

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

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

Friday, the 8th March, 2013

DEFERRED QUESTIONS

- (i) Questions Nos. 40, 42, 45, 49, 51, 52 and 53 : Set down for answering on 30th January, 2013
- (ii) Questions Nos. 77, 80, 81, 82, 85, 86, 87, 89 and 90 : Set down for answering on 8th February, 2013

40. ***Mrs. Farah Aqil:** (Notice received on 07-01-2013 at 10:20 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Works be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the road constructed by Pak PWD in Street 2, Bani Gala, Islamabad, out of my development funds for the year 2011-12, is in dilapidated condition; and*
- (b) *whether any inquiry has been conducted into the sub-standard work of the said road, if so, the action taken against the contractor / officials responsible for the sub-standard work, if not, its reasons?*

Reply not received.

42. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 07-01-2013 at 10:25 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of Government Employees registered so far for the housing scheme launched by the Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation with year-wise and category-wise break-up; and*
- (b) *the amount collected as registration fee from the said employees with year-wise break-up?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) Housing Foundation announced Membership Drive on 28th August 2009 with the approval of the Prime Minister of Pakistan. Total

20167 members have been registered so far under membership drive. Year-wise and category-wise are annexed.

(b) Total Rs. 479,240,000/- have been collected as registration fee from the said employees. Year-wise detail is annexed.

45. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mehmood:** (Notice received on 08-01-2013 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to enhance rental ceiling of the Government employees for hiring residences, if so, when?

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: A Summary was moved on 28-11-2012 to the Prime Minister's Secretariat on the advice of Finance Division for 25% enhancement in the existing rental ceiling. However, the Summary has been retrieved by the Finance Division. Subsequent action the Finance Division is awaited.

49. ***Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 09-01-2013 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state the details of punishments awarded to the persons involved in theft of electricity by tempering electricity cables and meters?

Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar: It is submitted that Disco wise / years wise details of persons involved in theft of electricity by tempering electricity cables and meters is as under:

Financial Year	Name of DISCO	Number of Employee (s)	List attached at
2011-12	FESCO	7	Annex- A
	GEPCO	7	Annex- B

Financial Year	Name of DISCO	Number of Employee (s)	List attached at
2011-12	IESCO	3	Annex - C
	MEPCO	13	Annex - D
	TESCO	NIL	Annex - E
	PESCO	NIL	Annex - F
	HESCO	NIL	Annex - G
	SEPCO	NIL	Annex - H
	QESCO	NIL	Annex - I

	LESCO	10	Annex - J
GRAND TOTAL (2011-12)		40	
	FESCO	12	Annex - A
	GEPCO	15	Annex - B
	IESCO	5	Annex - C
	MEPCO	NIL	Annex- D
2012-13	TESCO	NIL	Annex - E
(till date)	PESCO	NIL	Annex - F
	HESCO	NIL	Annex - G
	SEPCO	2	Annex - H
	QESCO	NIL	Annex - I
	LESCO	NIL	Annex - J
GRAND TOTAL (2012- 13)		34	

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51. ***Mr. Muhammad Talha Mehmood:** (Notice received on 10-01-2013 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) *the estimated number of homeless families in the country; and*
- (b) *the steps being taken by the Government to provide housing facilities to the said families?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) The housing backlog as estimated according to the 1998 census was 4.30 million units which is now projected as 7 million units, thereby rendering about 7 million families as homeless.

(b) To overcome the housing backlog and recurring shortfall Prime Minister has announced a Housing Programme for construction of one million housing units throughout the country which is under implementation at Federal level and also by Provincial Governments.

52. ***Maulana Muhammad Saleh Shah:** (Notice received on 10-01-2013 at 16:40 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names and designations of Officers in BPS-22 who have been allotted one kanal plots under the Prime Minister package since its inception indicating also the number and location of plot in each case;*

- (b) *whether it is a fact that the apex Court has recently struck down some of the said allotments, if so, the details of such allotments with names of the allottees;*
- (c) *the reasons for striking down the said allotments and steps taken to allot them plots; and*
- (d) *the names and designation of the officers in BPS-22 who have not been allotted plots under the said package so far indicating also the reasons thereof and the steps being taken by the Government to allot them plots?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) A list showing names, designations and location of plots allotted to BS-22 officers under Prime Minister's Assistance Package Scheme is enclosed at Annex-A.

(b) Some of the BS-22 officers were allotted newly created plots in Sector G-13, Islamabad under Prime Minister's Assistance Package Scheme. The apex court has recently struck down the creation of these plots. The names of the officers alongwith plots affected by the decision of the apex court are mentioned in the list enclosed at Annex-B.

(c) The plots were newly created at inutility area (excess area) of Sector G-13 earlier reserved for parks, school and nullah of the sector. The Welfare Committee of residents of Sector G-13 filed a writ petition against creation of these plots in Islamabad High Court on the grounds that basic amenities such as park, schools were abolished due to creation of these plots. The High Court decided in favour of the Welfare Committee of Sector G-13, however the Housing Foundation filed an appeal in Supreme Court of Pakistan against the said judgment. The Supreme Court has turned down appeal of the Housing Foundation and upheld the decision of the Islamabad High Court. The FGE Housing Foundation is going to file review petition. A requisition has also been sent to CDA to provide alternate plots in Sector D-12 or any other comparative developed sector for allotment of these Officers.

(d) The names and designations of those officers who have not been allotted plots under Prime Minister Assistance Package are mentioned at Annex-C. The Ministry of Housing & Works has requested CDA to provide at least 200 developed plots. On availability of plots, allotments to remaining officers would be issued by Housing Foundation.

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53. ***Maulana Muhammad Saleh Shah:** (Notice received on 10-01-2013 at 16:40 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is fact that the Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation initiated a housing scheme at Bara Kahu, Islamabad, in 2009;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the Supreme Court of Pakistan has taken notice of the scheme, if so, the findings of the court; and*
- (c) *the steps taken by the Government for provision of plots to the employees who have been retired after the initiation of the Bara Kahu housing scheme or retiring till the finalization of the case by the Supreme Court?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation with the approval of the Executive Committee / Board of Directors of Housing Foundation purchased 3000 kanals of land in Bara Kahu, Zone-IV, Islamabad for developing a housing scheme on ownership basis for Federal Government Employees in 2009.

(b) Supreme Court took *Suo-Moto* Notice in May 2009. M/s Green Tree (Pvt) Ltd. had submitted various options before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of Pakistan to resolve the matter. The Supreme Court has directed Executive Committee on 22-11-2012 to review its decision. The Executive Committee meeting held on 29-11-2012 to constitute a sub-committee and present its report within 15 days. The report of the committee will be submitted to Executive Committee, immediately. The Hon'able Supreme Court will be intimated accordingly.

(c) Registration of Federal Government Employees for allotment of plot/apartment on first come first serve basis serving and retired Federal Government employees. The quota for retired employees has been enhanced as under:—

- i. Employees of Federal Government who would retired during the period 01-07-2009 to 31-12-2010. 10%
- ii. Old retirees who did not get any plot from FGEHF/CDA 10%

77 . ***Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 11-01-2013 at 08:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister for National Heritage and Integration be pleased to state the total amount spent on the celebration of cultural week in Islamabad in December, 2012?

Ms. Samina Khalid Ghurki: An amount of Rs.190,53,522 was incurred on celebration of Pakistan Week from 1-1-2013 to 07-01-2013 at Lok Virsa, Islamabad.

80. ***Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 08-01-2013 at 10:20 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state:

- (a) *the quantum and value of electricity stolen or wasted during the last five years with year-wise breakup; and*
- (b) *the reasons for the theft and wastage of electricity?*

Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar: (a) As per information provided by DISCOs the reply has been consolidated below:

The company wise/year wise quantum and value of electricity stolen or wasted during last five years is given as under:

81. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 09-01-2013 at 10:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation (FGEHF) collected registration fee from Government employees in connection with allotment of plots in a housing scheme in 2010, if so, the name of the bank authorized to collect that fee;*
- (b) *the time by which the scheme will be launched indicating also the sector earmarked for the purpose; and*
- (c) *the criteria adopted for determining priority / seniority for allotment of plots in the said scheme?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation announced Membership Drive on 28th August 2009 with the approval of the Prime Minister of Pakistan. Membership requires one time registration fee for entitlement of plot/apartment in all future schemes of FGE Housing Foundation. Askari Commercial Bank is authorized to collect the Membership Drive fee.

(b) There are two projects in pipe-line:—

- (i) Proposed Housing Scheme at Bara Kahu, Zone-IV, Islamabad. The project will be completed in 30 months after issuance of NOC from CDA. The exact date of launching could however not be instantly given as the project is subjudice before the Honorable Supreme Court under Suo-Moto.
- (ii) G+14 storey apartments scheme in Sector G-13, Islamabad. The project will be completed in 48 months after launch. The tentative date of launching is

August 2013. The Housing Foundation is, instantly, pursuing CDA for issuance of NOC for the project.

(c) Registration / Seniority of members is based on the date of deposit of fee **on first come first serve basis**. Only the registered employees would be entertained for allotment in all future schemes.

82. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 09-01-2013 at 10:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Human Resource Development be pleased to state:

- (a) *the initial amount of contribution made by the Government to the Workers Welfare Fund; and*
- (b) *the steps being taken by the Federal Government for further contribution in the Workers Welfare Fund alongwith its details?*

Reply not received.

85. ***Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq:** (Notice received on 18-01-2013 at 15:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) *the date on which summary for allocation of Sector F-14, Islamabad for Housing Scheme for Government employees was submitted to the Prime Minister of Pakistan; and*
- (b) *the steps taken by the Ministry of Housing so far to pursue the case with the Prime Minister and make arrangements for early development of the siad sector for Government employees?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) The Summary for the Prime Minister for allocation of land in Sector F-14 was initiated by the Ministry of Housing and Works through Cabinet Secretary on 20-09-2011 (copy of Summary at Annex-A).

(b) The Cabinet Division *vide* its letter No.5/1/2004-CDA.II dated 29-05-2012 (Annex-B) intimated that a meeting was held on 21-03-2012 under the chairmanship of Cabinet Secretary to discuss the un-resolved cases and a committee has been constituted under the chairmanship of Cabinet Secretary on the directive of Prime Minister to discuss and resolve the issue pertaining to allocation of land for Federal Government Employees Housing Scheme in Islamabad. In the meeting convened on 21-03-2012, it was decided to seek detail of reports/various proposals with regards to allocation of land for FGE Housing Foundation, Pakistan Housing Authority and Capital Development Authority. In compliance with the decision of the above said committee,

the FGE Housing Foundation has submitted its report to the Cabinet Division *vide* letter No.10(F-12)/Tech/HF/2005 dated 11-06-2012 (Annex-C). No further meeting of the committee has been convened as yet. The Ministry of Housing is pursuing this matter with Cabinet Division for an early decision.

86. ***Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq:** (Notice received on 18-01-2013 at 15:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

- (a) the date on which development work was started on officer's Housing Scheme, Kurri Road, Islamabad;*
- (b) the number of interruptions in the development work took place since its start indicating also the reasons for each interruption; and*
- (c) the name of officers / officials found responsible for interruptions in the development work and action taken against them?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) The development work on Officer's Housing Scheme, Kurri Road, Islamabad was awarded to the Contractor on March 22, 2012.

(b) The main interruption is the delayed handing over of the land by CDA. The possession was taken over in the last week of September, 2012. A total of 90.82 acres land was to be handed over to PHAF by CDA while only 80 acres are given to PHAF so far.

(c) The matter regarding possession of remaining land from CDA is being vigorously pursued by PHAF to avoid interruptions in the development works.

87. ***Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq:** (Notice received on 18-01-2013 at 15:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to refer to Senate starred question No. 34, replied on 10th October, 2012, and state:

- (a) the names and parentage of persons who have applied for gas connections in village Dhalla, Adiala Road, Rawalpindi;*
- (b) the names of those applicants who have been issued demand notices for provision of gas connections indicating also the names of those persons who have deposited the amount / fee for connection with date wise breakup;*
- (c) the names of the said applicants who have been provided gas connections and the time by which the remaining applicants who have deposited the demand notices will be provided gas connections; and*

(d) *the time by which demand notices will be issued to those applicants who have not been issued the same so far?*

Dr. Asim Hussain: (a) The names and parentage of persons who have applied for gas connections in village Dhalla, Adiala Road, Rawalpindi is attached as **Annex-A**.

(b) The names of those, applicants who have been issued proposal letters/Demand are attached at **Annex-B**, the names of those applicants who have been issued demand notices and deposited the amount/fee for connection with date wise breakup are attached at **Annex-C**.

(c) The names of said applicants who have been provided gas connections are attached as **Annex-D**.

Gas connections are being provided on turn/merit basis and gas connections to the remaining applicants who have deposited their securities will be provided on or before 30-06-2013, barring unforeseen circumstances.

(d) Proposal letters/demand notes to all online applicants who have applied in the year 2010 have been issued. Surveys of the applicants of the year 2011 are being carried out and proposal letters to on line applicants will be issued by 15-04-2013. Cases of the remaining applicants shall be processed on its turn/merit.

89. ***Mr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari:** (Notice received on 22-01-2013 at 14:40 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

(a) *the total amount deposited so far by the allottees of the Officer's Housing Scheme, Kurri Road, Islamabad;*

(b) *the amount utilized out of the same so far with head wise break up; and*

(c) *the balance amount indicating also the head of account where it has been kept?*

Reply not received.

90. ***Mr. Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari:** (Notice received on 22-01-2013 at 14:40 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

(a) *whether it is fact that a number of allottees of the Officer's Housing Scheme, Kurri Road, Islamabad, are not depositing their installment in time due to inordinate delay in development work of the scheme; and*

(b) *whether it is also a fact that the terms of the said scheme provide for 2% penalty on late payment, if so, the steps taken by the Government to remove this penalty and reconsider / revise the schedule for payment in view of the slow pace of development work on the scheme?*

Reply not received.

44. ***Mr. Nisar Muhammad:** (Notice received on 11-02-2013 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state:

- (a) *the power generation capacity of the country from all sources including hydel, thermal and IPPs etc.; and*
(b) *the demand and shortage of power at present?*

Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar: The Power Generation Capacity of the country (except KESC) from all sources including Hydel, Thermal (GENCOs & IPPs) and Nuclear Power Plants, is as under:

Sr. #	Source	Average Generation (as on 20-02-2013)
1.	Hydel Generation	2,837 MW
2.	Thermal (GENCOs)	1,584 MW
3.	Thermal (IPPs)	3,468 MW
4.	Nuclear	615 MW
Total		8,504 MW

The Demand and Shortage of Power at present (as on 20-02-2013) is as under :

Average Demand	Average Generation	Average Shortfall
11,451 MW	8,504 MW	2,947 MW

45. ***Mr. Nisar Muhammad:** (Notice received on 11-02-2013 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state..

- (a) *the installed power generation capacity together with current generations of KESC; and*
- (b) *the cost of generation of electricity and the rate at which it is being supplied to consumers?*

Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar: The installed Power Generation Capacity of the National Grid System (except KESC), is as under:

Sr. #	Source	Installed/Derated Capacity
1.	Hydel Generation	6,626 MW
2.	Thermal (GENCOs)	3,580 MW
3.	Thermal (IPPs)	7,577 MW
4.	Nuclear	615 MW
Total		18,398 MW

The cost of electricity generation at present:

Hydel	Coal	HSD	F.O.	Gas	*Wind
0.11.	4.84	20.12	16.15	5.17	0.004

*For Wind projects, only variable O&M cost is considered as fuel cost.

Average prevailing NEPRA determined and GoP notified tariff based on cost of supply is as under:

Average NEPRA determined tariff = Rs. 11.89/kWh
 Average GoP notified tariff = Rs. 8.78 kWh

46. ***Begum Najma Hameed:** (Notice received on 11-02-2013 at 15:00 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the schedule of closure of CNG stations in the country with province-wise break up; and*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that duration of closure of CNG stations in Punjab is longer than the duration of closure of CNG stations in other provinces, if so, the reasons for this disparity?*

Dr. Asim Hussain: (a) The province wise schedule of closure of CNG stations is given hereunder:

Punjab	5 holidays/week
Federal Capital	5 holidays/week
AJK	5 holidays/week
Sind	2 holidays/week
Khyber Pakhtoonkhawa	No gas holiday
Balochistan	No gas holiday

(b) Yes. It is a fact that duration of closure of CNG stations in Punjab is longer than the duration of closure of CNG stations in other provinces.

Due to meager gas demand, there is no gas load management in Balochistan. The honorable Sindh and Peshawar High Courts have directed the Federal Government to adhere to the provisions of Article 158 of the Constitution therefore gas load management is mainly restricted to Punjab Province and to some extent to Sindh province as per demand and supply position of gas.

47. ***Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq:** (Notice received on 12-02-2013 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to refer to the Senate starred question No.77, replied on 10th May, 2012, and state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to discontinue charging of rent of electricity meters from the consumers who did not pay full cost of meters at the time of connection but payment of cost of meters has been completed by making payment in the form of meter rent, if not, its reasons?

Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar: There is no such proposal under consideration to discontinue the charging of Meter Rent from consumers who did not pay full cost of meters at the time of connections. The rent is being charged as per policy in vogue that time.

48. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 13-02-2013 at 10:40 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister's Secretariat be pleased to state:

- (a) *percentage of reconstruction and rehabilitation work completed by Earth Quack Rehabilitation Authority of the approved projects of Education, health and road communication in Abottabad, Mansehra, Kohistan and Shangla during the last five years; and*
- (b) *perks and privileges admissible to the officers and staff working in ERRA in various categories?*

Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister's Secretariat: (a) Percentage of reconstruction & rehabilitation work completed by ERRA in Abbottabad, Mansehra, Kohistan and Shangla during the last five years is as under:—

Abbottabad			
Sector	Approved Projects	Completed No.	Completed %
Education	562	269	47.86%
Health	24	8	33.33%
Roads	37	17	45.95%
Mansehra			
Education	1214	697	57.41%
Health	43	26	60.47%
Roads	57	35	61.40%
Shangla			
Education	205	63	30.73%
Health	22	14	63.64%
Roads	26	11	42.31%
Kohistan			
Education	399	42	10.53%
Health	23	3	13.04%
Roads	16	9	56.25%

(b) In addition to Basic Pay scales, officers and staff of ERRA are entitled to Presidency Allowance, electricity/fuel subsidy mobile subsidy & hiring facility.

49. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 13-02-2013 at 10:40 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing be pleased to state:

(a) *the names of employees of Islamabad Police illegally occupying Government accommodation in Islamabad; and*

(b) *the steps-taken by the Government to get vacated the said accommodations?*

Sardar Talib Hassan Nakai: (a) A list showing the names of employees of Islamabad Police illegally occupying Government Accommodation in Islamabad is at **Annex-A.**

(b) Steps for vacation were initiated in these cases but the un-authorized occupants have got stay orders from various courts. These stay orders are being contested in the Courts.

50. ***Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:** (Notice received on 13-02-2013 at 10:40 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) the province-wise reservoirs of oil and gas in the country at present along-with details thereof*
- (b) the province-wise oil and gas producing fields in the country at present along-with the details thereof*
- (c) the province and scale-wise total number of employees presently working in the Ministry and its attached departments; and*
- (d) the procedure of exploration and extraction of oil and gas in the country?*

Dr. Asim Hussain: (a) The requisite information is at annexure-I & II.

(b) The requisite information is at Annexure-III.

(c) It relates to JS (A&CA) MP&NR.

- (d)
 - (i) Initially exploration licences are being awarded / granted through open/competitive bidding process to Exploration & Production company(ies) who commits best work programme (seismic/drilling) in terms of work units;
 - (ii) Directorate General of Petroleum Concessions, being upstream regulator, manages the process of finalization of PCAs/PSAs and administers the bidding process for award of petroleum rights;
 - (iii) Grant of Petroleum Rights (Exploration Licence &/or Development & Production Lease) and PCAs/PSAs are signed by the Secretary Petroleum and Natural Resources for and on behalf of the President of Pakistan. Subsequent to the grant of the Exploration Licence, the licence holders start exploration activities in their Licence Area by conducting technical studies, seismic surveys and drilling of exploration well (s) etc.
 - (iv) Following an oil/gas discovery an appraisal made and, if it is declared commercial discovery then Government approves commerciality, field development plan and grants Development & Production Lease to the

company upto 25 years based upon the actual production profile of the field under the applicable rules and Lessee starts producing petroleum from the lease area.

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

51. ***Mr. Nisar Muhammad:** (Notice received on 13-02-2013 at 10:55 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Works be pleased to state whether it is a fact that a number of sacked employees of Pak PWD reinstated in pursuance of the Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act have not so far been paid emoluments / arrears as per their entitlement, if so, the time by which they will be paid?

Reply not received.

52. ***Mr. Karim Ahmed Khawaja:** (Notice received on 14-02-2013 at 9:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names of companies exploring oil and gas in the country indicating also the area of operation of each company; and*
- (b) *the details of public welfare projects undertaken by each of the said company in respective areas during the last five years?*

Dr. Asim Hussain: (a) List of the Exploration and Production companies operating in different areas of Pakistan alongwith the names of exploration blocks and districts is attached at Annex-I.

(b) The Exploration and Production companies are spending Social Welfare funds in and around the licence / lease area on the schemes prepared by the companies in consultation with Districts administration and endorsed by the concerned MNA. Company-wise details of the schemes carried out during the years 2008, 2009, 2010 2011 and 2012 are given in the attached Annexure-II.

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53. ***Mr. Karim Ahmed Khawaja:** (Notice received on 14-02-2013 at 9:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the quantum and value of oil and gas produced in the country during the last five years with year and province-wise break-up; and*
- (b) *the amount of royalty paid to each province thereof during the said period with year wise break up; and*
- (c) *the formula adopted for the payment of royalty?*

Dr. Asim Hussain: (a) The quantum of oil and gas produced in the country during the reported period is detailed at Annex-I. However value of oil and gas produced in the country during the last five years at Annex-II and Annex-III.

- (b) The requisite information is at Annex-IV.
- (c) The requisite information is at Annex-V.

Annexure-V

The Formula adopted for the Payment of Royalty

1. The power to make Rules of payment of royalty by oil and gas companies has been conferred under Article 2(4) of Act No. XXIV of 1948. The relevant extract of the Article 2 (4) is as under :

“the determination of the rates at which, and the conditions subject to which, royalties, rents, and taxes shall be paid by licenses, lessees and grantees of mining concessions”

2. Article 161 of The Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan (1973) also provides as under:

“161. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Article 78 the net proceeds of the Federal duty of excise on natural gas levied at well-head and collected by the Federal Government, and of the royalty collected by the Federal Government, shall not form part of the Federal Consolidated Fund and shall be paid to the Province in which the well-head of natural gas is situated.”

3. In pursuance of the 1948 Act, Petroleum Exploration & Production 1949, 1986, 2001 and 2009 have been made according to which royalty on Oil and Gas is payable to the Government @ 12.5% of the “Well-Head value” of oil and gas produced and saved. “Wellhead value” means the market value of the Petroleum less gathering, processing, treatment and transportation costs from the wellhead to the place at which the market value is determined, and in the case of natural gas shall also include compression, dehydration and liquefaction costs.

4. The royalty on oil and gas under the Rules is deposited by the producers in the National Bank of Pakistan/State Bank of Pakistan, which after compilation is advised to M/o Finance. Royalty on oil and gas collected by the Federal Government, is distributed to the provinces as per the Constitution Article 161 (1) and NFC Award after deduction of 2% collection charges .

54. ***Ch. Mohammad Jaffar Iqbal :** (Notice received on 14-02-2013 at 9:04 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of violations of Indus Water treaty made by India since 1st January, 2000 and the action taken by the Government of Pakistan thereon;*
- (b) whether it is a fact that India has constructed Nimoo-Bazgo and Chuttak hydropower projects on Indus river in violation of the said Treaty and the relevant Pakistani Institutions have failed to take up such violations at appropriate forum within statutory parameters, if so, the reasons thereof;*
- (c) whether it is also a fact that an inquiry committee was constituted to assess negligence on the part of Pakistani Institutions in connection with said violations, if so, the findings of that committee; and*
- (d) the names and designation of the persons found responsible for the said negligence by the said inquiry committee and the action taken against them?*

Reply not received.

ISLAMABAD :
The 7th March, 2013.

IFTIKHAR ULLAH BABAR,
Secretary.