

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

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

Wednesday, the 10th November, 2010

DEFERRED QUESTIONS

((Questions Nos. 2, 3, 7, 10, 11, 14; 16, 17, 25 and 26 were originally set down for answering on 2010 but were deferred))

2. ***Maulana Muhammad Saleh Shah:** (Notice received on 05-10-2010 at 09:46 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state whether the document signed by the IDP on his return includes a receipt of one thousand dollar, if so, whether this amount is paid to him or not?

Reply not received.

- 3 ***Maulana Muhammad Saleh Shah:** (Notice received on 05-10-2010 at 09:46 a.m.).

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

- (a) *the number of appointments made in Levies Force, FATA, during the last five years with Agency-wise break up, and*
- (b) *whether ammunition and arms were also provided to levies force, if so; the number of arms provided to Mehsood -tribe and the persons recruited in levies force during the said period?*

Mr. Najmuddin Khan: (a) The number of appointments made in Levy Force, FATA during the last five years with Agency-wise break is as under:—

S. No.	Name of Agency.	Recruitment Made
1.	Khyber Agency.	569
2.	Mohmand Agency.	657
3.	Bajaur Agency.	1040

4.	North Waziristan Agency.	736
5.	South Waziristan Agency.	316 (219 Mehsud, 05 Wazir & 92 Dotani & Sulaimankhel.
6.	Orakzai Agency.	104
7.	Kurram Agency.	224
8.	FR Tank.	NIL
9.	FR Lakki.	250
10.	FR Peshawar.	NIL
11.	FR D. I. Khan.	NIL
12.	FRBannu.	NIL
13.	FR Kohat.	NIL

(b) **Yes**, arms and ammunition were also provided to Levy Force, however, no arms/ammunition were given to Levies of Mehsud Tribes as yet.

7. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 06-10-2010 at 11:30 a.m:)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state the make and price of vehicles purchased by the Ministry of Interior and its attached departments during the last three years indicating also the names and designation of the officers who are using these vehicles?

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: The required information in respect of Ministry of Interior (Main) and its following attached departments are annexed as under:—

S.#	Name of Department	Annexed as
(1)	Ministry of Interior (Main)	“A”
(2)	Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT)	“B”
(3)	National Police Academy (NPA)	“C”
(4)	Frontier Constabulary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar	“D”
(5)	Immigration and Passport	

(6) Directorate General of Civil Defence	“F”
(7) Federal Investigation Agency (FIA)	“G”
(8) National Aliens Registration Authority (NARA)	“H”
(9) Pakistan Rangers, Sindh, Karachi	“T”
(10) Pakistan Coast Guards, Karachi	
(11) Pakistan Rangers, Punjab, Lahore	“K”
(12) Northern Areas Scouts, Gilgit	
(13) Frontier Corps. Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar	“M”
(14) Frontier Corps, Balochistan, Quetta	“N”
(15) National Academy for Prisons Administration (NAPA), LHR.	“O”
(16) National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA)	“P”

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

10. ***Prof Muhammad Ibrahim Khan:** (Notice received on 06-10-2010 at 13:17 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of abduction cases registered in the country during the last three years with year-wise and province-wise break-up;*
- (b) the number of the said cases prosecuted and disposed off;*
- (c) the number of the cases in which punishments were reversed by the superior courts; and*
- (d) whether appeals were filed by the Government in those cases, if so, the results of such appeals?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: Detailed reply has been prepared in consultation with Provincial Police Officer, Punjab, Sindh, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Balochistan and Inspector General Police ICT Islamabad and Gilgit Baltistan is placed at “Annex-A”.

11. ***Prof. Muhammad Ibrahim Khan:** (Notice received on 06-10-2010 at 13:17 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that an investigation committee was formed to probe into the fire incident in Shaheed-e-Millat Secretariat, Islamabad, some years ago; and*
- (b) whether the said committee has completed its work and submitted its report to the Government, if so, its findings?*

Reply not received.

14. ***Prof. Muhammad Ibrahim Khan:** (Notice received on 12-10-2010 at 11:20 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Information Technology and Telecommunications be pleased to state:

- (a) the names and addresses of the telecom companies (local and foreign) working in the country; and*
- (b) the details of tariff packages and other products being offered by each of the said companies?*

Reply not received.

16. ***Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 14-10-2010 at 11.15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Information Technology and Telecommunications be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of complaints regarding indecent emails and SMS received since January 2007 and the action taken thereon with quarter-wise break up;*
- (b) whether any mechanism has been evolved to check the said emails and SMS,*
- (c) the name of authority responsible to check such emails and SMS; and*
- (d) the details of existing law dealing with those emails and SMS?*

Reply not received.

17. ***Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan:** (Notice received on 14-10-2010 at 11.45 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of private educational institutes working in residential area of Westridge, Cantonment, Rawalpindi;*
- (b) the authority which granted permission for establishment of those institutes;*
- (c) the procedure laid down for granting permission to such institutes in residential areas of Cantonments; and*

(d) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to shift the said schools out of the residential areas, if so, when?*

Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar: (a) There are 56 x private educational institutes working in residential area of Westridge, Rawalpindi Cantonment.

(b) Private schools are opened after registration with District Education Department and affiliation with concerned Education Board. However, within the limits of Rawalpindi Cantonment, Station Headquarters Rawalpindi grants permission after following the prescribed procedure.

(c) The procedure for granting permission for opening of a school is that:—

(1) The owner of the school applies for permission which includes, map of building, willingness of the owner of the building for opening school, no objection certificates of immediate neighbours and level of the school.

(2) A Board is detailed by the Station Commander to verify the site, hygiene, sanitation and traffic congestion.

(3) After having satisfied with the recommendations of the Board, the conditional permission is granted for three years.

(d) Notwithstanding above, it is worth mentioning that out of 56 x existing educational institutes, only 6 have been granted permission so far. Those which commenced without having completed all formalities are being proceeded against. However, there is no proposal yet under consideration with the Government to shift such schools out of the Cantt. area.

25. ***Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 19-10-2010 at 12:40 p.m.)

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

(a) *the income and expenditure of Pakistan Television Corporation during the last three years;*

(b) *the grants received by PTV from the Government during the said period, and*

(c) *the loans and overdraft taken by the PTV from the banks and other institutions during the said period:?*

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: (a) The detail of income and expenditure of PTV during the last three years is given below:—

(Rs. In Million)

Year	Income	Expenditure
2007-08	5240	4973
2008-09	6156	6037
2009-10	5786	5710

(b) Govt. of Pakistan had provided Rs. 1034 million during the year 2008-09 to cover previous year loss. In case this grant was not provided, PTV would have suffered a loss of Rs. 915 million.

(c) There is no loan overdraft outstanding against PTV at present. PTV has availed Running Finance facilities from Habib Bank Limited during the last three years as detail below:

- (i) During the year 2007-08 Running Finance was taken as Rs. 200 million.
- (ii) During the year 2008-09 Running Finance was taken as Rs. 243 million.
- (iii) During the year 2009-10 Running Finance was taken as Rs. 95 million.

26. ***Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 19-10-2010 at 12:40 p.m.)

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

- (a) *the amount spent on advertisement by the Government agencies, corporations and financial institutions, separately, since 2008-09, with year-wise break up and current financial year:*
- (b) *the names of advertising agencies to which the said advertisements were placed indicating also the amount paid to each agency for the same; and*
- (c) *the criteria adopted for selection of advertisement agency for the said purpose?*

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: (a) The amount of advertisements released by the government departments, corporations and financial institutions during 2008-09 and 2009-10 has been shown in a statement at **Annexure-I**.

(b) The government advertisements are released through the appointed advertising agencies. After verification, the advertisement bills of the advertising agencies are sent to the quarters concerned for arranging payments. The advertising agencies make payments to the newspapers concerned after deduction of 15% service charges.

The names of advertising agencies along with the amount of advertisements released through them during the said period are as per list at Annexure-II.

(c) The appointment of advertising agencies for release of display advertisements is made primarily by the sponsoring departments/organizations on the basis of open competition in consultation with PID. The PID invites designs on a competitive basis from the advertising agencies, accredited with the All Pakistan Newspapers Society, in accordance with briefings issued with the approval of the sponsors. The advertising agencies are invited for presentation of concepts and sketches etc. On submission of the designs, advertising agencies are short-listed on the basis of actual work and professional compatibility before final selection by three members committee comprising of a member each from PID, the concerned department and an external media expert. The appointment of advertising agencies for release of classified advertisements is made by PID.

121. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 12-10-2010 at 13 :40 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state the number, make, model and price of cars purchased by PIA during the last three years vindicating also the names and designation of the officers using those cars?

Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar: (a) Requisite information is placed at Annexure 'A'.

122. ***Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan:** (Notice received on 14-10-2010 at 12.35 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state whether any officer official of PIA terminated on the charges of holding fake degrees/ certificates have recently been reinstated in pursuance of the Sacked Employees Ordinance, if so, the names and designation of such officers/officials?

Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar: (a) No such ex-employee terminated on account of fake/bogus degree/certificate has been reinstated in pursuance of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Ordinance -2008.

123. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 19-10-2010 at 08.35 a.m)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

(a) *the names of arms dealers in the country who imported arms during the last three years indicating also the number and nature of arms imported by each of them;*

(b) *the amount of duties collected thereon from those dealers for that import?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: (a) It is submitted that Ministry of Commerce gives permission to arms dealers for the import of arms. Therefore, that Ministry is not in a position to provide detail in this regard.

(b) The subject relates to Ministry of Commerce and Federal Board of Revenue.

124. ***Prof. Khurshid Ahmed:** (Notice received on 19-10-2010 at 12:40 p.m.)

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

(a) *the number and names of drama serials and other programmes televised on PTV during the last three years indicating also the expenditure incurred on each drama serial and the amount paid to the artists for each drama; and*

(b) *the amount paid to the PTV staff as salary and other allowances during the said drama serials and programmes with year-wise break up?*

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: (a) The Information is being collected from All Stations/Centers of PTV. It will be submitted to the next Rota-day.

125. ***Prof .Muhammad Ibrahim Khan:** (Notice received on 19-10-2010 at 12:40 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

(a) *the number of railways quarters damaged in recent rains and floods in the country; and*

(b) *the progress made so far in connection with reconstruction / maintenance of the said quarters?*

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: (a) 343 Railway quarters were damaged during the recent rains and floods in the country.

(b) The assessed cost of damages is Rs. 170.000 Million. There is so far no progress in connection with repair/ reconstruction of these damaged quarters due to non-availability of funds.

126. ***Prof Muhammad Ibrahim Khan:** (Notice received on 19-10-2010 at 12:40 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state whether it is a fact that China has offered cooperation for the revival of Karachi Circular Railway, ifso, the response of the Government in this regard?

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: No offer has been extended by the. Government of Peoples Republic of China for cooperation for the Revival of Karachi Circular Railway project.

127. ***Mr. Muhammad Taiha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 20-10-2010 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

(a) *the amount spent on maintenance and development of each airport in the country during the last two years; and*

(b) *the amount allocated for the said purpose for current financial year?*

Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar: (a) The total amount spent for maintenance and development expenditure of each airport in the country during the last two years is as under:—

128. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 20-10-2010 at 09:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to start PIA flights on Karachi-Mashad-Dahasevs sector, if so, when?

Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar: (a) No, there is no proposal under consideration of PIA to start flights on Karachi-Mashad-Dahasevs sector. Recently PIA looked into the feasibility of this route but the airline has assessed that the current flight economics does not justify any such operation on a regular basis.

129. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 20-10-201 at 09:30a.m.)

Will the Minister for Narcotics Control be pleased to state the number of cases registered by ANF against drug traffickers since 2008 with year-wise break up?

Mr. Arbab Muhammad Zahir Khan: (a) The number of cases registered by ANF against drug traffickers since 2008 with year-wise break up.

<u>Year</u>	<u>Cases Registered</u>
2008	716
2009	526
2010	522 upto 31 Oct
Total	1764

130. ***Haji Muhammad Adeel:** (Notice received do 20-10-2010 at 14:30 p.m.)

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

- (a) *the names, designation, PBS, date of appointment and place of domicile of the persons appointed in the Ministry of States and Frontier Regions, its attached departments, corporations, and subordinate offices since February, 2008 indicating also the name of the appointing authority in each case; and*
- (b) *the procedure adopted for the said appointments; and*
- (c) *whether the provincial quota was observed in the said appointments, if not, its reasons?*

Mr. Najmuddin Khan: (a) Statement showing details of appointments made in the Ministry of States & Frontier Regions and Office of Chief Commissioner, Afghan Refugees, Islamabad (an Attached Department of the Ministry of SAFRON) since February, 2008 is at **Annex-A & B**.

(b) The laid down procedure *i.e.* NOC from the Establishment Division, Advertisement in the Press and selection by the Department Selection Committee & approval of the appointing authority was adopted.

(c) Yes; all the appointments were made after observing the Regional/ Provincial quota.

131. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 21-10-2010 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *the amount spent on maintenance and repairing of each PIA aircraft during the last two years; and*

(b) the details of the said works carried out in the foreign countries indicating also the amount paid in each case?

Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar: (a) and (b) Requisite details are placed at **Annexure-A**.

132. ***Prof. Muhammad Ibrahim Khan:** (Notice received on 22-10-2010 at 13:20 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Information and- Broadcasting be pleased to state the funds allocated to Associated Press of Pakistan in the annual budget 2009-10 and 2010-11 indicating also the details of its utilization?

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: During FY 2009-10, APP submitted anticipated budget expenses of Rs.437.652 million.

Finance Division allocated Rs.252.576 million as regular grant and Rs-106.277 through supplementary grant.

The amount thus funded was utilized on payment of establishment charges, pension/commutation, employees related expenses, operational charges and other expenses as detailed;

	<u>(Rs. in million)</u>
(a) Establishment charges ..	Rs. 275,634
(b) Pension & Commutation ..	Rs. 27.244
(c) Employees related exp. ..	Rs. 18.618
(d) Operational Expenses	Rs. 17.168
(e) Administrative & other ..	Rs. 25.548
(f) Purchases (appliances) ..	Rs. 0.237
Total:	R s . 3 6 4 . 4 4 9 *

During the current Fy 2010-11, budget estimates of Rs.452.232 million cJ were submitted by the APP. Finance Division allocated Rs.329.596.

The amount allocated would hardly meet expenses of establishment charges.

The Finance Division had released Rs. 131.83 8 million being 40% of the total allocation to meet expenses during 1st and 2nd quarter i. e. July to December 2010.

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The fund released has been utilized under the head;

(Rs. in million).

(a)	Establishment charges	Rs. 101.926
(b)	Pension & Commutation	.. Rs. 10.431
(c)	Employees related exp.	Rs. 5.550
(d)	Operational Expenses	.. Rs. 4.498
(e)	Administrative & other	.. Rs. 15.698
(f)	Purchases (appliances)	.. Rs. 0.018
	Total:	.. Rs138.121* *Excess met from

APP's own income.

133. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 28-10-2010 at 09:42 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state the income and expenditure of PTV during the last three years with head-wise breakup?

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: Head-wise detail of income and expenditure of PTV during last three years is enclosed as per **Annexure-A**.

134. ***Haji Muhammd Adeel:** (Notice received on 28-10-2010 at 14:00 p.m.)

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

- (a) *the names, designation, BPS, date of appointment and place of domicile of the persons appointed in the Ministry of Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit Baltistan, its attached departments, Corporations and subordinate offices since February, 2008 indicating also the name of the appointing authority in each case;*
- (b) *the procedure adopted for the said appointments; and*
- (c) *whether the provincial quota was observed in the said appointments, if not, its reasons?*

Mian Manzoor Ahmed Wattoo: (a), (b) and (c)

INFORMATION IN RESPECT OF MINISTRY (MAIN) ARE AS UNDER:—

It is informed that all the vacancies were filed after seeking *no* objection certificate from Establishment Division and vacancies were advertised in the National Press. The appointments were made after meeting all the codal formalities and seeking approval of the competent authority *i.e.* Joint Secretary/Secretary, Ministry of KA&GB as per requirement of the Department Selection Committee.

135. ***Haji Mohammad Adeel:** (Notice received on 28-10-2010 at 14:00 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names, designation, BPS, date of appointment and place of domicile of the persons appointed in the Ministry of Railways, its attached departments, corporations and subordinate offices since February, 2008 indicating also the name of the appointing authority in each case;*
- (b) *the procedure adopted for the said appointments; and*
- (c) *whether the provincial quota was observed in the said appointments, if not, its reasons?*

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: (a) Since February, 2008, 3261 persons have been appointed in BPS 1-17 in Railways. Detail of names, BPS, date of appointment and place of domicile is available at Annexure-I.

(b) Recruitment from BS-1 to 10 mentioned above has been made amongst the persons belonging to the area falling in divisions of Pakistan Railways. Recruitment in BS- 11 to 17 has been made according to the prescribed procedure regional / provincial quota and on the recommendations of the Selection Committees and Federal Public Service Commission and with the approval of concerned competent authorities.

(c) Provincial/regional quota was observed as prescribed by Establishment Division *i.e.* Merit 7.5%, Punjab 50%, Sindh 19%, KPK 11.5%, Balochistan 6%, NA/FATA 4% and AJK 2%.

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

*Islamabad :
The 10th November, 2010.*

RAJA MUHAMMAD AMIN,
Secretary.

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“UN-STARRED QUESTION AND ITS REPLY”

For Thursday, the 11th November, 2010

@1. **Dr. Abdul Khaliq Pirzada:** (Notice received on 14-10-2010 at 09:20 a.m.)

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

- (a) the names and designaton of the officers of the Ministry and its attached department provided with official vehicles indicating also the make and model of vehicle provided in each case; and*
- (b) the amount spent on maintenance and fuel of those vehicles during the last four years with year-wise break up?*

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: (a & b) The names and designations of the Officers of the Main Ministry, External Publicity Wing and its attached departments. *i.e.* Press Information Department (PID), Directorate General of Films and Publications (DFP) and Information Services Academy (ISA), are annexed at “A”, “B”, “C”, “D”, and “E” respectively.

ISLAMABAD :
The 10th November, 2010.

RAJA MUHAMMAD AMIN,
Secretary.