

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
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(348th SESSION)

Date and Day	15 th April 2025, (Tuesday)
Commenced at	04:07 p.m.
Adjourned at	06:22 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate
Attendance	58
Total Working Hours	2hours and 15minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

PANEL OF PRESIDING OFFICERS FOR 348th SESSION

1. Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri
2. Senator Anusha Rahman Ahmad Khan
3. Senator Syed Faisal Ali Subzwari

FATEHA

“The House offers “Fateha” for the departed soul Senator Taj Haider and former Senator Prof. Khurshid Ahmad, for deceased mother of Army Chief, for eight Pakistani citizens killed in Iran, for victims of Jaffar Express, for the personnel of law and enforcement agencies martyred in various incidents of terrorism and for martyred Palestinian brothers and sisters.”

CONDOLENCE RESOLUTION AND REFERENCE

- 1.** Condolence Resolution and Reference for Senator Taj Haider, sitting Member of the Senate of Pakistan who passed away on 8th April, 2025.

Following Member’s spoke on the sad demise of Senator Taj Haider:-

1. **Senator Sherry Rehman**
2. **Senator Syed Shibli Faraz, Leader of the opposition**
3. **Senator Hamid Khan**
4. **Senator Azam Nazeer Tarar, Minister for Law and Justice**
5. **Senator Hidayatullah Khan**
6. **Senator Pervaiz Rashid**
7. **Senator Shahadat Awan**
8. **Senator Quran-Ul-Ain Marri**
9. **Senator Danesh Kumar**
10. **Senator Aon Abbas**
11. **Senator Jan Mohammad**
12. **Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar, Leader of the House**

13. **Senator Muhammad Abdul Qadir**
14. **Senator Aimal Wali khan**
15. **Senator Raja Nasir Abbas**
16. **Senator Khalida Ateeb**
17. **Senator Rubina Qaim Khani**
18. **Senator Naseema Ehsan**
19. **Senator Khalil Tahir**
20. **Senator Kamil Ali Agha**
21. **Senator Saifullah Abro**
22. **Senator Nadeem Ahmed Bhutto**
23. **Senator Sarmad Ali**
24. **Senator Amir Waliuddin Chishti**
25. **Senator Husna Bano**
26. **Senator Jam Saifullah Khan**
27. **Senator Rana Mahmood ul Hassan**
28. **Senator Dr. Afnan Ullah Khan**
29. **Senator Falak Naz**
30. **Senator Saleem Mandviwalla, Chief Whip**

2. Condolence Resolution moved by Senator Sherry Rehman expressing profound grief and sorrow over the sad demise of Senator Taj Haider:-

“This House expresses its profound grief and sorrow over the sad demise of one of its most distinguished and revered Members, Senator Taj Haider, who passed away on 8th April 2025, at the age of 83.

Senator Taj Haider was a steadfast democrat and a seasoned parliamentarian. A veteran of national politics, he was widely respected for his principled stance, intellectual depth, and unwavering commitment to democratic ideals.

He was also a renowned playwright, mathematician, and a versatile scholar whose contributions extended well beyond the political realm.

In recognition of his exceptional public service and intellectual contributions, he was conferred with the Sitara-e-Imtiaz by the President of Pakistan in 2013.

He also received the PTV Best Playwright Serial Award in 2006, reflecting his literary brilliance.

Senator Taj Haider's political journey began in 1967 when he joined the socialist movement and became one of the founding members of the Pakistan People's Party (PPP) under the leadership of Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto.

He remained committed to the Party's ideology throughout his life and served it with great integrity and dedication.

He was elected to the Senate of Pakistan for the term March 2012-2018, and was re-elected in March 2021 for the current term.

At the time of his passing, he was serving as the Chairman of the Senate Standing Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, and held the important party position of Central Secretary General of the PPP.

Throughout his parliamentary career, Senator Haider consistently raised his voice for the rights of the people of Pakistan and for matters of national importance, always guided by principle, reason, and compassion.

He was known for his clarity of thought, humble demeanour, and ethical politics, and mentored many younger politicians, writers, and activists.

His voice in the Senate was always guided by principle, reason, and compassion-qualities that set him apart in the country's political discourse.

His contributions to the Senate, to the nation, and to democratic discourse will be remembered with great respect and admiration.

This House expresses its deepest sympathies with the bereaved family, friends and his party. We pray to Almighty Allah to shower His infinite blessings upon the departed soul and pray that his soul rest in eternal peace.

A copy of this resolution, if I may add, is entirely inadequate to do justice to his stellar life, may be sent to the bereaved family.”

The Resolution was passed by the House unanimously.

3. Condolence Resolution moved by Senator Azam Nazeer Tarrar expressing profound grief and sorrow over the sad demise of former Senator Professor Khurshid Ahmed.

“This House expresses its profound grief and sorrow over the sad demise of former Senator Professor Khurshid Ahmed, who passed away on 12th of April, 2025.

Professor Khurshid was a distinguished economist, humanist Islamic Scholar and a dedicated statesman whose intellectual legacy and the public contributions have left a lasting impact on Pakistan.

He was the founder of the Institute of Policy Studies Islamabad, a co-founder of the Islamic Foundation in the United Kingdom and the founding trustee of the Punjab School.

His scholarly work on Islamic economics and ideology has been widely recognized both nationally and internationally.

In recognition of his exceptional academics and social services, Professor Khurshid was conferred with Nishan-i- Imtiaz, a testament to the national esteem and which he was held.

In his illustrious political career he remained associated with Jamaat-i-Islami and served as a member of Senate of Pakistan for the terms 1985-91, 1991-97, 2003-06 and 2006-2012.

During which he played a leading role in shaping Parliamentary discourse on Economic, Constitutional and Ideological matters. As Chairman of the Senate Standing Committee on Economic Affairs and Planning he provided critical oversight on national development policies and economic reforms. He was also an active member of multiple other committees and forums contributing significantly to the debates on education, energy, national security and Islamic jurisprudence.

His tenure in the Senate was marked by intellectual clarity, principled positions and a strong commitment to Islamic Democratic values.

As Parliamentarian he was known for his thoughtful interventions, policy driven approach and ability to bridge academic insight with legislative pragmatism.

His presence enriched the proceeding of the Senate and helped shape national policy on key socio economic and ideological issues.

He also served in executive position including as Federal Minister for Planning and Development, Federal Minister for Energy and Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission, where he played a central role in formulating and implementing national development strategies.

This House expresses its deepest sympathies with the grieved family and friends including his Party.

We pray to all mighty ALLAH to shower his infinite blessing upon the departed soul and to grant him eternal peace.

The Resolution was passed by the House unanimously.

06:22 p.m. the Chairman Senate read out the prorogation order received from the President.

**Islamabad, the
15th April ,2025.**