 1 (2-261/2017-M), to discuss the alarming rise in the use and selling of drugs among university students.

**However, the Chairman suggested the Member to move a Motion under rule 218 so the Member withdrew his motion.**

4. Senator Mohsin Aziz was to move the Adj. Motion No. 2 (4-261/2017-M), to discuss the decision of the Government to privatize three international airports of Karachi, Lahore and Islamabad through an executive order which could be a security threat to the strategic assets of the country.

**However, the Chairman informed the Member that the matter has already been referred to the Standing Committee, therefore, the Adjournment Motion was withdrawn by the Member.**

5. Senator Syed Shibli Faraz was to move the Adj. Motion No. 3 (6-261/2017-M), to discuss the serious structural issues in power sector resulting into perpetual crisis affecting the daily lives of general public.

**However, the Chairman suggested the Member to move a Motion under rule 218 so the Member withdrew his motion.**

6. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh moved the Adj. Motion No. 2 (9-261/2017-M), to discuss the implications, causes and motive behind suicide attack on a census team at Lahore resulting into death of seven personnel.

**After hearing the mover, the Chairman held the Motion out of order.**

7. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh moved the Adj. Motion No. 1 (11-261/2017-M), to discuss the unjustified over billing to the domestic as well as commercial consumers by MEPCO in order to cover huge losses.

**The member explained the salient features of the Adjournment Motion.**

**The opposition benches staged a walkout due to absence of Minister concerned.**

**The Chairman took serious note of non-attendance of ministers as a matter of routine and directed that it will not be accepted that Senate be treated or degraded this way.**

**The Chairman adjourned the Senate Sine Die in terms of rule 23, sub rule 2(a), Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012.**

8. Senator Sirajul Haq moved the Adj. Motion No. 1 (7-261/2017-M), to discuss the baton charge and firing by the Police on a peaceful sit-in lodged by Jammāt-e-Islami at Shahrah-e-Faisal Karachi against over billing and unscheduled load shedding of electricity by K-Electric.

**The Chairman held the motion out of order as it pertains to Law and Order which is a provincial subject.**

9. Senator Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi moved the Adj. Motion No. 2 (10- 261/2017-M), to discuss the implications of the decision of World Bank's Tribunal namely Court for International Dispute Settlements regarding a case between the Government of Balochistan and Tethyan Copper Company.

**The Chairman held the motion in order and fixed the same for discussion on Thursday the 20th April, 2017 as last item.**

10. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh moved the Adj. Motion No. 1 (12-261/2017-M), to discuss the disappearance of Col. (R) Habib, resident of Rawalpindi in the hands of the Indian forces on his visit to Nepal.

**Mr. Sartaj Aziz, Advisor to the Prime Minister on Foreign Affairs made a statement explaining the facts of the case and the steps taken by the government in this regard so far.**

**After the statement by the Advisor, the Chairman asked the Mover that whether he still presses his Motion or not.**

**The Mover pressed his Motion.**

**The Chairman held the Adjournment Motion in order and fixed the same for discussion on 21st April, 2017 as last item but the same could not be discussed on 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2017.**

11. Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh withdrew his Adj. Motion No. 1 (13-261/2017-M), to discuss the alarming rise in the borrowing activities of the Government.

12. Adj. Motion No. 2 (18-261/2017-M), notice given of by Senator Sherry Rehman to discuss the incident of arrest of a man from Sargodha who was reportedly involved in child pornography for unlawful gain putting the lives of innocent children at stake was dropped due to absence of the Member.

### **ADMITTED ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS DISCUSSED DURING THE SESSION**

Following adjournment motions were discussed in the House during the Session:-

1. The recent price hike in basic food items which has further exacerbated the financial position of poor people.
2. The implications of the decision of an Arbitration Tribunal of the World Bank's International Center for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID) on the arbitration claims filed by Tethyan Copper Company against the Islamic Republic of Pakistan in relation to the denial of a mining lease for the Reko Diq project.

### **CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES**

Calling Attention Notices on the following subjects were taken up in the House during the session:-

1. The permission granted by the Government to the recently retired Army Chief to join the Saudi-Led Multi nation Islamic Military Alliance to fight against terrorism moved by Senator Farhatullah Babar.

**The Chairman clubbed the adjournment motion of Senator Mohsin Aziz on the same issue with the instant Calling Attention Notice.**

**Senators Farhatullah Babar and Mohsin Aziz made statements on the subject matter of the Calling Attention Notice.**

**The Minister of Defence made statement on the subject matter of the Calling Attention Notice. The Chairman directed the Minister to lay before the Senate the ToRs of Pakistan's engagement with the alliance when the same will be finalized.**

2. The mechanism introduced on no profit no loss basis for the Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation Scheme Thalian as advertised by the Government, moved by Senators Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh, Mohsin Aziz And Ilyas Ahmad Bilour.
3. The recent attack on mines in Mohmmand Agency and the sufferings of the people of FATA from terrorism and failure of the Security Agencies to provide security to them, moved by Senators Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, Mohsin Aziz, Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar And Hidayat Ullah.
4. The refusal of Pakistani Banks to accept old design US \$ 100 Notes whereas there is no official restriction on accepting the same and the money changers are charging upto 4% fee to exchange these bills, moved by Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi.



5. The decline in remittances due to deportation of huge number of labourers from the Gulf Countries especially from Saudi Arabia which has deported around 40,000 labourers, moved by Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi.
6. The ranking of Pakistani Passport as second last in Global Indexing Arton Capital Passport Index, moved by Senator Saleem Mandviwala on his behalf and on behalf of Senators Farhatullah Babar, Farooq Hamid Naek and Karim Ahmed Khawaja.
7. The increasing trade deficit during July-March (FY 2016-17) as reported by the Pakistan Bureau of Statistics as well as independent research reports which shows a bleak picture of Pakistan's economy whereas the Government is claiming that the economic indicators are improving, moved by Senator Sherry Rehman.
8. The maltreatment of a female PIA passenger, her sister and daughters while traveling to Oslo, Norway from Benazir Bhutto International Airport, Islamabad by a Lady Officer of FIA and staff on 15-04-2017, moved by Senator Nehal Hashmi on his behalf and on behalf of Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh.
9. The recent brutality by the Indian forces in Indian occupied Kashmir and the steps taken by the Government of Pakistan to safeguard the rights of Kashmiris, moved by Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi.
10. The high electricity tariff for new power projects that will have a negative impact on the viability of industrial sector as well as on the exports of the country as the tariff is much higher as compared to the regional competitors, moved by Senator Mohsin Aziz.

#### **REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES - PRESENTATION OF:**

1. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the National Accountability Ordinance, 1999 [The National Accountability (Amendment) Bill, 2017].
2. Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, presented report of the Committee on the Bill to make provisions for the incorporation, regulation and winding up of limited liability partnerships as body corporate and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto [The Limited Liability Partnership Bill, 2017].
3. Senator Samin Abid on behalf of Senator Nasreen Jalil, Chairperson, Functional Committee on Human Rights, presented report of the Committee on the Bill to provide for constitution of a National Commission on the Rights of the child and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto [The National Commission on the Rights of the Child Bill, 2017].

4. Senator Syed Muzaffar Hussain Shah on behalf of Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Costs of Litigation Bill, 2017].
5. Senator Syed Muzaffar Hussain Shah on behalf of Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Explosive Substances Act, 1908 [The Explosive Substances (Amendment) Bill, 2017].
6. Senator Syed Muzaffar Hussain Shah on behalf of Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of Article 130) introduced by Senator Saeed Ghani, on 20th February, 2017.
7. Senator Syed Muzaffar Hussain Shah on behalf of Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of Article 101) introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, on 6 th March, 2017.
8. Senator Syed Muzaffar Hussain Shah on behalf of Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Code of Civil Procedure 1908 [The Code of Civil Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of sections 80 and 82) introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, on 6<sup>th</sup> March, 2017.
9. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi on behalf of Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Citizenship Act, 1951 [The Pakistan Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2017] introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, on 13th March, 2017.
10. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi on behalf of Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of sections 154 and 156 and Insertion of new section 154A) introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, on 13th March, 2017.
11. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi on behalf of Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control, presented report of the

Committee on the Bill further to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of sections 46 and 57) introduced by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati, on 13th February, 2017.

12. Senator Mohsin Leghari on behalf of Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah, Chairman, Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research, presented 14th follow up report of the Committee regarding proposed conversion of 1400 acres land of National Agricultural Research Centre (NARC) / Pakistan Agricultural Research Council (PARC) by the Capital Development Authority (CDA) into residential/commercial plots.
13. Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini, Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, presented report of the Committee on the question of breach of privilege of the House by the Secretary, Aviation Division by providing incorrect reply to Senate starred question No. 119, set down for answering on 17th January, 2017, asked by Senator Farhatullah Babar.
14. Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini, Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, presented report of the Committee, on the breach of privilege of the House by the Secretary, Ministry of Planning, Development and Reforms by not briefing any Minister to respond the point of public importance raised by Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel.
15. Senator Mohammad Mohsin Khan Leghari on behalf of Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Cost and Management Accountants Act, 1966 [The Cost and Management Accountants (Amendment) Bill, 2017].
16. Senator Mohammad Mohsin Khan Leghari on behalf of Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of starred question No. 79, asked by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh on 22nd December, 2016, regarding the import of auto parts in the shape of scrap from Japan and re-assembling of the same into cars.
17. Senator Maulana Tanveer-Ul-Haq Thanvi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Housing and Works, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of starred question No. 109 asked by Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi on 25th November, 2016.
18. Senator Saeed Ghani on behalf of Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of Fourth Schedule) introduced by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh, on 13th February, 2017.

19. Senator Sardar Muhammad Yaqoob Khan Nasar, Chairman, Standing Committee on Water and Power, presented special report of the Committee on the Economic priority and the sources of energy; over expenditure in the projects-logic of escalation; and Comparative study and analysis of energy mix.
20. Senator Nehal Hashmi On Behalf Of Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of Article 70) introduced by Senator Saleem Mandviwala, on 13th March, 2017.
21. Senator Lt. Gen. (R) Abdul Qayyum on behalf of Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed, Chairman, Standing Committee on Defence, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Air Force Act, 1953 [The Pakistan Air Force (Amendment) Bill, 2017]
22. Senator Lt. Gen. (R) Abdul Qayyum on behalf of Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed, Chairman, Standing Committee on Defence, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of Calling Attention Notice of Senators Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini, Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar, Muhammad Yousaf, Shahi Syed, Sardar Fateh Muhammad Muhammad Hassani, Muhammad Daud Khan Achakzai, Advocate, Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail and Mir Muhammad Yousaf Badini regarding termination of services of 21 Trainee Apprentices (BPS-07) from Survey Training Institute under the Survey of Pakistan.
23. Senator Lt. Gen. (R) Abdul Qayyum on behalf of Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed, Chairman, Standing Committee on Defence, presented second interim report of the Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel, on 20th December, 2016, regarding orders of the Ministry of Defence to the residents of Cantonment areas of Loralai to vacate the land despite the fact that the same has been allotted to them for 100 years.

**MOTIONS UNDER RULE 194(1) FOR EXTENSION IN TIME**

**TO PRESENT REPORTS**

1. Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committee on the Bill to reform and re-enact the law relating to companies and for matters connected therewith [The Companies Bill, 2017], may be extended till the next session.

**The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.**

2. Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini on 10th January, 2017, regarding amnesty scheme for motor vehicles, may be extended for a further period of thirty working days with effect from 25th April, 2017.

**The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.**

3. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Islamabad Rent Restriction Ordinance, 2001 [The Islamabad Rent Restriction (Amendment) Bill, 2017], may be extended for a further period of thirty working days with effect from 25th April, 2017.

**The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.**

4. Senator Kalsoom Perveen on behalf of Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood, Chairman, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Standing Committee on the Bill to provide for the well-being, comfort and dignity of the senior citizens in the Islamabad Capital Territory [The Islamabad Capital Territory Senior Citizens Board Bill, 2017], introduced by Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan, on 13th February, 2017, may be extended for a period of ten working days with effect from 14th April, 2017.

**The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.**

5. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committee on the Bill to provide for alternate dispute resolution [The Alternate Dispute Resolution Bill, 2017], may be extended till the next session.

**The Motion was put to the House and requisite extension was granted.**

6. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017] (Amendment of Articles 63, 177 and 193), introduced by Senator Zaheer-ud-Din Babar Awan, on

20th February, 2017, may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 21st April, 2017.

**The Motion was put to the House and requisite extension was granted.**

7. Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan, Chairman Standing Committee on Inter-Provincial Coordination, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committee on starred question No. 73, asked by Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan on 12th January, 2017, regarding the details of income and expenditures of the Pakistan Cricket Board during the last five years, may be extended for a further period of thirty working days with effect from 25th April, 2017.

**The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.**

8. Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamalini, Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committee on Privilege Motion No.01(257)/2016-M, moved by Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah against the Chairman CDA for not implementing the recommendations of the Standing Committee on National Food Security & Research on the matter of proposed conversion of 1400 acres of NARC land by CDA into residential / commercial plots, may be extended for a further period of forty five working days with effect from 25th April, 2017.

**The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted. However, the Chairman asked the Chairman Committee to take strict action against the delinquents as it's the matter of breach of privilege of the House. The Chairman assured his full support to the Chairman Committee.**

9. Senator Kalsoom Perveen on behalf of Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood, Chairman, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committee on the subject matter of starred question No. 203, asked by Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati on 17th March, 2017, may be extended for a period of thirty working days with effect from 20th April, 2017.

**The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.**

10. Senator Kalsoom Perveen on behalf of Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood, Chairman, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Taj Haider on 16th February, 2017, regarding an advertisement pertaining to the outsourcing of the Airports of the

country, may be extended for a further period of twenty working days with effect from 26th April, 2017.

**The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.**

**[At this stage, Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood pointed out the Quorum. The count was made but the House was not found in order, therefore the bells were rung for five minutes. Again the count was made and the House was found in order.]**

11. Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood, Chairman, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Standing Committee on the subject matter of starred question No. 55, asked by Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak, on 10th January, 2017, may be extended for a further period of twenty working days with effect from 22nd April, 2017.

**The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.**

12. Senator Brig. (R)John Kenneth William on behalf of Senator Maulana Hafiz Hamdullah, Chairman, Standing Committee on Religious Affairs and Inter-Faith Harmony and Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi, Chairman, Standing Committee on Law and Justice, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committees on the Premarital Blood Screening (Family Laws Amendment) Bill, 2016, referred by the House for joint consideration, may be extended for a further period of thirty working days with effect from 24th April, 2017, in order to enable the Committee to extensively deliberate on the Bill.

**The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.**

13. Senator Najma Hamid on behalf of Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood, Chairman, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, moved under sub-rule (1) of rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committee on the Islamabad Capital Territory Senior Citizens Board Bill, 2017, introduced by Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan, on 13th February, 2017, may be extended for a further period of twenty working days with effect from 27th April, 2017.

**The Motion was put to the House and the requisite extension was granted.**

#### **MOTION UNDER RULE 196(1) FOR ADOPTION OF REPORTS**

Senator Ilyas Ahmed Bilour on behalf of Senator Saleem Mandviwala, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, moved under subrule (1) of rule 196 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the report of the Committee on the subject matter of starred question No. 79, asked by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh on 22nd

December, 2016, regarding the import of auto parts in the shape of scrap from Japan and re-assembling of the same into cars, presented in the House on 18th April, 2017, be considered and adopted.

**The Motion was put to the House and the report was adopted.**

**MINISTERIAL RESPONSE**

1. Mrs. Anusha Rahman Ahmad Khan, Minister of State for Information Technology and Telecommunication made statement on the suspension of mobile phone services in Bajore and Mohammand Agencies and suspension of internet services in District Qallat, Balochistan. (raised by Senators Hidayat Ullah and Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi on 28th March, 2017).
2. Mr. Sartaj Aziz, Advisor to the Prime Minister on Foreign Affairs made statement on the discriminatory treatment with the Pakistani citizens at Saudi Airports as only Pakistani citizens are forced to intake polio drops before entry into Saudi Arabia. (raised by Senator Mohsin Aziz on 28th March, 2017).
3. Mr. Sartaj Aziz, Advisor to the Prime Minister on Foreign Affairs made statement on the deportation of staff of Pak-Turk schools from Pakistan. (raised by Senator Farhatullah Babar on 28th March, 2017)
4. Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice made statement on the non-appointment of Sessions Judge in District Musakhel and Judicial Magistrate in Tehsil Darug despite sanctioning of these posts. (raised by Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel on 28th March, 2017).
5. The Minister for Defence made statement in the House regarding the awarding of death sentence to Kalbushan Yadev and Indian Spy.

**The Chairman observed that due process of law has been observed in the case of Kalbushan Yadev.**

6. Mr. Muhammad Baligh-ur-Rehman, Minister of State for Interior and Narcotics Control made statement on the point of public importance regarding the attack by the students of Islami Jamiat Tulaba in the Punjab University on a cultural event arranged by the Pakhtun students of the university. (raised by Senators Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar, Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel and Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi on 28th March, 2017)
7. Mr. Abid Sher Ali, Minister of state for Water and Power made a statement regarding the acute shortage of water in the Province of Sindh due to which major crops i.e. sugar, cotton and rice are badly affecting. (Raised by Senators Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamra @ Aajiz, Sassui Palijo, Taj Haider, Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari and Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail on 28th March, 2017).

**After hearing the honorable minister, the Chairman referred the matter to Standing Committee concerned with direction to report back in fifteen days.**



8. Mr. Muhammad Baleegh ur Rehman, Minister of State for Interior and Narcotics Control made a statement regarding the disappearance of Mr. Ashfaq Leghari and Ghulam Qadir Muree at the hands of Law enforcement Agencies. (Raised by Senator Farhatullah Babar on 10th April, 2017).

Since the Parliamentarians belonging to KPK and FATA had also lodged a sit-in outside the Parliament as protest against the blocking of CNIC, therefore, the Chairman asked the Minister to go to them and address their grievances.

Following members spoke on this issue at various occasions:

1. Senator Farhatullah Babar
2. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar.
3. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel.
4. Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak.
5. Senator Saeedul Hassan Mandokhel.
6. Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini

(Opposition benches also staged a token walkout as protest against the blocking of CNICs )

**At this stage, the Minister of State for Interior informed the Chair that an officer of the Ministry has been suspended due to non-replying of number of questions listed for 11th April, 2017 and enquiry against one officer is under process.**

13. Mr. Jam Kamal Khan, Minister of State for Petroleum and Natural Resources, made a statement on the announcement of 97 new gas schemes by the Prime Minister out of which 77 schemes have been announced for the Province of Punjab despite the fact that share of Punjab in total production of gas is only 3 percent. (raised by Senator Saeed Ghani on 28th March, 2017)

**The matter was disposed of.**

14. Mr. Jam Kamal Khan, Minister of State for Petroleum and Natural Resources, made a statement on the violation of Article 158 of the Constitution concerning less supply of gas to the Provinces of Sindh and Balochistan and the statement of Chief Minister of Sindh in this regard. (raised by Senators Sassui Palijo, Sherry Rehman, Taj Haider and Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi on 13th April, 2017)

**The matter was disposed of.**

15. Mr. Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan, Minister for Commerce, made a statement on the reduction in purchase of wheat by PASSCO due to non-permission by the Ministry of Finance to PASSCO to dispose off their stock in open market or to the flour mills. (raised by Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah on 12th April, 2017)

**The matter was disposed of.**

16. The following point of public importance set for Ministerial response in the name of Senators Kalsoom Perveen and Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini was withdrawn by the Movers:

“Regarding the mismanagement in the affairs of PMDC relating to its elections. (raised by Senators Kalsoom Perveen and Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini on 11th April, 2017)”.

**Hence, the Matter was disposed of.**

**STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER (Under rule 265)**

Engr. Khurram Dastgeer, Minister for Commerce made statement under rule 265 of the Rules of procedure and conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012.

**DISCUSSION ON THE MURDER OF A STUDENT OF ABDUL WALI KHAN UNIVERSITY**

**MARDAN**

Following Members spoke on the matter of the recent murder of Mishaal Khan, a student of Abdul Wali Khan University Mardan:

1. Senator Ilyas Ahmed Bilour
2. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar
3. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati
4. Senator Sirajul Haq
5. Senator Farhatullah Babar
6. Senator Sassui Palijo
7. Senator Lt. General (R) Abdul Qayyum
8. Senator Sitara Ayaz
9. Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq
10. Senator Muhammad Javed Abbasi
11. Senator Mohsin Aziz
12. Senator Taj Haider
13. Senator Nehal Hashmi
14. Senator Saleem Zia
15. Senator Kamil Ali Agha
16. Senator Shahi Syed

**Mr. Muhammad Baleegh ur Rehman, Minister of State for Interior and Narcotics Control wound up the debate.**

**The discussion was over.**

### **PROTEST BY THE OPPOSITION BENCHES**

Senator Aitzaz Ahsan, Leader of the Opposition recorded protest on behalf of the joint opposition against the decision of the Supreme Court whereby two senior judges have declared the Prime Minister as incompetent to remain prime minister. He was of the view that the Prime Minister has no legal and moral standing to remain as prime minister of Pakistan.

Following Members also spoke on this issue:-

1. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati.
2. Senator Sirajul Haq.
3. Senator Saeed Ghani.
4. Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak.

**At this stage, the opposition benches chanted slogans against the Prime Minister. The Chair ordained the Members not to chant slogans. The Chair ordained Senator John Williams not to raise military calls/voices in the House.**

### **POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE**

1. Senator Farhatullah Babar pointed out taking into custody of Mr. Ashfaq Laghari and Mr. Gulam Qadir by the Law enforcement Agencies and their non-production before the courts of law within 24 hours. Senators Hari Ram and Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamra @ Aajiz also spoke on the same issue.  
**The Chairman asked the Member to take up the matter in the Functional Committee on Human Rights. The Chairman further directed to send the verbatim to the Minister for Interior.**
2. Senator Sajad Hussain Turi spoke about the less amount of compensation being given to the affectees of terrorist activities in FATA which is less than the compensation being paid in other parts of the country.
3. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel spoke about releasing of funds allocated by the Federal Government.
4. Senator Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi spoke about heavy load shedding of electricity in the country. Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamra @ Aajiz also spoke on the same issue.
5. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar pointed out the arrest of his party worker only due to pointing out of suspension of internet services. He further pointed out the agitation lodged by the women in Press Club Loralai
6. Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini pointed out that National Commission of Human rights funds were not provided by the government.

7. Senator Nehal Hashmi pointed out the demolishing of heritage building of a school in Karachi by unknown persons. Senator Taj Haider responded the issue and assured that he will inform the house after getting report from the government of Sindh.
8. Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamra @ Aajiz appreciated the efforts of the Government towards the release of a Pakistani engineer in Sudan.
9. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati pointed out the non-releasing of funds for the coal power project initiated by Dr. Samar Mubarak Mand. Senator Taj Haider submitted the point of view of Sindh government in this regard.
10. Senator Mushahid Hussain Syed spoke about the possible reaction of the Indian government in the wake of decision to hang Kulbushan Yadav.
11. Senator Taj Haider spoke about the disappearance of close allies of Mr. Asif Ali Zardari from Sindh and their non-production before the courts.

**The Chairman directed the Minister of State for Interior to respond the issue tomorrow.**

12. Senator Tahir Hussain Mashhadi spoke about the missing persons belonging to MQM.

**The Opposition staged walkout as protest against enforced disappearances.**

13. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel pointed out the non-payment of salaries to paramedical staff of Poly Clinic for last nine months.
14. Senators Kalsoom Parveen and Dr. Jahanzeb Jamalini spoke about the issues relating to elections in PMDC.

**The Chairman directed to send the verbatim to the Minister concerned with the direction to respond the same in the House on Friday the 14th April, 2017.**

15. Senator Taj Haider submitted report in the House regarding the incident of demolishing of a heritage building of school in Karachi and assured that the Government of Sindh will take serious action in this regard.
16. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati drew attention of the Government towards Free Trade Agreement with Turkey which is affecting the local manufacturing industry in Balochistan, FATA and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
17. Senator Kalsoom Perveen pointed out that PIA is using grounded ATR aircrafts for their outbound flights from Islamabad to Quetta.

**The Chairman directed the Member to come in his Chamber so that the matter can be resolved.**

18. Senator Syed Muzaffar Hussain Shah pointed out the reduction in the purchase of wheat by PASCO from the provinces due to the reasons that their disposal has become low.

**The Chairman directed that the verbatim may be sent to the Ministry of Finance for ministerial response.**

19. Senator Nehal Hashmi raised that 12 Pakistanis detained in Indian jails and are not being released despite the fact they have completed their sentences. He condemned the Indian government and anti-Pakistan statements of Foreign Minister of India.
20. Senator Sassui Palijo raised the matter of extensive load shedding in Sindh and also pointed out the shortage of Sui Gas in the province.
21. Senator Professor Sajid Mir pointed out that the technicians hired in Federal Government Polyclinic Hospital Islamabad are not being paid their respective salaries since last 7 months.

**The Chairman directed that the matter be sent to the Minister for CADD but not for ministerial response but only for his information.**

22. Senator Sherry Rehman raised the matter of shortage of Sui gas and the extensively high pricing of Sui gas in Sindh province. She further pointed out the matter of load shedding in Sindh. Furthermore she raised multiple issues relating to Foreign Policy of Pakistan and criticized the weaknesses in the Foreign Policy of Pakistan. She also condemned the recent aggressive statements by the Indian Foreign Minister.
23. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar stated that transparency should be observed during collection of data for population census in Balochistan and FATA and the foreigners should not be counted in that. Senator Dr. Jahanzeb Jamaldini also spoke on the issue.
24. Senator Lt. General (R) Salahudin Tirmizi appreciated the efforts of the Chair and the House in resolving the issue regarding New Balakot City Project.
25. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati pointed out the spurious drug in the market that creates the artificial hype and over pricing of the Hepatitis Drug in the market.
26. Senator Sassui Palijo pointed out the violation of article 158 and the matter of electricity and Sui Gas load shedding in Sindh.
27. Senator Sherry Rehman also spoke on the matter of extensive electricity and Sui Gas load shedding in Sindh. She further pointed out that all the foreign scholarships are being offered only to Punjab. She pointed out lack of diplomatic abilities of the Government.

**The Chairman directed the secretariat to call on the Minister of state for Petroleum tomorrow i.e. 14th April, 2017 to respond on the question raised by Senator Sassui Palijo and Senator Sherry Rehman.**

28. Senator Mir Kabir Ahmed Muhammad Shahi pointed out the non-availability of Hepatitis Drug in the country. He further raised the issue of Sui Gas in Balochistan.
29. Senator Nehal Hashmi pointed that employees of Workers Welfare Board KPK have not been paid their due salaries since last ten months.

**The Chairman directed to refer this matter to Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati.**

30. He further pointed out various issues of bad governance in Sindh.
31. Senator Taj Haider pointed that worker welfare funds have not been released by the Federal government. He further pointed out that no action has been taken by the government in the case of disappearance of close allies of Mr. Asif Zardari. He also spoke on the matter of blocked CNICs.
32. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel pointed out the discriminatory allocation of posts in the Geological Survey of Pakistan. He further pointed out that the Director General Geological Survey of Pakistan does not attend his office in Quetta and he usually remains present in Islamabad.

**The Chairman referred the matter to the Minister concerned with the direction that the same may be fixed for ministerial response on Friday i.e. 21st April, 2017.**

33. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar pointed out that the imposition of ban on supply of fertilizers in Balochistan and FATA.
34. Senator Taj Haider pointed out the serious matter of 3500 missing people in the Country. He urged the House to take some initiative to resolve this issue.
35. Senator Sherry Rehman pointed out the extensive load shedding and power crisis in the Country.
36. Senator Sassui Palijo also pointed out the matter of extensive load shedding in Sindh and Punjab. She further spoke about the joining of terrorist organization by one Naureen Leghari through social media and urged the Government to keep a watch on such websites.
37. Senator Mir Kabir Ahmed Muhammad Shahi pointed out the posts lying vacant in ZTBL in Balochistan. He further criticized the working of ZTBL in Balochistan and stated that the farmers of Balochistan are not getting any support from ZTBL.
38. Senator Dr. Jahanzeb Jamaldini pointed out the need of electricity in District Panjgoor Balochistan which is very rich in dates production. He further spoke about the need of installation of a grid station in Tehsil Dagh Esa Chah District Naushkee Balochistan.
39. Senator Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi pointed out the delay in completion of two projects of Water and Power in Jhal Magsi due to non-releasing of funds by the Federal Government i.e. Pat Feeder Canal extension and RBOD-3.

**The Chairman directed the member to move a Calling Attention Notice.**

40. Senator Nehal Hashmi pointed out the matter of lack of nutrition in Thar for which the State is collectively responsible.
41. Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif pointed out the worse condition of PIMS Hospital Emergency unit, Islamabad. He criticized the Government on spending of the money on State advertisements. He further pointed out the incident of killing of Mishaal Khan a student of AWKU Mardan and urged the Government to refer his case to Military Court to set an example.

42. Senator Prof. Sajid Mir pointed out the non-payment of salaries to the technicians in Poly Clinic Federal Hospital Islamabad.

**The Chairman directed that the verbatim be sent to the Ministry once again.**

43. Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel pointed out that Qatar promised the Prime Minister of Pakistan to give jobs to one lac Pakistanis but the promise has not been fulfilled yet. He further pointed out that Districts Musakhel, Chagi and Qilla Saifullah have been allotted as hunting sites for Qatri princes by the Federal Government while bypassing the provincial Government.

44. Senator Taj Hiader spoke about the high rates of solar energy in Pakistan as compared to other regional countries like Dubai.

45. Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja pointed out sea intrusion in some areas of Sindh and Balochistan.

46. Senator Samina Abid pointed out that the invasion by terrorists from areas of Afghanistan and nooristan to the Chitral valley. She urged the Government to make arrangements for security of the people of the area.

**The Chairman suggested the Member to move a Calling Attention Notice.**

47. Senator Dr. Jahanzeb Jamaldini pointed out that marine life of coastal area Balochistan has been destroyed by international trailers.

48. Senator Abdul Rehman Malik pointed out the killing of a Pakistani national who came from abroad but he was killed by some masked women at Sialkot on the allegation of blasphemy.

**The Chairman directed the Secretariat to send the verbatim to the Minister of State for Interior for ministerial response in the House.**

**The Chairman prorogued the 261<sup>st</sup> session on 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2017 on conclusion of its business.**