

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
DAILY JOURNAL
(300TH SESSION)

Date and Day	17 th July, 2020 (Friday)
Commenced at	10:30 A.M.
Adjourned at	12:52 P.M.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	58
Total Working Hours	02 hours 22 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

QUESTION HOUR

Question Nos. 356 (Def), 358 (Def), 362 (Def), 03, 05, 08, 10, 12, 13, 14 and 15 were asked and replied in the House. Question Nos. 350 (Def), 351 (Def), 353 (Def), 354 (Def), 355 (Def), 359 (Def), 360 (Def), 363 (Def), 364 (Def), 365 (Def), 368 (Def), 369 (Def), 370 (Def), 373 (Def), 01, 04, 06, 07 and 18 were treated as laid on the Table of the House due to absence of the Members concerned. Question Nos. 02, 04, 11 and 16 were deferred.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES - PRESENTATION OF:

- **Senator Abdul Rehman Malik**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented reports of the Standing Committee on the following Bills:-
 - (i) The Rights of Persons Arrested, Detained or under Custodial Investigation Bill, 2020, introduced by Senator Farooq Hamid Naek on 6th January, 2020;
 - (ii) The Islamabad Prevention of Beggary Bill, 2020, introduced by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh on 6th January, 2020;

- (iii) The Islamabad Consumers Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2020, introduced by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh on 17th February, 2020; and
- (iv) The Anti-terrorism (Amendment) Bill, 2020, introduced by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh on 17th February, 2020.

- **Senator Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Religious Affairs and Inter-Faith Harmony, presented report of the Standing Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Fida Muhammad on 13th January, 2020, regarding interrogation of Umrah Zaireen at Islamabad Airport.

REPORT LAID BEFORE THE SENATE

- **Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs**, laid before the Senate the Annual Report of the National Economic Council for the Financial Year 2018-19, as required under clause (5) of Article 156 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE

- **Senator Abdul Rehman Malik and Senator Mir Kabeer Ahmed Muhammad Shahi**, drew attention of the Advisor to the Prime Minister on Finance and Revenue towards the proposed plan of the government to curtail the retirement age of the government employees from 60 to 55 years and depriving them from their monthly pension, causing thereby unrest all over the country.

Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs, made a statement thereafter the Calling Attention Notice was disposed of by the Chairman.

POINTS OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

- **Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan** raised the following points of public importance regarding:-
 - (i) need for increase in salaries of the Government employees; and
 - (ii) slow pace of work on CPEC projects.

Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs, responded the issues.

● **Senator Mian Raza Rabbani** raised the following points of public importance regarding:-

- (i) issue of fake licenses of PIA pilots;
- (ii) privatization of Roosevelt Hotel; and
- (iii) European Union's report on Aviation Safety and calling a meeting of the Whole to discuss the PIA issues.

● **Senator Sherry Rehman** raised the following points of public importance regarding:-

- (i) escape of Ehsan Ullah Ehsan, former spokesman of Tehrik-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) from the custody and threats received from him to the Leadership of Pakistan Peoples Party Parliamentarians;
- (ii) privatization of Roosevelt Hotel; and
- (iii) European Union's report on Aviation Safety and calling a meeting of the Whole to discuss the PIA issues.

Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Leader of the House, responded the issues raised by the Senators.

[Walk-out: At this stage the Members belonging to the Opposition parties staged a walk-out.]

● **Senator Zeeshan Khanzada** raised the issue of construction of dams in the country and emphasized on a plan that no future Government may discontinue the funding so that the same are constructed timely.

At 12:52 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Monday, the 20th July, 2020, at 04:00 p.m.

DR. SYED PERVAIZ ABBAS
Secretary

Islamabad,
The 17th July, 2020.