

304TH SESSION JOURNAL

SITTINGS AND HOURS ETC.

Session summoned on	=	16-10-2020
Session prorogued on	=	29-10-2020
Number of working days	=	14
Number of actual sittings	=	07
Number of Private Members' days	=	02
Maximum attendance	=	69 (on 22-10-2020)
Minimum attendance	=	50 (on 16-10-2020)
Average attendance	=	62.43 %
Total hours of sittings	=	14 hours and 58 minutes
Maximum hours of sitting	=	03 hours and 27 minutes (on 26-10-2020)
Minimum hours of sitting	=	01 hours and 54 minutes (on 20-10-2020)
Average hours of sittings	=	02 hours and 14 minutes

PANEL OF PRESIDING OFFICERS FOR 304TH SESSION

- i. Senator Lt. General Abdul Qayyum HI (M) Retd.
- ii. Senator Mirza Muhammad Afridi
- iii. Senator Sitara Ayaz

**BUSINESS TRANSACTED DURING
304th SESSION OF THE SENATE**

STATEMENT OF THE BILLS

1.	Bills introduced in the Senate (including Ordinances laid first in the Senate)	Nil
2.	Bills received from the National Assembly	Nil
3.	Bills referred to the Standing Committees (including Ordinances laid first in the Senate)	Nil
4.	Bills withdrawn by the Members-Incharge	Nil
5.	Bills rejected by the House	Nil
6.	Bills passed by the House	3
7.	Ordinances Laid	Nil
8.	Presentation of Money Bill	Nil
9.	Finance Bill	Nil

FATEHA

SL. NO.	DATE	SUBJECT
1.	16-10-2020	The House offered Fateha for the following:- i. Molana Dr. Adil Khan murdered in Karachi. ii. Armed forces personnel martyred in Waziristan, Balochistan, LoC and Pak-Afghan border. iii. Mr. Rashid Rabbani, former Senator and Special Assistant to Chief Minister Sindh. iv. Fateha was also offered for the departed soul of first Prime Minister of Pakistan Sardar Liaquat Ali Khan on the eve of his death anniversary i.e. 16th October, 1951.
2.	29-10-2020	The House offered Fateha for the victims of Peshawar Madrassah bomb blast

RESOLUTIONS

Received	18
Admitted	09
Disallowed	03
Passed by the House	02
Lapsed	06
Referred to Standing Committee	Nil
Under Process	Nil
Withdrawn by the member	Nil
Admitted but Lapsed	07

MOTIONS UNDER RULE 218

Received	65
Admitted	39
Disallowed	15
Lapsed	11
Admitted but lapsed	39

STARRED QUESTIONS

Received	178
Admitted	125
Disallowed	27
Lapsed	26
Replied	80
Admitted but lapsed	38
Referred to Standing Committee	07

UN-STARRED QUESTIONS

Received	09
Admitted	06
Disallowed	02
Lapsed	01
Replied	06

PRIVILEGE MOTIONS

Total received	02
Admitted and referred to the Privileges Committee	01
Withdrawn by the Member	Nil
Pending	Nil
Disallowed	01

ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Total received	15
Held in order	Nil
Admitted for two hours discussion	03
Lapsed	04

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES

Total received	34
Held out of order	13
Statement made in the House	07
Lapsed	01
Disallowed	13
Admitted / lapsed	13
Dropped due to absence of the Member	Nil

REPORTS PRESENTED DURING SESSION 304th

SR. NO	COMMITTEES	NO. OF REPORTS
1.	Rules of Procedure and Privileges	1
2	Special Committee	Nil
3	Functional Committee	Nil
4.	Standing Committee	24
5.	Reports Laid Before the Senate	2

MOTIONS LAID DURING SESSION 304th

SR. NO	MOTIONS	NO. OF MOTIONS
1.	Motion under Rule 194	09
2	Motion under Rule 196(1)	01
3	Motion under Rule 263	02
4.	Motion under Rule 126(7)	Nil
5.	Motion under Rule 130(8)	Nil

POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE RAISED DURING THE SESSION

1. Senator Mushahid Ullah Khan spoke about malafide behind summoning of sessions of both the Houses of the Parliament on a date when the Opposition had already announced a public gathering at Gujranwala. He further spoke about the bad governance and the problems being faced by general public due to increase in consumer goods and day to day use products.
2. Senator Kalsoom Parveen drew attention of the House towards the expiry of visa of Pakistani workers who could not travel to Saudi Arabia due to nonavailability of air tickets. She urged that the Government should take up the issue with the Saudi Authorities for renewal of the expired visas during this period. She also spoke about breaking into the room of the hotel and arrest of Capt. (R) Safdar by the Police.
3. Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs informed the House about the redressal of grievances of the Lady Health Workers and calling off their sit-in in Islamabad.
4. Senator Mian Raza Rabbani spoke about the non-laying of Pakistan Islands Development Authority Ordinance by the Government in the Parliament which amount to breach of privilege of the Members as they have been deprived to exercise their right of disapproval of the Ordinance.
5. Senator Mian Raza Rabbani drew attention of the Chair and the House towards the violation of the Constitution by the Federal Government by not laying the Ordinances before the Parliament. He was of the view that non-laying of Ordinances amounts to circumventing the rights of the Parliament which is breach of privilege of the House. Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs responded the point raised by Senator Mian Raza Rabbani. Opposition staged token walkout as protest against non-laying of Ordinances in the Parliament.
6. Senator Dr. Asif Saeed Kirmani condemned the remarks of Senator Walid Iqbal made by him yesterday during his speech while referring Senator Sherry Rehman. He further spoke about various issues like, nonavailability of medicines in Government Hospitals, behavior of Prime Minister during his

address to Tiger Forces, statement of Minister of Interior about threats to the Opposition leaders of PDM.

7. Senator Ata Ur Rehman drew attention of the House towards the issuance of voters' lists in for GB election which reflected names of 19 Qadianis in District Diamir whereas actually no Qadiani resides in District Diamir. He further drew attention of the House towards the incident of firing at Dera Ghazi Khan on one Dr. Muhammad Usman and his son who raises voice of his area on social media. The Member demanded that the incident needs to be inquired properly. The Chairman directed the Secretary to seek report from IGP Punjab.
8. Senator Muhammad Akram drew attention of the House towards various issues like; the protests of Fishermen in Gwadar and Jewani; lack of electricity and internet services in various areas of Balochistan causing problems to students; the alleged usurpation of Islands of Balochistan and Sindh by Federal Government and discontinuation of scholarships of the students of Balochistan.
9. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed spoke about various issues like an incident of stampede outside the Pakistan Consulate in Jalalabad Afghanistan which resulted in death of 15 people; urged the Government to enhance visa facilities for Afghans in Pakistan Embassy in Afghanistan and its Consulates; also spoke about the issue of Islands of Balochistan and Sindh.
10. Senator Mohsin Aziz was of the view that the present problems are the outcome of the bad governance of last 30 years. [At 12:35 p.m. Senator Lt. Gen (R) Abdul Qayyum came on the presiding Chair]
11. Senator Sassui Palijo spoke about the public gatherings of PDM and the efforts of the Federal Government to usurp the Islands of Sindh and Balochistan which will be protested strongly.
12. Senator Fida Muhammad pointed out that the subject of printing of Holy Quran is a devolved subject which should have been within the domain of Federal Government. He was of the view that the paper and ink being used for publication of Holy Quran is not up to the mark. He urged that ink and paper to be used for publication of Holy Quran should be of best quality. He also stated that there is no recycling plant in the country for recycling of old

books of Holy Quran. The Chairman referred the matter to the Standing Committee on Religious Affairs.

13. Senator Gianchand pointed out an incident of abduction of a Hindu girl from Tharparkar who was taken to Balochistan. He stated that the accused is nominated in the FIR but Balochistan Police has not taken any action so far. The Chairman directed to seek report from IGsP Sindh and Balochistan. Senator Gianchand further requested that Chair that he may also be included in the Parliamentary Committee to protect forced conversions of minorities. The Chairman asked the Secretary Senate to discuss the issue with him in the Chamber.

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