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**REPORT OF THE
SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON SAFRON**

ON

"Compensation to the IDPs of South Waziristan/FATA"

PRESENTED BY

**SENATOR TAJ MUHAMMAD AFRIDI
Chairman
Standing Committee on SAFRON**

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I, Senator Taj Muhammad Afridi, Chairman Senate Standing Committee on SAFRON, have the honour to present on behalf of the Committee, this report on the point of Public Importance regarding "compensation to the IDPs of South Waziristan/FATA" raised by Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar in the House on February 04, 2020.

2. The Point of Public Importance, upon introduction in the Senate, was referred to the Standing Committee for consideration and report back to the House.

3. The composition of the Standing Committee on SAFRON is as under:

1.	Senator Taj Muhammad Afridi	Chairman
2.	Senator Haji Momin Khan Afridi	Member
3.	Senator Aurangzeb Khan	Member
4.	Senator Shammim Afridi	Member
5.	Senator Muhammad Ayub	Member
6.	Senator Sardar Muhammad Yaqoob Khan Nasar	Member
7.	Senator Atta Ur Rehman	Member
8.	Senator Hillal-ur-Rehman	Member
9.	Senator Mohsin Aziz	Member
10.	Senator HidayatUllah	Member
11.	Senator Rana Mahmood-ul-Hassan	Member
12.	Senator Fida Muhammad	Member
13.	Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar	Mover
14.	Minister for States & Frontier Regions	Ex-Officio Member

4. The Committee considered and discussed this point in its meetings held on August 25, September 21 and 28, 2020 and January 14, 2021. However, the matter was disposed of in the meeting held on January 22, 2021 which was attended by the following Members of the Committee:

1.	Senator Taj Muhammad Afridi	Chairman
2.	Senator Aurangzeb Khan	Member
3.	Senator Muhammad Ayub	Member
4.	Senator HidayatUllah	Member
6.	Senator Rana Mehmood-ul-Hassan	Member
7.	Senator Fida Muhammad	Member
8.	Senator Sardar Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar	Mover

5. Chairman Committee Senator Taj Muhammad Afridi raised the issue and asked the representative of PDMA to inform the Committee about the progress made on the recommendations of the Committee regarding this important issue. The Committee was informed that the recommendations which PDMA/Provincial Government received from the esteemed Committee could be broadly categorized as: one, recommendations that pertained to administration and, two, recommendations that pertained to change in Policy. He said that in the first case immediate action was possible. Therefore, all concerned departments were mobilized and instructed to immediately implement the recommendations of the Committee. For example, the Committee had recommended that the stuck up cheques should be released forthwith. In this regard, he stated, 3806 cheques were released till November 2020. Similarly, 2082 cheques were released in December 2020 alone. Against these 2082 cheques amount of Rs.1489.6 million was released. He further informed that the process of validation was also quickened and, so far, 106771 cases had been validated. On the issue of survey, he said that for South Waziristan the number of teams had been increased from 4 to 13 and in district Khyber survey teams had been increased from 4 to 6.

6. Regarding change in policy the Committee was informed that PDMA was in close consultation with the Provincial Government and TDPs' Secretariat and that several meetings had been held in this regard. The representative of PDMA stated that regarding policy level decisions like return of TDPs or inclusion of the previously left over areas in Citizens Loss Compensation Programme (CLCP) a summary had been moved that day (22-01-2021) on the instructions of the Chief Secretary to the Chief Minister to properly implement the instruction/recommendations of the Committee on this important issue.

7. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar stated that the Provincial Government and TDPs' Secretariat must fully comply with the recommendations of the Committee and must include, in the compensation package, all the areas where people have suffered losses. He also stressed that compensation must correspond to the losses the people of these areas have suffered. Chairman Committee thanked Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar for raising this important issue in the House. The Chairman also expressed his gratitude to the team of PDMA and the Deputy Commissioners of the Tribal Districts as they all played a proactive role in implementing the recommendations of the Committee. The Committee recommended that Provincial Government must implement all the recommendations of the Committee in letter and spirit.

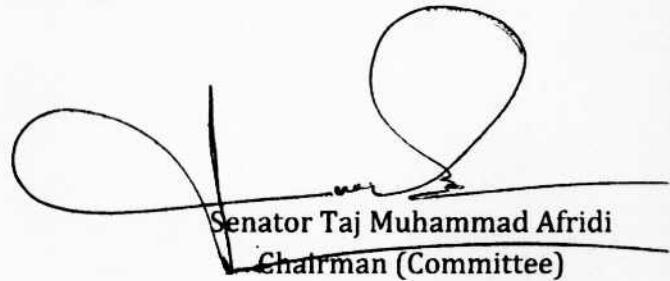
Recommendations

8. The Committee disposed of the matter with the following recommendations:
- i. The compensation offered to the IDPs/TDPs must be proportionate to the losses they have suffered. The Committee unanimously declared the current amount of compensation of Rs. 400,000/- per damaged house as insufficient;
 - ii. The process of survey must be completed, as soon as possible, in all the remaining areas and compensation be paid at the earliest to the IDPs/TDPs of the areas that are covered in CLCP;
 - iii. Areas not included in CLCP like WANA, Miranshah, Tirah/Rajgal (Khyber), Mohmand and Bajaur but affected due to militancy must be included in CLCP. The Provincial government must change the SOPs if required to do so;

- iv. Immediate arrangements must be made for safe and dignified return of the TDPs of Tirrah/Rajgal areas of Khyber District and the process of damage assessment must be initiated as soon as possible;
- v. The process of payment must be eased and the stuck-up cheques should be immediately released to IDPs who are waiting for their compensation cheques; and;
- vi. Provincial Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, TPDs Secretariat, PDMA and Deputy Commissioners of the Tribal Districts are bound to report to the Senate of Pakistan by July 15, 2021 that the recommendations contained in this report are complied with in true letter and spirit and the grievances of IDPs/TDPs have been fully addressed.



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Secretary (Committee)



Senator Taj Muhammad Afridi
Chairman (Committee)