77th Session

SENATE SECRETARIAT

"QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES"

to be asked at a sitting of the Senate to be held on

Tuesday, the 31st January, 2012

@57. *Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi: (Notice received on 22-12-2011 at 10:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of new colleges established in FATA by the Government during the last two years; and
- (b) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to establish girls colleges and university in FATA, if so, when?

Engr. Shaukat Ullah: Information is being collected from FATA Secretariat, on the receipt of the same, it will be provided to August House.

@65. *Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood: (Notice received on 26-12-2011 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan be pleased to state:

(a) the details of cases of corruption, misappropriation and fraud surfaced in the Ministry of Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan, its attached departments, subordinate offices and corporations during the last three years; and

Mian Manzoor Ahmad Wattoo: Reply in respect of Senate Question No.65 in respect of Ministry of Kashmir Affairs & Gilgit-Baltistan, may please be treated as "Nil".

@66. *Mr. S. M. Zafar: (Notice received on 26-12-2011 at 09:10 a.m.)

[@]Deferred from 20th January, 2012.

⁽b) the names and designations of the persons found involved in the said cases and action taken against them?

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state the details of financial scams pending with FIA for inquiry and investigation indicating also dates of reporting, present status and reasons for not finalizing the inquiry / investigation so far in each case?

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: 07 Financial scams are being investigated by FIA which are as under:

(1) Case FIR No.12/2010, dated 12-11-2010, registered by FIA CCC Karachi.

<u>Allegations:</u>

Regarding import of substandard wheat sold at exorbitant price by Trading Corporation of Pakistan (TCP) in the years 2008-09, involving amount of Rs.10 Billion.

Present Status:

On the basis of evidence collected against the accused TCP officers / public servants, permission to submit final challan against the accused conveyed to Director/FIA Sindh on 13-01-2012.

(2) Case FIR No.17/2011, registered on 5-7-2011 U/Ss 406,409,420,468, 471, 109 r/w 5(2)47 PCA by FIA CCC Islamabad

Allegations:

Case was registered as a result of Suo Moto action of Honourable Supreme Court of Pakistan regarding the land scam of National Police Foundation (NPF) Islamabad against accused Anjum Akeel Khan, MNA, owner of M/S Land Linkers and NPF Officers for selling 600 Kanals of land to the latter for housing scheme at E-11. Initially, the case was registered by Police Station Shalimar Islamabad, which was later transferred to FIA Islamabad Zone. FIA effected recovery of Rs.2 Crore & 30 Lacs and deposited the same with NPF.

Present Status:

Accused are on judicial remand. Investigation is being finalized by field directorate.

(3) Enq. No.14/2010, registered on 26-4-2010 by FIA CCC Lahore.

Anonymous complaint received from Human Rights Cell of Supreme Court of Pakistan, *vide* HRC No.22950/2009, dated 13-4-2010.

<u>Allegations:</u>

Large scale bunglings and kickbacks during allotment to carriage contractors & Urea smuggled *via* Chamman to Afghanistan by Carriage Contractors in connivance with officials of National Fertilizers Marketing Limited (NFML) resulting the alleged loss of Billions of Rupees.

Present Status:

Evidence against accused collected and on the basis of the evidence for registration of case against accused is in process.

(4) Enq. No.03/2010, registered on 31-1-2010 by FIA Corporate Crime Circle (CCC) Islamabad.

Allegations:

Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation (FGEHF) purchased 3500 Kanals land at Bara Kahu Islamabad at the rate of Rs.9,30,000/- per Kanal (total Rs.3255 millions), whereas actual rate was Rs.1,00,000/-.

Present Status:

Investigation pended as the matter is subjudice in the Honorable Supreme Court of Pakistan which had taken Suo Motto action on it.

(5) Enq. No.16/2010, registered on 17-5-2010 by FIA CCC Islamabad.

Allegations:

Illegal purchase of land/release of funds from the Accounts of National Assembly Employees Corporative Housing Society. Rs.160 Million were spent unlawfully by the Management of Society and Care-taker Tariq Khakwani.

Present Status:

Stay order issued by Islamabad High Court. Last date was 15-11-2011. Matter is adjourned for the date to be fixed by the office.

(6) Enq. No.47/2010, registered on 05-11-10 by FIA CCC Islamabad.

Allegations:

Misappropriation/ favoritism in project of Alternative Energy by the officers of Alternate Energy Development Board(AEDB) Islamabad. M/S Credit Insurance Company, Lahore issued performance/ insurance guarantee of Rs.14,559,570/- in favour of AEDB, while the said Company did not encash the guarantee.

Present Status:

FIA is investigating the claim by the alleged party that they have reached an agreement with AEDB. Matter will be finalized on receipt of report from AEDB.

(7) Enq. No.49/2011, registered on 2-6-2011 by FIA CCC, Islamabad.

Allegations:

Complainant Farhat Kamal Pasha alleged that during tenure of Ex-Chairman CDA Kamran Lashari, an Executive Block was awarded to unknown Contractor. Besides, the renovation work of Simli Dam Rest House was also awarded to the Contractor without tenders. The contractor was paid Rs.40.69 Millions, while he spent only Rs.5 Million.

Present Status:

Partial record received from CDA, while remaining record is awaited. Enquiry will be finalized on provision of record from CDA.

@73. ***Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 05-01-2012 at 15:15 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) the names and other particulars of persons using private planes for movement / traveling within the country and abroad;
- (b) the rules and regulations laid down for the use of private planes;
- (c) the amount being charged from them by the Civil Aviation /Airport authorities for using various facilities;
- (d) the steps taken by the Government to safeguard against the use of this facility for smuggling/human trafficking etc.; and
- (e) whether any mechanism has been devised to regulate the use of private planes in the country, if so, its details?

Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar: (a) A list containing names Itnd other particulars of persons using private planes for movement/traveling within the country and abroad is enclosed as **Annexure-A**.

(b & c) The said operations of private aircraft are properly regulated. The rules and regulations laid down for these operations are given in Part XIV of CARs 1994 and ANO 91.0022 (copies attached as **Annexure-B**.

(d) At present, a total of 08 such aircraft are registered with CAA. An amount of Rs. 179,797/- has been charged on account of Aeronautical charges from 04 x aircraft (Registration No. APPFL, APRBA, APBGT and APJDW), for the period July 2011 to December 2011. Whereas, 01 x aircraft (Registration No. APBDO) belongs to Edhi Foundation and is exempted from the payment of Aeronautical charges as per CAA policy. No activities have been recorded for the remaining aircraft (Registration No. APBT) during the said period.

(e) This part of the Question does not pertain to Ministry of Defence.

(Annexures have been placed on the Table of the House as well as Library)

124. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 26-12-2011 at 08:40 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount paid against the medical bills of the employees of PTV during the last two years; and
- (b) the names of medical stores on the panel of the corporation indicating also the dates since when these are at the panel of the corporation?

Dr. Firdous Ashiq Awan: (a) The amount paid against medical bills of the employees of PTV during the last two financial years is given below:—

Financial Year	Rs. In Million
2009-10	359.132
2010-11 (provisional)	354.746

(b) Statement showing the names of medical stores on the panel of PTV alongwith their enlisting date is attached at **Annexure-"A"**.

125. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 26-12-2011 at 08:40 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state the number of persons promoted in PIA during the last three years with grade-wise and province-wise break up?

Ch. Ahmed Mukhtar: The PIAC has promoted a total number of 3430 persons during the said period as per the details at **Annexure-'A'.**

126. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 26-12-2011 at 09:40 a.m.)

Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to refer to. Senate starred question No. 9 replied on 2nd December, 2011 and state:

- (a) the amount received as tax on urea in Bajur Agency during the last 10 years and details of its utilization; and
- (b) the authority / rule under which the said tax is being charged?

Engr. Shaukat Ullah: Information is being collected from FATA Secretariat as well as Political Agent Bajur Agency, on the receipt of the same it will be provided to August House.

127. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 26-12-2011 at 09:40 a.m.)

Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state:

- (a) the amount of fines collected / received by the Political Administration, Bajaur Agency, during the last three years with head wise break up; and
- (b) the amount so deposited in the exchequer?

Engr. Shaukat Ullah: (a) The details of amounts collected under head No.CO/2604-General are given below:—

S.No.	Year	Amount collected	particulars of cases	
1.	2008-09 impersonation u/s	Rs.10000/- 419 PPC 11/12 FCR.	Fine imposed on Raees r/o Kaga because of	
2.	2009-10	Nil	Nil	
3.	2010 upto 17-9-2011	Rs.5000/-	Fine imposed on Noor Zali Khan r/o Gili because of impersonation u/s 419/420 PPC 11/12 FCR.	
Mamund FCR.	l. Fine imposed on	Rs.500,000 by some unknown the inhabitance of	Two Jawans of Bajaur Scouts were killed/wounded militants at Kalan area of Kalan Mamund u/s 21/2	22
	smuggling of Arm	Rs.300,000 s u/s 11/12 FCR.	Fine imposed on Javed r/o Shakhakot because of	

(b) The amount of above fines deposited in the Government Treasury.

128. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 27-12-2011 at 11 :30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state the number of live stock schemes completed under FATA Secretariat's special programme in FA TA during the last ten years indicating also the location and cost of each scheme with agency-wise breakup?

Engr. Shaukat Ullah: There is no livestock scheme sanctioned under the Special FATA Programme during the last ten years. Hence reply to the question may be treated "Nil".

129. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 28-12-2011 at 08:55 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state the names of officers and officials of Passport Office found involved in cases of corruption and misappropriation during the last five years indicating also the details of action taken against them and the present status of their cases?

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: The details of officers and officials of Passport Office found involved in cases of corruption and misappropriation during last five years indicating the action taken against them and the present status of their cases are at **Annex-**"A".

130. ***Col.** (**R**) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi: (Notice received on 30-12-2011 at 15:10 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state the names and designations of the employees of Radio Pakistan sent abroad on official visits during the last four years indicating also the purpose of visit, expenditure incurred in each case with head-wise break up?

Dr. Firdous Ashiq Awan: Details of the visits abroad by PBC Officers/Official during the period from March 2008 to February, 2011 are placed at at **Annexure** "A". 131. ***Mr. S. M. Zafar:** (Notice received on 02-01-2012 at 08:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of officers and personnel of Rangers and F.C. deployed for the purpose of security in Islamabad;
- (b) the expenditure incurred on the said officers /personnel since 2007 with year-wise break-up; and
- (c) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to increase the number of Islamabad Police Personnel by making fresh appointments to replace the said officers and personnel?

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: (a) At present, 1547 personnel of F.C. and 1848 of Rangers (Total = 3395) are deployed for the purpose of security in Islamabad.

(b) Year wise break up of the expenditure incurred on the officers and personnel of Frontier Constabulary and Rangers deployed in Islamabad since 2007 are as under:—

Year		Total Expenditure
2007		79,731,000
2008		114,327,000
2009		533,243,000
2010		355,524,000
2011		445,658,000
	Total:-	1,528,483,000

(c) A case for creation of 2500 posts in ICT Police for performing security duties in place of FC and Rangers is under process.

132. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 03-01-2012 at 09:10 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of persons working in FC and Coast-guards in Balochistan; and
- (b) the budget allocated for and utilized by the said organizations during the last three years with year-wise break-up?

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: (a) Detail of persons of Frontier Corps and Pakistan Coast Guards working in Balochistan is as under:—

Frontier Corps Balochistan	48928
Pakistan Coast Guards	2057

(b) Year wise breakup of budget allocation/utilization for the last 3 years is as under:—

In Millions

Name of CAF	2008-09	2009-10	2010-11
Frontier Corps Balochistan	5368.645	7775.201	13923.718
Pakistan Coast Guards	440.516	499.516	670.886

133. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 03-01-2012 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) the date on which marketing department of Pakistan Railways was established;
- (b) the main functions of that department; and
- (c) the number of officers and officials working in the department at present and the amount being paid to them as salaries, allowances and other fringe benefits?

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: (a) The Marketing Directorate was established in June, 2000.

(b) The main functions of the Directorate are to explore and exploit additional revenue steams especially through non-core businesses of Railways.

(c) Four officers have been inducted from the private sector against sanctioned strength of nine (9), as under:—

Executive Director Marketing (MP-II Scale) 1 Deputy Director Marketing (M-II Scale) 1 Assistant Director Marketing (M-III Scale) 2

Strength of staff on roll, with pay & allowances:

Category	Number	Salaries	Allowances	Total
Officers	07	Rs. 375,000	Rs. 247,940	Rs. 622,940
Officials	27	Rs. 408,094	Rs. 268,094	Rs. 676,188
Total	34	Rs. 783,094	Rs. 516,034	Rs. 1,299,128

Additional benefits granted:

	MP-II Scale	1300cc Car	270 litres petrol			
	M-II Scale M-III Scale	1000cc Car 800cc Car	270 litres petrol 235 litres petrol			
134.	* Begum Najma 09:20 a.m.)	Hameed:	(Notice received	on	03-01-2012	at

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

- (a) the value of Government advertisements issued to each Newspaper, Periodical and TV channel during the last four fiscal years with year-wise break up; and
- (b) the procedure / criteria laid down for issuance of the said Advertisements?

Dr. Firdous Ashiq Awan: (a) The value of Government advertisements, released through PID, to each newspaper and periodical during the last four fiscal years has been shown in a statement at **Annexure-I.**

2. The year-wise break up is as under:—

F/Y year	Amount. of Advertisements
2007-08	Rs.1,49,55,45,482
2008-09	Rs.1,41,19,66,170
2009-10 2010-11	Rs.2,79,86,07,219 Rs.2,06,74,58,447

3. As regards release of advertisements to T.V. channels, the Ministries/ Divisions/ Departments/Public Sector Organizations/ Corporations/Autonomous Bodies, under the Federal Government, are releasing advertisements directly to the electronic media. However, necessary arrangements have been finalized to facilitate the release of advertisements through Press information Department (PID).

Government advertisements (b) The are released to only those newspapers/periodicals which are on the Central Media List. Efforts are made to ensure that advertisements are released in a judicious and transparent manner and in accordance with the specific requirements of the sponsoring departments/organizations. The disbursement of advertisements is ensured fairly to both the national and regional press under a broad based comprehensive, objective and balanced policy. Factors like circulation, standard, presentation, value, regularity and popularity of a publication forms an important yardstick for releasing the advertisements. Requirements and target area of the departments/organizations are also accorded priority in the selection of media. A 25% quota for regional press is allocated on the total quantum of advertisements.

(Annexure has been placed on the Table of the House as well as Library)

135. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 05-01-2012 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

(a) the number of locomotives imported during the last three years indicating also the names of countries from which imported, the price and warranty period of each locomotive;

- (b) the procedure adopted for the import of those locomotives;
- (c) whether it is a ,fact that some of said locomotives are not fit for railway tracks in Pakistan, if so, the names of officers responsible for that purchase and the action taken against them; and
- (d) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to send back those locomotives to the exporting country for replacement or modification, if so, when?

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: Pakistan Railways has not imported any locomotive during the last three years.

136. ***Dr. Safdar Ali Abbasi:** (Notice received on 06-01-2012 at 13:40 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the increase in pension announced by the Government for the period from 1st July to 31st December, 2010 has not been paid to the retired employees of Radio Pakistan, if so, its reasons?

Dr. Firdous Ashiq Awan: PBC has not yet paid arrears of increase in pension *w.e.f.* 1st July 2010 to 31st December 2010, due to financial crunch. A request for sanction and release of supplementary grant has been moved to the Finance Division. As soon as funds are released, arrears of increase in pension shall be paid to the pensioners.

ISLAMABAD : The 30th January, 2012. IFTIKHAR ULLAH BABAR, *Secretary.*

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