

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
DAILY JOURNAL
(335th SESSION)

Date and Day	19 th February 2024, (Monday)
Commenced at	03:06 p.m.
Adjourned at	05:24 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	59
Total Working Hours	2hours and 18minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

PANEL OF PRESIDING OFFICERS FOR 335th SESSION

1. Senator Sarfaraz Ahmed Bugti
2. Senator Seemi Ezdi
3. Senator Dilawar Khan

BILLS TO INTRODUCED

1. Senator Fawzia Arshad, moved for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the establishment of the International Institute of Technology, Culture and Health Sciences [The International Institute of Technology, Culture and Health Sciences Bill, 2024].

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. Senators Rana Mahmood Ul Hassan and Umer Farooq, to move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the establishment of Wapda University Islamabad [The Wapda University Islamabad Bill, 2023].

The Motion was deferred

3. Senator Manzoor Ahmed, on behalf of **Senator Dilawar Khan**, moved for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the establishment of the Falcon University of Medical Sciences and Technologies [The Falcon University of Sciences and Technology Bill, 2024].

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

4. Senator Mohammad Abdul Qadir, on behalf of **Senator Dilawar Khan**, moved for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the establishment of the Pakistan Minerals Regulatory Authority [The Pakistan Minerals Regulatory Authority Bill, 2024].

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 Dr. Afnan Ullah Khan, to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2024]. **(Insertion of new sections 160A and 160B in the PPC and subsequent amendments in Schedule II of the Cr.PC)**

The Motion was deferred

6. Senator Shahadat Awan, moved for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Act, 1992 [The Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal (Amendment) Bill, 2024].

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

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

BILLS AS REPORTED BY THE STANDING COMMITTEES

1. Senator Kamran Michael, to move that the Bill further to amend the Christian Marriage Act, 1872 [The Christian Marriage (Amendment) Bill, 2023], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion was deferred

3. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, moved that the Bill further to amend the International Islamic University Ordinance, 1985 [The International Islamic University (Amendment) Bill, 2023], as reported by the Standing Committee, 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. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, moved that Bill further to amend the International Islamic University Ordinance, 1985 [The International Islamic University (Amendment) Bill, 2023], be passed.

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

5. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, to move that the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2023], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.

Following Member's also spoke on the issue:-

- 1.Senator Sherry Rehman
- 2.Senator Irfan-ul-Haque Siddiqui
3. Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar, Leader of the House
4. Senator Taj Haider
5. Senator Syed Ali Zafar
6. Senator Muhammad Tahir Bizinjo
7. Senator Sadia Abbasi
8. Senator Shahadat Awan

9. Senator Mohammad Humayun Mohmand

10. Senator Molvi Faiz Muhammad

The Motion was rejected

6. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, moved that the Bill further to amend the Pharmacy Act, 1967 [The Pharmacy (Amendment) Bill, 2023], as reported by the Standing Committee, 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.

7. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, moved that Bill further to amend the Pharmacy Act, 1967 [The Pharmacy (Amendment) Bill, 2023], be passed.

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

RESOLUTION

1. Senator Mohammad Abdul Qadir, moved the following resolution:-

"Acknowledging the fact that Quran is an universal book which is relevant for all times and all places and is a source of eternal guidance for humanity and provides not just a way of life but serves as a book of syllabus for human life. Realizing the fact that this Holy Book helps man to come out of darkness and move into realm of light and that modern research, science and technology are derived from this Universal source of human guidance.

Noting that the western nations are acknowledging the fact that the mysteries of the universe can be revealed through the guidance of the Holy Quran. Therefore, it is incumbent upon every Muslim to read and reflect on the message of the Holy Qur'an and follow the teachings of the Holy Qur'an in their practical lives.

Noting that the wisdoms of the Holy Quran paves the way for a scientific revolution in the fields of medicine, artificial intelligence, robotics, space research and other areas.

Observing with a serious concern that MPhil and PhD programs of various varisities are confined to imparting conservative knowledge of Islam and history.

Realizing the need that MPhil and PhD programs in Islamic studies should be aligned with modern thinking originating from the Holy Quran.

The Senate of Pakistan, therefore, resolves that all universities of Pakistan should revise their MPhil and PhD programs and align them with the requirements of the modern times which are truly based on research, critical thinking, scientific approach and practical application of Qur'anic knowledge.

The Senate of Pakistan also recommends to the Higher Education Commission of Pakistan to develop guidelines for all the universities of Pakistan to update the syllabus of their MPhil and PhD programs and align it with modern scientific requirements."

The Resolution was passed unanimously.

MOTIONS
[Under Rule 218]

1. Senator Mohammad Humayun Mohmand, to move that the House may discuss the pressing issue of water resources, floods and water mismanagement in Pakistan, especially in light of the recent devastating floods in 2022 and in 2010.

Following Member's also spoke on the issue:-

- 1.Senator Sana Jamali
- 2.Senator Fawzia Arshad
3. Senator Molvi Faiz Muhammad
4. Senator Dost Muhammad Khan
5. Senator Sania Nistar
6. Senator Engr. Rukhsana Zuberi
7. Senator Syed Ali Zafar
8. Senator Shahadat Awan
9. Senator Mohammad Humayun Mohmand
10. Senator Molvi Faiz Muhammad

Mr. Murtaza Solangi, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, responded the issue.

The motion was talked out.

2. Senator Mushtaq Ahmed, moved that this House may discuss the non-presentation of annual report of the Council of Islamic Ideology under clause (4) of Article 230 of the Constitution in the House, strategy for implementation of recommendations of these reports and the steps being taken by the Government in this regard.

Mr. Murtaza Solangi, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, responded the issue.

The motion was talked out.

PRIVILEGE MOTIONS

1. Senator Dost Muhammad Khan, moved regarding the attitude of police officer and arrest of political workers in Tank, Upper South Waziristan.

After hearing the Member, The Chairman Senate referred said matter to the Privilege Committee.

2. Senator Waqar Mehdi, moved regarding the humiliating attitude of Senior Member Board of Revenue, Sindh.

After hearing the Member, The Chairman Senate referred said matter to the Privilege Committee.

POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

- 1. Senator Kamran Murtaza**, spoke regarding the situation arising out of the results of general elections-2024.
- 2. Senator Dost Mohammad Khan**, spoke regarding the cutting of trees in South Waziristan.

After hearing the Member, The Chairman Senate referred said matter to the Standing Committee Concerned.

- 3. Senator Bahramand Khan Tangi**, spoke regarding the issuance of arms licenses in the country.

After hearing the Member, The Chairman Senate directed to Secretary Senate send list of Senators to the Ministry of Interior who want to take the license.

At 05:24 p.m. the Chairman Senate adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Tuesday , 20th February, 2024, at 10:30 a.m.

**Islamabad, the
19th February, 2024.**