

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

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

Tuesday, the 11th March, 2025

[DEFERRED QUESTION]

[Question No. 27]

was deferred on 28th January, 2025 (345th Session)

***(Def.) Question No. 27 Senator Shahadat Awan:**
(Notice Received on 11/12/2024 at 3:00 PM) QID: 42371

Will the Minister In-Charge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *the details of criteria devised by Pakistan Telecommunications Authority to deal with the roll-out obligations by the licensees in absence of any regulation / framework made for Right of Way; and*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that licensees have to fulfill the roll-out obligation in the uninhabited areas despite being included in the region for which the license has been granted, if so, the details thereof?*

Minister In-Charge of the Cabinet Division: (a) 1. In line with Government’s policies, PTA issues licenses to Cellular Mobile Operators (CMOs) through open auction and all terms and conditions related to rollout obligations are included in licenses. Such details are also published through an Information Memorandum (IM) whenever the new licenses are awarded. For reference, the current roll out targets for CMOs focuses on 3% increase in population coverage, which can be targeted through site addition, which varies for each province depending upon variable Radio Frequency (RF) conditions, terrains, already covered population etc. The minimum yearly BTS site count/target for each province per operator, to fulfill rollout obligations is as under;

- a. 245 BTS sites for Punjab.
- b. 105 BTS sites for Sindh.
- c. 65 BTS sites for KPK.
- d. 30 BTS sites for Balochistan.

2. Specifically, to address Right of Way (RoW), the same is governed under Section 27 (A) of Pakistan Telecom Re-Organization Act, 1996 (“Act”), in this regard Ministry of IT and Telecom (MoIT&T) has also issued a “Public & Private Right of Way Policy Directive” dated 9th Oct, 2020. This policy is aimed to facilitate the development and expansion of telecommunications infrastructure by streamlining the process for telecom operators to acquire Right of Way. Furthermore, MoIT&T is also in process of developing an automated online system for streamlining Right of Way NOC processes.

(b) 1. CMOs are issued licenses for a period of 15x years. From 2021, population-based coverage obligations have been enhanced. These obligations mandate the operators to increase network coverage in terms of targeting population each year, in each province. This ensures a continuous expansion of telecom services, particularly in under-served regions.

2. For underdeveloped and underserved areas, including uninhabited regions, the Universal Service Fund (USF) Company plays a crucial role. In accordance with the Pakistan Telecom (Re-Organization) Act, USF is responsible for facilitating coverage expansion in such areas through targeted protects.

3. PTA has also issued specific licenses for Azad Jammu Kashmir (AJ&K) and Gilgit-Baltistan (GB), with distinct rollout targets for both urban and rural areas. These targets are designed to ensure equitable access to telecommunication services across various regions.

***Question No. 23 Senator Mohammad Humayun Mohmand:**
(Notice Received on 16/01/2025 at 11:02 AM) QID: 42872

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

- (a) *details of utilization of the Universal Service Fund (USF) in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa during the last three years; and*
- (b) *whether PPRA Rules were not followed while awarding construction contracts for said projects, if so, reasons thereof*

and if followed, indicate procedure adopted for bidding/ awarding such contracts along-with names of successful firms?

Ms. Shaza Fatima Khawaja: (a) USF Response:

As per section 33B of the Telecommunication Act 1996 (as amended), Universal Service Fund (USF) has been mandated to provide access to telecommunication services in the unserved, underserved, rural and remote areas.

USF has disbursed **9.5 billion** Rupees on account of mobilization advances, completion of different projects' milestones and continuity of services in **Khyber Pakhtunkhwa** during the last 3.5 fiscal years (2021-25). These disbursements are made against provision of 2G/3G/4G services to **1,600** mauzas & **37.43 Kms** of road segments and deployment of **1,159 Kms** Optic Fiber Cable (OFC) connecting **67** Tehsil Head Quarters/Union Councils/Town (THQs/UCs), details of projects are as follow:

S. No	Project	Category	Service Provider	Subsidy Disbursed	Targets Achieved & Other Costs Units
1	Chitral Lot	2G	Telenor	16,487,040	OPEX Costs
2	Kohistan Lot	3G	Telenor	725,127,419	229 Mauzas Covered CAPEX & OPEX Costs
3	Khyber Lot		Ufone	60,736,238	OPEX Costs
4	Mohmand Lot		Telenor	622,756,495	437 Mauzas Covered CAPEX & OPEX Costs
5	D.I Khan Lot		Ufone	22,649,730	OPEX Costs
6	North Waziristan Lot		Jazz	83,873,409	146 Mauzas Covered CAPEX & OPEX Costs
7	Chitral Lot	3G/4G	Telenor	1,097,668,042	486 Mauzas Covered CAPEX Costs
8	Swabi Lot		Telenor	555,000,000	65 Mauzas Covered CAPEX Costs
9	Swat Lot		Telenor	468,881,994	18 Mauzas Covered CAPEX Costs
10	Bannu Lot		Jazz	201,531,667	117 Mauzas Covered CAPEX Costs
11	Buner Lot		Telenor	1,999,232,929	102 Mauzas Covered CAPEX Costs
12	Tourist Destination-K1		Jazz	196,876,286	Mobilization Advance
13	Tourist Destination-K2		Jazz	170,222,129	Mobilization Advance
14	NH&MW Lot-9 (N-35)		Jazz	491,604,802	37.43 Kms Road Segments Covered CAPEX Costs
15	FATA Package-1		Optic Fiber	PTCL	84,491,128

16	KPK (FATA) Package-2	Cable	PTCL	1,505,791,727	742.54 Kms OFC Deployed and 37 THQs/Towns Connected CAPEX Costs
17	UC-KP-LOT-17		PTCL	313,113,686	Mobilization Advance
18	UC-KP-LOT-18		Dancom	913,402,291	283.11 Kms OFC Deployed and 27 UCs/Towns Connected CAPEX Costs
Total Projects = 18				9,529,447,012	1,600 Mauzas Covered 37.43 Kms Road Segments 1,159 Kms OFC Deployed & 67 THQs/UCs Connected

(b) **USF Response:**

USF projects are awarded through open competitive bidding process and bids are called from only those PTA licensed telecom operators that are compliant in submission of USF contributions (*Attached as Annex-A*). USF has awarded contracts to operators including Jazz, Ufone, Telenor and Zong from Mobile Cellular industry and PTCL, Dancom, Wateen and Nayatel from fixed line industry.

While awarding contracts, USF strictly complies with the PPRA rules. As defined in section 36(b) of the PPRA Rules (*Attached as Annex-B*), a Single Stage Two Envelop process is adopted for tendering and award of its projects. However, it is clarified that USF projects are not purely [telecom infrastructure] construction projects rather they are turnkey telecom services-oriented projects whereby a Telecom Operator based on its strategy for the target areas, who submits the bid and gets awarded with the contract, is obliged to provide mandated USF services in project target areas. In doing so, all the required project implementation related activities including but not limited to development of onshore infrastructure and associated services as well as offshore part mainly including the equipment are the USF Service Providers responsibility. These activities involve:

- Designing the project network
- Network Equipment Ordering
- Sites identification and acquisitions for installation of towers per network design
- Execution of site buildout.
- Installation and commissioning of network equipment.
- Securing requisite NOCs from different concerned entities/authorities.
- Provision of mandated services to target area and population.

USF defines the geographical area and associated population to be provided with the services. USF does not intervene in any project execution related activities as these are purely Service Providers prerogative to ensure that network is installed as per the design. It is pertinent to highlight that, as per clause 12.01 of USF Service and Subsidy contract (*Attached as Annex-C*), USF has indemnification of any and all disputes arising out of the project related activities as the USF Service Provider has to comply with the applicable rules and regulations all the time.

However, being a sponsor, USF ensures that all target areas are provided with the desired services. Once sites are on-airod and services are made available, USF Service Provider offers the network for USF

verification. On ground Third Party Technical Audits are conducted to verify the service claim by the Service Providers and payments are released only after verification of completed project targets accordingly.

Details of projects executed in last three years has already been provided in response to section (a).

Annex-A

Extract of USF Rules

- 24. Reverse auction for projects.** — (1) The project after its approval by the Board, shall be advertised for [Omitof]⁶² reverse auction.
- (2) In the reverse auction only USF contributors having a valid license for the relevant lot⁶³ and telecommunication service shall be eligible to participate. The CEO may disqualify any USF contributor to take part in auction if the USF contributor:—
- (a) is a defaulter in the payment of USF contribution;
 - (b) has failed to complete any previously granted contract; and
 - (c) made a successful bid but failed to execute the contract.

Extract From PPRA Rules**36. Procedures of open competitive bidding.-**

Save as otherwise provided in these rules the following procedures shall be permissible for open competitive bidding, namely:-

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(b) Single stage "two envelope procedure.-

- (i) The bid shall comprise a single package containing two separate envelopes. Each envelope shall contain separately the financial proposal and the technical proposal;
- (ii) the envelopes shall be marked as "FINANCIAL PROPOSAL" and "TECHNICAL PROPOSAL" in bold and legible letters to avoid confusion;
- (iii) initially, only the envelope marked "TECHNICAL PROPOSAL" shall be opened;
- (iv) the envelope marked as "FINANCIAL PROPOSAL" shall be retained in the custody of the procuring agency without being opened;
- (v) the procuring agency shall evaluate the technical proposal in a manner prescribed in advance, without reference to the price and reject any proposal which does not conform to the specified requirements;
- (vi) during the technical evaluation no amendments in the technical proposal shall be permitted;
- (vii) the financial proposals of bids shall be opened publicly at a time, date and venue announced and communicated to the bidders in advance;
- (viii) after the evaluation and approval of the technical proposal the procuring agency, shall at a time within the bid validity period, publicly open the financial proposals of the technically accepted bids only. The financial proposal of bids found technically non-responsive shall be returned un-opened to the respective bidders; and
- (ix) the bid found to be the ****most advantageous bid shall be accepted.

Extract from USF Services & Subsidy Agreement

ARTICLE TWELVE - INDEMNIFICATION

12.01 Indemnification

(a) The USF Service Provider hereby indemnifies and agrees to save harmless Universal Service Fund, USFCo and GoP from any and all claims, damages, judgments, liens, suits, costs and expenses of any nature or kind whatsoever that may be successfully claimed or asserted by any person against USFCo arising out of, or in connection with, the implementation or operation of the USF Network or the supply or failure to supply the USF Services.

(b) The USF Service Provider's obligation to indemnify and hold USFCo harmless is contingent on USFCo giving the USF Service Provider prompt notice of any event giving rise to such a claim (an "Indemnification Notice") and giving the USF Service Provider the authority to conduct the defence of any legal action arising therefrom, provided however



that USFCo may assist the USF Service Provider in such defence at its own expense and retain additional counsel at its own expense to observe or participate in any such litigation.

***Question No. 24 Senator Fawzia Arshad:**

(Notice Received on 16/01/2025 at 12:42 PM) QID: 42874

Will the Minister for Climate Change and Environmental Coordination be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Islamabad Wildlife Management Board (IWMB) is encountering unwarranted interference from CDA for the restoration work at Margalla Hills National Park (MHNP) despite Supreme Court directives; if so, steps taken or to be taken to prevent such interference; and*
- (b) Whether it is also a fact that the government plans to extend the removal of all commercial activities in MHNP falling under the jurisdiction of Islamabad Capital Territory for environmental protection, if so the details thereof?*

Mr. Musadik Masood Malik: (a) Interference by CDA for restoration work being carried out by IWMB

The Islamabad Wildlife Management Board (IWMB), in compliance with the Supreme Court's orders for the restoration of the demolished restaurant sites at Margalla Ridge, further decided in the board meeting held on 24th December 2024, that;

- 1. Phase 1 will focus on preparing the site for restoration and making it accessible and safe for restoration work.*
- 2. Immediate commencement of site repairs, including site clearing, construction of retaining walls to prevent site erosion, addition of soil where needed to prepare the site for plantation and restoration.*
- 3. Immediate commencement of site repairs, including the installation of safety grills, benches, parking facilities, site clearing and greening.*

The restoration work commenced in line with the board's decisions. CDA officials expressed concerns regarding certain site repairs, including the construction of retaining walls to prevent erosion, as well as the installation of safety grills, benches, and parking facilities. In response,

the IWMB reviewed the restoration process and focused on enhancing the area through a plantation drive. The CDA Environment Directorate granted permission for the transportation of soil and plants to the site. A total of 350 plants have been planted and there was no disruption to the plantation efforts. Meanwhile ex-officio Board Members have been appointed and process for non-officio Board Member has been initiated. CDA is fully cooperating with the Board.

(b) Plans of the government to extend removal of all commercial activities in MHNP:

The Supreme Court order C.P. 304/2022, dated 21-08-2024 clearly stated that:

'Any lease, license, allotment or permission granted by CDA, or by the Remount, Veterinary and Farms Directorate ('the Directorate') or any other department/authority to operate restaurants in the National Park was contrary to the provisions of the Islamabad Wildlife (Protection, Preservation, Conservation and Management) Ordinance, 1979. Therefore, the same are declared to be of no legal effect and set aside.'

Relevant information to implement Court order were demanded from CDA vide IWMB letter dated 28th January, 2025 (Annex-I). On receipt of the requisite information IWMB will deliberate on the matter in line with the order of the Supreme Court. Commercial activities in MHNP will be regulated under Management Plan which is under preparation.

Annex-I

Islamabad Wildlife Management Board

Ministry of Climate Change
Government of Pakistan

Ref: L0652IWMB

Islamabad, January 28, 2025

To,

Chairman
Capital Development Authority (CDA)
Islamabad, Pakistan.

SUBJECT: LEASES ISSUED TO COMMERCIAL ENTITIES IN MARGALLAH HILLS NATIONAL PARK

Dear Sir,

Reference the orders of the Supreme Court C.P. 304/2022, dated 21-08-2024, which state that:

'Any lease, license, allotment or permission granted by CDA, or by the Remount, Veterinary and Farms Directorate ('the Directorate') or any other department/authority to operate restaurants in the National Park was contrary to the provisions of the Islamabad Wildlife (Protection, Preservation, Conservation and Management) Ordinance, 1979. Therefore, the same are declared to be of no legal effect and set aside.'

'For the proper management of the National Park, CDA shall assist the Wildlife Management Board whenever required.'

2. A list of private commercial establishments operating in the national park as per our reports is attached (Annex I). For administrative purposes and to assist in the implementation of orders of the Supreme Court, we request the following information for the commercial establishments in the list and others that may be operating under leases or allotment issued by CDA.

- i. Name of the commercial entity or establishment
- ii. Complete copy of the lease issued, inclusive of terms and conditions, date of issue, and date of expiry.
- iii. Amount received and amount receivable by CDA from the date of issuance of the void ab initio leases till today.
- iv. Name of the issuing authority who issued the leases.

Rina Saeed Khan
Chairperson- IWMB

Copy to:

- Member Estate, CDA, Islamabad.
- Director Wildlife, IWMB
- Office record

Offices and Buildings in Shakarprian and Rawal Lake Area

Sr.	Name of Site	GPS		Area	Type
		Lat	Long		
1	Pakistan Monument	33.6931354	73.0685995	Shakarparian	NLM&M
2	Tahir Khan Restuatrant 3	33.6949397	73.0757798	Shakarparian	Resturants
3	Public Toilet	33.6943265	73.0753858	Shakarparian	Public
4	Ashanla Restuatrant	33.6944702	73.0753389	Shakarparian	Resturants
5	Shakarparian Cafe	33.6946936	73.0751954	Shakarparian	Resturants
6	Gift Shopping Stall	33.6945784	73.0752319	Shakarparian	Stall
7	Open air theatre	33.6927161	73.071669	Shakarparian	Garden Avenue
8	Jamal cafe	33.6897332	73.0719211	Shakarparian	Garden avenue
9	Jamia Masjid Qadimi DAQ	33.6897022	73.0726386	Shakarparian	Garden avenue
10	Lok Versa heritage Museum	33.6877235	73.0724254	Shakarparian	Garden Avenue
11	1969 Resturant	33.6867116	73.0731988	Shakarparian	Garden Avenue
12	Prayer Site of Bari imam	33.6900054	73.0740092	Shakarparian	Family park
13	Jamia Masjid Rajgan	33.6909779	73.074267	Shakarparian	Family Park
14	Shakarparian cultural cpmix	33.690059	73.0742228	Shakarparian	Family Park
15	Pak Museum of Nautral	33.6864354	73.076159	Shakarparian	Museum
16	Street Light office CDA	33.6802968	73.0784436	Shakarparian	Office
17	Cricket Stadium Chk Point	33.6827431	73.0827706	Shakarparian	Office
18	Army Residence Area	33.6819247	73.0828551	Shakarparian	Residence Area
19	Prade Ground	33.6740345	73.0855491	Shakarparian	Ground
20	Traffic Office	33.6722075	73.0915733	Shakarparian	Office
21	Pak China Friendship Centr	33.6978781	73.0852805	Shakarparian	Center
22	AQS	33.7001553	73.0840145	Shakarparian	
23	Double Dragon Marshal art	33.6985989	73.0791597	Shakarparian	Club
24	Scout Hostel	33.6966064	73.0880308	Shakarparian	Hostel
25	Telecommunications Tower	33.6904055	73.0732558	Shakarparian	Office
26	CDA Site Office F,P	33.6903226	73.0741819	Shakarparian	CDA Office
27	PTLC Office	33.698268	73.088654	Shakarparian	Office
28	Gun And Country Club	33.695843	73.092469	Shakarparian	Club
29	Jasmine Garden	33.701608	73.088208	Shakarparian	Garden
30	Pakistan Sport Board	33.698921	73.092108	Shakarparian	PSB
31	Rodham Hall	33.696956	73.094303	Shakarparian	Hall
32	Football Club And Academy	33.697083	73.095527	Shakarparian	Academy
33	Outdoor Swimming Pool	33.699371	73.095262	Shakarparian	Pool
34	Tunnelling Institute of Pak	33.697699	73.098596	Shakarparian	Institute
35	Frontler Work Org FWO	33.698082	73.09857	Shakarparian	Office

36	Football Club and Academy	33.696941	73.095328	Shakarparian	Academy
37	Naseer Bunda Hockey Stdm	33.69597	73.092944	Shakarparian	Stadium
38	6 Aviation Army	33.695674	73.099123	Shakarparian	Office
39	Islamabad Boxing Club	33.696901	73.09551	Shakarparian	Club
40	Fatima Jinnah Hostel	33.698548	73.097445	Shakarparian	Hostel
41	Islamabad Hellpad	33.694721	73.099444	Shakarparian	Hellpad
42	Madrasa Ashraf Al Uloom	33.689699	73.101039	Shakarparian	Madrasa
43	Pak Boy Scout Association	33.690969	73.10024	Shakarparian	Association
44	Pakistan Tennis Federation	33.689254	73.100603	Shakarparian	Federation
45	Shrine of M Badshah	33.690116	73.096039	Shakarparian	Shrine
46	CDA Water Tanky	33.686221	73.102436	Shakarparian	COA Office
47	NCOG	33.690469	73.099495	Shakarparian	Office
48	Mark Suites banquet Hall	33.684447	73.105367	Shakarparian	Hall
49	Tulip Banquet Hall	33.686164	73.107039	Shakarparian	Hall
50	Best Western Premier Hotel	33.686654	73.10775	Shakarparian	Hotel
51	Legend Palace Isb	33.689978	73.109921	Shakarparian	Hotel
52	IFQ Hotel Resort Isb	33.690475	73.109958	Shakarparian	Hotel
53	Majestic hotel	33.691572	73.109819	Shakarparian	Hotel
54	Grand Recency Hotel	33.692045	73.109836	Shakarparian	Hotel
55	Ambassador Suites	33.692376	73.109569	Shakarparian	Hotel
56	Residence Home	33.692764	73.109793	Shakarparian	Home
57	Ramada Wyndham Isb	33.693557	73.109845	Shakarparian	Hotel
58	MCB ATM	33.6937737	73.109867	Shakarparian	Hotel
59	Pets Clinic	33.693889	73.109593	Shakarparian	Clinic
60	SaddleRoom	33.694732	73.110192	Shakarparian	Club
61	CDA Water Tanky	33.695765	73.1054492	Shakarparian	Office
62	Shell pump	33.708676	73.104904	Shakarparian	Petrol pump
63	Wapda Rawal Rest house	33.709227	73.104258	Shakarparian	Rest House
64	Wapda Mega Project	33.710373	73.104004	Shakarparian	Wapda Office
65	The Margall Hotel	33.708844	73.098252	Shakarparian	Hotel
66	Ankara Park	33.691471	73.112311	Rawal Lake	Park
67	Kamran Cafe	33.690922	73.113567	Rawal Lake	Cafe
68	Chief Engineer Irrigation	33.69023	73.117026	Rawal Lake	Office
69	Jamia Masjid Rawal Dam	33.689823	73.117861	Rawal Lake	Masjid
70	Electric Inspector Office	33.69023	73.117026	Rawal Lake	Office
71	Cemetery Gravyard	33.688864	73.120439	Rawal Lake	Gravyard
72	Office Executive Engineer	33.688539	73.121701	Rawal Lake	Office
73	Office Sub Divisional Irrigation	33.688914	73.122455	Rawal Lake	Office

74	Irrigation Rest House Rawal Dam	33.690809	73.123168	Rawal Lake	Rest House
75	Rawal Dam Colony	33.690204	73.11869	Rawal Lake	Colony
76	Rawal Dam Spillway	33.69068	73.122361	Rawal Lake	Spillway
77	Kinara park Fisheries Department Chelf	33.695094	73.134644	Rawal Lake	Park
78		33.690922	73.113567	Rawal Lake	Office
79	Wasim Iqbal School	33.690555	73.112818	Rawal Lake	School
80	SRG Nursery	33.689458	73.115223	Rawal Lake	Nursery
81	Area Education Office	33.691039	73.113855	Rawal Lake	Office
82	Constitution Tower Isb	33.712566	73.107133	Rawal Lake	Office
83	Jinnah Convention Center	33.712931	73.10563	Rawal Lake	Center
84	2F2F Spot Cafe	33.72013	73.132837	Rawal Lake	Cafe
85	Battlefield	33.717888	73.131093	Rawal Lake	Battlefield
86	Horrors Home	33.718192	73.132581	Rawal Lake	Home
87	Ibex Arena	33.716796	73.130418	Rawal Lake	Club
88	Laila Carnial Park	33.717095	73.130631	Rawal Lake	Park
89	Masjid Shareif	33.713258	73.130836	Rawal Lake	Masjid
90	Bird Aviary Park	33.714268	73.133071	Rawal Lake	Park
91	Kids Palyland	33.714986	73.130927	Rawal Lake	Land
92	Site Office	33.711562	73.130578	Rawal Lake	Office
93	Karim khan Afridi Foundation	33.717656	73.154276	Rawal Lake	Foundation
94	Rawal Marquee	33.705433	73.143499	Rawal Lake	Marquee
95	Al Masood Hotel	33.701404	73.144601	Rawal Lake	Hotel/Farm housee
96	Suffi Shrine	33.697671	73.1408	Rawal Lake	Shrine
97	Eight Brother Farm House	33.703029	73.142837	Rawal Lake	Farm house
98	Tanga Grill and Cuisine	33.708277	73.141748	Rawal Lake	Resturants
99	Rawal Cafe	33.707553	73.142829	Rawal Lake	Cafe
100	Jinnah Gulf And Country	33.718153	73.126326	Rawal Lake	Gulf Club
101	Yoga Class Isb	33.719287	73.128404	Rawal Lake	Yoga Calss
102	M1 Tarxx	33.717006	73.132166	Rawal Lake	Rides and cafe
103	Max off Road Sports	33.719672	73.135399	Rawal Lake	Sports Club
104	Lake View Office	33.716225	73.134969	Rawal Lake	Office
105	Nizami Food Street	33.717357	73.134118	Rawal Lake	Food Street

LIST OF RESTAURANTS AND TUCK SHOPS IN AND AROUND MARGALLA HILLS NATIONAL PARK

No.	Name of Restaurant/Tuckshop	GPS	Area Name	Seating Capacity
Barakhu Range				
1	Eurt Karahi	33.7753253 73.1743150	Shahdhra View Point	110
2	Shahdara Hut Restaurant	33.7775276 73.1743312	Shahdhra View Point	100
3	Post Moderen Manderk	33.7775313 73.1740673	Shahdhra View Point	70
4	Mardan Restaurant	33.7770491 73.1740673	Shahdhra View Point	30
5	Shahdhra View Point Restaurant	33.7765372 73.1739604	Shahdhra View Point	70
6	Machnis Café & Tuck Shop	33.7764355 73.1739017	Shahdhra View Point	
7	Punjab Hazara Hotel	33.7763862 73.1738963	Shahdhra View Point	20
8	Abbasi Tuck Shop	33.7764455 73.1739252	Shahdhra View Point	
9	Abbasi Refreshment	33.7762513 73.1737756	Shahdhra View Point	
10	Abbasi Hotel and Restaurant	33.7759464 73.1735590	Shahdhra View Point	30
11	Shahdhra Garden Hotel	33.7773273 73.1712386	Shahdhra View Point	40
12	Sulemanis Hotel	33.7767783 73.1705339	Shahdhra View Point	200
13	Shahdara Bettak	33.7773827 73.1699122	Shahdhra View Point	80
14	Shahdara Valley Restaurant	33.7774496 73.1704919	Shahdhra View Point	100
15	Ban Lapal Hotel	33.7778375 73.1694694	Shahdhra View Point	15
16	Shahdara Valley Tuckshop	33.7779067 73.1694217	Shahdhra View Point	
17	Gazab Refreshment Centre	33.7776439 73.1697607	Shahdhra View Point	30
18	Islam Bhai Refreshment Centre	33.7774181 73.1700836	Shahdhra View Point	30

19	Wouman Kiyanal Tuckshop	33.7664942 73.1750561	Mandla	
20	Bismillah Hotel	33.7663175 73.1746953	Mandla	20
21	Pepsi Tuck Shop	33.7656288 73.1742373	Mandla	
22	Darbar Restaurant	33.7646959 73.1734501	Mandla	
23	Jaguar Restaurant	33.759793 73.173787	Pind Bari	60
Nurpur Range				
24	Tuck Shop	33.7680625 73.1220878	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	
25	Tuck Shop	33.7679457 73.1220217	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	
26	Tuck Shop	33.7663975 73.1210950	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	
27	Tuck Shop	33.7662269 73.1209928	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	
28	Tuck Shop	33.7659253 73.1207443	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	
29	Tuck Shop and Hotel	33.7654529 73.1202290	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	15
30	Tuck Shop and Hotel	33.7648821 73.1192105	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	
31	Tuck Shop and Hotel	33.7642287 73.1192239	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	10
32	Tuck Shop	33.7639453 73.1193543	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	
33	Tuck Shop	33.7632025 73.1194679	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	
34	Tuck Shop	33.7632443 73.1193519	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	
35	Tuck Shop	33.7612867 73.1187075	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	
36	Tuck Shop	33.7613539 73.1186784	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	
37	Tuck Shop	33.7611697 73.1185788	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	
38	Tuck Shop	33.7605360 73.1182579	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	

39.	Ayub Hotel	33.758103 73.1167039	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	20
40	Babar Cold Drinks	33.7575995 73.1158657	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	
41	Saeed Pakoras	33.7574535 73.1151419	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	15
42	Choudhary Tuck Shop	33.7573397 73.1142883	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	
43	Shahzad Daba	33.7570206 73.1134930	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	20
44	Atfal Tuck Shop and Hotel	33.7567786 73.1134950	Mandiala (Lohi Dandi Track)	15
Saidpur Range				
45	Trail 5 Tuck Shop	33.744462 73.086987	Trail 5 Parking Lot	40
46	Trail 3 Tuck Shop	33.742651 73.082491	Trail 3 Parking Lot	15
47	Dera Pashtoon	33.744316 73.068162	Saidpur Village	150
48	Des Perdes Restaurant	33.744189 73.067752	Saidpur Village	250
49	Chirsi Tikka	33.742644 73.067853	Saidpur Village	50
50	Quetta Chai Wala	33.742515 73.0678877	Saidpur Village	15
51	Yum and Spicy	33.7440974 73.0680939	Saidpur Village	
52	Hot and Spot Café	33.7450620 73.0678874	Saidpur Village	50
53	Banaras Restarants	33.7445105 73.0682998	Saidpur Village	20
54	Jungle Spot	33.731866 73.056915	Damn-e-Koh Road	35
55	Wild Mild Restaurant	33.731398 73.049431	Trail-4 Damn-e-Koh Road	100
56	Dome Restaurant	33.738249 73.057163	Damn-e-Koh View Point	300
57	Suban Tuck Shop	33.7403183 73.0557625	Damn-e-Koh View Point	
58	Café Time Pass Tuck Shop	33.7404133 73.0557014	Damn-e-Koh View Point	
59	Hazara Teatime	33.7404959 73.0056796	Damn-e-Koh View Point	

60	Alndi Tuck Shop	33.7409665 73.0556776	Damn-e-Koh View Point	
61	Saidpur Refrehment	33.7413144 73.0549705	Damn-e-Koh View Point	20
62	Wild Wadi Restaurant	33.7649765 73.0717387	Pir Shoawa Road Near Monal Site	80
63	Shadab Restaurant	33.7324336 73.0421311	Kuwait Hostel Trail -6	50
64	Zakir Dhaba	33.7323923 73.0417939	Kuwait Hostel Trail -7	60
Goira Range				
65	La Vista Café	33.7306449 72.9269011	Kanthla Top	500
66	Cocktail Restaurant	33.7295204 72.9268609	Kanthla Top	60
67	Bar BQ Tonight	33.7303273 72.9292132	Kanthla Top	170
68	Pristine Restaurant	33.7301910 72.9303538	Kanthla Road	250
69	Chai Mosa	33.7309987 72.9312677	Kanthla Road	50
70	Sada's Lounge	33.7315578 72.9315279	Kanthla Road	100
71	Dera Dari Restaurant	33.7175164 72.9475987	Near Trail-07 D-12	500
72	Sadhu's Retreat	33.721232 72.916334	Buddha Cave Shah Allah Ditta	350
73	The Last Resort	33.723220 72.916752	Buddha Cave Shah Allah Ditta	100
74	Wilderness Camp	33.7225541 72.9148489	Near Buddha Cave Shah Allah Ditta	110
75	The Serenity Resort	33.7223383 72.9147253	Near Buddha Cave Shah Allah Ditta	300
76	Eagle Nest	33.7223723 72.9143953	Near Buddha Cave Shah Allah Ditta	70
77	Alexander Shenwari	33.7212585 72.9154890	Near Buddha Cave Shah Allah Ditta	150

***Question No. 25 Senator Zeeshan Khanzada:**

(Notice Received on 21/01/2025 at 12:29 PM) QID: 42888

Will the Minister Housing & Works for be pleased to state to state total number of Skyline apartments constructed during last five years and the timeline for completion of said project?

Mian Riaz Hussain Pirzada: The Package-L, Category A, Rose Blocked (860 Apartment) was initiated in April, 2020. However, Work stopped due to unprecedented price hike and Covid. Physical progress is 24.05%.

Signing of new contract agreement is under process and timeline for completion is 30 months.

***Question No. 26 Senator Zeeshan Khanzada:**

(Notice Received on 21/01/2025 at 12:30 PM) QID: 42887

Will the Minister Housing & Works for be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the rate of Rental ceiling/ for hiring of residential accommodation is revised after every three years, if so, last time, said rate was revised, indicating delays in its revision and expected time when the same will be revised?

Mian Riaz Hussain Pirzada: No. it is not a fact that rent of hired accommodation is revised after every three years. Previously, rate of rental ceiling were revised *w.e.f.* 01.07.2021 and same were notified on 28.09.2021(**Annex-A**). Currently, the proposal for enhancement in rental ceiling is under consideration in consultation with all stake holders.

**GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND WORKS

No. F. 4(8)/92-Policy

Islamabad, the 28th September, 2021OFFICE MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: REVISION OF RENTAL CEILINGS FOR HIRING OF RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION AT ISLAMABAD AND OTHER SPECIFIED STATIONS I.E. RAWALPINDI, LAHORE, KARACHI, PESHAWAR AND QUETTA.

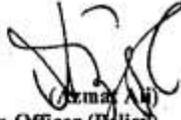
The Federal Government is pleased to enhance rental ceiling for hiring of residential accommodation in Federal Ministries/Divisions/Attached Department/Subordinate Offices at Islamabad and other specified stations i.e. Rawalpindi, Karachi, Lahore, Quetta and Peshawar as under w.e.f. 01-07-2021.

Entitlement B.S	Existing Rental Ceiling		Revised Rental Ceiling	
	Islamabad	Other Specified Stations	Islamabad	Other Specified Stations
1-2	Rs. 4881/-	Rs. 4577/-	Rs. 7029/-	Rs. 6591/-
3-6	Rs. 7625/-	Rs. 6704/-	Rs. 10980/-	Rs. 9654/-
7-10	Rs. 11391/-	Rs. 10196/-	Rs. 16403/-	Rs. 14682/-
11-13	Rs. 17183/-	Rs. 14904/-	Rs. 24744/-	Rs. 21462/-
14-16	Rs. 21587/-	Rs. 18843/-	Rs. 31085/-	Rs. 27134/-
17-18	Rs. 28574/-	Rs. 24929/-	Rs. 41147/-	Rs. 35898/-
19	Rs. 37989/-	Rs. 32511/-	Rs. 54704/-	Rs. 46816/-
20	Rs. 47709/-	Rs. 41027/-	Rs. 68700/-	Rs. 59079/-
21	Rs. 57126/-	Rs. 49380/-	Rs. 82261/-	Rs. 71107/-
22	Rs. 68364/-	Rs. 61965/-	Rs. 98444/-	Rs. 89230/-

2. The enhanced rental ceilings come into force with effect from 01-07-2021 and will apply to: -

- i). All cases of fresh hiring.
- ii). Cases where the allottee/occupant is obliged to pay difference of rent to the owner out of his own resources. In such a case the rent may be increased upto the owner's demand (indicated at the time of hiring) or the allottee/occupant's revised rental ceiling whichever is less.
- iii). Cases of houses hired under Rule 8(i) of the Accommodation Allocation Rules, 2002 or M/o Housing and Works' O.M No. 2(3)/2003-Policy dated 31-07-2004 of which lease has expired. The lease agreement may be executed with the owner as per current rental assessment of the house or the occupant's revised rental ceiling or the owner's demand, whichever is less.
- iv). Cases of houses hired under Rule 9(i) of the Accommodation Allocation Rules, 2002 on self-hiring basis. In such a case, the existing rent of the house may be increased upto the revised rental ceiling of the allottee/occupant or the rental assessment of the house whichever is less.

3. The above rental ceilings may also be applied, mutatis-mutandis, in cases of requisitioned houses otherwise qualifying for increase in rent/compensation in accordance with the relevant rules/instructions.
4. In all other cases of hired houses except in cases where additions/alterations have been made with the prior permission of the Government, the benefit of revised rental ceilings will be permissible only on the expiry of the current lease agreement.
5. The existing instructions issued on the subject from time to time will remain in force with the above modifications.
6. All the Ministries/Divisions/Attached Department/Subordinate offices will meet the increased expenditure out of their respective budgetary allocations and no additional funds will be allowed to them for this purpose during the financial year (2021-2022).
7. This issues with the concurrence of Finance Division vide their O.M No. 4(9)R-14/2007, dated 24-08-2021 and Cabinet Division No. F. 31/CM/2021-D, dated 24-09-2021.


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*Question No. 27 **Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri:**
 (Notice Received on 21/01/2025 at 2:10 PM) QID: 42891

Will the Minister In-Charge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the details of the public hearing held by NEPRA to address the issue of K-Electric's losses of Rs.68 billion indicating if there is any proposal to recover the same from customers?

Minister In-Charge of the Cabinet Division: A public hearing in the matter was held on 10th December 2024. After the hearing, KE vide its letter dated 16th January 2025 requested to allow filing of additional writeoff claims pertaining to the multi-year tariff control period of 2017-2023.

A second public hearing in the matter shall be held upon filing of such claim and thereafter, the matter shall be decided in accordance with law.

***Question No. 28 Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri:**
(Notice Received on 21/01/2025 at 2:11 PM) QID: 42892

Will the Minister for Climate Change and Environmental Coordination be pleased to state whether it is a fact that hazardous hospital waste material is being used in manufacturing of various consumer goods in ICT, if so, the steps taken or being taken by Pak EPA to prevent the same?

Mr. Musadik Masood Malik: On record, there is no reported information or evidence received by Pak-EPA indicating the use of hazardous waste materials in the manufacturing of consumer goods in ICT.

Pak-EPA maintains a robust regulatory framework under the Pakistan Environmental Protection Act, 1997, and the National Environmental Quality Standards (NEQS) to ensure that hazardous materials are not used in industrial processes. The agency conducts regular inspections, monitoring, and awareness programs to enforce compliance with environmental regulations.

***Question No. 29 Senator Samina Mumtaz Zehri:**
(Notice Received on 21/01/2025 at 2:11 PM) QID: 42893

Will the Minister for Climate Change and Environmental Coordination be pleased to state whether it is a fact that fuel adulteration is a major source of air pollution in Islamabad, if so, steps taken or being taken by Pak-EPA to address the same?

Mr. Musadik Masood Malik: Adulterated fuels often contain impurities that lead to incomplete combustion, resulting in the emission of harmful pollutants such as carbon monoxide, nitrogen oxides (NOx), sulfur dioxide (SO₂), and particulate matter (PM2.5 and PM10).

Fuel adulteration, while a contributor to air pollution, is not a major source of air pollution in Islamabad. Instead, diesel vehicles, particularly older trucks and two-wheelers, are identified as the primary cause of the city's air quality issues. This is largely due to the unavailability of Euro-V compliant diesel fuel and the absence of Euro-V standard diesel engines, which significantly exacerbate vehicular emissions in ICT.

To date, the Pakistan Environmental Protection Agency (Pak-EPA) has not received any specific reports or evidence confirming that fuel adulteration is occurring in Islamabad or significantly contributing to the city's air quality issues.

For further details on the status of fuel adulteration in Islamabad, the Oil & Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) is the relevant authority and best positioned to provide accurate information on the matter.

***Question No. 30 Senator Anusha Rahman Ahmad Khan:**
(Notice Received on 21/01/2025 at 4:27 PM) QID: 42895

Will the Minister In-Charge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

(a) details of total revenues/assets held by the Abandoned properties Organization at present alongwith the funds deposited in the Federal Consolidated Fund indicating their date of depositing for the last five years; and

(b) details of total budget and sanctioned strength of the Organization indicating names, designation and date of appointment of all officers?

Minister In-Charge of the Cabinet Division: (a) Details of total revenues/assets held by the abandoned Properties Organization at present along with the funds deposited in the Federal Consolidated Fund is placed as **Annex-I**.

(b) Details of total budget/sanctioned strength of the Organization and details of all officers is placed as **Annex-II**.

Annex-I

Detail of Assets (Properties)				
S. No.	Category of Property	Islamabad	Karachi	Total
1	Plots	05	354	359
2	Houses	10	06	16
3	Shops	04 (9 units)	-	04
4	Buildings	-	02 (9 flats, 3 portions and 5 shops)	02
5	Godown	-	01	01
6	Land	13 Kanals (Okara)	3074 Acres	3074 Acres 13 kanals
Financial Assets				
DESCRIPTION		(Rs. in millions)		
Pakistan Investment Bonds		5,525.93		
NIT Units		25.45		
Shares		38.61		
Total		5,589.99		

**Detail of Amount Deposited into Federal Consolidated Fund by
APO, Cabinet Division Since June, 2019 to 30.12.2024**

FY 2019-20		
S No.	Date of Deposit	Amount of Deposit Challan in Rs.
1	31.10.2019	196,520,358
2	01.11.2019	1,714,845,903
3	13.11.2019	47,774,884
4	08.04.2020	915,888,681
5	01.04.2020	148,098,586
6	10.04.2020	17,647,152
7	10.04.2020	137,228,382
8	13.04.2020	197,034,338
9	04.05.2020	47,774,884
Total		3,422,813,168
FY 2020-21		
10	14.07.2020	1,828,422,499
11	23.07.2020	82,988,976
12	21.08.2020	137,228,730
13	21.07.2020	7,406,491,469
14	23.07.2020	915,888,681
15	03.10.2020	3,657,988
16	03.10.2020	3,242,888
17	12.10.2020	197,034,338
18	26.10.2020	47,774,884
19	25.11.2020	3,882,526
20	25.02.2021	148,009,727
21	03.03.2021	915,888,913
22	24.06.2021	17,636,912
Total		11,708,148,531
FY 2021-22		
23	06.07.2021	197,034,338
24	06.07.2021	47,774,884
25	26.10.2021	3,379,611,773
26	01.02.2022	1,072,448,041
27	13.04.2022	344,241,310
28	29.04.2022	49,096,134
Total		5,090,206,480
FY 2022-23		
29	04.08.2022	10,107,524,550
30	12.10.2022	214,681,838
31	04.11.2022	49,096,250
32	14.02.2023	509,375,884
33	11.04.2023	214,681,838
34	23.05.2023	415,000,000
35	29.06.2023	157,147,247
Total		11,667,507,607
FY 2023-24		
36	28.09.2023	1,541,175,884
37	26.01.2024	263,778,088
38	29.03.2024	509,375,884
39	13.06.2024	223,934,018
Total		2,538,263,874
FY 2024-25		
40	05.08.2024	8,998,975,884
41	19.12.2024	263,778,088
Total		9,262,753,972
Grand Total		43,689,693,632

ABANDONED PROPERTIES ORGANIZATION
BUDGET SUMMARY

S.No.	HEAD OF ACCOUNT	APPROVED BUDGET
1	ESTABLISHMENT CHARGES	115,000,000
2	UTILITIES AND SERVICES	10,979,000
3	Misc. & Contingent Charges	14,737,000
4	COMMODITIES AND SERVICES	3,182,000
5	PENSION CONTRIBUTION	4,000,000
6	HIRING OF OFFICE ACCOMMODATION	101,000
7	HIRING OF STAFF ACCOMMODATION	5,451,000
8	C.P. FUND/ LOAN AND ADVANCES/ GRATUITY	7,700,000
9	LAW CHARGES	10,800,000
10	MARRIAGE GRANT	50,000
11	P.M. Assistance Package	8,000,000
	Total:	180,000,000

**SANCTION STRENGTH
ABANDONED PROPERTIES ORGANIZATION
ISLAMABAD/KARACHI**

S. NO	POST	BPS	NO OF POST SANCTIONED	FILLED	VACANT
1.	Administrator	20	01	01	-
2.	Deputy Administrator	18-19	02	02	-
3.	Secretary, BoT	19	01	01	-
4.	Deputy Director	18	01	-	01
5.	Accounts Officer	17/18	01	01	-
6.	Assistant Director	17	02	01	01
7.	Superintendent	16	01	01	-
8.	Accounts Assistant	16	03	02	01
9.	Assistant	15/16	06	05	01
10.	Assistant Private Secretary	16	03	02	01
11.	Stenotypist	14	01	-	01
12.	Upper Division Clerk	13	02	02	-
13.	Lower Division Clerk	11	03	03	-
14.	Record Keeper	05	01	-	01
15.	Drivers	4-5	07	05	02
16.	Dispatch Rider	4	01	01	-
17.	Nalb Qasids	1-2	09	07	02
18.	Chowkidars	1-2	04	04	-
19.	Bailiff	1	02	02	-
20.	Record Lifter	1	01	01	-
21.	Farrash	1	01	01	-
Total			53	42	11

LIST OF OFFICERS OF APO ISLAMABAD/KARACHI

S. NO	NAME OF THE OFFICERS	DESIGNATION	BPS	DATE OF APPOINTMENT
1.	Mr. Mukhtar Paras Shah	Administrator	20	26.05.2023
2.	Ms. Tahreem Fatima	Deputy Administrator, Karachi	18	07.12.2022
3.	Mr. Shoaib-ur-Rehman	Deputy Administrator, Islamabad	18	25.05.2023
4.	Syed Kashif Ali Kazmi	Secretary, BoT	19	02.02.2025
5.	Mr. Muhammad Siddique	Accounts Officer	18	01.07.2021
6.	Mr. M Saleem Chohan	Assistant Director	17	28.09.2020

***Question No. 31 Senator Anusha Rahman Ahmad Khan:**
(Notice Received on 21/01/2025 at 4:28 PM) QID: 42896

Will the Minister In-Charge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state:

- (a) details of civil service examination, mechanism and criteria for induction of civil servants alongwith the reasons of high percentage of failures; and*
- (b) whether current examination system is aligned with global testing and examination standards indicating when last review of the said examination system was undertaken?*

Mr. Ahad Khan Cheema: (a) Federal Public Service Commission (FPSC) conducts CSS Competitive Examination annually for allocation in twelve occupational groups/ services. Details of CSS examination, mechanism and criteria for induction/ recruitment in Civil Service are at **(Annex-I)**.

The main reasons for low passing percentage in CSS are identified as under:

- i. Major failure is in compulsory subjects of English Essay, English Précis & Composition.
- ii. Aggregate marks policy of the Commission wherein candidates are required to obtain minimum 50% marks in aggregate in addition to passing the compulsory subjects.
- iii. Examiners assessment reveals that candidates attempt the paper in such a way that ideas are not coherent, organized or focused. Random thoughts are prevalent without any logical reasoning. The candidates fail to build-up argument from multiple angles and substantiate invalid facts and arguments.
- iv. The reports indicate problems like poor comprehension, expression which is much below the desired graduation level, heavy reliance on CSS coaching academies, guidebooks, without creativity or genuineness.

- v. Selection of optional subjects which do not belong to the domain knowledge of the candidates.

(b) **CSS Pakistan Civil Service Exam**

Pakistan Central Superior Services Exam is a 3-stage process:-

- MPT (MCQ based Preliminary Test) is of 200 Marks,
- Main exam is having compulsory papers of 600 marks and optional papers of 600 marks,
- Viva is of 300 marks.

UPSC Union Public Service Commission

Indian UPSC exam is a three-stage process that recruits people for the Civil Services. There is a Preliminary Test which is of 400 Marks. Main exam is of 1250 Marks. Viva is of 275 Marks.

BCS Bangladesh Civil Service

Bangladesh civil service BCS exam is a three-stage process that recruits people for the Bangladesh Civil Services. This exam is the most competitive job exam in Bangladesh. The exam has three stages: Preliminary Test (200 Marks), written (900 Marks) and viva voce (100 Marks). The exam process can take from one and a half to two years. The exam is a gateway to entry-level positions in the Bangladesh Civil Service. Keeping in view above it may be seen that most of the functions and structure of competitive exam are moderately aligned with other countries of the region, like India and Bangladesh. This is a regular feature to update the process and structure of competitive exam from time to time in Pakistan. The CSS syllabus was revised in 2019. The Commission is already in the process for revision of the syllabus for CSS.

**MECHANISM AND CRITERIA FOR INDUCTION/ RECRUITMENT IN CIVIL SERVICE
THROUGH CSS EXAMINATION**

(A) Eligibility Criteria:

i.	Nationality	Candidate must be a citizen of Pakistan
ii.	Qualification	Second Division or Grade "C" Bachelor's Degree in any faculty/ Discipline
iii.	Age Limit	21 to 30 years. Upper age limit is relaxable by 2 years for Government Servants as well as candidates belonging to recognized tribes of Balochistan, FATA & PATA, and permanent residents of GB & AJK, as specified in CSS Rules
iv.	Domicile	To determine provincial/ regional quota.

(B) CSS Competitive Examination Scheme:

i.	MCQs Based Preliminary Test (MPT)	It has become mandatory to pass MCQs Based Preliminary Test (MPT) to qualify for CSS CE written examination w.e.f CSS CE-2022. MPT is based on 200 MCQs of 200 marks with 33% qualifying threshold. The syllabi for MPT are based on compulsory subjects of CSS Competitive Examination. It is a qualifying test and score is not counted towards final merit.
ii.	Written Examination	Written part of CSS Competitive Examination comprises 1200 marks papers enumerated below: a. Compulsory Subjects (6 papers of 100 marks each) i. English Essay ii. English Précis & Composition iii. General Knowledge 1. General Science & Ability 2. Current Affairs 3. Pakistan Affairs iv. Islamic Studies OR Comparative Studies of Major Religions (for Non-Muslim candidates) b. Optional Subjects (600 marks) Candidates may opt subjects of their choice from 45 optional subjects divided into seven groups.
iii.	Psychological Assessment	Written qualified candidates are required to undergo psychological assessment, comprising written tests and group tasks. These tests are designed to assess abilities, attitude and personality characteristics of the candidates with special regard to their aptitude for the Civil Services. Separate marks are not awarded for the psychological assessment.
iv.	Medical Examination	All candidates must be in good mental and bodily health and free from any physical defect likely to interfere with the discharge of their duties. They are required to be medically examined by the medical boards constituted for the purpose.
v.	Viva Voce	300 marks

(C) CSS Competitive Examination Criteria:

i.	Qualifying Threshold	Compulsory subjects	40 %
		Optional subjects	33 %
		Aggregate	50 %
		Viva Voce	33 %
ii.	Quota Applicable	As per approved policy of Federal Government.	

(D) Vacancies filled through CSS Competitive Examination:

Actual number of vacancies in BS-17 to be filled is announced with the approval of Establishment Division. These are filled on all Pakistan basis in accordance with the quota policy of the Federal Government. Commission makes allocation on the basis of merit of the candidates and preference opted/ given by them.

*Question No. 32 **Senator Anusha Rahman Ahmad Khan:**
(Notice Received on 24/01/2025 at 3:27 PM) QID: 42912

Will the Minister In-Charge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state whether it is a fact that parliamentarians are placed at serial No.1-16 on the warrants of precedence, if so, reasons thereof along-with the date when they were notified for the first time and last reviewed?

Minister In-Charge of the Cabinet Division: It is stated that as per the warrant of precedence, the parliamentarians are placed at serial No 16. The current warrant, as amended from time to time, was issued by the Ministry of Interior on 10th February, 2016 clearly stating that the warrant in vogue is amended up to 6th December, 2008. In the same notification, it is highlighted that the previous warrant was issued on 7th March, 1963.

However, the subject, "Warrant of Precedence" had been transferred from Interior Division to the Cabinet Division in August, 2021 after an amendment in the Rules of Business, 1973.

*Question No. 33 **Senator Bilal Ahmed Khan Mandokhel:**
(Notice Received on 30/01/2025 at 10:32 AM) QID: 42932

Will the Minister In-Charge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state the details of the officers belonging to Federal /

Civil Superior Services posted in Balochistan alongwith their names, designation, grade, Group of service and tenure of posting during the last 3 years?

Mr. Ahad Khan Cheema: It is stated that the Establishment Division is the cadre administrator in respect of four occupational groups i.e. PAS, PSP, SG and OMG. The requisite details of officers of each of the said groups is at **Annex-A**.

*(Annexure has been placed in library and on Table of the Mover/
Concerned Member)*

*Question No. 34 **Senator Mohammad Humayun Mohmand:**
(Notice Received on 30/01/2025 at 12:08 PM) QID: 42937

Will the Minister In-Charge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the details of the officers of Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA)BS-17 and above, indicating their pay and allowances including expenditure on vehicles, fuel and repairs, mobile allowance during the last three years and whether any cut as per instructions under the Austerity Drive has been initiated?

Minister In-Charge of the Cabinet Division: Details of officers of Pakistan Telecommunication Authority (PTA) is attached at **Annex-A** as well as their pay and allowances are at **Annex-B**, no vehicle is allocated to any officer of BPS-17 and above. Monetization is being paid to officers of BPS-19 and above, whereas conveyance allowance is admissible to officers of BPS-17 and 18. Moreover, no official vehicle is allocated to any officer of the Authority, hence, no expenditure incurred on fuel and repair of vehicles. Further, no mobile allowance is paid to employees.

LIST OF PTA EMPLOYEES BPS-17 & ABOVE

Name of Employees	Designation
Mr. Abdul Samad	Director General
Mr. Amer Shahzad	Director General
Mr. Muhammad Arif Sargana	Director General
Mr. Ahmed Shamim	Director General
Mr. Kamran Khan Gandapur	Director General
Dr. Muhammad Mukaram Khan	Director General
Mr. Abdul Batin Khan	Director General
Mr. Aqeel Ahmed Khan	Director General
Mr. Khurram Ali Mehran	Director General
Mr. Amjad Mustafa Malik	Director General
Mr. Tayyab Bin Tahir Khan (On Deputation)	Director General
Mr. Yasir Yaqoob	Director General
Mr. Nauman Khalid (On Deputation)	Director General
Mr. Ehsan Yar Khan	Director General
Mr. Aadil Umer Khalil	Director General
Mr. M. Abdur Rub Khan	Director
Mr. Ikram-ul-Haq	Director
Mr. M. Taimur Arshad	Director
Mr. Ubaid Tayyab	Director
Mr. Nasir Ali Khan	Director
Mr. Waqas Ahmed	Director
Mr. Muhammad Farooq	Director
Mr. Asif Saeed	Director
Mr. M. Khurram Siddiqui	Director
Syeda Shafaq Karim	Director
Mr. Asim Manzoor	Director
Ms. Erum Latif	Director
Mr. Muhammad Salman Zafar	Director
Ms. Rabeeya Parvez	Director
Mr. Kashif Ghafoor	Director
Mr. Tanweer Shehzad Khattak	Director
Mr. Muhammad Naeem Ashraf	Director
Mr. Ahmed Bakhat Masood	Director
Mr. Ali Faisal	Director
Mr. Sadaqat Ali	Director
Ms. Malahat Obaid	Director
Ms. Sadiqa Khalid	Director

Mr. Shargeel Ahmed Khan	Director
Mr. Mudassar Hafeez	Director
Mr. Muhammad Aji	Director
Dr. Shahbaz Nasir	Director
Colonel Sana Ullah	Director
Mr. Zavar-ul-Hassan	Director
Mr. Sikandar Abbas	Director
Mr. Abbas Khan	Director
Mr. M. Farhan Khalid	Director
Mr. Abdul Wahid Khalil	Director
Syeda Samreen Afzaal	Director
Mr. Shoaib Ahmed	Director
Mr. Muhammad Ashraf	Director
Mr. Kashif Elahi Bhatti	Director
Syed Imtiaz Hussain Naqvi	Director
Dr. Nisar Ahmed	Director
Mr. Khalid Wazir	Director
Mr. Zeeshan Shafiq	Director
Ms. Zaib Unisa Gharshin	Director
Mr. Tariq Khan	Director
Mr. Ali Waqas Raza	Director
Mr. Gul Hassan	Director
Mr. Altaf Ahmed Memon	Deputy Director
Mr. Ali Akbar Saheto	Deputy Director
Mr. Muhammad Hassan	Deputy Director
Mr. Obaid-ur-Rehman	Deputy Director
Mr. Waqas Ahmed Khan	Deputy Director
Mr. Abdul Rehman	Deputy Director
Mr. Abdul Hameed	Deputy Director
Ms. Huma Abid	Deputy Director
Mr. Gul Abid Khan	Deputy Director
Mr. Fahad Ahmed	Deputy Director
Mr. M. Khuram Aziz	Deputy Director
Mr. Muhammad Muneer	Deputy Director
Mian Khaliq-ur-Rehman	Deputy Director
Mr. Altaf Hussain Kashif	Deputy Director
Mr. Abdul Rehman Memon	Deputy Director
Mr. Waseem Anwar	Deputy Director
Mr. Muhammad Amir	Deputy Director
Shahzada Mukarram Hameed	Deputy Director
Mr. Azhar	Private Secretary
Mr. Sohail Anjum	Private Secretary
Mr. Muhammad Ishtiaq Ahmed	Private Secretary
Mr. Kaleem Ullah Tareen	Deputy Director
Mr. Faheem Sohail	Deputy Director
Syed Qulb-e-Hassan	Deputy Director
Mr. Adnan Ali	Deputy Director

Mr. Rizwan Muazzam	Deputy Director
Mr. Jamil Ahmed Khan	Deputy Director
Mr. Muhammad Kashif	Deputy Director
Mr. Faheem Iqbal	Deputy Director
Mr. Sajid Saeed	Deputy Director
Mr. Adil Javed	Deputy Director
Mr. Sohail Mahmood	Deputy Director
Mr. Muhammad Nadeem	Deputy Director
Mr. Muhammad Hunzala Javed	Deputy Director
Mr. Anwar Zeb	Deputy Director
Mr. Tariq Muhammad Khan	Deputy Director
Mr. Mubashir Subhani	Deputy Director
Mr. Imran Khan Memon	Assistant Director
Mr. Waqas Hassan	Assistant Director
Ms. Tayyaba Iftikhar	Assistant Director
Mr. Danish Naseer	Assistant Director
Mr. Khaliq Hussain	Assistant Director
Ms. Sahar Mahmood	Assistant Director
Ms. Neeha Hassan	Assistant Director
Mr. Hamid Maqbool	Assistant Director
Mr. Sikandar Hayat Sarmad	Assistant Director
Mr. Muhammad Farhan Khan	Assistant Director
Mr. Faheem Ahsan	Assistant Director
Mr. Zahid Hussain	Assistant Director
Mr. Saad Zafar	Assistant Director
Mr. Muhammad Taha Shamim	Assistant Director
Mr. Muhammad Usman Bin Younas	Assistant Director
Mr. Sami Ullah	Assistant Director
Mr. Yaseen Khan	Assistant Director
Mr. Shaheer Nawaz Bugti	Assistant Director
Syed Ali Haider Shah	Assistant Director
Mr. Muhammad Farrukh Sohail	Assistant Director
Mr. Ahmed Adnan Siddiqui	Assistant Director
Mr. Bilal Maroof	Assistant Director
Mr. Hamza Ahmad Sial	Assistant Director
Ms. Umera Asmat Rana	Assistant Director
Mr. Muhammad Hasan Usama	Assistant Director
Mr. Muhammad Umar Shahid	Assistant Director
Mr. Waleed Ahmed	Assistant Director
Mr. Shabbir Hussain	Assistant Director
Mr. Arif Mushtaq	Assistant Director
Mr. Gul Badshah Khan	Assistant Director
Mr. Muhammad Khalid	Assistant Director
Mr. Hussan Nawab	Assistant Director
Mr. Aftab Manan	Assistant Director
Ms. Qurat-ul-ain	Assistant Director
Mr. Tanveer-ul-Hassan	Assistant Director

Mr. Muhammad Musa Khan	Assistant Director
Mr. Muhammad Iftikhar	Assistant Director
Mr. Shafiq Ahmed	Assistant Director
Mr. Inam Ullah	Assistant Director
Mr. Saif Ali Khan	Assistant Director
Syed Muhammad Ali Uddin Hafee	Assistant Director
Mr. Abdul Mutal Sulehri	Assistant Director
Mr. Muhammad Saqlain Arif	Assistant Director
Mr. Waleed Ahmed	Assistant Director
Mr. Ameer Hamza	Assistant Director
Mr. Farrukh Saleem	Assistant Director
Mr. Tariq Imliaz	Private Secretary
Mr. Muhammad Azeem Qureshi	Private Secretary
Mr. Abid Hussain	Private Secretary
Mr. Muhammad Ashfaq Malik	Assistant Director
Mr. Babar Shahzad Anjum	Assistant Director
Mr. Saeed Ahmed Dehraj	Assistant Director
Mr. Ali Hussain Bhatti	Assistant Director
Mr. M. Ahtisham Ullah Shah	Assistant Director
Mr. Asif Qazi Mengal	Assistant Director
Mr. Anjum Farid Khan	Assistant Director
Mr. Tanveer Ahmed	Assistant Director
Mr. Fayyaz Jilani	Assistant Director
Mr. Muhammad Riaz	Assistant Director
Mr. Muzaffar Mehmood	Assistant Director
Mr. Muhammad Shabbir	Assistant Director
Mr. Aftab Javed	Assistant Director
Syeda Masooma Jamil	Assistant Director
Mr. Azhar Ali	Assistant Director
Ms. Musarra Shaheen	Assistant Director
Mr. Asghar Ali Abbasi	Sr. Library Officer
Ms. Nighat Jabeen Bajwa	Assistant Director
Mr. Muhammad Asif	Assistant Director
Ms. Ghulam Sakeena	Assistant Director
Ms. Umbrin Saba	Assistant Director
Mr. M. Farooq Hassan	Assistant Director
Mr. Muhammad Asim Majeed	Assistant Director
Mr. Shahid Naveed	Assistant Director
Mr. Ata Muhammad	Assistant Director
Mr. Imran Zeb	Assistant Director
Mr. Anwar-ul-Haq	Assistant Director
Mr. Muhammad Mumtaz	Assistant Director
Mr. Naveed Ahmed	Assistant Director
Syed Munawar Hassan	Assistant Director
Mr. Maqsood-ur-Rehman	Assistant Director
Ms. Azra Shaheen	Private Secretary
Ms. Saira Adnan	Private Secretary

Annex-B**Monthly Pay & Allowance of PTA Officers (Last Three Years)**

	S.No.	Officer Grade	Number of Officers	Pay	Allowances
Year 2021-22	1	SEG-1 (BS-20)	9	2,277,554	2,413,482
	2	EG-IV (Bs-19)	36	6,795,238	7,634,720
	3	EG-III (BS-18)	40	6,096,845	8,111,885
	4	EG-II (BS-17)	67	6,934,032	9,014,254

	S.No.	Officer Grade	Number of Officers	Pay	Allowances
Year 2022-23	1	SEG-1 (BS-20)	10	3,012,877	3,126,062
	2	EG-IV (Bs-19)	36	8,270,478	8,407,899
	3	EG-III (BS-18)	39	6,990,564	9,374,339
	4	EG-II (BS-17)	62	7,335,732	9,536,466

	S.No.	Officer Grade	Number of Officers	Pay	Allowances
Year 2023-24	1	SEG-1 (BS-20)	10	3,360,540	3,541,874
	2	EG-IV (Bs-19)	33	8,925,941	9,183,770
	3	EG-III (BS-18)	38	8,285,215	11,181,516
	4	EG-II (BS-17)	65	8,943,805	11,640,688

Note: No official vehicle is allocated to any officer of the Authority, hence, no expenditure incurred on fuel and repair of vehicles. Further, no mobile allowance is paid to Employees.

***Question No. 35 Senator Shahadat Awan:**

(Notice Received on 3/02/2025 at 3:20 PM) QID: 42962

Will the Minister In-Charge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the details of the awardees of Pakistan Civil Awards for the last 5 years along with their Field and Award conferred?

Minister In-Charge of the Cabinet Division: The details of Awardees of Pakistan Civil Awards for the last 5 years along with their Field and Awards is at **Annex-I**.

*(Annexure has been placed in library and on Table of the Mover/
Concerned Member)*

***Question No. 36 Senator Zeeshan Khanzada:**

(Notice Received on 3/02/2025 at 3:35 PM) QID: 42965

Will the Minister for Information Technology and Telecommunications be pleased to state whether the Pakistan Software Export Board (PSEB) has developed any digital

infrastructure for promotion of IT products internationally to increase its export, if so, the details thereof?

Ms. Shaza Fatima Khawaja: Establishment of Software & Technology Parks

Pakistan Software Export Board is an apex body of Ministry of information technology and telecom with mandate to facilitate and promote ICT Industry in local and international markets. It has also a mandate to provide conducive and ICT enabled office environment to ICT industry through establishment of IT Parks, software Technology parks (STP) and e-Rozgaar center under PSDP and grant funded projects placed at **Annex-A**.

It is pertinent to mention that Software Technology Parks (STPs) and IT parks are instrumental in driving innovation, economic growth, and technological advancements in Pakistan. By providing a conducive environment for innovation, collaboration, and entrepreneurship, these parks offer state-of-the-art infrastructure such as reliable ICT services, backup power, and high-speed data communication. They are designed to promote the development and export of software and software services, enhancing the competitiveness of the IT industry while creating jobs and developing human resources. These parks facilitate collaboration between academia and industry, leading to technology transfer and commercialization of research, and attract and retain top talent by providing access to cutting-edge facilities and research opportunities. Additionally, STPs and IT parks contribute to the expansion of Pakistan's digital landscape, equipping companies with the latest technologies and tools. The government's focus on establishing these parks across the country aims to achieve holistic tech growth and enhance the tech sector's contribution to Pakistan's GDP.

Establishment of e-Rozgaar Centers

To further support ICT Industry PSEB has undertaken an ambitious mission to establish 250 e-Rozgaar centers across Pakistan up to FY 2027 under PSDP project titled "Prime Minister's Initiatives - Support for IT- Startups, Specialized IT Trainings and Venture Capital" These centers are intended towards promoting freelancers and entrepreneurship with a target of 25,000 job creations. There shall be 50 e-Rozgaar center operational during CFY 2024-25.

E-Rozgaar centers play a crucial role in empowering freelancers across Pakistan by providing dedicated workspaces and essential facilities. These centers address the lack of proper workplaces for freelancers, offering reliable internet, backup power and collaborative environments that enhance productivity and efficiency. By facilitating networking and skill development, e-Rozgaar centers enable freelancers to take on high-end projects, potentially increasing their earnings significantly. The initiative aims to boost the country's IT exports, with estimates suggesting that facilitating a large number of freelancers could enhance annual earnings. Additionally, these centers contribute to youth empowerment, especially in marginalized areas, by offering training in digital skills and freelancing, thereby helping to bring much-needed foreign exchange into the country and strengthen its economy. Overall, both STPs, IT parks, and e-Rozgaar centers are vital for fostering a vibrant digital workforce and promoting sustainable economic growth in Pakistan.

Details of IT Park, STP, E-Rozgar centers under MoIT&T

- i. **PSEB manages over 43 STPs** providing state-of-the-art facilities to ICT Industry. Under the project, Establishment of 25 Software Technology Parks, 25 STPs has been established in primary and secondary cities, Islamabad, Lahore, Karachi, Gilgit, Rahim Yar Khan, Faisalabad, Swat, Quetta, Gujranwala, Sialkot, Abbottabad, Manshra, Gujrat, Jamshoro, Nawabshah, Gakuch, Bahawalpur and Khuzdar during FY 2022-2024. Currently, these 43 STPs working in public private partnerships are providing 24/7 ICT facilities to 350 companies across Pakistan with 4,500 IT professionals out of which 20% are females.
- ii. **A state-of-the-art IT park with the latest ICT infrastructure** is under construction in Islamabad with 720,000 Sq.Ft of covered area. This Park shall provide an ecosystem for startups, SME and anchor IT companies. The Park would be completed in June 2025 would create 7,500 employment opportunities and annual IT exports of USD 60 million.
- iii. **Another mega IT Park project with 1,120,000 Sq.Ft of covered area** is under process in Karachi with the latest ICT infrastructure with allied facilities and would be operational in 2027. The Park would create 13,400 jobs, office space to more than 220 ICT companies, contribute to Pakistan's ICT eco system and boost IT exports up to USD 90 million.
- iv. **Additionally, PSEB is establishing the First Women Technology Park** at Women University Bagh AJK. This Technology Park shall be equipped with latest ICT infrastructure and allied facilities to provide opportunities and empower women of that area in ICT industry. This software technology park shall also be operationalized in CFY 2024-25
- v. **PSEB is also establishing STP in GB with Strategic Partnership with SCO** and GB Government for establishment of STPs.

***Question No. 37 Senator Quratulain Marri:**
(Notice Received on 7/02/2025 at 11:40 AM) QID: 42986

Will the Minister in-Charge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that women represent only five percent of Federal Government's workforce at present, if so, indicate employment quota of women against all posts in Federal Government services in addition to their selection on open merit; and*
- (b) *steps taken or being taken to ensure gender inclusivity in Federal Government jobs during last five year?*

Mr. Ahad Khan Cheema: (a) The detail of women representation in Federal Secretariat, Attached Departments/ Subordinate Offices, Constitutional Bodies as well as in Autonomous/ Semi-Autonomous Bodies/ Corporations is placed at **Annex-A.**

- (b)
- i. The Establishment Division has issued instructions to all Ministries / Divisions to strictly implement the 10% quota for employment of woman to all posts across the board in Federal Government services including CSS to be filled by direct recruitment, in addition to their participation in the open merit. Furthermore.
 - ii. The Ministries/ Divisions are primarily responsible to determine and observance of the posts wise women quota within their domain.
 - iii. The Establishment Division collects and compiles the female employees statistics on annual basis.
 - iv. Special CSS examination was conducted in 2023 by providing an extra chance *i.e.* 4th and increasing the upper age limit to 35 years for the unfilled vacant posts against different quotas including women quota.

Annex-A

ACTUAL WORKING STRENGTH OF FEMALE EMPLOYEES IN FEDERAL SECRETARIAT/ CONSTITUTIONAL BODIES/ ATTACHED/ SUBORDINATE OFFICES/ AUTONOMOUS/ SEMI-AUTONOMOUS BODIES/ CORPORATIONS

Female Percentage	Actual Filled Posts	DOMICILE										
		Islamabad		Punjab		Sindh		KP	Balochistan	AJ&K	GB	FATA
		Total	Rural	Urban	Total	Rural	Urban					
		Federal Secretariat										
Total	13254	2470	6488	1486	934	552	1770	378	378	135	149	
Female Total	1076	166	632	120	53	67	98	23	23	6	8	
Percentage %	8.12	6.72	9.74	8.08	5.67	12.14	5.54	6.08	6.08	4.44	5.37	
		Constitutional Bodies										
Total	8949	735	3902	1433	736	697	1552	912	190	60	115	
Female Total	525	62	279	76	26	50	63	35	4	4	2	
Percentage %	5.87	8.44	7.15	5.30	3.53	7.17	4.06	3.84	2.11	6.67	1.74	
		Attached Departments/ Subordinate Offices (Excluding Civil Armed Forces)										
Total	338519	11656	188729	67646	29266	38380	42439	16921	5409	2590	3129	
Female Total	28124	2471	16486	4494	1611	2883	2547	980	499	334	313	
Percentage %	8.31	21.20	8.74	6.64	5.50	7.51	6.00	5.79	9.23	12.90	10.00	
		Autonomous/ Semi-Autonomous Bodies/ Corporations										
Total	354164	11829	192130	68786	31313	37473	53275	16719	5361	3205	2959	
Female Total	19282	1076	11308	3928	1296	2632	1814	593	352	173	38	
Percentage %	5.44	9.10	5.89	5.71	4.14	7.02	3.40	3.55	6.57	5.40	1.28	
		Grand Total										
Grand Total	714884	26690	391249	139351	62249	77102	99036	34930	11338	5990	6352	
Grand Total Female	49009	3775	28705	8618	2986	5632	4522	1631	878	517	361	
Percentage %	6.86	14.14	7.34	6.18	4.80	7.30	4.57	4.67	7.74	8.63	5.68	

Islamabad,
the 10th March, 2025.

SYED HASNAIN HAIDER,
Secretary.