

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
DAILY JOURNAL
(361st SESSION)

Date and Day	18 th May, 2026, (Monday)
Commenced at	05:15 p.m.
Adjourned at	07:55 p.m.
Presided by	Chairman Senate, Presiding Officer & Deputy Chairman Senate
Attendance	63
Total Working Hours	02hours and 40minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Chairman Senate.

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS INTRODUCED

1. Senator Sarmad Ali, moved for leave to introduced a Bill further to amend the Juvenile Justice System Act, 2018 [The Juvenile Justice System (Amendment) Bill, 2026]. **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 Samina Mumtaz Zehri, moved for leave to introduced a Bill further to amend the Islamabad Consumers Protection Act, 1995 [The Islamabad Consumers Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2026].

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 introduced a Bill further to amend the Islamabad Healthcare Regulation Act, 2018 [The Islamabad Healthcare Regulation (Amendment) Bill, 2026].

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

4. Senator Syed Faisal Ali Subzwari, to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2026].

The Motion was deferred.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

PRIVATE MEMBER BILL PASSED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE AND REPORTED BY THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE

1. Senators Mohammad Abdul Qadir And Khalil Tahir, to move that the Bill to provide for the establishment of Al-Biruni International University Islamabad [The Al-Biruni International University Bill, 2025], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion was deferred.

**CONSIDERATION AND PASSAGE OF PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS
INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE AND REPORTED BACK BY THE STANDING
COMMITTEES**

1. Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri, moved that the Bill further to amend the Family Courts Act, 1964 [The Family Courts (Amendment) Bill, 2024] **(substitution of section 17A)**, 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.

2. Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri, moved that the Bill further to amend the Family Courts Act, 1964 [The Family Courts (Amendment) Bill, 2024], be passed.

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

3. Senator Mohammad Abdul Qadir, to move that the Bill further to amend the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, 1950 [The Imports and Exports (Control) (Amendment) Bill, 2023], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion was deferred.

4. Senator Sarmad Ali, moved that the Bill further to amend the Family Courts Act, 1964 [The Family Courts (Amendment) Bill, 2026] **(Amendment of section 11)**, 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.

5. Senator Sarmad Ali, moved that the Bill further to amend the Family Courts Act, 1964 [The Family Courts (Amendment) Bill, 2026], be passed.

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

6. Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur, to move that the Bill further to amend the Emigration Ordinance, 1979 [The Emigration (Amendment) Bill, 2022], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion was deferred.

7. Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur, to move that the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority Act, 1996 [The Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.

The Motion was deferred.

8. Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur, moved that the Bill further to amend the ICT Rights of Persons with Disability Act, 2020 [The ICT Rights of Persons with Disability (Amendment) Bill, 2024], 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.

9. Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur, moved that the Bill further to amend the ICT Rights of Persons with Disability Act, 2020 [The ICT Rights of Persons with Disability (Amendment) Bill, 2024], be passed.

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

10. Senator Fawzia Arshad, moved that the Bill further to amend the Capital Development Authority Ordinance, 1960 [The Capital Development Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2022], 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.

11. Senator Fawzia Arshad, move that the Bill further to amend the Capital Development Authority Ordinance, 1960 [The Capital Development Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2022], be passed.

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

12. Senator Fawzia Arshad, 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] (**Substitution of section 289 of PPC and subsequent amendment in schedule II of Cr.PC**), 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.

13. Senator Fawzia Arshad, 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], be passed.

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

PRIVATE MEMBERS' BILLS TO BE WITHDRAWN

[Under Rule 115]

1. Senator Dr. Zarqa suharwardy taimur, sought leave to withdraw the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Halal Authority Act, 2016 [The Pakistan Halal Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2023], as introduced in the Senate on 30th January, 2023].

The Bill stood withdrawn.

2. Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur, sought leave to withdraw 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], as introduced in the Senate on 20th February, 2023].

The Bill stood withdrawn.

3. Senator Dr. Zarqa Suharwardy Taimur, sought leave to withdraw the Bill further to amend the Federal Investigation Agency Act, 1974 [The Federal Investigation Agency (Amendment) Bill, 2023], as introduced in the Senate on 16th January, 2023.

The Bill stood withdrawn.

MOTION

[Under Rule 126(7)]

1. Senator Hidayatullah Khan, to move that the Bill to provide for establishment of Fatima University of Science and Technology in Multan [The Fatima University of Science and Technology Bill, 2025], as passed by the Senate and transmitted to the National

Assembly but not passed by the National Assembly within ninety days of its laying in the National Assembly, be considered in a joint sitting.

The Motion was deferred

RESOLUTIONS

1. Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri, to move the following resolution:-

"Cognizant of the fact that according to latest reports, Pakistan is now home to one of the fastest-growing HIV epidemics in the WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region, with new infections rising by 200% over the last 15 years, from 16,000 in 2010 to 48,000 in 2024 and an estimated 350,000 people are living with HIV in Pakistan, but nearly 80% (approximately 280,000 persons) are unaware of their HIV status:

Mindful of the fact that Pakistan has one of the fastest-growing HIV epidemics in the region, with new infections rising 200% in 15 years;

Noting that children are increasingly infected through unsafe injections and blood transfusions, with outbreaks in multiple districts where over 80% of cases involved children;

Whereas on World AIDS Day, 1st December 2025, the World Health Organization (WHO), UNAIDS, and the Ministry of Health jointly called for collective and individual action to reverse this trend and end AIDS as a public health threat by 2030;

And Whereas the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan guarantees the right to life and dignity of every citizen, and it is the solemn duty of the State to protect the health and well-being of its people, especially its children;

Now, therefore, this House recommends that the Government in collaboration with all stakeholders including provincial Governments to:

- i. Declare HIV/AIDS a national public health emergency;
- ii. Launch a nationwide awareness campaign;
- iii. Ban reusable syringes nationwide;
- iv. Crack down on unlicensed quack clinics;
- v. Expand HIV testing and treatment centres to every district;
- vi. Prevent mother-to-child HIV transmission with 100% coverage of pregnant women; and
- vii. Reaffirm commitment to end AIDS as a public health threat by 2030."

The Resolution was deferred

2. Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood, to move the following resolution:-

"The Senate of Pakistan recommends that the Government should take all possible and effective steps to control the prices of petroleum products in Pakistan and provide special relief to the masses in this regard."

The Resolution was deferred

MOTIONS
[Under Rule 218]

1. **Senator Syed Ali Zafar**, on behalf of his and behalf of **Senator Mashal Azam**, moved that the House may discuss increasing trend of violations of basic rights of public at large particularly women folk.

At 06:07 p.m the Presiding Officer started the proceeding of the House.

The motion was talked out

At 06:33 p.m the Deputy Chairman Senate started the proceeding of the House.

Following Member's spoke on this issued:-

1. **Syed Mashal Azam**
2. **Senator Nasir Mehmood**
3. **Senator Rubina Khalid**
4. **Senator Naseema Ehsan**
5. **Senator Manzoor Ahmed**
6. **Senator Khurram Zeeshan**

Senator Azam Nazeer Tarar, Minister of Law and Justice, responded on this issued.

POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

1. **Senator Shahadat Awan**, spoke regarding the suspicion train service in Sindh province.

2. **Senator Khalil Tahir**, spoke regarding the role of media in reporting sensitive case of alleged drug dealer.

Following Member's spoke on this issued:-

1. **Syed Zeeshan Khan Zada**
2. **Senator Raja Nasir Abbas, Leader of the Opposition**
3. **Senator Rana Sanaullah Khan**
4. **Senator Azam Nazeer Tarar, Minister of Law and Justice**
5. **Senator Bilal Ahmed Khan**

POINTATION OF QUORUM

Senator Faisal Falak Naz, pointed out the quorum.

Count was made but the House was not in order so the bells were rung for five minutes and count was made again. The House was not in quorum, therefore,

07:55 p.m. the Deputy Chairman Senate adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Wednesday, 20th May, 2026, at 11:00 a.m.

Islamabad, the
18th May, 2026.