

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
DAILY JOURNAL
(331st SESSION)

Date and Day	27 th July 2023, (Thursday)
Commenced at	10:35 a.m.
Adjourned at	01:08 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	60
Total Working Hours	2hours and 33 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

MOTIONS

[Under Rule 194(1)]

1. Senator Sana Jamali, on behalf of **Senator Sardar Muhammad Shafiq Tareen**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Science and Technology, moved under sub-rule (1) of Rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Halal Authority Act, 2016 [The Pakistan Halal Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur on 30th January, 2023, may be extended for a period of sixty days with effect from 30th July, 2023.

The Motion was put to the House and Adopted.

2. Senator Syed Waqar Mehdi, on behalf of **Senator Taj Haider**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Parliamentary Affairs, moved under sub-rule (1) of Rule 194 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the time for presentation of report of the Committee on the Bill to provide for establishment of one stop service for investors in special economic zones and the country, in general [The One Stop Service Bill, 2023], may be extended for a period of seven days with effect from 28th July, 2023.

The Motion was put to the House and Adopted.

SPECIAL REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE - PRESENTATION OF:

[Under Rule 193]

1. Senator Hillal Ur Rehman, Chairman, Standing Committee on States and Frontier Regions, presented a special report of the Committee regarding the Development of the E-Tendering system and its full deployment, GIS mapping of AIP and ADP schemes and the uploading of pre-post images, installation of biometric machines in every service delivery unit.

The Report stood laid.

REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES - PRESENTATION OF:
[Under Rule 195]

1. Senator Muhammad Hamayun Mohmand, on behalf of **Senator Walid Iqbal**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Human Rights, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the National Commission on the Rights of Child Act, 2017 [The National Commission on the Rights of Child (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Prof. Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani on 3rd April, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

2. Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Code of Criminal Procedure (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Zeeshan Khan Zada on 16th January, 2023. **(Amendment in section 55 of Cr.P.C).**

The Report stood laid.

3. Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Christian Marriage Act, 1872 [The Christian Marriage (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Kamran Michael on 30th January, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

4. Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Anti-Rape (Investigation and Trial) Act, 2021 [The Anti-Rape (Investigation and Trial) (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri on 10th April, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

5. Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023], introduced by Senator Seemee Ezdi on 16th January, 2023. **(Substitution of section 277A in PPC and subsequent amendment in Schedule-II of Cr.P.C).**

The Report stood laid.

6. Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Easements Act, 1882 [The Easements (Amendment) Bill, 2023] introduced by Senator Seemee Ezdi on 16th January, 2023.

The Report stood laid.

7. Senator Mohsin Aziz, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior, presented report of the Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Muhammad Asad Ali Khan Junejo on 16th January, 2023, regarding the irregular/disorganized speed limits on various roads of Islamabad Capital Territory causing confusion/problems for the commuters which are required to be regularized and rationalized.

The Report stood laid.

M O T I O N

[Under Rule 263]

1. Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister for Defence, moved under Rule 263 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the requirement of Rule 98 of the said Rules regarding referral of the Bills at Order Nos. 14 to 17 to the Standing Committees concerned be dispensed with in order to take the Bills into consideration at once and also pass the same.

Senator Mian Raza Rabbani raised a point of order on the issue.

The Motion was dropped.

BILLS TO BE INTRODUCED

1. Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister for Defence, introduced the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Army Act, 1952 [The Pakistan Army (Amendment) Bill, 2023].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted.

2. Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister for Defence, introduced the Bill further to amend the Cantonments Act, 1924 [The Cantonments (Amendment) Bill, 2023].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted.

3. Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister for Defence, introduced the Bill further to amend the Defence Housing Authority Islamabad Act, 2013 [The Defence Housing Authority Islamabad (Amendment) Bill, 2023].

The Motion was put to the House and leave to introduce the bill was granted.

4. Rana Tanveer Hussain, Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training, to introduce the Bill further to amend the Higher Education Commission Ordinance, 2002 [The Higher Education Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2023].

The Motion was dropped

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

1. Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister for Defence, moved that the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Army Act, 1952 [The Pakistan Army (Amendment) Bill, 2023], be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion was put to the House. Thereafter, the House started second reading of the Bill i.e. clause by clause consideration.

2. Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister for Defence, moved that the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Army Act, 1952 [The Pakistan Army (Amendment) Bill, 2023], be passed.

The Motion was put to the House and the Bill was passed.

3. Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister for Defence, moved that the Bill further to amend the Cantonments Act, 1924 [The Cantonments (Amendment) Bill, 2023], be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion was put to the House. Thereafter, the House started second reading of the Bill i.e. clause by clause consideration.

4. Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister for Defence, moved that the Bill further to amend the Cantonments Act, 1924 [The Cantonments (Amendment) Bill, 2023], be passed.

The Motion was put to the House and the Bill was passed.

5. Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister for Defence, moved that the Bill further to amend the Defence Housing Authority Islamabad Act, 2013 [The Defence Housing Authority Islamabad (Amendment) Bill, 2023], be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion was put to the House. Thereafter, the House started second reading of the Bill i.e. clause by clause consideration.

6. Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister for Defence, moved that the Bill further to amend the Defence Housing Authority Islamabad Act, 2013 [The Defence Housing Authority Islamabad (Amendment) Bill, 2023], be passed.

The Motion was put to the House and the Bill was passed.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES

1. Senator Danesh Kumar, drew attention of the Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training, towards the directions issued by the Higher Education Commission in June 2023, advising all Higher Education Institutions to distance themselves from celebrating activities like Hindu Festival of "Holi" terming it incompatible with country's societal values and identity.

Senator Shahadat Awan, Minister of State for Law and Justice responded the issue.

Calling Attention notice was disposed off.

2. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, to draw attention of the Minister for Foreign Affairs towards the grave violation of human rights in case of Ms. Aafiya Siddiqui whose health is deteriorating in the jail of USA and to apprise the House about the efforts being made by the Government of Pakistan for her release.

Senator Shahadat Awan, Minister of State for Law and Justice responded the issue

Calling Attention notice was disposed off.

POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

- 1. Senator Sania Nishtar,** spoke regarding the hasty legislation in the House.
- 2. Senator Talha Mehmood, Minister for Religious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony,** spoke regarding the writing a letter to the Pakistani Ambassador in the US and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs regarding permission for the meeting of Dr. Fouzia Siddiqui with Dr. Aafiya Siddiqui in US prison.
- 3. Senator Fida Muhammad,** spoke regarding the state of affairs of affectees of Murree Incident that occurred on 7th January, 2022.

After hearing the Member, the Chairman Senate directed to seek report from the IG Punjab on the said matter.

At 01:08 p.m. the Chairman Senate adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Sunday , 30th July, 2023, at 12: 00 noon.

**Islamabad, the
27th July, 2023.**