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**SENATE OF PAKISTAN**  
**House of the Federation**



**REPORT NO.01**

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

"Starred Question No.110, asked by Senator Saifullah Abro, regarding the time since Moenjodaro Airport, District Larkana, is non-operational with reasons thereof in the Senate Sitting held on 28<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2022."

**PRESENTED BY**

**Senator Hidayat Ullah**  
**Chairman**  
**Senate Standing Committee on Aviation**

**SENATE SECRETARIAT**

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STARRED QUESTION NO.110, ASKED BY SENATOR SAIFULLAH ABRO,  
REGARDING THE TIME SINCE MOENJODARO AIRPORT, DISTRICT  
LARKANA, IS NON-OPERATIONAL WITH REASONS THEREOF IN THE  
SENATE SITTING HELD ON 28<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2022.**

I, Senator Hidayat Ullah, Chairman Standing Committee on Aviation, have the honor to submit, on behalf of Committee, this report "Starred Question No.110, asked by Senator Saifullah Abro regarding the time since Moenjodaro Airport, District Larkana, is non-operational with reasons thereof in the Senate Sitting held on 28<sup>th</sup> January, 2022".

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

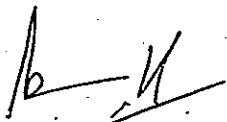
1	Senator Hidayat Ullah	Chairman
2	Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah	Member
3	Senator Syed Muhammad Sabir Shah	Member
4	Senator Faisal Saleem Rahman	Member
5	Senator Mian Raza Rabbani	Member
6	Senator Sherry Rehman	Member
7	Senator Aon Abbas	Member
8	Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur	Member
9	Senator Mohsin Aziz	Member
10	Senator Saleem Mandviwala	Member
11	Senator Afnar Ullah Khan	Member
12	Senator Atta Ur Rehman	Member
13	Senator Dilawar Khan	Member
14	Minister for Aviation Division	Ex-Officio Member

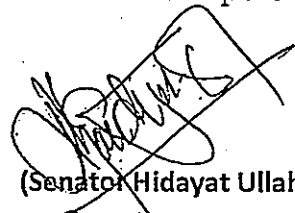
3. The Committee considered the matter and held conclusive in its meeting held on 28th July, 2022, under the Chairmanship of Senator Hidayat Ullah, with the following in attendance:

1. Senator Afnan Ullah Khan	Member
2. Senator Saleem Mandviwala	Member
3. Senator Sherry Rehman	Member
4. Senator Syed Muhammad Sabir Shah	Member
5. Senator Faisal Saleem Rehman	Member
6. Senator Mohsin Aziz	Member
7. Senator Atta Ur Rehman	Member
8. Senator Saifullah Abro	Mover
9. Senator Keshoo Bai	Mover
10. Senator Behramand Khan Tangi	Mover
11. Khawaja Saad Rafique	Minister For Aviation

4. To the matter of non-operationalization of Moenjodaro Airport, Distract Larkana, Senator Saifullah Abro told the Committee that Moenjodaro Airport was declared world heritage site in 1980 by UNESCO but currently it is non-operational. The DG, Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) informed the Committee that Land was acquired from Government of Sindh to upgrade the airport but UNESCO went to Sindh High Court on the plea of Moenjodaro Airport as world heritage. In 2011, the Sindh High Court decided the case in favor of UNESCO and ordered not to extend it because vibrations can cause deterioration to the world heritage site. Therefore, no progress was made. CEO PIA briefed the Committee that after 2018, flights to Moenjodaro airport were stopped purely on viability issue. In 2017, a loss of 54 Million was recorded while in 2018 it was rupees 45 Million. Senator Saifullah Abro was of the view that weekly two direct flights (Karachi-Mohenjodaro) should be operated. Minister for Aviation told the Committee that the viability of the Moenjodaro airport will be checked again by PIA and private operators and TPRI should also be encouraged to operate on that route along with PIA. The Committee agreed to the proposal of Minister for Aviation and directed to expedite the matter.

5. The Committee disposed-off the matter for onward report to the House.

  
(Syed Khurram Hussain Naqvi)  
Secretary Committee

  
(Senator Hidayat Ullah)  
Chairman