

SENATE OF PAKISTAN
DAILY JOURNAL
(364th Session)

Date and Day	16 th October, 2026 (Friday)
Commenced at	10:30 a.m.
Adjourned at	11:25 a.m.
Presided by	Presiding Officer, Senator Shahadat Awan
Attendance	42
Total Working Hours	55 minutes

Recitation from the Holy Quran.

Recitation of Naat.

QUESTION HOUR

Printed questions were asked and their oral replies were given by the Ministers concerned.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

Leave applications were read by the Presiding Officer.

1. Senator Danesh Kumar on behalf of **Senator Atta-ur-Rehman, Chairman, Standing Committee on Religious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony**, 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 a Bill further to amend the Muslim Family Laws Ordinance, 1961 [The Muslim Family Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2026], introduced by Senator Sarmad Ali on 19th January, 2026, may be extended for a period of sixty days with effect from 15th October, 2026.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

2. Senator Danesh Kumar on behalf of **Senator Atta-ur-Rehman, Chairman, Standing Committee on Religious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony**, 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 a Bill further to amend the Majority Act, 1875 [The Majority (Amendment) Bill, 2026], introduced by Senator Sarmad Ali on 23rd February, 2026, may be extended for a period of sixty days with effect from 19th October, 2026.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

3. Senator Zamir Hussain Ghumro on behalf of **Senator Farooq Hamid Naek, Chairman Standing Committee on Law and Justice**, 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 a Bill further to amend the Family Courts Act, 1964 [The Family Courts (Amendment) Bill, 2026], introduced by Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri on 24th August, 2026, may be extended for a period of sixty days with effect from 23rd October, 2026.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

4. Senator Zamir Hussain Ghumro on behalf of **Senator Farooq Hamid Naek, Chairman Standing Committee on Law and Justice**, 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 a Bill further to amend the Legal Practitioners and Bar Councils Act, 1973 [The Legal Practitioners and Bar Councils (Second Amendment) Bill, 2025], introduced by Senator Shahadat Awan on 1st December, 2025, may be extended for a period of sixty days with effect from 27th October, 2026.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

5. Senator Zamir Hussain Ghumro on behalf of **Senator Farooq Hamid Naek, Chairman Standing Committee on Law and Justice**, 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 a Bill to establish the Pakistan Psychological Council [The Pakistan Psychological Council Bill, 2025], introduced by Senator Kamran Murtaza on 1st December, 2025, may be extended for a period of sixty days with effect from 27th October, 2026.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

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

1. Senator Shahzaib Durrani on behalf of **Senator Saleem Mandviwalla**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance and Revenue, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of Starred Question No. 128, asked by Senator Danesh Kumar, on 14th November, 2025, regarding details of appointment and tenure of heads of SOEs working under the administrative control of Ministry of Finance and Revenue.

Report stood laid.

2. Senator Saadia Abbasi on behalf of **Senator Rana Mahmood ul Hassan**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat, presented report of the Committee on a Calling Attention Notice moved by Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri on 6th September, 2024, regarding alarming statistics reported by the United Nations fact finding Mission, pertaining to massive destruction caused by floods in Sindh and Balochistan.

Report stood laid.

3. Senator Dr. Afnan Ullah Khan on behalf of **Senator Kamil Ali Agha**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Science and Technology, presented report of the Committee on a Bill further to amend the Islamabad Capital Territory Food Safety Act, 2021 [The Islamabad Capital Territory Food Safety (Amendment) Bill, 2025], introduced by Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri on 19th May, 2025.

Report stood laid.

4. Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri on behalf of **Senator Faisal Saleem Rehman**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control, to present report of the Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Abdul Shakoor Khan on 6th March, 2025, regarding missing file of House No. 622, Street No. 99, Sector I-10/4, Islamabad.

Report stood laid.

5. Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri on behalf of **Senator Faisal Saleem Rehman**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control, presented report of the Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Manzoor Ahmed on 21st May, 2026, regarding abduction of an eleven-year-old girl for ransom.

Report stood laid.

6. Senator Shahzaib Durrani, Chairman, Standing Committee on Foreign Affairs, presented report of the Committee on a Calling Attention Notice moved by Senators Raja Nasir Abbas, Leader of the Opposition, Samina Mumtaz Zehri and Mohammad Azam Khan Swati on 21st May, 2026, regarding problems being faced by Pakistanis working in UAE who are reportedly being deported by the UAE Authorities.

Report stood laid.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES

1. Senator Danesh Kumar, drew attention of the Minister for Religious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony, towards the reconstitution of Evacuee Trust Property Board (ETPB) without inclusion of any non-official member from Balochistan.

After hearing the Mover, some others Members and Mr. Kesoo Mal Kheal Das, Minister of State for Religious Affairs & Interfaith Harmony, the Presiding Officer referred the subject matter of Calling Attention Notice to the Standing Committee concerned for consideration and report.

2. Senator Jan Muhammad, to draw attention of the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control, towards the blocking of Computerized National Identity Cards (CNICs) of residents of the Rakhshan and Makran Divisions of Balochistan.

Calling Attention Notice was Deferred.

POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

1. Senator Saadia Abbasi, raised the matter regarding non-distribution of to readers because the Capital Development Authority (CDA) conducted a raid on the newspapers' distribution offices. Declaring it a serious matter affecting press access, she demanded that the Senate seek an official reply from the Interior Ministry regarding the incident.

11.25 a.m. the Presiding Officer adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Monday, the 19th October, 2026, at 04:00 p.m.

**Islamabad, the
16th October, 2026.**