

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
DAILY JOURNAL
(311TH SESSION)

Date and Day	28 th May, 2021 (Friday)
Commenced at	11:00 a.m.
Adjourned at	12:45 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	72
Total Working Hours	01 hour and 45 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

QUESTION HOUR

Questions entered in a separate list were asked and answers given.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES

1. SENATOR SHERRY REHMAN to draw attention of the Minister for Water Resources, towards the reports that Pakistan's water storage capacity is only for thirty-three days as water inflow from Northern areas has massively dropped.

The Member withdrew her Calling Attention Notice.

2. Senator DOST MUHAMMAD KHAN drew attention of the Minister for Aviation Division, towards the difficulties being faced by the people of Southern districts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and erstwhile FATA due to complete closure of Dera Ismail Khan Airport.

Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs made statement.

The Calling Attention Notice was thus disposed of.

MOTION OF THANKS

Further discussion on the following motion moved by Mr. Zaheer-Ud-Din Babar Awan, Adviser to the Prime Minister on Parliamentary Affairs, on 22nd January, 2021:-

"This House expresses its deep gratitude to the President of Pakistan for his address to both the Houses assembled together on 20th August, 2020."

The Chairman once again directed that the Parliamentary leaders may provide the list of speakers of their respective parties.

ZERO HOUR

1. Senator Chaudhry Ijaz Ayhmed spoke about the water issues raised by some members in the House on last sitting of the Senate.
2. Senator Sania Nishter spoke about the benefits of payment systems being introduced by the Government.
3. Senator Moula Bux Chandio spoke about the closure of Kotri-Lakhra Power Plant. He also spoke about water issues.
4. Senator Mian Raza Rabbani pointed out the transfer of Finance Secretary soon before the Budget and the change of Finance Minister which casts doubts that the Budget has been prepared by IMF.

Leader of the House responded.

5. Senator Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri spoke about the deteriorating law and order situation in the country especially the Dacoits control in interior Sindh and he also pointed out the incident of killing of district vice president of JUI in Panjgoor.

Chair directed to seek report on Panjgoor incident of killing.

6. Senator Palwasha Muhammad Zai Khan pointed out that despite clear warning by Interpol, a ship containing dangerous liquid has arrived in Gadani shipbreaking yard. The Member further stated that the ship contains 1,500 tonnes mercury mixed oil. Due to this, Bangladesh and India did not allow the ship but in Mumbai, the name of the ship was changed and after changing the name, the ship reached Karachi from Mumbai on April 21.

After hearing the Member, the Hon'ble Chairman Senate directed to seek a detailed report on the issue from the Ministry of Maritime Affairs till Monday, the 31st May, 2021.

7. Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed spoke about the Youm-e-Takbeer when Pakistan on 28th May, 1998 became nuclear power which is guarantee of security of Pakistan. He paid tribute to all the heroes who remained involved in nuclear program of Pakistan.

Following Members also spoke:-

1. Senator Danesh Kumar.
8. Senator Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen spoke about the problems arising for the locals after fencing of Pak-Iran Border.
9. Senator Dr. Sikandar Mandhro spoke about water shortage in Sindh.
10. Senator Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti pointed out the problems being faced by the line walkers appointed on daily wages by PPL and SSGCL who are performing round the clock duties.

Matter referred to the Committee

11. Senator Faisal Subzwari pointed out the performance of K-Electric and also raised the issue of a Vice Chancellor of Women University Swabi.
12. Senator Prince Ahmedzai pointed out the law and order situation in Balochistan. Senator Sadia Abbasi spoke about the importance of representation of Parliamentarians in various Policy-Advisory Boards constituted under various Ministries/Divisions.
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At 12:45 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Monday, the 31st May, 2021, at 3:30 p.m.

Islamabad,
The 28th May, 2021.