

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
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Date and Day	1 st June, 2017 (Thursday)
Commenced at	1:30 p.m.
Adjourned at	03:10 p.m.
Presided by	Mian Raza Rabbani Chairman Senate of Pakistan
Attendance	54
Total working hours	1 hour and 40 minutes

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

- The leave applications were read by the Chairman.

OFFERING OF FATEHA

The House offered Fateha for the departed souls in the incident of terrorist attack in Kabil, Afghanistan.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE - PRESENTATION OF:

SENATOR MUHAMMAD TALHA MAHMOOD, Chairman, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat presented report of the 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.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES

Following Calling Attention Notices were taken up in the House:-

1. SENATOR FARHATULLAH BABAR drew attention of the Adviser to the Prime Minister on Foreign Affairs towards the statements of Saudi Authorities that the Islamic Military Alliance will not restrict only to terrorist organizations like ISIS and Al-Qaeda but it will also take action against the rebel groups posing threat to any Member country, on the request of that country, as reported in media.

Mr. Sartaj Aziz, Adviser to the Prime Minister on Foreign Affairs, made statement and the Calling Attention Notice was thus disposed of.

The Chairman directed that the whenever the ToRs will be finalized the same shall be laid before the Parliament before its ratification by the Cabinet.

2. **SENATOR SEHAR KAMRAN** drew attention of the Adviser to the Prime Minister on Foreign Affairs towards the killing of fifteen Indians in the recent massive ordnance air blast attack by the US military in Nangarhar Province of Afghanistan which shows the involvement of India in terrorist activities in the region in collaboration with Taliban.

Mr. Sartaj Aziz, Adviser to the Prime Minister on Foreign Affairs, made statement and the Calling Attention Notice was thus disposed of.

MINISTERIAL RESPONSE

Mr. Abid Sher Ali, Minister of State for Water and Power made statement on the following points of public importance, raised on 30th May, 2017:-

(i) Regarding the extensive load shedding of electricity in Sindh during Sehar and Iftar timings especially in Karachi Division, raised by Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz.

The matter was disposed of in view of the statement of the Minister.

(ii) Regarding the protest made by the people in Dargai, Malakand Division, against the extensive load shedding of electricity and the killing of two persons during that protest, raised by Senator Nisar Muhammad.

The matter was disposed of in view of the statement of the Minister.

(iii) Regarding the extensive load shedding of electricity and non-installation of transformers and poles in the area of Senator Sirajul Haq, as raised by him.

The matter was disposed of in view of the statement of the Minister.

MOTION

Further consideration of the following motion moved by Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar, Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization, on 26th May, 2017:-

“That the Senate may make recommendations to the National Assembly on the Finance Bill, 2017, containing the Annual Budget Statement, under Article 73 of the Constitution.”.

Following Members spoke:

1. Senator Sirajul Haq.
2. Senator Mohsin Aziz.
3. Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja.

Further discussion commenced.

The Chairman adjourned the Session to meet again on Friday, the 2nd June, 2017 at 10:30 a.m.

**Islamabad, the
1st June, 2017.**