

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
DAILY JOURNAL
(317th SESSION)

Date and Day	31 st January, 2022 (Monday)
Commenced at	3:30 p.m.
Adjourned at	7:28 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	59
Total Working Hours	03 hours and 58 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

FATEHA

The House offers "Fateha" for the departed souls who died in Peshawar.

BILLS TO BE INTRODUCED

1. Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2022] **(Amendment of Articles 1, 51, 59, 106, 175A, 198, and 218)**.

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

2. Senator Syed Muhammad Sabir Shah, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2022] **(Amendment of Articles 1, 51, 59, 106, 154, 175A, 198 and 218)**.

The Motion was deferred till next Private Members' day.

3. Senator Shahadat Awan, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Provincial Motor Vehicles Ordinance, 1965 [The Provincial Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was deferred till next Private Members' day.

4. Senator Mohsin Aziz, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Price Control and Prevention of Profiteering and Hoarding Act, 1977 [The Price Control and Prevention of Profiteering and Hoarding (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

5. Senator Kauda Babar, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority Act, 1996 [The Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was deferred till next Private Members' day.

6. Senator Saleem Mandviwalla, moved for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Protection of Journalists and Media Professionals Act, 2021 [The Protection of Journalists and Media Professionals (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

M O T I O N S

[Under Rule 218]

1. **Senator Mushtaq Ahmed**, moved that the House may discuss the performance of Cyber Crime wing of FIA with respect to increasing incidents of Cyber Crimes in the country.

Following Members spoke on the Motion

1. Senator Afnan Ullah Khan
2. Senator Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen
3. Senator Syed Ali Zafar
4. Senator Muhtaq Ahmed

Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs, respond the issue.

2. **Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur**, to move that the House may discuss the efficacy of plea-bargain and voluntary disclosure instruments employed by the NAB over last two years in its fight against corruption.

The Motion was deferred

3. Senator Sherry Rehman, moved that the House may discuss the current alarming rise in unemployment across the country

Following Members spoke on the Motion

1. Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Leader of the House
2. Senator Sherry Rehman
3. Senator Mohsin Aziz
4. Senator Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo
5. Senator Taj Haider
6. Senator Danesh Kumar
7. Senator Faisal Javed
8. Senator Molvi Faiz Muhammad

Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs, respond the issue.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Senators Quratulain Marri, Seemee Ezdi, Faisal Saleem Rehman, Zeeshan Khan Zada And Hidayatullah Khan, moved the following resolution:-

"The Senate of Pakistan recognizes the significance of Parliamentary Diplomacy in relation to smooth and efficient conduct of parliamentary relations and forging socioeconomic, political, strategic and cultural contacts amongst the Parliaments in general and States in particular in pursuance to the national interest.

The Senate of Pakistan further acknowledges the vital role played by the Honorable Members of Parliament in raising voices on issues of common interests through effective participation in bilateral and multilateral parliamentary fora including International Parliamentary Union, Parliamentary Union of Islamic Countries, Commonwealth Parliamentary Association and Asian Parliamentary Assembly.

The House therefore recommends that Members of Parliament who have been accredited / designated by the Foreign Governments be appointed as Honorary Consul General of particular country in Pakistan with a view to strengthen the existing people to people contact and improve bilateral / multilateral relations in above areas."

The Resolution was not opposed and unanimously passed by the House.

2. Senator Zeeshan Khan Zada, moved the following resolution:-

"The Senate of Pakistan is cognizant of the importance of rail connectivity amongst the neighboring countries for revenue generation, promotion of business and tourism. The House recommends that the Government should take steps for running passenger/freight trains between Quetta and Zahidan to facilitate travelling of ziareen, tourists and business community from Pakistan to Iran and boost trade on the analogy of recently resumed freight service from Pakistan to Turkey via Iran."

Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan, Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs, respond the issue.

The Resolution was not opposed passed by the House.

3. Senators Syed Yousuf Raza Gillani, Leader Of The Opposition, Mian Raza Rabbani, Sherry Rehman, Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen, Azam Nazeer Tarar, Mushtaq Ahmed, Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri, Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo And Hidayatullah Khan, moved the following resolution:-

"The Senate of Pakistan;

Notes, that a systematic campaign in a section of the media and social media is being run to undermine the Federal Parliamentary form of Government;

Takes Cognizance, that such a campaign is propagating a Presidential form of Government;

Recalls, that the Founder of the Nation, Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah, envisaged a Federal Parliamentary form of Government as his vision for Pakistan;

Further recalls, that the people of Pakistan have relentlessly struggled and sacrificed for a Federal Parliamentary form of Government;

Conscious of the fact, that Pakistan is a participatory federation;

Emphasizes, that the Constitution, 1973, envisages Pakistan to be a Federation, with a Parliamentary form of Government, trichotomy of power, independence of the judiciary, provincial autonomy and fundamental rights for its citizens;

Observes, that a Presidential form of Government will introduce a unitary form of Government, wherein, the entire Constitution, 1973, will be required to be rewritten;

Warns, that given the intra-provincial and federal provincial polarization, internal political instability, the regional situation and international attempts at colonization of Pakistan, will make a national consensus on a new Constitution impossible;

Resolves, that it will preserve and protect the Parliamentary form of Government as envisaged in the Constitution, 1973, as any other form of Government, will have disastrous consequences for the Federation."

Following Members spoke on the Motion

1. Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem, Leader of the House

The Resolution was not opposed and was passed by the House.

Point of Personal Explanation

1. Senator Syed Yousuf Raza Gillani, Leader of Opposition, spoke regarding his absence from the Housing during voting on the State Bank of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2021 on 28th January, 2022.

Following Member's also spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem Leader of the House.
2. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed
3. Senator Hidayatullah Khan
4. Senator Faisal Javed
5. Senator Behramand Khan Tangi
6. Senator Dilawar Khan
4. Senator Sadia Abbasi
5. Senator Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen

MOTIONS

[Under Rule 204]

1. **SENATOR DR. SHAHZAD WASEEM LEADER OF THE HOUSE**, moved that the House may authorize the Chairman Senate to appoint "Climate Change Caucus Pakistan" comprising of Members from the Senate and the Minister of for Climate Change as ex-officio member. The Senate Secretariat shall provide the secretarial support to the Caucus. The Honourable Chairman Senate may also be authorized to make nominations from Senate to the Caucus and make changes in its composition as and when required"

The motion was carried

2. **SENATOR DR. SHAHZAD WASEEM LEADER OF THE HOUSE**, moved that the House may authorize the Chairman Senate to appoint "Education Parliamentarians Caucus Pakistan" comprising of four (4) Members each from the Senate and National Assembly and one Member Provincial Assembly from each province as members and the Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training and all four Provincial Education Ministers as ex-officio members in consultation with Speakers of the National Assembly and Provincial Assembly. The Senate Secretariat shall provide the secretarial support to the Caucus. The Honourable Chairman Senate may also be authorized to make nominations from Senate to the Caucus and make changes in its composition as and when required.

The motion was carried

At 07:28 p.m. the Chairman adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Tuesday, 1st February, 2022, at 10:30 a.m.

**Islamabad, the
31st January, 2022.**