(272nd Session)

SENATE SECRETARIAT

"QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES"

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

Wednesday, the 24th January, 2018

DEFERRED QUESTIONS

[Questions Nos. 94, 100 and 180 deferred on 7th November, 2017, (269th Session)]

(Def.) *Question No. 94 **Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan:**
(Notice received on 04-10-2017 at 9:20 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Government of Pakistan and Azerbaijan signed an MoU for cooperation in the energy sector on 28th February, 2017, if so, the progress made on the same so far?

Mr. Jam Kamal Khan: It is a fact that Government of Pakistan and Government Republic of Azerbaijan has signed an Inter Governmental Agreement (IGA) on February 28, 2017.

Pakistani side has nominated Pakistan State Oil Company Limited (PSOCL), Pakistan LNG Limited (PLL), Pakistan LNG Terminal Limited (PLTL), Oil & Gas Development Company Limited (OGDCL), Pakistan Petroleum Limited (PPL) for negotiating Sale/Purchase Agreement for Petroleum Products, LNG Supply, establishment of LNG Terminals etc.

Azerbaijani side has nominated the State Oil Company of the Republic of Azerbaijan ("SOCAR"), for negotiating Sale/Purchase Agreement.

Pakistan State Oil (PSO)

Draft Term Sale/Purchase Agreement for Petroleum Products has been prepared by PSO and negotiations thereupon are expected to start with SOCAR in January, 2018.

The Price Negotiation Committee constituted by the PSO Board of Management shall carry out the negotiations on behalf of PSO.

Pakistan LNG Limited (PLL)

PLL is negotiating supply of LNG from SOCAR in pursuance of IGA.

A Price Negotiating Committee (PNC) has been constituted with approval of ECC of the Cabinet to discuss LNG pricing issues between PLL and SOCAR.

(Def.) *Question No. 100 **Senator Ahmed Hassan:**
(Notice received on 11-10-2017 at 04:45 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing and Works be pleased to refer to the Senate starred question No. 155 replied on 21st September, 2017 and state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 70 plots were allocated in Cat-I under the Constitutional quota in Sector F-14 and 15 under the Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation (FGEHF) registration drive II but only 46 applicants were issued consent letters and the remaining plots went unallotted; and

(b) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to allot the said unallotted plots of that quota in Sector F-14 and 15 to the employees of Constitutional bodies who registered themselves under the re-opened membership drive-II, if so, the details thereof?

Mr. Akram Khan Durrani: (a) As per tentative plot position, nearly 70 plots are allocated against constitutional quotas against which all 46 applicants/ members have been issued consent letter. The availability of balance plots will be determined as and when exact plot position of the scheme is conveyed by the concerned quarters.

(b) The issue of allotment of unallotted plots will be decided upon receipt of final plot position after due adjustment within various quotas, with the approval of competent authority.

(Def.) *Question No. 180 **Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini:**
(Notice received on 03-10-2017 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the lease agreement of Sandak Coper Gold Project has been extended, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government of Balochistan was consulted about the extension of the said agreement of that project; and

(c) the details or share of dividend of the Federal Government and Government of Balochistan out of the said project?

Mr. Jam Kamal Khan: (a) Yes, the lease contract period of Saindak Copper-Gold Project (District Chagai, Balochistan) between Saindak Metals Limited (SML) and Metallurgical Corporation of China (MCC) has been extended for five years from November 01, 2017 to October 31, 2022 with the approval of competent authority / Federal Cabinet.

(b) Yes, the term of the abovesaid lease contract of Saindak Project has been extended with consultation/consent of the Government of Balochistan.

(c) As per Contract Agreement, the earnings of Federal and Provincial Government from Saindak Project are as follows:—

Government of Pakistan/SML:

Annual Rent:	US$ 0.500 million (to SML).
Profit Sharing:	50% of cash surplus (to SML), out of which 60% on net basis is shared with GoB.
Presumptive Tax:	1.00% of sale proceeds.
EPZ Dev, Surcharge:	0.50% of sale proceeds.

Government of Balochistan (GoB):

Royalty.	05% of sale proceeds.
Profit Sharing:	60% of SML's net profit share.
Social Uplift Support:	05% of net profit to Miners' Welfare Board.

Besides, the Project employs around 1,800 locals and is providing free basic amenities [electricity, drinking water, health services and education etc.] to nearby villages.

*Question No. 43 **Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:**
(Notice received on 10-11-2017 at 02:35 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state the distribution and supply losses of electricity registered in the country during the last five years with province wise break up?

Sardar Awais Ahmed Khan Leghari: Detail of distribution & transmission losses of electricity in the country DISCO-wise (except K-Electric) during last five years is as Annex-X.

Annex-X

TRNSMISSION &DISTRIBUTION LOSSES

(132 kV & Below System)

(M.kwh)

DISCOs	2016-17			2015-16			2014-15			2013-14			2012-13		
	Units Recvd	Units Billed	%age	Units Recvd	Units Billed	%age	Units Recvd	Units Billed	%age	Recd	Billed	%age	Recd	Billed	%age
LESCO	20,622	17,783	13.8	20,152	17,342	13.9	19,009	16,328	14.1	18,432	15,948	13.5	16,142	14,046	13.0
GEPCO	9,779	8,776	10.2	9,045	8,089	10.6	7,902	7,055	10.7	7,671	6,828	11.0	6,532	5,852	10.4
FESCO	12,858	11,489	10.6	11,920	10,700	10.2	11,243	10,005	11.0	10,910	9,682	11.3	9,506	8,523	10.3
IESCO	10,583	9,628	9.0	9,650	8,774	9.1	8,993	8,147	9.4	9,036	8,192	9.3	8,411	7,656	8.9
MEPCO	15,951	13,253	16.9	14,770	12,341	16.4	14,076	11,711	16.8	13,860	11,437	17.5	11,762	9,787	16.8
PESCO	12,511	8,432	32.6	11,750	7,783	33.8	11,654	7,597	34.8	11,301	7,471	33.9	12,396	8,409	32.2
TESCO	1,451	1,227	15.4	1,269	1,028	19.0	1,401	1,101	21.4	1,758	1,366	22.3			
HESCO	5,360	3,718	30.6	5,085	3,739	26.5	5,514	4,020	27.1	5,014	3,685	26.5	4,752	3,453	27.3
SEPCO	4,489	2,786	37.9	4,197	2,608	37.9	4,348	2,682	38.3	4,402	2,702	38.6	4,392	2,665	39.3
QESCO	5,789	4,453	23.1	5,547	4,220	23.9	5,245	3,994	23.9	4,997	3,744	25.1	4,907	3,821	22.1
TOTAL	99,391	81,558	17.9	93,385	76,623	17.9	89,385	72,642	18.7	87,380	71,055	18.7	78,800	64,223	18.5

*Question No. 44 **Senator Ahmed Hassan:**
(Notice received on 13-11-2017 at 10:50 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water Resources be pleased to state the details of Tungus Hydro Power Project indicating also the location, estimated cost, expected date of commencement and completion of work on the same?

Syed Javed Ali Shah: The detail of Tungus Hydropower Project alongwith location, estimated cost, expected date of commencement and completion of work is as under:

Location

The dam site is located on Indus river 54 km downstream of Skardu city and 695 Km from Islamabad.

Expected date of Commencement & Completion.

Expected completion is five years after commencement.

Present Status

The Project was identified by Montreal Engineering Company(MONENCO) under Canadian International Development Agency(CIDA) grant during 1984 for a capacity of 685 MW.

The capacity has been upgraded to 2,200 MW by WAPDA.

PC-II amounting to Rs.708.640 Million for feasibility study was submitted to Ministry of Water and Power on 18-07-2014 for approval from CDWP.

Ministry of Water & Power returned the PC-II in April 2016, for cost updating, confirmation of financing source and priority of project in consultation with Govt. of Gilgit Baltistan

PC-II has been updated by WAPDA at an amount of Rs. 975.013 Million. The same will be submitted for approval after firming up of financing.

Conducting Feasibility Study, Detailed Engineering Design and implementation or the Project depends upon the approval of PC -II which will be initiated on the availability of required financing.

*Question No. 47 **Senator Ahmed Hassan:**
(Notice received on 14-11-2017 at 09:55 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water Resources be pleased to state the details of Yalbo Hydro Power Project indicating also the location, estimated cost, expected date of commencement and completion of work on the same

Syed Javed Ali Shah: Location

The dam site is located on Indus fiver 95 km, downstream of Skardu city and 645 Km from Islamabad.

Expected date of Commencement & Completion

The project will commence after completion of the study and approval of PC-I Expected completion period of the project is five years after commencement.

Present Status

- The Project was identified by Montreal Engineering Company under Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) grant during 1984 for a capacity of 710 MW. The capacity of this project was upgraded to 2,800 MW by WAPDA in 2011.

- PC-II amounting to Rs. 734.287 million for Feasibility Study of the Project was submitted to Ministry of Water and Power on 18-07-2014.

- The Ministry returned the PC-II in April 2016 for cost updating, confirmation of financing source, and priority of project in consultation with Govt. of Gilgit Baltistan.

- PC-II has been updated by WAPDA at an amount of Rs. 971.795 million and will be submitted to the Ministry after firming up of financing.

Conducting Feasibility Study, Detailed Engineering Design and implementation of the Project depends upon the approval of PC-II.

*Question No. 48 **Senator Ahmed Hassan:**
(Notice received on 14-11-2017 at 09:55 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) the number of applications for financial assistance to poor patients received in the Public Affairs and Grievances Wing during the last two years; and

(b) the number of the said applicants who were provided financial assistance during the said period?

Sheikh Aftab Ahmed: (a) The number of applications for financial assistance to the poor patients received in the Public Affairs and Grievances Wing of M/o Parliamentary Affairs from 17-01-2016 to 12-01-2018 were 1434.

(b) Financial Assistance was provided to 614 patients suffering from fatal diseases during the period from 17-01-2016 to 12-01-2018. (Province wise and Disease wise lists along with financial expenditure are at **Annex-A & B.** The amount incurred is directly paid by M/o National Health Services, Regulations & Coordination to the concerned treating hospitals).

Annex-A

LIST OF MEDICAL CASES APPROVED UNDER PRIME MINISTER'S FATAL DISEASE PROGRAMME

(PROVINCE WISE DETAIL)

AS ON 12-01-2018

FINANCIAL YEAR 2015-16

Sr. No.	Province/Area	No. of Patients	Amount sanctioned (in million)
1	Punjab	17	39.990
2	Sindh	9	31.445
3	KPK/FATA	7	25.525
4	ICT	3	6.828
5	Balochistan	2	9.600
6	AJK/GB	1	0.300
	Total	**39**	**113.688**

FINANCIAL YEAR 2016-17

Sr. No.	Province/Area	No. of Patients	Amount sanctioned (in million)
1	Punjab	84	201.257
2	Sindh	62	184.650
3	KPK/FATA	77	165.707
4	ICT	17	35.662
5	Balochistan	9	26.860
6	AJK/GB	7	4.593
	Total	**256**	**618.729**

FINANCIAL YEAR 2017-18

Sr. No.	Province/Area	No. of Patients	Amount sanctioned (in million)
1	Punjab	104	196.034
2	Sindh	70	185.776
3	KPK/FATA	119	257.987
4	ICT	13	29.581
5	Balochistan	13	37.392
6	AJK/GB	0	0.000
	Total	**319**	**706.770**

Total No. of Patients	**614**
Total (Rupees in Million)	**1439.187**

Annex-B

LIST OF MEDICAL CASES APPROVED UNDER PRIME MINISTER'S FATAL DISEASE PROGRAMME

(DISEASE WISE DETAIL)

AS ON 12-01-2018

FINANCIAL YEAR 2015-16

Sr. No.	Name Diseases	No. of Patients	Amount sanctioned (in million)
1	Liver Transplantation	16	75.210
2	Bone Marrow Transplantation	12	29.300
3	Cancer Treatment	2	2.900
4	Other Diseases	9	6.278
	Total	**39**	**113.688**

FINANCIAL YEAR 2016-17

Sr. No.	Name Diseases	No. of Patients	Amount sanctioned (in million)
1	Liver Transplantation	85	346.452
2	Bone Marrow Transplantation	51	139.335
3	Cancer Treatment	18	16.043
4	Other Diseases	102	116.899
	Total	**256**	**618.729**

FINANCIAL YEAR 2017-18

Sr. No.	Name Diseases	No. of Patients	Amount sanctioned (in million)
1	Liver Transplantation	95	337.089
2	Bone Marrow Transplantation	50	143.926
3	Cancer Treatment	25	37.136
4	Other Diseases	149	188.619
	Total	**319**	**706.770**

Total No. of Patients	**614**
Total (Rupees in Million)	**1439.187**

*Question No. 49 **Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:**
(Notice received on 14-11-2017 at 10:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to promote wind energy projects on priority basis to overcome the power shortage in the country?

Sardar Awais Ahmed Khan Leghari: The Government of Pakistan is actively pursuing exploitation of indigenous energy resources including wind energy potential in the country. As a result of Government's attractive Renewable Energy Policy and other initiatives taken for development of wind energy in the country, a number of wind energy projects have been developed through private sector on IPP mode and are operational, with several other projects under construction. Details of which are shown below:

Sr. No.	Description	Quantity	Capacity (MW)
1.	Projects in operation	15	788.5
2.	Projects under construction	9	445
3.	Initial Stage (LOI)	4	164

In pursuance to NEPRA's determination dated 27th January 2017 for carrying out competitive bidding for awarding of tariff to new wind power projects, the Government plans to develop new wind power projects of approx. 1200 MW cumulative capacity through competitive bidding, working for which has already been initiated.

*Question No. 50 **Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati:**
(Notice received on 14-11-2017 at 11:05 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state the details of increase made in the prices of petroleum products by the present Government during its tenure?

Mr. Jam Kamal Khan: The domestic ex-depot sale prices of petroleum products were fluctuated upward/downward due to international oil pricing trend during the tenure of present Government. The *ex*-depot sale price of various petroleum products in beginning period of the Government was at higher side than the present period as reflected here under:

Rs./Liter

Date	MS(Petrol)	SKO(Kerosene)	HSD(Diesel)	LDO(Light Diesel Oil)
1-May-2013	97.59	94.17	106.06	89.06
1-Jan.-2018	81.53	64.32	89.91	58.37

The details of increase/decrease made in the oil prices by the present Government during its entire tenure (May 2013 to January 2018) are at Annex-I.

Annex-I

Ex-Depot Sale Prices of Petroleum Products (Rs./Litre)

Date	MS (Petrol)	SKO (Kerosene)	HSD (Diesel)	LDO (Light Diesel Oil)
1-May-13	97.59	94.17	106.06	89.06
1-Jun-13	99.77	93.79	104.60	89.13
13-Jun-13	100.63	94.59	105.50	89.90
21-Jun-13	99.77	93.79	104.60	89.13
1-Aug-13	104.50	101.28	109.76	96.12
1-Sep-13	109.13	105.99	112.26	98.43
1-Oct-13	113.24	108.13	116.95	101.24
1-Nov-13	112.76	108.00	116.75	101.24
1-Dec-13	112.76	108.00	116.75	101.24
1-Jan-14	112.76	108.00	116.75	101.24
1-Feb-14	112.76	106.76	116.75	100.22
1-Mar-14	110.03	106.76	116.75	100.22
1-Apr-14	108.31	101.15	113.85	95.06
1-May-14	107.97	98.07	109.34	94.13
1-Jun-14	107.97	97.40	109.34	94.13
1-Jul-14	107.97	97.40	109.34	94.13
29-Jul-14	107.97	97.05	109.34	93.27
1-Aug-14	107.97	97.05	109.34	93.27
1-Sep-14	106.56	96.99	108.34	92.08
1-Oct-14	103.62	95.68	107.39	91.94
1-Nov-14	94.19	87.52	101.21	83.37
1-Dec-14	84.53	83.18	94.09	77.98
1-Jan-15	78.28	71.92	86.23	67.50
1-Feb-15	70.29	61.44	80.61	57.94
1-Mar-15	70.29	61.44	80.61	57.94
1-Apr-15	74.29	61.44	83.61	57.94
1-May-15	74.29	61.44	83.61	57.94
1-Jun-15	77.79	64.94	87.12	61.51
1-Jul-15	77.79	64.94	87.11	61.51
1-Aug-15	76.76	60.11	85.05	56.59
1-Sep-15	73.76	57.11	82.04	53.59

1-Oct-15	73.76	57.11	82.04	53.59
1-Nov-15	76.26	57.11	83.79	53.59
1-Dec-15	76.26	56.32	83.79	53.23
1-Jan-16	76.25	48.25	80.79	44.94
1-Feb-16	71.25	43.25	75.79	39.94
1-Mar-16	62.77	43.25	71.12	37.97
1-Apr-16	64.27	43.25	72.52	37.97
1-May-16	64.27	43.25	72.52	37.97
1-Jun-16	64.27	43.25	72.52	37.97
1-Jul-16	64.27	43.25	72.52	43.35
1-Aug-16	64.27	43.25	72.52	43.35
1-Sep-16	64.27	43.25	72.52	43.34
1-Oct-16	64.27	43.25	72.52	43.34
1-Nov-16	64.27	43.25	72.52	43.34
1-Dec-16	66.27	43.25	75.22	43.34
1-Jan-17	66.27	43.25	75.22	43.34
16-Jan-17	68.04	43.25	77.22	43.34
1-Feb-17	70.29	43.25	79.48	43.34
16-Feb-17	71.29	43.25	80.48	43.34
1-Mar-17	73.00	44.00	82.00	44.00
1-Apr-17	74.00	44.00	83.00	44.00
1-May-17	74.00	44.00	83.00	44.00
1-Jun-17	72.80	44.00	81.40	44.00
1-Jul-17	71.30	44.00	79.90	44.00
1-Aug-17	71.30	44.00	79.90	44.00
6-Aug-17	69.50	44.00	77.40	44.00
1-Sep-17	71.50	44.00	77.40	44.00
1-Oct-17	73.50	48.00	79.40	46.00
1-Nov-17	75.99	53.19	84.59	49.00
1-Dec-17	77.47	57.58	85.95	52.12
1-Jan-18	81.53	64.32	89.91	58.37

*Question No. 51 **Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan:**
(Notice received on 15-11-2017 at 10:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state the details of the MoU signed by the SNGPL, SSGCL and Petroleum Division with Asia Pacific Corporation, UK and SEPTEC Ltd. Sweden on 19th May, 2015 indicating also the progress made on implementation of the same so far?

Mr. Jam Kamal Khan: A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) regarding conduct of Pre-feasibility Studies on Gas Conservation / Efficiency through rehabilitation, up-gradation and optimization of existing distribution network and installation of smart metering network was signed between SNGPL, SSGCL and Asia Pacific Corporation/SP Tech (SPETEC) Ltd. on 19th May, 2015.

*Question No. 52 **Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan:**
(Notice received on 15-11-2017 at 10:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state the progress made so far on the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signed between the Petroleum Division, Government of Pakistan and Government of the Turkish Republic on February 23, 2017 for cooperation in the energy sector?

Mr. Jam Kamal Khan: As informed by PSO, the draft Term Sale/ Purchase Agreement for Petroleum Products prepared by PSO has been share with Turkish Petroleum International Company (TPIC).

Negotiations between PSO and TPIC are expected to start in January 2018. The negotiations from PSO side will be carried out by Price Negotiation Committee which has been constituted by the PSO Board of Management.

*Question No. 53 **Senator Mohsin Aziz:**
(Notice received on 15-11-2017 at 10:40 a.m.)

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

(a) the budget allocated for the President House during the fiscal years from 2008-2009 to 2012-13; and

(b) the expenses of the President House during the last four fiscal years with year wise break up indicating also the budget allocated and utilized under the head of fuel, domestic and international travel?

Minister Incharge of the President's Secretariat: (a) The budget allocated for the President House (P.S Personal & Public) during the fiscal year from 2008-09 to 2012-13 is as under:

(Rs. In Million)

Financial Year	P.S (Personal)	P.S (Public)	Total Budget (P.S Personal & Public)
2008-09	Rs.178.147	Rs.161.892	Rs.340.039
2009-10	Rs.201.173	Rs.189.997	Rs.391.170
2010-11	Rs.238.552	Rs.189.069	Rs.427.621
2011-12	Rs.335.110	Rs.313.069	Rs.648.179
2012-13	Rs.385.433	Rs.422.504	Rs.807.937

(b) (i) The expenses of the President House during the last four fiscal years with year wise break up is as under:

(Rs. In Million)

Financial Year	P.S (Personal)	P.S (Public)	Total Expenditure (P.S Personal & Public)
2013-14	Rs.401.536	Rs.334.343	Rs.735.879
2014-15	Rs.404.330	Rs.359.578	Rs.763.908
2015-16	Rs.593.193	Rs.374.046	Rs.967.239
2016-17	Rs.574.169	Rs.386.904	Rs.961.073

(ii) The budget allocated and utilized, under the head of **"A03805-Travelling Charges"**, during the last four fiscal years with year wise break up in respect of President House is as under:

(Rs. In Million)

Financial Year	Budget (P.S Personal & Public)	Expenditure (P.S Personal & Public)
2013-14	Rs.12.889	Rs.12.880
2014-15	Rs.11.181	Rs.11.041
2015-16	Rs.9.394	Rs.9.385
2016-17	Rs.11.071	Rs.10.798

(iii) The budget allocated and utilized, under the head of **A03807-POL Charges, Fuel)**, during the last four fiscal years with year wise break up in respect of President, House is as under:

(Rs. In Million)

Financial Year	Budget (P/S Personal & Public)	Expenditure (P/S Personal & Public)
2013-14	Rs.32.500	Rs.32.496
2014-15	Rs.24.294	Rs.24.292
2015-16	Rs.18.660	Rs.18.659
2016-17	Rs.23.277	Rs.23.262

*Question No. 54 **Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi:**
(Notice received on 15-11-2017 at 10:50 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Sui Northern Gas Pipe Lines Limited and Sui Southern Gas Pipelines Limited have been issuing inflated bills to gas consumers since March, 2017, if so, the reasons thereof; and

(b) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to adjust the additional amount charged through the said inflated bills in the next bills of those consumers?

Mr. Jam Kamal Khan: (a) No. It is not a fact that SNGPL and SSGC have been issuing inflated gas bills to gas consumers since March 2017.

(b) Not Applicable.

*Question No. 55 **Senator Sirajul Haq:**
(Notice received on 15-11-2017 at 11:03 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Religious Affairs and Inter Faith Harmony be pleased to state:

(a) the names, names of departments and place of domicile of the persons who were sent as Moawneen-Hajj during the last five years;

(b) whether any set criteria has been laid down for selection of the said Mawneen or new criteria is prepared each year; and

(c) the criteria adopted for the selection of those Moawneen for Hajj during the last years?

Sardar Muhammad Yousaf: Details of the Government employees who have performed Hajj as Moavineen-e-Hujjaj, during the last 4 years may kindly be perused at **Annex-I.**

(b) Every year the selection criteria is modified as per requirement with the approval of Federal Minister. Details of criteria for the last four years at **Annex-II.**

(c) The criteria for the selection for Moavineen-e-Hujjaj 2017 is attached at **Annex-III.**

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

*Question No. 57 **Senator Kalsoom Perveen:**
(Notice received on 15-11-2017 at 12:20 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Law and Justice be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the NAB has initiated inquiry against the National Testing Service Agency, if so, the details of allegations against the agency and present status of the inquiry / investigation?

Chaudhry Mahmood Bashir Virk: It is informed that NAB has received 06 x complaints against National Testing Service (NTS) so far having following category of allegations.

a. 04 x Complaints pertaining to financial wrong doings / cheating / embezzlements.

b. 02 x Complaints regarding leakage of question papers through electric media such as Whatsapp, Facebook etc. Presently, these

complaints are at Complaint Verification (CV) stage at NAB (Rawalpindi). Reportedly, FIA is also inquiring the matter and so these complaints are being examined to avoid the multiple legal proceedings / Jurisdictional issues.

*Question No. 58 **Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini:**
(Notice received on 15-11-2017 at 02:15 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Water Resources be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the acquisition of land for the construction of Diamer Bhasha Dam has not been completed, if so, the reasons thereof and the time by which the same will be completed; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that the cost of the said Dam has increased from Rs. 894 billion to Rs. 1400 billion, if so, the reasons thereof?

Syed Javed Ali Shah: (a) Acquisition for land of Diamer Basha Dam is in progress. So far 31.696 acre (85%) of land has been acquired out of total land 37,419 acres to be acquired, detail of land acquisition is as under:-

Land to be Acquired (Acres)			
Description	GB	KP	Total
Private land	17,918	439	18,357
Govt. land (free of cost)	18,073	989	19,062
Total	**35,991**	**1,428**	**37,419**
Land Acquired (Acres)			
Private land	14,320	162	14,482
Govt. land (free of cost)	17,214	-	17,214
Total	**31,534**	**162**	**31,696**

The major reason of delay in land acquisition is Boundary dispute between KP and GB. It is expected that same will be completed by 2018 subject to resolution of boundary dispute.

(b) PC-I of Diamer Basha Dam Project amounting to Rs. 894.257 billion was approved by ECNEC on 20.08.2009. Construction of Main dam could not be started as yet due to non-arrangement of finances from Donor Agencies.

Financing strategy of implementation of Diamer Basha Dam was considered by the Cabinet Committee on Energy on 29-11-2016. In the light of finances strategy , WAPDA submitted two PC-Is to the then Ministry of Water & Power (one for dam part and other for power generation). In this regard, PC-I (Dam Part) amounting to Rs. 649 billion and the other for Power Generation (amounting to Rs. 741 billion). PC-I for Dam part has been submitted to the Planning Commission on 24-03-2017, for its onward submission to the appropriate forum. PC-I for Power Generation part is currently under process in the Ministry of Water Resources. As per time line given in PC-I (Dam Part) the Dam will he operational by the year 2025-26, if the funds are provided to start the construction in 2018.

Due to escalation in prices, current estimated cost provided in the PC-I submitted to the Planning, Development & Reform Division is Rs. 1400 billion.

*Question No. 59 **Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati:**
(Notice received on 16-11-2017 at 10:55 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Religious Affairs and Inter Faith Harmony be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons who applied for Hajj in 2017;

(b) the number of the said persons who were allowed to proceed for Hajj;

(c) the amount received from those Hajj applicants; and

(d) the names and addresses of persons who performed Hajj on Government expenses during the year 2017?

Sardar Muhammad Yousaf: (a) Total Hajj applications received Hajj 2017 were 338,696.

(b) 107,401 Hajj applicants were allowed to proceed for Hajj 2017.

(c) The total amount is received for Hujjaj Rs. 30,442,691,480/-

(d) -Nil-

*Question No. 60 **Senator Mohsin Aziz:**
(Notice received on 16-11-2017 at 11:40 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state the number of industrial gas connections issued to captive power plants by SNGPL and SSGCL during the last four years with year wise break up?

Mr. Jam Kamal Khan: The year-wise break up of gas connections provided to captive power plants by SSGCL during the last four years are follows:-

S.No.	Year	No. of Cases
1.	2014-15	5
2.	2015-16	4
3.	2016-17	4
4.	2017-18	0

It is further apprised no industrial / captive power gas connection has been processed by SNGPL during last four years.

*Question No. 61 **Senator Kalsoom Perveen:**
(Notice received on 16-11-2017 at 11:43 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the power transmission line to Quetta has completed its life span; and

(b) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to replace the said transmission line or lay a new transmission line, if not, the reasons thereof?

Sardar Awais Ahmed Khan Leghari: (a) No, it is not a fact that the Power Transmission Line in Quetta . (Balochistan Province) has completed its useful life. The capacity of existing infrastructure/ Power Transmission Line in Balochistan is around 900MW.

The work on new 132kV double circuit Transmission Line Loralai – Muslim Bagh – Khanozai – Pishin – Quetta is in full swing and expected to be completed & energized during March 2018. Completion of said transmission line will further strengthen the power infrastructure and is expected that after energization of transmission line power drawl capability will be enhanced up to 1400MW.

(b) As far as the proposal is concerned apart from the above mentioned transmission line, a 132kV new double circuit transmission line Khuzdar – Mastung has also been commissioned during June 2017.

*Question No. 62 **Senator Kalsoom Perveen:**
(Notice received on 16-11-2017 at 11:47 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing and Works be pleased to state the details of the development projects being carried out by the Ministry of Housing and Works indicating also he name of the project, estimated cost, date of launching, expected date of completion and the amount spent so far in each case?

Mr. Akram Khan Durrani: Construction of Infrastructure Development work for Sector G-14/2 & 3, Islamabad rest with Housing Foundation. The details are as under:

Estimated Costs:	Rs. 1499.439 (Million)
Date of Launch:	September, 2012
Date of Completion:	July, 2018
Amount Spent:	IPC-13=Rs.1160.449 (Million)

It is stated that reply of the question is placed at Annex-A (PHA-Foundation and Pak PWD).

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

*Question No. 63 **Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini:**
(Notice received on 16-11-2017 at 01:20 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Religious Affairs and Inter Faith Harmony be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Pakistani Hajj pilgrims who died while performing Hajj during the last five years with year wise breakup; and

(b) whether bodies of the said pilgrims were borought to the country or otherwise?

Sardar Muhammad Yousaf: (a) Year wise break up of deceased Pakistani Hujjaj is as under:-

Hajj year	No. of death
2013	96
2014	87
2015	189
2016	86
2017	147
Total:	**605**

(b) No dead body of the deceased Hujjaj was brought to the country and they were buried in Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, as per Saudi Taleemat.

*Question No. 64 **Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz:**
(Notice received on 16-11-2017 at 01:45 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Irafanabad, main Taramiri Chowk and the adjacent rural areas of Islamabad are being provided low pressure gas for many years specially in winter seasons, if so, the steps being taken by the Government to resolve the issue?

Mr. Jam Kamal Khan: SNGPL has reported that Main Taramiri Chowk and adjacent rural areas of Islamabad are located at tail end of Islamabad city gas network. To resolve low pressure problem, one SMS at Nilore and a 10″ dia transmission line alongwith one TBS has been approved. After installation of SMS/TBS and laying of proposed line, low pressure problem in various sectors of Islamabad will be resolved.

*Question No. 65 **Senator Rahila Magsi:**
(Notice received on 17-11-2017 at 03:10 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Water Resources be pleased to state the names and location of dams, barrages and reservoirs constructed on rivers Sindh, Jehlum, Chanab, Ravi and Beas under the Indus Water Treaty during the last 10 years?

Syed Javed Ali Shah: No dam and barrage have been constructed by WAPDA on rivers Sindh, Jhelum, Chenab, Ravi and Beas under the Indus Water Treaty during the last 10 years. However following dams / barrages have been constructed under Indus Water Treaty:

Sr. No.	Name of River	Dam / Reservoir / Barrage	Location
1.	Sindh (Indus)	Tarbela Dam	District Swabi
		Chahsma Barrage / Reservoir	District Mianwali
2.	Jhelum	Mangla Dam	District Mirpur (AJK)
		Rasul Barrage	District Mandi Baha-ud-Din
3.	Chenab	Qadirabad Barrage	District Mandi Baha-ud-Din
		Marala Barrage	District Gujrat
4.	Ravi	Sindhnai Barrage	District Khanewal
5.	Beas	–	–

*Question No. 66 **Senator Mohammad Azam Khan Swati:**
(Notice received on 17-11-2017 at 04:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state the names and designations of officers working on contract re-employment and extension basis in the Election Commission of Pakistan indicating also the reasons for their re-employment or extension and pay, allowances and other fringe benefits admissible to them in each case?

Sheikh Aftab Ahmed: The following officers in the Election Commission have been re-employed and appointed on contractual basis:—

Sl. No.	Name	Designation	Contract/Re-employment	Pay & Allowances	Reason
1.	**Mr. Babar Yaqoob Fateh Muhammad**	Secretary (BPS-22)	Re-employed w.e.f. 1st November, 2015 on three years contract	Drawing the same Salary as he was drawing at the stage of superannuation.	Under Rule 8 & 11 of the Election Commission (Officers & Servants) Rules, 1989, the Hon'ble Chief Election Commissioner has re-employed and re-appointed Mr. Babar Yaqoob Fatch Muhammad, a BPS-22 officer with effect from 1st November, 2015 after his superannuation on 1st November, 2015 as there was no suitable candidate for the said post.
2.	**Mr. Muhammad Arshad**	Director General (Law) BPS-21	The post has been upgraded from BPS-20 to BPS-21 w.e.f 21st August, 2017 on two years contract.	Maximum of the pay scale of the post and allowances as admissible to corresponding civil servants.	As per TORs, Retired District & Sessions Judge was required to fill the vacancy.
3.	**Brig. (R) Muhammad Naeem Akbar Qazi, SI (M)**	Director General (Administration) BPS-20	On two years contract w.e.f. 17th July, 2017	As admissible to corresponding civil servants. However, qualification pay, allowances, senior post allowance and orderly allowance shall not be admissible in case these allowances were taken into account while calculating pension after retirement from previous service.	Due to non-availability of qualified officer for the said post, the vacancy was filled.
4.	**Malik Mujtaba Ahmad**	Additional Director General (Legal)	On two years contract w.e.f 14th November, 2017	Maximum of the pay scale of the post and allowances as admissible to corresponding civil servants.	As per TORs, Retired District & Sessions Judge was required to fill the vacancy.
5.	**Chaudhry Umar Hayat**	Director (Law)	On two years contract w.e.f 28th December, 2016	Maximum of the pay scale of the post and allowances as admissible to corresponding civil servants.	As per TORs, Retired District & Sessions Judge was required to fill the vacancy.

*Question No. 67 **Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan:**
(Notice received on 22-11-2017 at 01:00 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state the details of the agreements signed by the Petroleum Division, Government of Pakistan with the Government of Russian Federation for North-South Gas Pipeline project on 16th October, 2015 indicating also the progress made on the same so far?

Mr. Jam Kamal Khan: Petroleum Division Government of Pakistan signed a Government to Government Framework Agreement with the Government of Russian Federation on 16th October, 2015. Inter State Gas Systems (Private) Limited from Pakistan side and RT-Global Resource (RT-GR) from Russian side were designated as the entities responsible for the Parties are currently negotiating the Build Own Operate and Transfer (BOOT) Agreement.

In the meanwhile, the US Government has imposed Ukraine related sanctions on the Russian Federation. The RT-GR is included in the Sectoral Sanctions Identification List maintained by the Office of the Foreign Assets

Control. Given this, the Russian side proposed to implement the Project through Project implementation company to be incorporated under the laws of Pakistan. The mater was referred to the Law and Justice Division which opined that the proposal of the Russian side may be considered, as long as the Project implementation company is not hit by the US sanctions while maintaining the majority of Russian ownership.

The Russian side has proposed a Project structure, which is under careful examination of authorities to ensure that our concerns regarding US/ international sanctions are sufficiently addressed.

The Russian side has also submitted tariff which is in the process of finalization by the Price Negotiations Committee constituted by ECC.

Route for the Project has been finalized and submitted for approval of the Ministry of Defence.

*Question No. 68 **Senator Dr. Jehanzeb Jamaldini:**
(Notice received on 22-11-2017 at 01:30 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Water Resources be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Afghanistan is building Hydro Power projects on River Kabul, if so, its possible impacts on water situation in Pakistan and the steps being taken to tackle the same?

Reply not received.

*Question No. 69 **Senator Sherry Rehman:**
(Notice received on 22-11-2017 at 04:50 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state:

(a) the tenure of the post of Chief Executive Officer of Pakistan State Oil; and

(b) the number of performance bonuses granted to the incumbent of the said post since 2013?

Mr. Jam Kamal Khan: (a) The tenure of the current Managing Director/ Chief Executive Officer, Pakistan State Oil Company Limited (PSOCL) is three years.

(b) No performance bonuses have been granted to any incumbent of the said post since 2013.

*Question No. 70 **Senator Samina Saeed:**
(Notice received on 28-11-2017 at 10:50 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water Resources be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Tarbela Dam Affectees have not been paid compensation so far, if so, its reasons and the time by which they will be paid the same?

Syed Javed Ali Shah: During construction of Tarbela Dam Project. approximately 82,109 acres of land from District Haripur, Mansehra, Swabi and Swat of KP and from District Attock of Punjab was acquired. The acquisition proceedings were conducted under the provisions of Land Acquisition Act-1894. The disbursement of compensation was made through 06 Land Acquisition Collector of KP. This process was started in the year 1970-71 and completed in the year 1985-86.

No compensation of land acquired of any affected person is out-standing and all the affected persons have been paid the awarded compensation, as well as they have been resettled in 5 Towns and Hamlets developed by WAPDA wherein they have been provided 13,459 residential and commercial plots for their resettlement. In addition to this Agriculture class of affected persons have been allotted land in Punjab and Sindh at the rate of 12 & half acre in Punjab and 16 acres per family in Sindh the No. of such affectees is approximately 3,000. The total land allotted to the affected persons comes to 40,667 acres in Punjab & Sindh.

*Question No. 71 **Senator Samina Saeed:**
(Notice received on 30-11-2017 at 09:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Ghauri Town Phase-III is being supplied low pressure gas, if so, the time by which the issue will be resolved?

Mr. Jam Kamal Khan: SNGPL has reported that there is no low gas pressure issue in Ghouri Town Phase-III. However, industrial consumers may be facing low gas pressure problem due to any operational reason during peak hours.

*Question No. 72 **Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood:**
(Notice received on 30-11-2017 at 09:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state:

(a) the schedule of electricity load shedding being carried out in urban and rural areas of the country at present; and

(b) the expected time by which the said load shedding will be done away with completely?

Sardar Awais Ahmed Khan Leghari: (a) No loadshedding is being carried out since December, 2017 on account of Generation shortfall. However, DISCOs may carry out loadshedding under their jurisdiction depending upon their technical losses and recovery issues (AT&C), detail is attached as **Annex-I**.

Since a substantial quantum of power (approximately 8800 MW) has already been added into National Grid which has resulted in significant reduction in load shedding, and if new generation (approximately 4712 MW) by June 2018, continues to come on their expected CODs and DISCO constraints are removed in time, load shedding will ultimately end in the upcoming months on feeders with losses 0-10 % AT&C. Details of power plants started generation since 2013 and ongoing power generation projects. expected to be completed by June, 2018 are attached as **Annex-II**.

Annex-I

AT&C Based Load Shedding schedule of DISCOs

On the basis of information received from DISCOs, the consolidated detail is given as under:-

In compliance of directives of Ministry of Energy (Power Division), GoP, load shedding has been eliminated from the country without any discrimination between urban and rural areas. However, DISCOs are carrying out load shedding according to AT&C losses in the areas with issues of Losses and Recoveries as given below:-

Category	% AT&C Losses	Daily Load Shedding (Hrs)
I	0 to 10%	0 Hrs
II	10 to 20%	2 Hrs
III	20 to 30%	2 Hrs
IV	30 to 40%	4 Hrs
V	40 to 60%	6 Hrs
VI	60 to 80%	8 Hrs
VII	80 and above	12 Hrs

Annex-II

Power Plants which Started Operation Since 2013

	Plant Names	Fuel Type	Installed Capacity (MW)
	2013		
1	NEW BONG ESCAPE	HYDEL	84
2	Allai Khwar	HYDEL	121
3	Khan Khwar	HYDEL	72
4	Jinnah Hydel Unit No. 4,5	HYDEL	24
5	FFCEL	WIND	50
6	Gomal Zam	HYDEL	17
7	DEVIS	GAS	13
8	ZEPL	WIND	56
9	Jinnah Hydel Unit No. 8	HYDEL	12
10	Jinnah Hydel Unit No. 6,7	HYDEL	24
	TOTAL		474
	2014		
1	Dubair Khawar	HYDEL	130
2	UCH-II	GAS	393
3	JDW-II	BAGASSE	26
4	JDW - III	BAGASSE	27
5	TGF	WIND	50
6	FWEL-II	WIND	50
7	GUDDU 747	GAS	747
	TOTAL		1422
	2015		
1	RYKML	BAGASSE	30
2	FWEL-I	WIND	50
3	QUAID AZAM	SOLAR	100
4	NANDIPUR	FO	425
5	SAPPHIRE	WIND	50
6	CHINIOT	BAGASSE	62
	TOTAL		717
	2016		
1	APOLO SOLAR	SOLAR	100
2	Best Green Solar	SOLAR	100
3	Crest Energy Solar	SOLAR	100
4	Younis	WIND	50
5	Metro	WIND	50
6	Tapal wind	WIND	30
7	Master wind	WIND	50
8	Tenaga	WIND	50
9	Gul Ahmed	WIND	50
10	Cahshnupp III	Nuclear	340
	TOTAL		920
	2017		
1	Fatima Energy	Coal / Bagasse	120
2	Hamza Sugar	BAGASSE	15
3	DAWOOD	WIND	50
4	SACHAL	WIND	50
5	Bhikki	LNG	760
5	Balloki	LNG	760
7	Haveli Bahadur Shah	LNG	760
8	Sahiwal Coal	COAL	1320
9	Chashnupp IV	Nuclear	340
10	Patrind	Hydel	147
11	PORT QASIM	COAL	660
12	UEP	WIND	99
13	Reshma	FO	97
14	Gulf	FO	84
	TOTAL		5262
	GRAND TOTAL		8794

List of Ongoing/Planned Generation Projects

Sr. #	Name of Project	Agency	Fuel	Installed Capacity (MW)	Comissioning Date
	Existing Installed Capacity: 27, 995 MW				
	2017-18				
1	M/s Layyah Sugar Mills Ltd.	AEDB	Baggase	41	Dec. 2017
2	Almoiz Industries Limited	AEDB	Baggase	36	Dec. 2017
3	Ranolia HPP	PEDO	Hydro	17	Dec. 2017
4	Machai Canal HPP	PEDO	Hydro	3	Dec. 2017
5	Golen Gol HPP Unit-I	WAPDA	Hydro	35	Dec. 2017
6	LNG Based Plants at Bhikki (1*ST)	PPIB	Imp. LNG	400	Dec. 2017
7	AJ Power Pvt. Ltd	AEDB	Solar	12	Dec. 2017
8	LNG Based Plants at Balloki (1*ST)	PPDB	Imp. LNG	423	Jan. 2018
9	LNG Based Plants at Haveli Bahadur Shah (1*ST)	PPDB	Imp. LNG	430	Jan. 2018
10	Tarbela 4th Ext. Unit-I	WAPDA	Hydro	470	Feb. 2018
11	M/s Jhmapir Wind Power Ltd.	AEDB	Wind	49.6	Feb. 2018
12	M/s Hawa Energy Pvt. Ltd.	AEDB	Wind	50	Feb. 2018
13	Neelum Jhelum Hydro Unit-I	WAPDA	Hydro	242	Feb. 2018
14	Neelum Jhelum Hydro Unit-II	WAPDA	Hydro	242	Mar. 2018
15	Karora HPP	PEDO	Hydro	12	Apr. 2018
16	Golen Gol HPP Unit-II	WAPDA	Hydro	35	Apr. 2018
17	Tarbela 4th Ext. Unit-II	WAPDA	Hydro	470	Apr. 2018
18	Neelum Jhelum Hydro Unit-III	WAPDA	Hydro	242	Apr. 2018
19	Neelum Jhelum Hydro Unit-IV	WAPDA	Hydro	242	Apr. 2018
20	Tarbela 4th Ext. Unit-III	WAPDA	Hydro	470	May. 2018
21	Golen Gol HPP Unit-III	WAPDA	Hydro	35	May. 2018
22	Port Qasim Power Project (Unit-II)	PPIB	Imp. Coal	660	Jun. 2018
23	Daral Khwar HPP	PEDO	Hydro	37	Jun. 2018
24	Jabori HPP	PEDO	Hydro	10	Jun. 2018
25	M/s Hartford Alternative Energy (Pvt.) Limited	AEDB	Wind	49.3	Jun. 2018
	TOTAL ADDITION ENDING 2017-18			**4712.3**	

*Question No. 73 **Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood:**
(Notice received on 30-11-2017 at 09:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state:

(a) the names of areas where gas pressure lowers during the winter season; and

(b) the steps being taken by the government to maintain proper gas pressure in all areas of the country throughout the year?

Mr. Jam Kamal Khan: (a) There is no specific area where gas pressure is lower (major problem of low pressure is in Quetta city). However, in peak winters, areas located at tail end of gas distribution network in major cities may face low pressure problem due to significantly increased gas demand.

(b) Gas companies are taking following steps to maintain proper gas pressure:

1. 24″ dia 34 Kms pipeline expansion from Shikarpur to Jacobabad for enhancement of Quetta Pipeline capacity.

2. 12″ dia 23 Kms loop line of existing Quetta Pipeline to enhance the capacity.

3. Additional compressors at Shikarpur and Sibi compressor stations to meet increasing gas demands and peak consumption trends of Quetta city.

4. In addition to above, system augmentation, operational phases and re-drilling of service tees are being carried out regularly.

5. Emergency teams have been established to address the low pressure complaints of the consumers.

6. Media campaign has also been launched for energy conservation and against use of compressors.

*Question No. 74 **Senator Rahila Magsi:**
(Notice received on 04-12-2017 at 09:50 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a pilot project on Electronic Voting Machines (EVM) was conducted during the general elections, 2013;

(b) whether the said pilot project proved successful, if not, the reasons thereof; and

(c) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to introduce EVM voting during the next general elections in the country?

Sheikh Aftab Ahmed: (a) No pilot project was conducted for using EVMs in General Elections, 2013.

(b) As above.

(c) As per section 103 of Election Act, 2017, the ECP may keep continue the pilot testing of the EVM and BVM. The law says:

"103. **Electronic voting and biometric verification.–**The Commission may conduct pilot projects for utilization of electronic voting machines and biometric verification system in bye-elections in addition to the existing manual procedures for voter verification, casting and counting of votes to assess the technical efficacy, secrecy, security and financial feasibility of the electronic voting machines and biometric verification system and shall share the results with the Government, which shall, within fifteen days from the commencement of a session of a House after the receipt of the report, lay the same before both Houses of *Majlis-e-Shoora* (Parliament).

*Question No. 75 **Senator Sehar Kamran:**
(Notice received on 04-12-2017 at 10:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Law and Justice be pleased to state:

(a) details of trainings conducted by the Federal Judicial Academy during the last five years with year-wise breakup;

(b) name and designations of Officers / officials who were imparted training in the said Academy during that period with year-wise breakup; and

(c) the expenditures incurred on the said trainings during that period with year-wise breakup?

Chaudhry Mahmood Bashir Virk: (a) Federal Judicial Academy conducted one hundred and twenty seven (127) training courses during the last five years. Year-wise breakup of the number of training courses is as under:

S. No	Year	No. Trainings
1.	2012-13	25
2.	2013-14	25
3.	2014-15	24
4.	2015-16	26
5.	2016-17	27

Detailed year-wise breakup is at **(Annex-A)**.

(b) Federal Judicial Academy during these five year imparted training to Two thousand, nine hundred and ninety (2990) Officers/Officials. Year-wise breakup of the name and designation of the Officers/Officials who were imparted training is at **(Annex-B)**.

(c) An amount of Rs. 63,796,031/- has been incurred on the said trainings during the five years. Year-wise breakup of the expenditure is tabulated below.

S. No	Year	Expenditure in Rs
1.	2012-13	8,253,961
2.	2013-14	10,750,089
3.	2014-15	13,013,249
4.	2015-16	16,037,164
5.	2016-17	15,741,568
Total		**63,796,031**

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

*Question No. 76 **Senator Samina Saeed:**
(Notice received on 04-12-2017 at 11:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Housing and Works be pleased to state the date on which rental ceiling of the Government employees was increased last time indicating also the time by which the existing rental ceiling will be increased?

Mr. Akram Khan Durrani: It is stated that the rental ceiling for the Government employees was increased upto 35% on 01-10-2014. A summary to increase rental ceiling of the Federal Government employees upto 70% was submitted to the Prime Minister through Finance Division on 11-08-2017. The honorable Prime Minister in Principle has agreed to increase Rental Ceiling upto 50% and directed to submit the same in the last quarter of the current Financial year for incorporation in the budget for FY 2018-19.

*Question No. 77 **Senator Sherry Rehman:**
(Notice received on 04-12-2017 at 03:45 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Human Rights be pleased to state:

(a) the funds allocated to the Human Rights Wing under the head of welfare of women and children during the last four years with year wise break up indicating also the mode of utilization of the same;

(b) the amount of foreign aid or funds received under the said head during the that period indicating also the name of authority who received the same; and

(c) whether the said Wing is also mandated with the responsibility of implementing the UN Conventions on Women and Children ratified by Pakistan so far?

Mr. Mumtaz Ahmed Tarar: (a) After the 18th Constitutional Amendment, the subjects of Women and Children have been transferred to the provinces, However, under the Rules of Business, 1973 Ministry of Human Rights has the mandate, *inter-alia* to "represent Pakistan at international and bilateral level, involving all gender related matters". Besides at Federal level the following sub-ordinate offices (providing welfare services for women and

children) are also functioning under Ministry of Human Rights and utilizing their budget through AGPR system:

(i) Family Protection & Rehabilitation Centre (FPRC), Islamabad also called as Shaheed Benazir Bhutto Centre for Women. (Budget allocation is at **(Annex-I).**

(ii) National Commission for Child Welfare & Development. (Budget allocation is at **(Annex-II).**

(iii) National Child Protection Centre, Islamabad working (Budget allocation is at **(Annex-III).**

(b) National Commission of Child Welfare & Development has implemented a project "Preventing Violence against Children in Pakistan" with the financial support of SAARC Development Fund (SDF). An amount of US$ 178,257/- has been released and spent. The project has been closed by the SDF during last financial year 2016-2017. Ministry of Human Rights is the receiving authority of the said fund.

(c) After the 18th Constitutional amendment, the responsibility of implementing the UN Conventions lies with the provincial governments. Ministry of Human Rights is responsible to submit periodic reports on implementation of the operative articles of Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW). Pakistan has also ratified United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) in 1990. This Ministry is coordinating implementation of the said convention with provincial governments.

ANNEX-I

TOTAL BUDGET ALLOCATION FOR THE LAST FOUR YEARS TO FAMILY PROTECTION AND REHABILITATION CENTRE AND ITS UTILIZATION.

The funds to the Ministry (erstwhile Human Rights Wing since 2012-2015 under M/o Law, Justice and Human Rights) were allocated as budget for Family Protection & Rehabilitation Centre, Islamabad. The year-wise allocation for the last four years is as under:-

Head of Account	Allocation in Rs. 2014-15	Allocation in Rs. 2015-16	Allocation in Rs. 2016-17	Allocation in Rs. 2017-18
Employee Related Expenses	7,903,000	7,461,000	9,070,000	9,909,000
Operating Expenses	1,993,000	2,880,000	2,725,000	3,906,000
Transfer	5,000	5,000	1,000	1,000
Purchase of Physical Assets	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Repair & Maintenance	273,000	353,000	203,000	183,000
Total:-	**10,175,000**	**10,700,000**	**12,000,000**	**14,000,000**

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ANNEX-II

NATIONAL COMMISSION ON THE CHILD WELFARE & DEVELOPMENT

In the wake of 18th Constitutional Amendment, the subject of minors has been transferred to the Provincial Governments. However, at Federal level, National Commission for Child Welfare and Development (NCCWD) being the subordinate office of the Ministry of Human Rights is coordinating with the Provincial Governments for implementation of United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC) ratified by Government of Pakistan in 1990 and its 5th periodic report was considered by the UN Committee during May 2016. It is pertinent to mention that NCCWD has been allocated regular budget of Rs. 12 Million during the current financial year which is mainly spent for administrative purposes which is as under:-

Budget Allocation for the last 4 years (2014-15 to 2017-18) of National Commission for Child Welfare and Development Islamabad

Head of Account	Allocation in Rs. 2014-15	Allocation in Rs. 2015-16	Allocation in Rs. 2016-17	Allocation in Rs. 2017-18
Employee Related Expenses	8,786,000	8,612,000	8,153,000	9,296,000
Operating Expenses	1,459,000	2,000,000	2,029,000	2,435,000
Employee Retirement Benefits	0	5,000	501,000	5,000
Employee Financial Assistance	0	20,000	19,000	4,000
Entertainment & Gifts	8,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Purchase of Physical Assets	3,000	3,000	3,000	3,000
Repair & Maintenance	151,000	250,000	285,000	250,000
Total:-	**10,407,000**	**10,900,000**	**11,000,000**	**12,003,000**

ANNEX-III

NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION CENTRE, UNDER NATIONAL COMMISISON ON THE CHILD WELFARE & DEVELOPMENT

A National Child Protection Centre has also been established which provides services for the vulnerable and at risk children at ICT level. The Centre provides temporary shelter, educational, vocational, and re-integration services to the vulnerable children. During last four years, NCPC reunified 221 children to their families, imparted non-formal education to 276 vulnerable children, mainstreamed 67 children in various Government Schools. Moreover, NCPC conducted 140 visits of the outreach communities to identify the children at risk.

Budget Allocation for the last 4 years (2014-15 to 2017-18) of National Child Protection Centre, under National Commission for Child Welfare and Development Islamabad

Head of Account	Allocation in Rs. 2014-15	Allocation in Rs. 2015-16	Allocation in Rs. 2016-17	Allocation in Rs. 2017-18
Employee Related Expenses	7,930,000	7,481,000	8,155,000	9,635,000
Operating Expenses	14,93,000	2,308,000	2,579,000	2,950,000
Employee Retirement Benefits	-	3,000	3,000	3,000
Grand Subsidies & Write off laons	-	4000	4000	4000
Transfers	1000	1000	25000	1000
Physical Assets	3000	6000	6000	6000
Repair & Maintenance	105,000	197,000	228,000	401,000
Total:-	**9,532,000**	**10,000,000**	**11,000,000**	**13,000,000**

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*Question No. 78 **Senator Muhammad Talha Mahmood:**
(Notice received on 05-12-2017 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Water Resources be pleased to state:

(a) the estimated volume of flood water in the country which flow into the sea every year; and

(b) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to store the said water and use the same during the dry season, if so, the details thereof?

Reply not received.

*Question No. 79 **Senator Nuzhat Sadiq :**
(Notice received on 06-12-2017 at 03:55 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Water Resources be pleased to state:

(a) the names and date of appointment of the persons working on contract and contingent paid basis in the Neelum-Jehlum Hydro Power Project;

(b) whether it is a fact that the salaries being paid to the contingent paid employees are not at par with those working in other power projects; and

(c) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to regularize the services of those employees and increase their salaries, if so, when?

Reply not received.

*Question No. 80 **Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz :**
(Notice received on 20-12-2017 at 07:10 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Power Division) be pleased to state:

(a) the number of electricity feeders in the country with province and district wise break up indicating also the schedule of load shedding being carried out on the same; and

(b) the number of the said feeders on which no load shedding is being carried out with province wise and district wise break up?

Sardar Awais Ahmed Khan Leghari: (a) Distribution Company-wise detail is attached at **Annex X**. Further, it is informed that load shedding due to scarcity of power has ended and no load shedding is being carried out for feeders with up to 10% AT&C losses.

However, scheduled load management is being carried out on feeders where AT & C losses are above 10% to safeguard the national exchequer from theft of electricity. Feeder-wise schedule of load management is at **Annex-X.**

(b) Detail as per **Annex-X.**

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

*Question No. 81 **Senator Mukhtiar Ahmed Dhamrah @ Aajiz :**
(Notice received on 20-12-2017 at 07:10 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state:

(a) the number of persons working in OGDCL with province wise break up; and

(b) the number of persons working in oil and gas fields in Sindh with province wise break up?

Mr. Jam Kamal Khan: (a) Total 13329 persons are working in the Company with province wise break as under:

Punjab	6373
Sindh	4008
KPK	1431
Balochistan	1143
AJK	268
FATA	72
Gilgit-Baltistan	34
Total:	**13329**

(b) Total 3227 persons are currently working in Company operated fields in Sindh with province wise breakup as under:

Sindh	2468
Punjab	595
KPK	73
Balochistan	67
AJK	12
FATA	7
Gilgit-Baltistan	5
Total:	**3227**

*Question No. 82 **Senator Sirajul Haq:**
(Notice received on 22-12-2017 at 03:40 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Law and Justice be pleased to state:

(a) the number of sanctioned posts of Judges in the Federal Shariat Court indicating also the number of Judges working against the same at present; and

(b) the number of said posts lying vacant in that Court indicating also the time since which the same are lying vacant, its reasons and the time by which these will be filled in?

Chaudhry Mahmood Bashir Virk: (a) Article 203C of the Constitution stipulates that:

(1) There shall be constituted for the purpose of this Chapter a Court to be called the Federal Shariat Court.

(2) The Court shall consist of not more than eight Muslim {Judges, including the [Chief Justice], to be appointed by the President [in accordance with Article 175A]}.

Presently three (03) Judges are working in the Federal Shariat Court.

(b) At present five (05) posts of Judges are lying vacant in the Federal Shariat Court. One post of Judge is lying vacant since 2014 due to completion of tenure appointment. Two posts are lying vacant since May, 2017 due to completion of tenure appointment. One post is lying vacant due to appointment of Mr. Justice Sheikh Najam Ul Hassan as Chief Justice, Federal Shariat Court *w.e.f* 14-05-2017. Another post has become vacant on 30-10-2017 due to repatriation of Justice Mrs. Ashraf Jahan, to High Court of Sindh.

On insertion of Article 175-A in the Constitution through 18th & 19th amendments, a three step procedure has been prescribed for appointment of Judges in the Superior Courts, which is as follows:-

(i) Nomination by the Judicial Commission of Pakistan (JCP).

(ii) Confirmation by a Parliamentary Committee and;

(iii) Appointment by the President.

In the above mentioned steps, no role has been left for the Ministry of Law and Justice except to issue Notification for appointment of Judges on approval by the President.

*Question No. 83 **Senator Nuzhat Sadiq:**
(Notice received on 29-12-2017 at 11:10 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Human Rights be pleased to state the steps being taken by the Government for stringent implementation of the Protection against Harassment of women at Workplace Act, 2010?

Reply Not received:

The Ministry of Human Rights transferred this question to the Ministry of Law and Justice. But the Ministry of Law and Justice did not accept it. Now the Ministry of Human Rights has sent this question 10 the Cabinet Division (Min-1) to determine the Ministry/ Division to which it pertains.

*Question No. 84 **Senator Sirajul Haq:**
(Notice received on 01-01-2018 at 11:20 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Energy (Petroleum Division) be pleased to state:

(a) the details of fluctuation registered in the prices of LPG in the country during the last one year;

(b) whether it is a fact that the Government increased the prices of LPG during the said period, if so, the reasons thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the present Government to control the prices of LPG to facilitate the people in the country?

Mr. Jam Kamal Khan: (a) The details of fluctuations registered in prices of LPG in the country during the last one year are as under:

Month	Avg. LPG Price as quoted by Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (Rs. 11.8 KG/Cylinder)
January-17	1,162
February-17	1,190
March-17	1,117
April-17	1,089
May-17	1,017
June-17	987
July-17	984
August-17	1,127
September-17	1,181
October-17	1,224
November-17	1,242
December-17	1,389

(b) The Government has not increased the LPG Prices during the said period. The LPG producer and consumer prices during the last year were fixed by the producers and LPG Marketing companies respectively.

(c) In order to address the issue of LPG Prices, M/o Energy (Petroleum Division), got approved LPG (Production and Distribution) Policy, 2016 from CCI with the primary objective of regulation of LPG Prices. Moreover, a price determination committee has also been approved from the Cabinet on 10-10-2017. The LPG price committee in its meeting held on 31-10-2017 finalized its recommendations. In the meanwhile a contempt petition on imposition of Petroleum Levy on LPG has been filed in the Lahore Court by LPG Marketing Companies. Therefore the price could not be notified being a subjudice case.

ISLAMABAD:
The 23rd January, 2018.

AMJED PERVEZ,
Secretary.

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