

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
DAILY JOURNAL
(258th Session)

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| Date and Day | 12 th January, 2017 (Thursday) |
| Commenced at | 03:00 p.m. |
| Adjourned at | 05:30 p.m. |
| Presided by | Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri Deputy Chairman (during the question hour) & Mian Raza Rabbani Chairman Senate of Pakistan (for the rest of the proceedings of the House) |
| Attendance | 65 |
| Total working hours | 2 hours and 30 minutes |

QUESTION HOUR

14 questions were replied in the House whereas reply to one question was treated as laid on the table of the House, due to absence of concerned Member. One question was referred to the Standing Committee concerned. The remaining printed questions and their replies were treated as laid on the table of the House.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF PRESENCE

The House acknowledged the presence of a delegation of ten Members Delegation of State Council of Oman led by the Chairman of the State Counsel of Oman.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

- The leave applications were read by the Chairman.

FATEHA

The House offered Fateha for the departed soul of Mr. Abdul Akbar Khan, former speaker of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Assembly and for the departed soul of father in law of Senator Sehar Kamran.

CONSIDERATION OF ADMISSIBILITY OF ADJOURNMENT MOTION

| Sr. No. | Subject matter of the adjournment motion | Name(s) of the Mover(s) | Concerned Ministry | Ruling of the Chairman |
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| 1. | The statement of Special Assistant to Prime Minister on Foreign Affairs that the case of Dr. Shakeel Afridi is pending in the courts otherwise Government is willing to proceed further in the matter. | Senator Maulana Hafiz Hamdullah | | Motion was withdrawn by the Member. |
| 2. | The revelations that former Chief of Army Staff, General Raheel Sharif is going to join Saudi-led Coalition Force as its Head. | Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati | | Motion was withdrawn by the Member. |
| 3. | The new amnesty scheme under consideration of the Government which would allow amnesty to those who hold wealth abroad by bringing the wealth back into the country without the fear of penalty other than paying a nominal amount of tax on the value of the declared asset. | Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh | | Motion was held in order and fixed for two hours' discussion on 17 th January, 2017. |

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE

- **Senator Syed Shibli Faraz**, to draw attention of the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization towards the alarming increase in local and foreign loans.

Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice on behalf of Minister for Finance, made the statement and notice was disposed of.

- **Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan**, to draw attention of the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources towards open sale of Petroleum products without license especially of Petrol which is not only violation of rules but also a severe danger to the lives and properties of common people.

Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi, Federal Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources, made the statement and notice was disposed of.

MINISTERIAL RESPONSE

Mr. Sikandar Hayat Khan Bosan, Minister for National Food Security and Research made statement on the matter raised by Senator Mohsin Khan Leghari during zero hour on 10th January, 2017 about the withdrawal of subsidy by the Government on fertilizers.

DIRECTION OF THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman drew attention of the Law Minister towards the abduction of another Member of Civil Society and directed him to ask the Minister for Interior to come in the House on 13th January, 2017 (Friday) and inform about the increasing number of cases of abduction.

MOTION [Under Rule 157 (2)]

Discussion on the Annual Report of the National Economic Council for the Financial Year 2014-2015, laid on the Table of the House on 11th January, 2017 was made in the House.

The following members spoke: -

1. Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati.
2. Senator Mohsin Khan Leghari.
3. Senator Ayesha Raza Farooq.
4. Senator Aitzaz Ahsan (Leader of the Opposition).
5. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar.
6. Senator Syed Shibli Faraz.

Sheikh Aftab Ahmed, Federal Minister for Parliamentary Affairs wound up the debate.

The Motion was thus talked out.

MATTERS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE RAISED DURING ZERO HOUR

| Sr. No. | Name of the Member(s) | The issue in brief | Direction of the Chairman, if any |
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| 1. | Senator Dr. Ashok Kumar | Pointed out the non-availability of fuel with PIA to fly their planes | The Chairman observed that Special Committee on PIA may also look into the issue. |

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| 2. | Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati | Pointed out the matter of missing people of civil society. | The Chairman observed that he has already directed the Minister for Interior to brief the House on the issue. |
| 3. | Senator Atta Ur Rehman | Pointed out that lift of parliament lodges is out of order | The Chairman said that he will look into the issue. |
| 4. | Senator Mohsin Khan Leghari | Pointed out the expiry of the constitutional provision regarding quota | |
| 5. | Senator Syed Shibli Faraz | Pointed out the use of low quality gas appliances which results into accidents as well as wastage of gas. | |
| 6. | Senator Hafiz Hamdullah | Pointed out the death of people in Christian community due to consumption of spurious alcohol so alcohol should be banned in Pakistan. | Chairman said that the Member may move a Private Member Bill |
| 7. | Senator Sardar Muhammad Azam Khan Musakhel | Spoke about the hunting of Hobara Bustard in Balochistan | |
| 8. | Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar. | Spoke about the grabbing of lands by armed forces in Balochistan | |
| 9 | Senator Dr. Jeghanzeb Jamaldini | Spoke about the engagement of people of Balochistan in smuggling from Iran due to the reason that they have no other source of income. He urged the Govt. to legalize the import of oil from Iran. | |

The House was adjourned to meet again on Friday the 13th January, 2017 at 10:30 a.m.

Islamabad, the

12th January, 2017