SENATE SECRETARIAT

No.F.3(3)/2018-2021/C-II-(17)

Islamabad, the 22nd October, 2020

NOTICE

A meeting of the Senate Standing Committee on National Food Security & Research will be held on 26th October, 2020 at 11.00 a.m. in Committee Room No.4, Parliament House, Islamabad. In case of Senate Session in the morning, the meeting will be held at 2.30 p.m.

- The agenda before the Committee would be as under:
 - i. The Ministry of National Food Security & Research to brief on Starred Question No.10 raised by Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Sheikh, "The establishment of a Seed Producing Authority by the Government for provision of seeds to farmers across the country" in the Senate sitting held on 4th March, 2020 for consideration and report.
 - ii. Progress report in relation to the implantation of the 18 recommendations of the Standing Committee Report in relation to wheat and Atta crises in the country which was sent to the M/o National Food Security & Research vide letter No.F.3(3)/2018-21/C-I dated 4th March, 2020.
 - iii. The wheat sowing for the year 2020 has already been started in lower Sindh the minimum support price of the wheat has yet not been announced. When will the support price likely to be announced and what recommendation has the Ministry made in relation to fixing the minimum support price of the wheat?
 - Report to be submitted as why the prices of the wheat and Atta are rising in spite of import of wheat.
 - v. Report to be submitted as to the losses sustained in production of cotton upto 20th October, 2020 and the reasons for this sharp decline of cotton production for the year 2019-20 and what steps the Ministry is taking to enhance the production of cotton.
 - vi. Report on the action taken relating to the Ministry of National Food Security & Research complaints about sub-standard of export item to Maxican, Zanzibar and Madagascar etc. as mentioned in the Deputy Chairman Senate letter conveyed to the Ministry vide Senate Secretariat's U.O No.F.3(3)/2018-21/C-II, dated 23rd January, 2020.
 - vii. Steps taken by the M/o of National Food Security & Research in relation to reduction in cost of the import of the *Belarus Tractors*.
 - viii. Briefing by the Ministry on the recommendation of the Committee made in its meeting held on 16th January, 2020 regarding preparation, submission and approval of proposals for establishment of Agricultural Research Station at Dargai, District Malakand.
 - ix. The Ministry of National Food Security & Research to brief on PSDP-Project for Urban & Peri-Urban Agriculture presentation submitted by Dr. Attaullah Khan, D.G PARC-SARC, Karachi.
 - x. Progress report to be submitted by the Plant Protection Department for making available at least two grounds vehicles at the District level in Balochistan for locust control in relation the Point of Public Importance regarding "Locust attack in Balochistan "raised by Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar in the Senate sitting held on 08-06-2020.
 - xi. Any other item with permission of the Chair.
- Members are requested to kindly make it convenient to attend the meeting.

4. Hon'ble members of the Committee and all concerned officers / officials are requested to ensure strict compliance of the SOPs issued by the Senate Secretariat to avoid infection of COVID-19, while attending the meeting.

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1.	Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah	Chairman
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3.	Senator Seemee Ezdi	Member
4.	Senator Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti	Member
5.	Senator Dr. Muhammad Farogh Naseem	Member
6.	Senator Hafiz Abdul Karim	Member
7.	Senator Najma Hameed	Member
8.	Senator Prof. Sajid Mir	Member
9.	Senator Muhammad Ali Shah Jamot	Member
10.	Senator Qurat ul Ain Marri	Member
11.	Senator Imamuddin Shougeen	Member
12.	Senator Gul Bashra	Member
13.	Senator Sajjad Hussain Turi	Member
14.	Minister for National Food Security & Research	Ex.Officio Member
15.	Senator Mian Muhammad Ateeq Shaikh	Mover
16.	Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar	Mover

(I) Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

- 1. The Secretary, Ministry of National Food Security and Research, Islamabad, with the request to kindly attend the meeting alongwith all concerned.
- The Chairman, PARC, Islamabad, with the request to kindly attend the meeting alongwith all concerned.
- 3. The MD, PASSCO, Head Office, 11 Kshmir Road, Lahore, with the request to kindly attend the meeting alongwith all concerned (By U.M.S).
- 4. The Section Officer (Council), M/o National Food Security and Research, Islamabad, with the request to provide 32 copies of the working papers/brief in Urdu and English positively {The soft versions may be emailed to:- sohrab.saleem@gmail.com } alongwith a list of participants to this Secretariat two days before the meeting. In case said material is not received at least two days before the Committee meeting, it will be treated as NOT RECEIVED.
- 5. Sr. P.S. to Minister for National Food Security and Research, Islamabad with the request to inform the hon'ble Minister to attend the meeting.

(II) Copy also forwarded for information to:-

- 1. The Attorney General of Pakistan.
- 2. The Accountant General, Pakistan Revenues, Islamabad.
- 3. The Secretary, Senate of Pakistan, Islamabad.
- 4. The Secretary, Ministry of Law and Justice, Islamabad.
- 5. The Secretary, Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, Islamabad.
- 6. The Additional Secretary (Admn) Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
- 7. The Joint Secretaries (Committees and Admn), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
- 8. The Deputy Secretaries (Com-1 & II & Admn), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
- 9. The Director (Media), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad with the request to make necessary arrangements for the issuance of Press Release and T.V. coverage.
- 10. The Principal Secretary to Chairman Senate, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
- 11. The Director to Deputy Chairman, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
- 12. The Director Staff to Leader of the House, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
- 13. The Senior Director Staff to Leader of the Opposition, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
- 14. The Director (Automation), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad, with the request to make necessary arrangements for operating Multi-Media in meetings and sending SMS to all concerned Committee Members.
- 15. The Assistant Director (Media), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
- 16. The Executive Director, F.G.P.C, Islamabad with the request to make necessary medical arrangements in the Parliament House, Islamabad.
- 17. The Director News PTV Isbd, with the request to make necessary arrangements for the TV coverage of the meeting.
- 18. The Director Staff, Chairman Standing Committee on NFS&R, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.