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SENATE SECRETARIAT

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Islamabad, the 23rd April, 2025

NOTICE

A Meeting of the Senate Functional Committee on Human Rights will be held on Tuesday, 29th April 2025 at 11:30 a.m. in Committee Room No. 1, Parliament House, Islamabad. (In case of Senate Session in the morning, the meeting will be held at 2:30 p.m).

2. The agenda of the meeting would be as under: -

(i) Further consideration of the Bill titled "The National Commission on the Rights of Child (Amendment) Bill, 2023" moved by Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur, in the House and referred by the House to the committee for consideration and report.

(ii) Further consideration of the Bill titled "The ICT Rights of Persons with Disability (Amendment) Bill, 2024" moved by Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur, in the House and referred by the House to the committee for consideration and report.

(iii) Comprehensive briefing by the Chief Secretary Balochistan and other concerned functionaries on violation of human rights in coal mines of the province, including the following information:-

a. Location-wise details of all private and government owned coal mines across the province, with details of benefits & losses, names of companies, owners and total number of employees, current operational status and regulatory oversight mechanism of these mines including wages and social security benefits available to mine workers;
b. Status of compliance with provincial / federal safety regulations and ILO Convention C-176, along with latest assessment of occupational safety measures and enforcement challenges;
c. Total number of mine-related fatalities and injuries since 2020, along with detail of areas, underlying causes and trajectory/trend of such incidents;
d. Process of filing cases and legal action against mine owners for safety violations, with details of cases registered since 2020, updated status of FIRs, arrests made and companies banned.
e. Role of Employees Old Age Benefits Institution (EOBI) and Balochistan Employees Social Security Institution (BESS) in registration and social security of coal mine workers as well as the role of Collective Bargaining Agents (CBA) in negotiating wages, allowances and social security entitlements with mine owners and management;
f. Mechanism for mine workers' training and certification, utilization of training funds collected per ton, registration of workers with EOBI and other relevant intuitions at the time of mine allotment, representation of Balochistan workers in national labor bodies, status of refugee workers and their compensation rights, functioning of vigilance committees on bonded and forced labor, and formation of district level committees for accident prevention and labor rights enforcement;
g. Total number of coal mine workers in Balochistan at present, categorized by domicile, age group, and gender profile.
h. Details of total number of extractions of coal-mines made in Balochistan during the period from 2020 till date.

(iv) Comprehensive briefing by the Inspector General, Balochistan Police, and other concerned functionaries on measures for security of mine workers in the province in the wake of recent attacks on mine workers by militant groups.

(v) Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

3. Hon'ble Members are requested to kindly make it convenient to attend the meeting.

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Joint Secretary/Secretary Committee
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1. **Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri** — **Chairperson**
2. Senator Irfan-ul-Haque Siddiqui — Member
3. Senator Syed Ali Zafar — Member

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4.	Senator Aimal Wali Khan	Member
5.	Senator Poonjo Bheel	Member
6.	Senator Khalil Tahir	Member
7.	Senator Qurat-Ul-Ain Marri	Member
8.	Senator Dost Muhammad Khan	Member
9.	Senator Mohammad Humayun Mohmand	Member
10.	Senator Jam Saifullah Khan	Member
11	Minister for Human Rights	Ex-Officio Member
12.	Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur	Mover (agenda items i & ii)

(I) Copy for necessary action to:

i. The Secretary, Ministry of Human Rights, with request to kindly attend the meeting along with all concerned.
ii. The Secretary, Ministry of Interior and Narcotics Control, with request to kindly attend the meeting along with all concerned (for agenda item iv).
iii. The following are requested to kindly attend the meeting and direct the relevant officers to provide 25 copies of the working papers/briefing (hard and soft copy through committee2@senate.gov.pk) along with the list of participants to this Secretariat 48 hours prior to the meeting, otherwise it will be treated as NOT RECEIVED:-
   a. The Chairperson, National Commission on the Rights of Child (NCRC), Islamabad (for agenda item i).
   b. The Chief Secretary, Government of Balochistan, Quetta (for agenda item iii).
   c. The Inspector General of Police, Government of Balochistan, Quetta (for agenda item iv).
   d. The Inspector General, Frontier Corps (North) Balochistan, Quetta (for agenda item iv).
   e. The Additional Chief Secretary, Home Department, Govt. of Balochistan, Quetta (for agenda item iv).
   f. Secretary, Mines & Minerals Development Department, Govt. of Balochistan, Quetta (for agenda item iii).
   g. Secretary, Labour & Manpower Department, Govt. of Balochistan, Quetta (for agenda item iii).
   h. Director/Head of Regional Office of EOBI in Balochistan, Quetta (for agenda item iii).
   i. Chief Inspector of Mines, Govt. of Balochistan, Quetta (for agenda item iii).
   j. General Secretary, Pakistan United Workers Federation (PUWF), Balochistan, Quetta (for agenda item iii).
   k. Registrar Trade Union, Collective Bargaining Agent (CBA), Balochistan, Quetta (for agenda item iii).
   l. Member/Head of Regional Office, National Commission for Human Rights, Balochistan, (for agenda item iii).
iv. The Section Officer (Council), Ministry of Human Rights, Islamabad, to provide 25 copies of working papers/briefing (hard and soft through committee2@senate.gov.pk) along with the list of participants 48 hours prior to the Committee meeting, otherwise it will be treated as NOT RECEIVED.
v. The Section Officer (Council), Ministry of Interior and Narcotics Control, Islamabad, to provide 25 copies of working papers/ briefing (hard and soft through committee2@senate.gov.pk) along with the list of participants 48 hours prior to the Committee meeting, otherwise it will be treated as NOT RECEIVED.
vi. Sr. P.S. to the Federal Minister for Human Rights, Islamabad, to request the Minister to kindly attend the meeting.

(II) Copy also for information and necessary action to:-

1. The Attorney General for Pakistan
2. The Accountant General Pakistan Revenues, Islamabad.
3. The Secretary, Ministry of Law & Justice, Islamabad.
4. The Secretary, Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, Islamabad.
5. The Secretary, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
6. Joint Secretaries, (Admin, HRM, and Committees), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
7. Director General (Research/Library), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
8. Principal Secretary to Chairman Senate, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
9. Deputy Secretary (Legislation), with the request to depute an officer from LDU for the meeting.
10. Director (Media), Senate Secretariat, Islamabad, for Press Release and TV coverage of the meeting.
11. Director (IT), Senate Secretariat, for uploading Notice on Senate Website and SMS to all Committee Members.
12. The Director, News, PTV, Islamabad, with the request to make necessary arrangements for coverage of the meeting.
13. Director (Protocol)/In-charge Cafeteria, Senate Secretariat, for light refreshments at the meeting venue.
14. Sr. Finance & Accounts Officer, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
15. Parliamentary Reporters Association (PRA), Parliament House, Islamabad.
16. Medical Officer, Parliament House, Islamabad.
17. Deputy Director (Civil/Electrical), CDA, Parliament House, Islamabad.
18. Assistant Engineer, SIS, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
19. Sergeant-at-Arms, Senate Secretariat, to facilitate entry of participants/official coverage teams into Parliament House.
20. DSP, Parliament House, Islamabad
21. Committee Branches – I&II, Senate Secretariat, Islamabad.
22. Master File.

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