

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

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

Thursday, the 14th January, 2010

64. ***Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan:** (Notice received on 16-10-2009 at 14:25:p.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of property located on Bank Road Rawalpindi owned by Pakistan Railways;*
- (b) the location of the said property leased out in February, 2002 indicating also the complete particulars of lessee;*
- (c) the market value of the said property at that time and the rate at which the same was leased out;*
- (d) the minimum rates fixed by the Government for registry of land in that area and the rate at which that property was leased out; and*
- (e) the procedure adopted for leasing out that property and the rates offered by other bidders for the lease of that property?*

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: (a) Pakistan Railways property located along Bank Road, Rawalpindi is 11,027 Sq. Yards (2.28 Acres) opposite F. G. Public Secondary School, Sadar, Rawalpindi.

(b) The location of property leased out in February 2002 is as under:—

North	=	Bank Road
South	=	Railway Property
East	=	Garden Road
West	=	Police Station Road

Particulars of lessee are as under:—

Name: M/s. Noon Group (a partnership concern)

Address: 409-Bank Road, Sadr, Rawalpindi

Major Projects: Rahat Bakery, Rawalpindi & Islamabad

Chief Executive: Ch. Shaukat Ali Noon

(c) Market value of the property as ascertained by independent valuator (National Project Manager, Islamabad) in Dec. 2001 was Rs. 44.6 million for 10,050 Sq. Yards (*i.e.* Rs.4438/- per Sq. Yard).

The rate, at which the property was leased out on 2nd February, 2002 for 33 years terms to M/s. Noon Group, is Rs.9099/- per Sq. Yard.

(d) DC rate of property was Rs.450,000/- per Marla for commercial in 2001-2002 *i.e.* Rs.14876/- per Sq. Yard for sale on ownership basis. The Railway property was not sold on ownership basis but leased out for 33 years terms to M/s. Noon Group at Rs.9099/- per Sq. Yard.

(e) The procedure adopted for leasing the property was as under:—

- Expression of Interest (EOI) for prequalification were invited through national newspapers.
- Terms of Reference (TORs) were issued to prequalified firms for submission of technical and financial proposals.
- Award of Contract to M/s. Rahat Bakers (Noon Group) was approved by the Executive Committee of Railway Board.
- Execution of agreement with M/s. Noon Group.

The other bidder *i.e.* M/s. CHIB Associates, Islamabad offered rate of Rs.14,886/- per Sq. Yard for 66 years lease term, which is equivalent to Rs.7443/- per Sq. Yard for 33 years lease term.

65. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 16-10-2009 at 14:30:p.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state the names of the persons appointed on contract and regular basis in the Office of D.G. Immigration and Passports during the last three years with province-wise and grade-wise breakup?

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: During the last 3 years 159 persons were appointed on regular basis. Details are at Annex-A whereas 427 persons were appointed on contract basis. Details are at Annexure-B.

66. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:** (Notice received on 16-10-2009 at 14:30:p.m)

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state the names and place of domicile of officers in BPS-18 to 22 working in PTV and Radio Pakistan?

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: The names and place of domicile of officers in BPS-18 to 22 working in PTV and Radio Pakistan are annexed at “A” and “B” respectively.

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

67. ***Dr. Muhammad Ismail Buledi:**(Notice received on 16-10-2009 at 14:30:p.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state the number of officers of the Ministry sent abroad on official tours during the last three years indicating also the expenditures incurred thereon?

Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar: In all 40 officers of Defence Division proceeded abroad on official tours during the last three years. Expenditure incurred on these tours is to Rs. 51,03,887/-

68. ***Dr. Khalid Mehmood Soomro:**(Notice received on 16-10-2009 at 14:32:p.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Shahbaz Airport, Jacobabad, is being extended, if so, its details;

(b) the names of firms which have been awarded contracts for the said job indicating also the amount of contract in each case; and

(c) the present stage of work done on the said project?

Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar: (a) Yes, Forwarding Operating Base (FOB) Shahbaz (Jacobabad) is being converted into Main Operating Base (MOB) so as to house the newly contracted F-16 scheduled to arrive in the mid of 2010.

(b) M/s. Izhar Corporation, Mian Imamdin Janjua & Company (MIDJAC) & Saadullah Khan & Brothers (SKB) Construction Ltd. have been awarded contracts valuing total amount of Rs.7.000 billion.

(c) About 75% of the infrastructure work has so far been completed.

69. ***Mr. Abdur Rashid:** (Notice received on 16-10-2009 at 14:45:p.m.)

Will the Minister for State and Frontier Regions be pleased to state whether the teachers working in the Government educational Institutions in FATA are being paid teaching allowance as per Government policy, if not, its reasons?

Mr. Najmuddin Khan: FATA Secretariat has reported that teaching staff working in FATA are Provincial Cadre employees and according to the Presidential Order No. 13 of 1972 they are working in FATA on deputation without deputation allowance. All the facilities provided by the Provincial Government are admissible to them in FATA. Teaching' allowance is not admissible to the teachers working in NWFP, so the teachers working in FATA being the Provincial cadre employees are not entitled to the teaching allowance granted to the teachers working under Federal Government.

70. ***Mr. Abdur Rashid:** (Notice received on 16-10-2009 at 14:45:p.m.)

Will the Minister for States and Frontier Regions be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to regularize services of the persons working on contract basis in educational institutions and education department in FATA, if so, when?

Mr. Najmuddin Khan: As per North West Frontier Province Employees (Regularization of Service Act, 2009) all the employees working in FATA on contract basis against the regular posts are being regularized. Notification in respect of the employees in BS-16 and above will be issued by the Provincial Govt. whereas the contract employees *i.e.* Community School Teachers are being regularized and appointed against the sanctioned posts in the relevant scale, subject to their eligibility and availability of posts.

71. **Chaudhry Shujaat Hussain :** (Notice received on 16-10-2009 at 14:50:p.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

(a) *Whether it is a fact that a meeting of the representatives of five “Tenzeemat-ul-Madaris” was held recently under the Madrasa Education Authority to bring Madaris into national main stream, if so, the details of decisions taken in that meeting; and*

(b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to give Deeni Madaris under the administrative control of the Ministry of Education?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: (a) The establishment of “Madrassa Education Authority” or under some other duly agreed name, has been on the agenda of Ministry of Interior. In this connection, a number of meetings have been held with reps of ITMD during the year. The last meeting was held in the Ministry of Interior on 29 Sep, 09. Minister for Interior chaired the meeting. Representatives from Ittehad Tanzeemat-e-Madaris Deenia Pakistan, including Maulana Saleemullah Khan, President, Prof. Mufti Muneeb-ur-Rehman, General Secretary, Maulana Hanif Jalandhri, Prof. Sajid Mir, Ayatullah Syed Riaz Hussain Nafji, Dr. Atta-ur-Rehman were present. After lengthy discussion, a Sub-Committee headed by Secretary Interior was constituted with reps from M/o Education, Religious Affairs and Chairman, Pakistan Madrassa Board. Five representatives from ITMD are also members of the Committee.

(b) At present, there is no proposal under consideration in the Ministry of Interior to give Deeni Madaris under the administrative control of the Ministry of Education.

72. ***Mir Wali Muhammad Badini:** (Notice received on 16-10-2009 at 14:52:p.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the government to install walk through gates and metal detectors at various check posts in Islamabad, if so, when?

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: No such proposal is under consideration.

73. ***Mir Wali Muhammad Badini:** (Notice received on 16-10-2009 at 14:52:p.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to increase the number of domestic and Hajj flights from Quetta, if so, its details;, and*
- (b) *whether Quetta airport does not have night landing facility, if so, the time by which it will be provided there?*

Ch. Ahmed Mukhtar: (a) Yes, PIA is planning to increase three flights on Quetta-Lahore and one flight on Quetta-Islamabad sectors.

Increase in number of Hajj flights depends on the requirement of Ministry of Religious Affairs.

- (b). Night landing facilities are available at Quetta airport.

74. ***Mir Wali Muhammad Badini:** (Notice received on 17-10-2009 at 08:25:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to start train service between Pakistan and Turkey; and*
- (b) *the steps taken by the Government to start train service between Quetta and Taftan?*

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: (a) The first demonstration Container train was started from Islamabad *via* Tehran to Istanbul on 14-08-2009 which reached destination on 28-08-2009. An Economic Cooperation Organization (ECO) Consultants team comprising one member from each country Pakistan, Iran and Turkey and an International Consultant hired by ECO accompanied the train from originating stations to its destination to observe any problem/impediment during the run of the train.

An interim report of the consultants was discussed in ECO meeting on Railways at Astana, Kazakhstan on 05-11-2009. The final report of the consultants will be discussed in the next meeting of ECO likely to be held in the last week of December, 2009 at Tehran, Iran. On the basis of final report the decision for regular train service will be taken and on successful running of goods train, the introduction of passenger trains on this route will be considered.

(b) The train service between Quetta and Taftan is already in operation. A train No. 403 Up/404 Down (Zahidan Mixed train) operates twice a month from Quetta to Zahidan and *vice versa*.

The freight trains are also running on this section subject to availability of loaded stock.

75. ***Dr. Khalid Mehmood Soomro:** (Notice received on 17-10-2009 at 08:30:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state whether it is a fact that owners of houses illegally constructed on the railways land have applied for allotment of the land in their occupation on payment, if so, the action taken in this regard?

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: It is not a fact that the owners/occupants of houses, illegally constructed on the Railway land, have applied for allotment of the land in their occupation.

76. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 17-10-2009 at 08:45:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

(a) *the names of persons declared proclaimed offenders by the courts in various cases registered in Aabpara Police Station, Islamabad during the last five years indicating also the names of those who have not been arrested so far; and*

(b) *the steps being taken by the Government to arrest the remaining offenders?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: (a) Reportedly, a total of 76 accused persons involved in various cases registered at Police Station Aabpara, Islamabad were declared Proclaimed Offenders (POs) during the last five years. Details are at Annexure- "A". Out of these POs, 23 have been arrested and sent to judicial custody and challans against them have also been sent to the courts of competent jurisdiction for trial. Whereas, 53 POs are still at large. Strenuous efforts are being made to arrest the remaining POs by the local police.

(b) Following steps are being taken to arrest the remaining 53 Proclaimed Offenders:

i. Special teams have been constituted to arrest these POs.

ii. Random raids at the residences and other places of Proclaimed Offenders are being conducted by the special teams.

iii. Information regarding the apprehension of POs is being exchanged with concerned authorities of the adjoining districts / provinces for the arrest of the remaining POs.

77. ***Mr. Abbas Khan:** (Notice received on 17-10-2009 at 10:55:a.m.)

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

(a) *whether the Government has made arrangements for the IDPs belonging to FATA particularly South Waziristan Agency, if so, its details; and*

(b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to grant admission to the students of that area in the Government educational institutions in NWFP or in any other part of the country, if so, its details?*

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: (a) Government has provided shelter, drinking water, food, medical facilities and cash amount of Rs.5000/- per family through smart card/ATM to 54180 families registered so far. Moreover, relief to the IDPs (South Waziristan) is being extended with the help of WFP, SSG, UNHCR, FIDA and PDMA/PRC.

(b) DISTRICT D.I. KHAN

(i) For student IDPs 9 High/middle school will provide evening shift coaching on regular basis. Rest of the school authorities are directed to enroll student IDPs. So

far 900 students have been enrolled in the morning shift of the schools in D.I. Khan. IDPs are being mobilized through EDO Office, media and Mosque etc. to get their kids registered in the schools.

(ii) DISTRICT TANK

In district Tank 424 schools are directed to admit student IDPs and at present 2329 (1938 Boys, 391 Girls) student IDPs have been registered/admitted. 14 facilitation centers established at different points to motivate and guide parents of the student IDPs for getting admission of their kids in the schools. Moreover, 50 teacher IDPs have been placed at the disposal of EDO Tank for evening shift and on “when required basis”. Further registration of student IDPs is in progress.

78. ***Dr. Khalid Mehmood Soomro:** (Notice received on 19-10-2009 at 08:35:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

(a) *the total number of aircrafts with PIA; and*

(b) *the number of aircrafts not in working condition with reasons?*

Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar: (a) PIA has a total of 40 aircraft in its fleet, at present.

(b) All these aircraft are serviceable and are being maintained as per manufactures' maintenance schedule.

79. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 19-10-2009 at 13:00:p.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to refer to Senate starred question No. 43 replied on 14th October, 2009 and state the details of utilization of grant of Rs.283 million meant for payment of compensation for civilian casualties and damages to properties during military operation with agency-wise/ area-wise break up?

Reply not received.

81. ***Mst. Afia Zia:** (Notice received on 20-10-2009 at 10:45:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

(a) *the steps being taken by the Government to improve the performance of Pakistan Railways; and*

(b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to introduce any latest railway system in the country?*

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: (a) The Railway Administration attributes top priority to improve the performance of Pakistan Railways. In this context following steps are being taken to revamp & up-grade the existing resources:—

- i. A contract for procurement / manufacturing of 75 new Diesel Electric Locomotives has been signed with M/s. Dong Fang Corporation of China on 31 December, 2008 at an estimated cost of Rs. 12700 million.
- ii. Procurement /manufacturing of 202 modern design high speed passenger coaches has been approved by the Government at an estimated cost of Rs. 15889.900 million.
- iii. A project for procurement /manufacturing of 530 new design high speed freight wagons has been approved by the Executive Committee of the National Economic Council (ECNEC) on 30-3-2009 at an estimated cost of Rs. 4134.730 million.
- iv. A contract between Ministry of Railways Government of Islamic Republic of Pakistan and Dong Fang Electric Corporation of Peoples Republic of China for maintenance of DPU Class Diesel Electric locomotives has been signed on 28-9-2009
- v. Doubling of track from Lodhran to Chichawatni *via* Multan (198 Kms) has already been completed and the provision of an additional line beyond Chichawatni to Raiwind (169 Kms) will be completed within one year. Estimated cost of doubling of line ex Lodhran to Raiwind is Rs.9009.530 million.
- vi. Rehabilitation of track between Khanewal to Raiwind would enhance the speed limit from 105 to 145 KMPH. The running time between Karachi — Lahore would be reduced from 56 hours to 28 hrs.
- vii. The entire Pakistan Railways net work is being equipped with modern signaling system. The agreement for providing Computer Based Interlocking has been signed with Messers Bombardier Company. The work will be completed in two phases. First phase from Kotri to Khanpur will be taken in hand shortly and in 2nd phase from Khanewal to Shahdara Bagh station after completion of 1st phase.
- viii. Efforts are being made to increase passenger earning by vigorous ticket less checking on the Pakistan Railway system.
- ix. To control leakage of revenue, outsourcing of certain services is also under consideration.
- x. Preference assigned to transport of high rated commodities over low rated commodities in block loads.
- xi. Efforts are being made to capture more oil traffic from Karachi.
- xii. Greater emphasis on private sector participation for attracting investment and expertise through Public Private Partnership (PPP).
- xiii. Wagon Tracking and train tracking system is being developed to enhance the efficiency, reliability and good will of Pakistan Railways.

(b) New Modern signaling system with provision for Automatic Train Protection (ATP) is being introduced between Lodhran to Shahdara Bagh and Bin Qasim to Mirpur Mathalo Station on main line.

The project includes Computer Based Interlocking (CBI) at stations and Automatic Brake System (ABS) on the double railway line.

The aspect of the approaching signal would also be displayed in the cab of the locomotive and the system would accommodate speeds upto 160 KMPH.

82. ***Mst. Afia Zia:** (Notice received on 20-10-2009 at 10:45:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *the steps taken by the Government to eliminate human trafficking in the country; and*
- (b) *the number of persons arrested for involvement in the said crime during the years 2008 and 2009?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: (a) ● FIA immigration has the responsibility of checking the documents of the passengers at the designated exit/entry point's *i.e.* 11 airports, 07 land routes, & 04 seaports.

- With the introduction of improved measures like Machine Readable Passports (MRP), Forgery Detection Machines (FDM), Issuance of CNICs & NICOP, the deportation from legal exit points has decreased to less than 0.1 %. Below is the number of Pakistani deportees who managed to travel from these legal exit points on fake documents till 25th Nov 2009:—

DFD's (Deportees on Fake Documents)

2006	2007	2008	2009
174	145	108	71

- Similarly, the control in illegal immigration is also measured through the offloading of passengers traveling abroad on forged documents. The offloading of such passengers (OFDs) is given below.

OFD's (Offloaded on Fake Documents)

2006	2007	2008	2009
518	435	572	629

- 99 % of Human Smuggling however occurs through the porous, difficult to control Pak-Iran border. The figures of deportees for the select group of most affected countries, *i.e.* Iran, Turkey, Greece, Oman & Spain are given Below:

Deportees ITGOS

2006	2007	2008	2009
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14003 12371 18086 13101

- **Strict Preventive Measures in Place**

- The figures for the arrest of Human Smugglers/facilitators are given below.

Arrest of Human Smugglers/Facilitators

2006	2007	2008	2009
1462	1526	1642	1546

- Enhanced vigilance at all notified entry/exit points.
- Interceptions at international borders-IATF. The Government of Pakistan decided to set up an Inter Agency Task Force (IATF) in 2005 to coordinate the efforts of different government agencies working in Balochistan province bordering with Iran. These include the FIA as lead Agency, Balochistan Constabulary, Balochistan Police, Pakistan Coast Guard, Maritime Security Agency, NADRA, Pakistan Rangers, Local Police & Military Intelligence Agencies to intercept the illegal immigrants.

2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
2463	3635	10703	8543	4806

- **Public awareness campaign**

- Advertisements in print media
- Talks/Documentaries on electronic media
- Seminars/workshops
- Documents/pamphlets
- Walks
- **Red Book of 69 MWTs** (Most Wanted Human Smugglers/Traffickers) which is shared internationally. 13 MWTs from this Red Book have been arrested.

- Red Notices of 17 MWTs through Interpol Issued.

- Prosecution of Human Smugglers/Traffickers.

- **International Liaison**

- **Bilateral Groups**

- Pakistan-Oman
- Pakistan-UK
- Pakistan-Turkey

➤ **Trilateral Groups**

- Pakistan- Iran-Turkey
- Pakistan-Turkey-Greece

➤ **Quadrilateral Group**

- Pakistan-Greece-Turkey-Iran and Afghanistan

Interpol

- 1-24/7 Communication Network
- Red Corner Notices

➤ Foreign Missions in Pakistan

Other Measures

- Internal accountability
- Capacity building of immigration staff
- Forgery Detection Machines at immigration check-posts
- Personal Identification Secure Comparison Evaluation System (PISCES)
- Pakistan Automated Finger Prints Identification System (PAFIS)
- Human Traffickers Information System/(HUTIS)

PISCES

Personal Identification Secure Comparison and Evaluation System (PISCES) has been installed at all immigration Check posts for detection of forgery in travel documents and maintenance of record of incoming and outgoing passengers. Due to this arrangement, trafficking/ smuggling of migrants on fake documents have declined. It also includes list of most wanted traffickers/ watch list & other important deportees / off-loadees who managed to travel on fake documents. Below of the detection/hit cases on PISCES in different categories for last three years and Jan — Nov, 2009.

Category of Watch List	Hit Cases			
	2006	2007	2008	2009 (Jan - Nov)
Exit Control List	99	74	48	683
Black Listed	414	499	628	2420
Stolen Visa	01	20	15	-
Stolen Passport	163	59	22	815
Lost Passport	442	292	268	1994
Interpol	63	40	51	207
Immigration List	74	59	68	414
Others	65	11	06	164

Yes. The Accounts of Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation have been audited during the last three years by a firm of Chartered Accountants and Auditor General of Pakistan (Government Commercial Audit, Wah Cantt). The audit of the Accounts for the year 2008-09 has been completed by a team of Government Commercial Audit, Wah Cantt but the Audit Report has not yet been received. The details of Audit observations for the years 2006-07 and 2007-08 are enclosed (Annexure-A &B).

(iii) **Pakistan Broadcasting Foundation (PBF)**

The Accounts of Pakistan Broadcasting Foundation for the year 2006-07, 2007-08 have not yet been audited by a firm of Chartered Accountants.

Pakistan Broadcasting Foundation (PBF) is a very small entity incorporated under the Companies Ordinance, 1984. The Executive Director appointed on regular basis resigned in June 2007. Since then, the affairs of the Foundation are being looked after by various Officers of PBC in addition to their duties in PBC. The main source of income of the Foundation is the amount of monthly rent received from three CNG stations constructed on the leased land of PBC. The activities of the Foundation during the period after 2007 were negligible. Therefore, the audit of the accounts of the PBF was not conducted as the Auditors were not appointed for the year 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09. However, a meeting of PBC Board of Directors is being summoned very shortly and the matter of appointment of Chartered Accountant Firm to carry out the Audit of PBF's Accounts for the said period will be placed before the Board for approval.

(b) (i) **Pakistan Television Corporation (PTV)**

Not applicable.

(ii) **Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation (PBC)**

The action against the responsible officials in some cases has been taken and amount recovered. In other cases, the irregularities pointed out are being probed and action will be taken on the basis of inquiry reports as recommended in Departmental Accounts Committee.

Some of the cases have been submitted through M/o I&B to Finance Division for regularization.

Inquiry Reports in question are still under process. The Inquiry Reports have been delayed due to the volume of work and pre-occupation of some members of Inquiry Committees. However they have been reminded to expedite/finalize the Inquiry Reports without further delay. On receipt of Inquiry Reports, appropriate action will be taken against the person(s) at fault.

The audit of PBC accounts was carried out by the Commercial audit on the following dates:—

<u>Years of audit</u>	<u>Dates of audit</u>
2006-2007	Oct. 2007 to Jan 2008
2007-08	February- April, 2009
2008-09	September-Nov, 2009

(iii) **Pakistan Broadcasting Foundation (PBF)**

Nil.

84. ***Hafiz Rashid Ahmad:** (Notice received on 22-10-2009 at 09:15:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the railway land in District Charsadda has been leased out, if so, the names of lessees, amount of lease and period of lease in each case?

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: In District Charsadda Railway land at following stations has been leased out:—

Station	Area leased out	Name of lease	Amount of lease	Period of lease
Charsadda	17294 Sft	Tamash Gul	Rs.2,52,298/- per year (Annual commercial rent @15% of market value)	On year to year basis (w.e.f. 3-5- 1982)
Manga	10.70 Acres	Saadat Mand	Rs. 6200/- per acre per year for agricultural purpose	3 years + 3 years extendable w.e.f. 24-03-2008

85. ***Haji Ghulam Ali:** (Notice received on 23-10-2009 at 13:00:p.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the government to provide funds to the government of NWFP for provision of bulletproof jackets, radio jammers and explosive detectors to the police personnel of that province, if so, its details?

Mr. A. Rehman Malik: According to the reports received from Inspector General of Police, NWFP. The funds to the tune of Rs. 15867.922 Million have been ear marked to the NWFP Police under the package of Prime Minister of Pakistan out of which, amount to the tune of Rs. 3891.770 Million have been received as 1st Installment which are being spent on the following items.

➤ Creation of 5750 Posts(50%)	Rs. 440.605 Million	
➤ Special Risk Allowance for Malakand	Rs. 68.148 Million	➤
Arms & Ammunition	Rs. 1585.822 Million	
➤ Special Police Force for Malakand	Rs. 406.862 Million	➤
Ex-Army Men for Elite Force	Rs. 212.506 Million	
➤ 15 Nos. APCs	Rs. 224.775 Million	
➤ Other Equipments	Rs. 521.128 Million	
➤ Purchase of Land for Elite Training School	Rs. 88.025 Million	

➤ Purchase of Transport	Rs. 343.899 Million
Total	Rs, 3891,770 Million

86. ***Haji Mohammad Adeel:** (Notice received on 28-10-2009 at 10:15:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to refer to the Senate Starred Question No.54 replied on 14th October, 2009 and state the names of Ministers, Parliamentarians and other dignitaries on whose recommendations prohibited bore arms licenses were issued during the tenure of the present Government indicating also the number of licenses issued in each case?

Reply not received.

87. ***Mr. Sabir Ail Baloch:** (Notice received on 28-10-2009 at 12:35:p.m.)

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

- (a) *the names and period of contract of consultants and advisors belonging to Balochistan appointed in PTV during the last one year indicating also the salary, allowances and other fringe benefits admissible to each; and*
- (b) *the criteria adopted for appointment of the said consultants and advisors?*

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: (a) Pakistan Television has not appointed any Advisor or Consultant on contract belonging to Balochistan during the last one year. However, Mr. Ashraf Ansari a professional has been engaged as Sales Manager (on contracts; belonging to Balochistan *w.e.f* 3-08-2009, following the criteria of engagement as approved by PTV's Board of Directors in its 184th meeting. It is further added that during last one year *i.e.* from 11-12-.2008 to 10-12-2009 services of sixteen (16) Resource Persons/Professionals have also been hired purely on temporary basis as per requirement. His per month salary allowances and other fringe benefits are as under:—

(i) Salary	=	Rs. 75,000
(ii) House Rent	=	Rs. 15,000
(iii) Mobile Phone	=	Rs. 3500
(iv) Petrol Litrage	=	200 Liters

(b) The criteria for engagement of fresh and experienced Professionals in PTV was approved by the BOD in its 184th meeting held on 23-04-2009 according to which induction in PTV will be made in phases according to needs of the organization and database of prospective candidates will be maintained by advertising posts in Newspapers and on PTV's website. The permanent selection boards were constituted to interview suitable candidates. However the selection process through permanent selection board was not found practicable due to various problems, therefore, the Board of Directors in its 185th meeting authorized Managing Director to constitute suitable selection board for interview of different posts. Mr. Ashraf Ansari had applied for the post of Sales Manager and the Selection board comprising Head of Sale, National Manager Sales as members and Managing Director as Chairman interviewed and found him suitable for the said post. In view of the recommendations of the selection board, he was appointed as Sales Manager (on contract) *w.e.f.* 31-08-2009.

88. ***Mr. Sabir Ali Baloch:** (Notice received on 28-10-2009 at 12:35:p.m.)

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

- (a) *the names of daily, weekly and fortnightly newspapers of Balochistan to which government advertisements were issued since January, 2009, indicating also the number of advertisements issued to each newspaper; and*
- (b) *the criteria adopted for issuance or allocation of the said advertisements?*

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: (a) The names of daily, weekly and fortnightly newspapers of Balochistan alongwith number of advertisements released to them from January, 2009 to November, 2009 have been shown in a statement at Annexure-I.

(b) The Government advertisements 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.

89. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mahmood:** (Notice received on 29-10-2009 at 08:50:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state the steps taken / being taken by the Government to make PIA a profitable organization?

Ch. Ahmad Mukhtar: (a) In compliance with the decision (s) of the Federal Government, PIA has implemented the following measures to improve its financial health:—

- (i) Fleet Modernization.
 - (ii) Marketing initiatives.
 - (iii) Route Rationalization.
- (b) In addition to above the Ministry has directed PIA to:—
- (i) implement cost cutting measures.
 - (ii) Improve Engineering and Maintenance system.
 - (iii) Formulate Key Performance indicators and work on determined time lines to achieve them.
 - (iv) Ensure appropriate fiscal responsibility and accountability at all levels.

90. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 29-10-2009 at 09:20:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of persons with disability working in Pakistan Railways with province-wise break up; and*
- (b) *the procedure adopted for their appointment?*

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: (a) 83 disabled persons are presently working in Pakistan Railways. Province wise break up is given as Annexure "A".

(b) Disabled persons have been selected against 2% reserved quota adopting all the formalities, as laid down in the recruitment rules for the posts, like qualification, age limit, advertisement in the Press and observance of the laid down Provincial / Regional Quota in accordance with the provision of Civil Servants Act, 1973.

91. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 02-11-2009 at 09:30:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number and names of trains plying in the country at present indicating also the station of origin and destination in each case; and*
- (b) *the number, names and other details of new trains introduced on various routes in the country during the last one year?*

Haji Ghulam Ahmed Bilour: (a) At present 232 passenger carrying trains are plying in the country on Pakistan Railways system. The originating and destination station of each has been shown in Annexure-A.

(b) 3 pair's of new trains have been introduced during last one year. Details are as under:

1. Quetta Shuttle train between Quetta and Yaru railway stations with effect from 12-05-09 but was cancelled on 26-11-09.
2. Sangla Shuttle train running between Faisalabad and Sangal Hill railway stations was introduced with effect from 15-04-09 but was cancelled on 08-10-09.
3. Sargodha Shuttle train running between Faisalabad and Sargodha railway stations with effect from 06-07-09 but was cancelled on 15-10-09.

92. ***Mr. Muhammad Hamayun Khan:** (Notice received on 24-11-2009 at 15:40:p.m.)

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

- (a) *whether it is fact that the transmission of Zhob radio station has been reduced from 8.00 hours to 2.00 hours daily, if so, its reasons; and*

- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the F.M. radio equipments have been installed in the said radio station but the F.M. radio service has not been launched so far, if so, its reasons and the time by which the same will be launched?*

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: (a) No. The total transmission hours of Radio Pakistan Zhob have not been reduced from 8 to 2 hours. However, the transmission hours have been rescheduled w.e.f.14-11-2009 in accordance with the availability of WAPDA power supply.

(b) FM radio equipment has neither been supplied to Radio Pakistan Zhob nor installed there. Hence, launching of FM radio service does not arise.

93. ***Mr. Abdul Ghaffar Qureshi:** (Notice received on 25-11-2009 at 08:56:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state the names of cooperative housing societies working in Islamabad found violating cooperative laws / rules during the last five years indicating also the details of violations and the action taken against each society?

Reply not received.

94. ***Mr. Abdul Ghaffar Qureshi:** (Notice received on 25-11-2009 at 08:56:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *the duration after which the elections of cooperative housing societies in Islamabad are held;*
- (b) *the names of the cooperative housing societies in Islamabad the elections of which were not held on due dates indicating also the reasons for not holding elections on schedule time and the action taken against each society; and*
- (c) *the details of cases in which the Islamabad High Court ordered for election of cooperative housing societies indicating also the dates of such elections?*

Reply not received.

95. ***Mr. Abdul Ghaffar Qureshi:** (Notice received on 25-11-2009 at 08:56:a.m.)

Will the Minister for interior be pleased to state whether the cooperative housing societies working in Islamabad are allowed to sale their plots through advertisement in the newspapers?

Reply not received.

96. ***Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan:**(Notice received on 03-12-2009 at 11:00:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names and other particulars of the passengers who traveled in business class in PIA flight from Heathrow Airport (London) to Islamabad on the night of 22nd November, 2009 indicating also the ticket numbers, booking dates, confirmation dates and amount charged by PIA in each case;*

(b) *the names of the said passengers whose class was upgraded indicating also the reasons for upgradation and the authority which approved that upgradation; and*

(c) *the loss suffered by PIA, if any, due to that upgradation?*

Reply not received.

97. ***Mr. Saleem Saifullah Khan:** (Notice received on 03-12-2009 at 12:00:p.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

(a) *the profit earned by Pakistan Railways during the last three years and the current financial year with year-wise break-up; and*

(b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to publish a white paper regarding the financial position of Pakistan Railways, if so, when?*

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: (a) Pakistan Railways did not earn any profit during the said periods. However, the losses incurred during the said period were as under:—

(Rs. In Million)	
Years	Losses
2006-2007	11,115.337
2007-2008	12,669.562
2008-2009	18,609.121
(Un-Audited)	
2009-2010 (upto Nov.09)	5,576.072

(b) No such proposal is under consideration of the Government to publish a white paper regarding financial position of Pakistan Railways.

98. ***Mr. Saleem Saifullah Khan:** (Notice received on 04-12-2009 at 09:00:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

(a) *the number of suicide attacks took place in the country, indicating also the details about the loss of lives and property including persons injured therein; and*

(b) *the steps taken by the Government to pay compensation to the victims of the said incidents?*

Mr. A. Rehman Malik:

Year	No. of Killed Incidents		Injured			
	LEA	Civilain	Total	LEA	Civilain	Total
2001	—	—	—	—	—	—
2002	4	0	29	29	0	99

2003	2	13	54	67	18	85	103
2004	5	3	52	55	1	311	312
2005	3	0	30	30	0	121	121
2006	8	50	91	141	69	204	273
2007	56	242	376	618	568	983	1551
2008	63	149	619	768	581	1315	1896
2009	91	197	671	868	338	2183	2521
Total	232	654	1922	2576	1575	5301	6876

99. ***Mr. Saleem Saifullah Khan:** (Notice received on 04-12-2009 at 09:00:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government for financial and organizational restructuring of PIA, if so, its details;*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that PIA has prepared a cost cutting plan, if so, the details thereof indicating also the extent of its implementation so far and the results thereof; and*
- (c) *the steps taken by the Government to make PIA a profit earning organization?*

Reply not received.

100. ***Mr. Shahid Hassan Bugti:** (Notice received on 22-12-2009 at 14:30:p.m.)

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that F.M. 93 Radio (Urdu) has recently been closed down and F.M. 94 Radio (English) has been started in its place, if so, its reasons;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the machinery and other equipments installed in studio of F.M. 93 have been replaced for F.M. 94, if so, its reasons;*
- (c) *the amount spent on the purchase of new machinery and other equipments for F.M. 94 studio;*
- (d) *the procedure adopted for purchase of machinery and other equipments for F.M. 94 studio; and*
- (e) *whether it is further a fact that the machinery and other equipments of F.M. 93 studio are being used in some other studios, if so, the reasons for not using the same machinery and equipments for F.M. 94?*

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: (a) Yes, the Radio Channel FM-93 has been closed. However, the same frequency is now being used to broadcast, the transmission of Islamabad Station. The frequency of FM-93 has been allotted to Islamabad Station for unification of

Community Broadcast Network. At present 16 PBC stations are working on the frequency of FM-93 throughout the country.

A new Radio channel FM 94 has been started for listener's information and entertainment in English language to cater the needs of people living in and around the Federal Capital.

(b) The old equipment of FM-93 radio installed in the studio of NBH Islamabad has been replaced partially by new equipment for Planet FM-94 Radio (English). Rest of the machinery is still in place and being used for FM-94. Most of the newly installed items were indented for step by step modernization purpose, almost a year ago, through a mega tender floated by PBC.

(c) Absolutely essential equipment worth Rs.94, 648/- was purchased locally with the approval of competent authority.

(d) Purchase has been made strictly in accordance with PPRA Rules / procedure.

(e) No, it is not a fact. The old equipment of FM-93 is still being used in the same studio for other essential service requirements. FM-94 is a channel of English language and English music is high-pitched, brighter in quality & stereo phonic, as such, it requires equipment of high fidelity and wider bandwidth for true production.

101. ***Mr. Shahid Hassan Bugti:** (Notice received on 22-12-2009 at 14:30:p.m.)

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

(a) *the names, designation, educational qualifications, experience and other particulars of the persons working for F.M. 93; and*

(b) *whether the said persons have been posted / deputed for other radio channels after the closure of FM 93, if so, the place of their present posting and if not, its reasons?*

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: (a)

102. ***Mr. Shahid Hassan Bugti:** (Notice received on 22-12-2009 at 14:30:p.m.)

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state the names, designation, educational qualifications, experience and other particulars of the producers and other persons appointed / deputed for F.M. 94 radio?

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: The Particulars of Producers, Resource and DJs of FM-94 channel are as under:—

103. ***Haji Ghulam Ali:** (Notice received on 22-12-2009 at 14:40:p.m.)

Will the Minister for Defence production be pleased to state the details of requests orders received in Pakistan Ordnance Factories (POF) for provision of arms from the provincial governments during the last five years and the action taken thereon?

Reply not received.

104. ***Moulana Gul Naseeb Khan:** (Notice received on 29-12-2009 at 11:00:a.m.)

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

(a) the number of IDPs from Malakand Division still being compensated by the Government; and

(b) the procedure being adopted for paying the said compensation?

Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira: (a) Total number of IDPs from Malakand Division including Bajaur and Mehmood Agency are 325753 families. So far, Rs. 7.837 billion has been disbursed to these families. Apart from this, approximately 49000 IDPs are currently receiving Rs. 25,000 through ATM card from Special Distribution Centre at Mardan. This process will be completed by 5th February 2010.

(b) As regard procedure, preliminary food card was issued by the Social Welfare Department, thereafter; the IDPs were enlisted on Production of food card plus their CNIC by NADRA. On the basis of above verification, payment had been made to the IDPs through ATM by UBL authority.

ISLAMABAD:
The 13th January, 2010.

RAJA MUHAMMAD AMIN,
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10. **Dr. Khalid Mehmood Soomro:** (Notice received on 17-10-2009 at 08:30:a.m.)

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state the names of persons and organizations / firms to whom the railways land was sold during the last ten years indicating also the rate at which it was sold in each case with province-wise break up?

Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour: No Railway land has been sold out during the last ten years in any province of Pakistan. However, 20 sites in Punjab, 03 in Sindh, 02 in NWFP and 02 in Balochistan have been given on 99 years lease during last ten years for commercial/ welfare / official purposes. The province-wise details are given in Annexure-A.

Moreover, province-wise details of Railway land leased out by the Directorate of Marketing of Ministry of Railways during last ten years on different periods have been shown in Annexures-B & C.

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The 13th January, 2010.

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