

# SENATE OF PAKISTAN



(Report No. 3/2020-21)

## **REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIES AND PRODUCTION**

*"ON THE MATTER OF POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE RAISED BY SENATOR  
NAUMAN WAZIR KHATTAK IN THE SENATE SITTING HELD ON 26<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2020,  
REGARDING THE SAFETY STANDARDS OF CARS BEING ASSEMBLED IN PAKISTAN".*

**PRESENTED BY**

**SENATOR AHMED KHAN**  
Chairman

## SENATE SECRETARIAT

### REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON INDUSTRIES AND PRODUCTION

1, Chairman, Standing Committee on Industries and Production, would like to present report of the Standing Committee on the matter of point of public importance raised by Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak in the Senate sitting held on 26<sup>th</sup> August, 2020, regarding "the Safety Standards of Cars being assembled in Pakistan". The matter was referred by the Hon'ble Chairman Senate on 26.08.2020 for consideration and report.

2. The composition of the Committee is as under: -

1.	Senator Ahmed Khan	Chairman
2.	Senator Aurangzeb Khan	Member
3.	Senator Hafiz Abdul Karim	Member
4.	Senator Imamuddin Shouqeen	Member
5.	Senator Dr. Asif Kirmani	Member
6.	Senator Nusrat Shaheen	Member
7.	Senator Keshoo Bai	Member
8.	Senator Muhammad Ali Khan Saif	Member
9.	Senator Muhammad Ayub	Member
10.	Senator Naseebullah Bazai	Member
11.	Senator Rahila Magsi	Member
12.	Senator Seeme Ezdi	Member
13.	Senator Sitara Ayaz	Member

3. The matter was taken up for consideration in the Committee meetings held on 10.09.2020 & 17.09.2020 respectively. The following members of the Committee attended the meeting: -

1.	Senator Ahmed Khan	Chairman
2.	Senator Dr. Asif Kirmani	Member
3.	Senator Kalsoom Parveen	Member
4.	Senator Muhammad Ayub	Member
5.	Senator Keshoo Bai	Member
6.	Senator Seeme Ezdi	Member
7.	Senator Sitara Ayaz	Member
8.	Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak	Mover

4. Chairman of the Committee Senator Ahmed Khan, asked the Mover Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak to make his statement on the referred matter regarding the "Safety Standards of Cars being assembled in Pakistan".

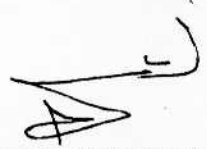
5. Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak while apprising on the issue of safety standards of cars being assembled in the Pakistan, said that the vehicles being assembled in Pakistan are lacking safety standards. The local manufacturing companies neither conduct safety harmonization test nor crash test which is one of the mandatory requirement for maintaining the safety standards. He further said that recently Cabinet in a meeting approved W-29 standard for the vehicles manufactured/ assembled locally. Although PSQCA has defined the standard in clear terms but failed to follow and implement the required quality standards. He in this regard requested the Chairman Committee to call PSQCA and other concerned stakeholders including the auto parts manufactures in the next meeting for briefing.

6. The Committee was apprised that the government is charging 48% duty on import of car parts. This coupled with the devaluation of the Pakistan currency which resulted in the increase in car prices, however, despite of increase in prices, the quality of safety standards is not up to the mark rather for below the international standards. The Committee decided to call the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR), PSQCA and other stakeholders in the next meeting to brief the Committee in detail on vehicles, parts imported and safety standards.

7. Other Senators also took part in the discussion and observed that locally produced cars were highly unreliable, and of low-quality standards specially maintaining safety related measures. The Committee further observed that standards of safety, overall quality and emission checks of locally manufactured vehicles will have to be improved so that the consumers start preferring locally manufactured cars.

8. The Committee after detailed discussions and deliberations on various issues pertaining to the local assembled cars including observing the safety standards in these cars, made recommendations in this regard for implementation by concerned authorities including the PSQCA, FBR and local manufacturing/ assembled companies. The Committee, thereafter disposed off the matter pertaining to Point of Public Importance raised by Senator Nauman Wazir Khattak on 26.08.2020.

  
(HAFEEZULLAH SHEIKH)  
AS/Secretary Committee

  
(SENATOR AHMED KHAN)  
Chairman Committee