

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
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| Date and Day | 10 th October 2022, (Monday) |
| Commenced at | 04:00 p.m. |
| Adjourned at | 07:25 p.m. |
| Presided by | Chairman Senate & Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi |
| Attendance | 61 |
| Total Working Hours | 3hours and 25minutes |

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

BILLS TO BE INTRODUCED

1. Senator Sania Nishtar, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Act, 1991 [The Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal (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.

2. Senator Seemee Ezdi, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the National Disaster Management Act, 2010 [The National Disaster Management (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.

3. Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Benazir Income Support Act, 2010 [The Benazir Income Support (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was deferred

4. Senator Fawzia Arshad, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the General Clauses Act, 1897 [The General Clauses (Amendment) Bill, 2022].

The Motion was deferred

5. Senator Seemee Ezdi, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Factories Act, 1934 [The Factories (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.

6. Senator Fawzia Arshad, 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 Article 51)**

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

7. Senator Seeme Ezzdi, 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 put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted. The Bill introduced and referred to Standing Committee concerned.

RESOLUTIONS

1. Senators Taj Haider And Saleem Mandviwalla, moved the following resolution:-

"The Senate of Pakistan is cognizant of the longstanding electricity crisis in the country and high electricity tariffs in the country causing heavy burden on domestic, commercial and industrial consumers.

The House recommends that the Government may allow Public-Private Partnership and Private Sector to install their own energy parks in the country with minimum thirty Mega Watts electricity generation capacity.

The House further recommends that the said energy parks may be authorized to sell electricity to the consumers on pre-determined tariff formula and install their own captive transmission and distribution grids for domestic, commercial and industrial consumers."

Following Member also spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Imamuddin Shouqeen
2. Senator Irfan-ul-Haque Siddqui
3. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed
4. Senator Kamil Ali Agha
5. Senator Dilawar Khan
6. Senator Engr. Rukhsana zuberi

The Resolution passed by the House.

2. Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem Leader Of The Opposition And Senators Mian Raza Rabbani, Sarfraz Ahmed Bugti, Naseebullah BAZAI, Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri, Mohammad Abdul Qadir, Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur, Saifullah Abro, Dilawar Khan, Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo, Sana Jamali, Anwaar-Ul-Haq Kakar, Taj Haider, Hidayat Ullah, Jam

Mahtab Hussain Dahar, Manzoor Ahmed, Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, Zeeshan Khan Zada And Danesh Kumar, to move the following resolution:-

"WHEREAS the Constitution of Pakistan creates two co-equal House of Parliament, the Senate -providing equal and adequate representation to the federating units hence creating equality amongst the provinces and the National Assembly -allocating seats on the basis of population hence providing the principle of majority;

WHEREAS the Constitution of Pakistan empowers the Parliament to exercise parliamentary oversight on public exchequer to ensure transparency and accountability in the public spending;

WHEREAS the Public Accounts Committee acts as extension of the both Houses of the Parliament to effectively carry out the scrutiny and oversight on public exchequer by examining Auditor General's Report relating to the Accounts of Federation laid before the both Houses of Parliament and other related matters;

WHEREAS as per the Constitutional scheme, the Senate promotes national cohesion and harmony by alleviating fears of the smaller provinces regarding domination by largely populated provinces in the National Assembly;

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide adequate representation to the Members of Senate in the Chairpersonship of Public Accounts Committee to ensure that diversity present in the Senate is recognized and respected; and

WHEREAS rotation of Chair of Public Accounts Committee amongst the both Houses of parliament will ensure that no part of the country is left without adequate representation in the state institutions, more so, in the ethnically diversified state like Pakistan.

THEREFORE, the Senate of Pakistan hereby RESOLVES that the Chairpersonship of Public Accounts Committee shall be rotated/shared amongst the Members of Senate and National Assembly for its half terms i.e. for a period of two and a half years, respectively."

Following Member also spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Saleem Mandviwalla
2. Senator Kamil Ali Agha
3. Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem Leader of the Opposition
4. Senator Hidayatullah Khan

The Resolution passed by the House.

MOTIONS

[Under Rule 218]

1. Senator Mohsin Aziz, moved that the House may discuss the total income tax, Federal Excise duty, Custom duty and Regulatory duty collected by the Federal Board of Revenue with special emphasis on the tax collected from Sindh province during the last three years.

2. Senators Bahramand Khan Tangi And Rubina Khalid, moved that the House may discuss the unabated use of narcotics drugs specially "ice" in the country with particular reference to the educational institutions.

Following Member also spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Haji Hidayatullah
2. Senator Dost Muhammad Khan
3. Senator Sania Nishtar
4. Senator Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur
5. Senator Walid Iqbal
6. Senator Molvi Faiz Muhammad
7. Senator Mohsin Aziz
8. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed

Nawabzada Shazain Bugti, Federal Minister for Narcotics, responded the issue.

The Motion was talked out

3. Senator engr. Rukhsana zuberi, moved that the House may discuss the causes of pending cases/backlog in Supreme Court / High Courts and steps taken by the Government for speedy disposal of such cases.

The Motion was not taken up

4. Senator dr. Zarqa suharwardy taimur, moved that the House may discuss the issue of alarming rise in our population in the light of a recently released United Nations report 'World Population Prospects 2022' according to which Pakistan is expected to see a fifty six percent increase in population to three hundred sixty six million individuals by the year 2050.

The Motion was not taken up

5. Senators Seemee Ezdi And Zeeshan Khan Zada, moved that the House may discuss the causes and steps taken by the Government to contain stark food price inflation endangering food security in the country in the light of United Nations Global Report on Food Crises, 2022.

At 06:45 p.m, the Presiding officer presided over the proceeding of the House.

POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

- 1. Point of Order raised by Senator Sherry Rehman, Minister for Climate Change,** on the current situation in the aftermath of floods

Following Member also spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Dr. Shahzad Waseem Leader of the Opposition

- 2. Senator Sardar Muhammad Shfiq Treen,** spoke regarding issues faced by students from Balochistan studying in universities of Punjab

- 3. Senator Kamran Michael,** incident of Violence against an Assistant Commissioner, belonging to Christian Community, Posted in Toba Tek Singh.

After hearing the Member, The Chairman Senate referred said matter to the Human Rights Committee and directed to seek Report from I.G and Chief Secretary, Punjab.

- 4. Senator Danesh Kumar,** spoke regarding on Rabi-ul-Awal and the teachings of Prophet Muhammad (S.A.W.), and the destruction caused by floods in Balochistan and rehabilitation work there after

Following Member also spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Sana Jamali

- 5. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed,** spoke regarding worsening law and order situation in Swat and Malakand Division, and incident of killing of innocent citizens in Swat in fake encounters.

After hearing the Member, the Presiding officer referred said matter to the concerned Committee.

- 6. Senator Ijaz Ahmed Chaudhry,** spoke on the destruction created by floods and rehabilitation work in this regard.

Following Member also spoke on the issue:-

1. Senator Molana Abdul Ghafoor Haideri
2. Senator Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur

At 07:25 p.m. the Presiding officer adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Tuesday , 11th October, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

Islamabad, the 10th October, 2022.