SENATE OF PAKISTAN
DAILY JOURNAL
(364th Session)

Date and Day	29th October, 2026 (Thursday)
Commenced at	03:14 p.m.
Adjourned at	07:14 p.m.
Presided by	Presiding Officer, Senator Shahadat Awan
Attendance	56
Total Working Hours	04 hours

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.

Senator Syed Mohsin Raza Naqvi, Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control, made a statement on the prevailing law & order and political situation in the country.

M O T I O N
[Under Rule 263]

Senator Sherry Rehman, moved under rule 263 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the requirements of Rules 26, 29, 30 and 133 of the said Rules be dispensed with to move a Resolution

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

RESOLUTION

Senator Sherry Rehman, moved a resolution regarding rapid growth of population in the country.

The Resolution was passed by the House unanimously.

M O T I O N
[Under Rule 204]

Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, moved under Rule 204 of the Rules of Procedure the Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012 that the House may authorize the Honourable Chairman Senate, to make nominations of the Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reforms in consultation with Party Leaders in the Senate in proportion to their representation in the House. The Committee will present its final report to both the Houses of the Parliament.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

Following Members' spoke on this issue:-

1. **Senator Raja Nasir Abbas, Leader of the Opposition**
2. **Senator Syed Ali Zafar**

M O T I O N S
[Under Rule 194(1)]

1. Senator Kamran Murtaza on behalf of **Senator Bushra Anjum Butt**, Chairperson, Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training, 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 the Bill to provide for the establishment of the City University Islamabad [The City University Islamabad Bill, 2026], introduced by Senator Nadeem Ahmed Bhutto on 10th February, 2026, may be extended for a period of sixty days with effect from 10th October, 2026.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

2. 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 the Bill further to amend the Muslim Family Laws Ordinance, 1961 [The Muslim Family Laws (Maintenance of Parents) (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.

3. Senator Faisal Saleem Rehman on behalf of **Senator Jam Saifullah Khan**, Chairman, Standing Committee on Water Resources, 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 the subject matter of Starred Question No. 53, asked by Senator Syed Waqar Mehdi, on 25th August, 2026, regarding financial losses and cost escalations in Dasu, Diamer-Bhasha and Neelum-Jhelum Hydropower Projects, may be extended for a period of sixty days with effect from 24th October, 2026.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

4. Senator Hidayatullah Khan, on behalf of **Senator Nasir Mehmood,** Chairman, Standing Committee on Housing and Works, 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 the subject matter of Starred Question No. 47, asked by Senator Jan Muhammad, on 25th August, 2026, regarding details of plots and flats allotted to journalists and media workers by FGEHA since 2015, may be extended for a period of sixty days with effect from 24th October, 2026.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

5. Senator Mohammad Abdul Qadir, on behalf of **Senator Saleem Mandviwalla,** Chairman, Standing Committee on Finance and Revenue, 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 amend the Pakistan Sovereign Wealth Fund Act, 2023 [The Pakistan Sovereign Wealth Fund (Amendment) Bill, 2026], introduced on 8th May, 2026, may be extended for a period of sixty days with effect from 3rd November, 2026.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

6. Senator Syed Waqar Mehdi, Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, 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 the Privilege Motion moved by Senator Rana Mahmood ul Hassan against Executive Director, National Vocational and Technical Training Commission, may be extended for a period of sixty days with effect from 1st November, 2026.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

7. Senator Syed Waqar Mehdi, Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, 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 the Privilege Motion moved by Senator Bushra Anjum Butt against Vice Chancellor of Pakistan Institute of Fashion and Design may be extended for a period of sixty days with effect from 8th November, 2026.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

8. 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 Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) (Honour Killings Prevention) Bill, 2026], introduced by Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri on 19th January, 2026, may be extended for a period of sixty days with effect from 29th October, 2026.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

9. Senator Manzoor Ahmed on behalf of **Senator Umer Farooq,** Chairman, Standing Committee on Petroleum, 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 the subject matter of Starred Question No. 41, asked by Senator Zamir Hussain Ghumro on 25th August, 2026, regarding details of Licensed Oil Marketing Companies, may be extended for a period of sixty days with effect from 23rd October, 2026.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

10. Senator Rubina Qaim Khani on behalf of **Senator M. Fesal Vawda,** Chairman, Standing Committee on Maritime Affairs, 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 the matter regarding irregularities in the affairs of the Korangi Fish Harbour Authority, may be extended for a period of sixty days with effect from 30th October, 2026.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEES - PRESENTATION OF:

[Under Rule 195]

1. Senator Faisal Saleem Rehman, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2026] **(Insertion of new section 328B in PPC and subsequent amendment in Schedule II of Cr.PC)**, introduced by Senator Sarmad Ali on 24th August, 2026.

Report stood laid.

2. Senator Faisal Saleem Rehman, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2026] **(Amendment of section 286 and insertion of new section 286A in PPC and subsequent amendments of section 261 and Schedule II of Cr.PC),** introduced by Senator Shahadat Awan on 24th August, 2026.

Report stood laid.

3. Senator Faisal Saleem Rehman, Chairman, Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control, presented report of the Committee on the Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2026] **(Amendment of section 336B in PPC and subsequent amendment of Schedule II of Cr.PC)**, introduced by Senator Mohammad Abdul Qadir on 24th August, 2026.

Report stood laid.

4. Senator Mohammad Abdul Qadir, 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. 1, asked by Senator Jan Muhammad on 16th January, 2026, regarding details of total sanctioned posts and existing vacancies in BISP, with grade-wise and city-wise breakup, vacancy duration, and particulars of officers/officials holding charge against vacant posts.

Report stood laid.

5. Senator Dilawar Khan, Chairman, Standing Committee on Inter Provincial Coordination, presented report of the Committee on a matter raised by Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood on 23rd January, 2026, regarding coordination, facilitation, policy integration and international promotion of tourism in Chitral.

Report stood laid.

6. Senator Niaz Ahmad, Chairman, Functional Committee on Problems of Less Developed Areas, presented report of the Committee on a matter raised by Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood on 23rd January, 2026, regarding infrastructure and development in Chitral.

Report stood laid.

7. Syed Masroor Ahsan on behalf of **Senator Amir Waliuddin Chishti,** Chairman, Standing Committee on National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination, presented report of the Committee on a point of public importance raised by Senator Jan Muhammad on 21st May, 2026, regarding the issues being faced by students from Balochistan studying at the Health Services Academy, Islamabad.

Report stood laid.

8. Senator Syed Waqar Mehdi, Chairman, Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, presented report of the Committee on the Privilege Motion moved by Senator Palwasha Mohammed Zai Khan against Director / Chief Clinical Coordinator, PIMS, Islamabad.

Report stood laid.

9. Senator Sardar Al Haj Muhammad Umer Gorgaij, Chairman, Standing Committee on Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of Starred Question No. 2, asked by Senator Jan Muhammad, on 16th January, 2026, regarding vacant posts in Bait-ul-Mal Offices.

Report stood laid.

10. Senator Sardar Al Haj Muhammad Umer Gorgaij, Chairman, Standing Committee on Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of Starred Question No. 3, asked by Senator Jan Muhammad on 24th February, 2026, regarding details of officers working on deputation basis in Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Head Office, Islamabad.

Report stood laid.

11. Senator Sardar Al Haj Muhammad Umer Gorgaij, Chairman, Standing Committee on Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety, presented report of the Committee on the subject matter of Starred Question No. 15, asked by Senator Jan Muhammad on 24th February, 2026, regarding Government allotted residences.

Report stood laid.

M O T I O N

[Under Rule 204]

Senator Danesh Kumar, moved under Rule 204 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the House may grant the status of a Special Committee to the Minorities Caucus in Senate of Pakistan.

Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, opposed the Motion.

Following Members' spoke on this issue:-

1. **Senator Zamir Hussain Ghumro**
2. **Senator Khalil Tahir**
3. **Senator Kamran Murtaza**

Thereafter, the Motion was put to the House and carried.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS
GOVERNMENT BILLS INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE AND REPORTED BY THE STANDING COMMITTEE

1. Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, on behalf of **Dr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui,** Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training, moved that the Bill further to amend the Higher Education Commission Ordinance, 2002 [The Higher Education Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2026], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.

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

2. Thereafter, Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, on behalf of **Dr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui,** Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training, moved that the Bill further to amend the Higher Education Commission Ordinance, 2002 [The Higher Education Commission (Amendment) Bill, 2026], be passed.

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

3. Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, on behalf of **Dr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui,** Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training, moved that the Bill to amend the NFC Institute of Engineering and Technology Multan Act, 2012 [The NFC Institute of Engineering and Technology Multan (Amendment) Bill, 2026], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.

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

There was an amendment in Clause 2, moved by Senator Sherry Rehman on behalf of Dr. Tariq Fazal Chaudhary, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs which was put to the House and carried.

4. Thereafter, Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, on behalf of **Dr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui,** Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training, moved that the Bill to amend the NFC Institute of Engineering and Technology Multan Act, 2012 [The NFC Institute of Engineering and Technology Multan (Amendment) Bill, 2026], be passed.

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

5. Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, on behalf of **Dr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui,** Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training, moved that the Bill to amend the National Textile University Ordinance, 2002 [The National Textile University (Amendment) Bill, 2026], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.

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

There was an amendment in Clause 2, moved by Senator Sherry Rehman on behalf of Dr. Tariq Fazal Chaudhary, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs which was put to the House and carried.

At 05:31 p.m. Presiding Officer adjourned the proceedings of the House for ten minutes for Maghrib Prayer. The House reassemble at 05:48 p.m.

6. Thereafter, Mr. Bilal Azhar Kayani, Minister of State for Finance & Revenue, on behalf of **Dr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui,** Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training, moved that the Bill to amend the National Textile University Ordinance, 2002 [The National Textile University (Amendment) Bill, 2026], be passed.

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

7. Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, on behalf of **Dr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui,** Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training, moved that the Bill to amend the National Rahmatul-Lil-Aalameen Wa Khatamun Nabiyyin Authority Act, 2022 [The National Rahmatul-Lil-Aalameen Wa Khatamun Nabiyyin Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2026], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.

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

8. Thereafter, Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, on behalf of **Dr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui,** Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training, moved that the Bill to amend the National Rahmatul-Lil-Aalameen Wa Khatamun Nabiyyin Authority Act, 2022 [The National Rahmatul-Lil-Aalameen Wa Khatamun Nabiyyin Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2026], be passed.

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

GOVERNMENT BILLS AS PASSED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY AND TRANSMITTED TO THE SENATE

1. Mr. Bilal Azhar Kayani, Minister of State for Finance & Revenue, on behalf of **Mr. Jam Kamal Khan,** Minister for Commerce, moved that the Bill further to amend the Life Insurance (Nationalisation) Order, 1972 [The Life Insurance (Nationalisation) (Amendment) Bill, 2026], as passed by the National Assembly, be taken into consideration at once.

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

2. Thereafter, Mr. Bilal Azhar Kayani, Minister of State for Finance & Revenue, on behalf of **Mr. Jam Kamal Khan,** Minister for Commerce, moved that the Bill further to amend the Life Insurance (Nationalisation) Order, 1972 [The Life Insurance (Nationalisation) (Amendment) Bill, 2026], be passed.

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

3. Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, on behalf of **Minister-In-Charge Cabinet Secretariat,** moved that the Bill to amend the Archival Material (Preservation and Export Control) Act, 1975 [The Archival Material (Preservation and Export Control) (Amendment) Bill, 2026], as passed by the National Assembly, be taken into consideration at once.

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

4. Thereafter, Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, on behalf of **Minister-In-Charge Cabinet Secretariat,** moved that the Bill to amend the Archival Material (Preservation and Export Control) Act, 1975 [The Archival Material (Preservation and Export Control) (Amendment) Bill, 2026], be passed.

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

5. Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, on behalf of **Dr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui,** Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training, moved that the Bill further to amend the Centres of Excellence Act, 1974 [The Centres of Excellence (Amendment) Bill, 2026], as passed by the National Assembly, be taken into consideration at once.

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

6. Thereafter, Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, on behalf of **Dr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui,** Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training, moved that the Bill further to amend the Centres of Excellence Act, 1974 [The Centres of Excellence (Amendment) Bill, 2026], be passed.

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

M O T I O N

[Under Rule 263]

1. Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, on behalf of **Dr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui, Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training,** moved under Rule 263 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Senate, 2012, that the requirement of Rules 118 and 120 of the said Rules regarding circulation and notice period be dispensed with in order to take into consideration at once the Bill at Order No. 40, as passed by the National Assembly and transmitted to the Senate.

The Motion was put to the House and carried.

2. Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, on behalf of **Dr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui, Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training,** moved that the Bill further to amend the National College of Arts Institute Act, 2021 [The National College of Arts Institute (Amendment) Bill, 2026], as passed by the National Assembly, be taken into consideration at once.

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

3. Thereafter, Mr. Aqeel Malik, Minister of State for Law and Justice, on behalf of **Dr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui, Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training,** moved that the Bill further to amend the National College of Arts Institute Act, 2021 [The National College of Arts Institute (Amendment) Bill, 2026], be passed.

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

POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE

1. Senator Karman Murtaza, spoke on the statement made by Interior Minister in the Senate against Maulana Fazal-ur-Rehman, MNA.

2. Senator Syed Ali Zafar, raised the matter regarding imprisonment of political workers and Human Rights violations in the country.

Senator Rana Sana Ullah Khan, Adviser to the Prime Minister on Political and Public Affairs responded on this issue.

3. Senator Bilal Ahmed Khan, raised the matter regarding vacant posts against Balochistan quota in Federal services.

Senator Rana Sana Ullah Khan, Adviser to the Prime Minister on Political and Public Affairs responded on this issue.

4. Senator Falak Naz, raised the matter regarding political and law & order situation in the country especially after proclamation of emergency in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

5. Senator Atta-ur-Rehman, spoke on the statement made by Interior Minister in the Senate against Maulana Fazal-ur-Rehman, MNA.

6. Senator Rubina Qaim Khani, raised the matter regarding non-observance of Rules by the Members of the Senate during the Question Hour.

7. Senator Jan Muhammad, raised the matter regarding the performance of FWO, law and order situation in Balochistan and delaying the appointment of Vice Chancellor in Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad.

8. Senator Syed Masroor Ahsan, raised the matter regarding the decision of the Higher Education Commission of Pakistan on putting moratorium on computer science admissions in 44 universities of Pakistan and problems being faced by cotton ginners in the country.

9. Senator Abdul Shakoor Khan, raised the matter regarding on political intolerance and constitutional roles of the institutions of Pakistan.

10. Senator Saifullah Abro, raised the matter regarding the bidding process in Danish School System.

POINTATION OF QUORUM

Senator Jan Muhammad, pointed out the quorum.

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

07.14 p.m. the Presiding Officer adjourned the proceedings of the House to meet again on Friday, the 30th October, 2026, at 10:30 a.m.

Islamabad, the
29th October, 2026.