

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

to be asked at a sitting of the National Assembly to be held on

Thursday, the 28th January, 2010

*(Originally Starred Question No. 113 was set down for answer
on 20-01-2010)*

@77. * **Chaudhry Muhammad Barjees Tahir:**

Will the Minister for Local Government and Rural Development be pleased to state:

- (a) *the constituency-wise total number of developmental schemes of Members, National Assembly announced during the recent past under the Prime Minister Programme; and*
- (b) *whether fund have been released for those schemes?*

Minister for Local Government and Rural Development (Mr. Justice (R) Abdul Razzaq A. Thahim) (a) In this regard it is submitted that the subject pertains to PWP-II which is dealt by Prime Minister’s Secretariat and not concerned with this Ministry.

However, the Ministry of LG&RD deals with the Parliamentarians development schemes under People’s Works Programme-I.

The progress in this regard is as follows:

<u>Year</u>	<u>No. of schemes</u>
2008-09	3070
2009-10	766

@Transferred from Prime Minister’s Secretariat.

(b) The status regarding release of funds is given below:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Funds released</u>
2008-09	Rs.2692.327 Million
2009-10	Rs.814.082 Million

113. ***Mr. Muhammad Riaz Malik:**

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state the steps being taken by the government to provide speedy and inexpensive justice to citizens in the country during the current fiscal year 2009-10 till-date.

Reply not received

208. ***Mrs. Yasmeen Rehman:**

Will the Minister for Environment be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether any action has been taken against those projects of construction in Islamabad during the last three years till date which violated the prescribed environmental standard; if so, the total number of those projects; and*
- (b) *the prescribed procedure to check the Environmental Impacts Assessment (EIA) study of a construction project in Islamabad?*

Minister for Environment (Mr. Hameedullah Jan Afridi): (a) The following 20 projects were constructed in Islamabad during the last 3 years without obtaining Environmental approval under section 12 of the Pakistan Environmental Protection Act (Initial Environment Examination). The projects violated section 12 of the Act at Annex-I.

The following 10 cases of construction violating the law were referred to the Environmental Protection Tribunal which did not obtain Environmental approval are pending for decision:

- i. Construction project of F-9 Park, Islamabad.
- ii. Development of recreational park at Rawal Dam.
- iii. Construction of National Monument (Ministry of Culture).

- iv. Beautification of Daman-e-Koh.
- v. 7th & 9th Avenues.
- vi. Faisal Avenue under pass & overhead Bridge.
- vii. Expansion of Islamabad Express way.
- viii. Jinnah Avenue expansion (Blue Area).
- ix. Pir Sohawa Minal restaurant.
- x. Installation of Hospital waste incinerator at PIMS

(b) Under Section 12 of the Pakistan Environmental Protection Act 1997, all those projects listed in schedules to the (EIA/IEE) Regulations 2000 (Annexed) are required to submit (EIA/IEE) reports and obtain environmental approval thereon before starting of all the projects. To facilitate the proponent of the project, Pakistan Environmental Protection Agency has notified general and specific guidelines.

All EIAs are reviewed with public participation for which hearing session is organized after giving advertisements in the newspapers.

Annex-I

GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT

LIST OF PROJECTS VIOLATED SECTION 12 OF THE ACT

- i. Construction project of F-9 Park, Islamabad.
- ii. Development of recreational park at Rawal Dam.
- iii. Construction of National Monument (Ministry of Culture).
- iv. Beautification of Daman-e-Koh.
- v. 7th, 9th Avenues.
- vi. Telecom Tower.
- vii. State Life Building.
- viii. Cultural Complex.
- ix. Parade Avenue near Faizabad.
- x. Arts and Craft Village at Garden Avenue, Islamabad.
- xi. Pak-China Cultural Complex.
- xii. China Chowk under pass.
- xiii. Faisal Avenue under pass & overhead Bridge.
- xiv. Expansion of Islamabad Express way.

- xv. Jinnah Avenue expansion (Blue Area).
- xvi. Construction of Petroleum House.
- xvii. Construction of NESPAK Tower.
- xviii. Zero point Interchange.
- xix. Hospital waste incinerator at PIMS.
- xx. Naval Complex Golf Club.

209. ***Begum Nuzhat Sadiq:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total length of roads in Kilometers constructed by NHA in the country during the period from 1st January, 2008 till-date alongwith the locations thereof;*
- (b) *the total amount expended on those roads; and*
- (c) *the location-wise total amount expended by NHA on the repair of those roads during the current financial year 2008-09 till date?*

Minister for Communications (Dr. Arbab Alamgir Khan): (a) Total 1074 km roads have been constructed by NHA in different regions since Jan 2008 Details are at Annex-A, region-wise break- up is as under:

Region	Km
Punjab	265
Sindh	75
Balochistan	440
NWFP/GB	205
Earthquake repairs	89
Total	1074

(b) Rs. 48,259/- million)

(c) Roads constructed/completed during the above period being under “defect liability period”, the responsibility for repair of defects, if any, rested with the contractors, No expenditure on this account was incurred by NHA..

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PROJECTS COMPLETED DURING JAN 2008 - JAN 2010

	Region/Project/Location	Total Length (Km)	Completed Length (Km)	Expenditure (Rs in M)
Sindh				
1.	Lyari Expressway (North & Southbound)	32	22.5	5713
2.	Bridge across River Indus linking Larkana - Khairpur	1.22	1.22	1215
3.	Moro - Ranipur (N-5)	88	38	1360
4.	Ubaro - Shaikhwahani (N-5)	51	14	1487
Balochistan				
5.	Quetta Western Bypass (N-25)	23	23	375
6.	Lakpass Tunnel including approach roads (N-25)	5	5	558
7.	Gwadar-Peri-Jiwani (N-10)	69	69	1996
8.	Peri-Gabd (N-10)	36	36	330
9.	Kharozai-Mushim Bagh (N-50)	50	50	1169
10.	Mushim Bagh - Qila Saifullah (N-50)	50	50	1600
11.	Hub-Uthal (N-25)	83	74	2222
12.	Kulat -Khad Koocha (N-25)	70	53	1034
13.	Khad Koocha-Quetta (N-25)	60	22	670
14.	Quetta - Mazai Adda (N-25)	60	50	1207
15.	Mazai Adda - Chaman (N-25)	37	8	767
Punjab				
16.	Mianchanna - Sahiwal (N-5)	47	8	1168
17.	Lahore - Gujranwala (N-5)	100	60	4161
18.	Turno - Chablat (N-5)	57	36	1693
19.	Mianchanna - Sahiwal - Okara (N-5)	72	52	644
20.	Gujranwala - Kharian (N-5)	30	12	603
21.	Rawalpindi - Kharian (N-5)	83	24	401
22.	Zahirpur - TM Panah Pack-II (N-5)	45	45	1531
23.	Shershah Bridge (N-70)	13.025m	13.025 m	950
24.	Multan - Muzaffargarh (N-70)	37	28	2616
NWFP/GB				
25.	Nowshera - Peshawar (N-5)	68	21	1246
26.	Darga - Chaklara (N-45)	25	25	622
27.	Timergrah - Akhgram (N-45)	25	25	570
28.	South Access Road of LRTP (N-45)	9	9	193
29.	Naran - Jalchud (N-15)	43	40	1969
30.	Malana Junction - Surac Gambila (ICB-I, N-55)	59	49	1528
31.	Malana Junction - Surac Gambila (ICB-II, N-55)	58	19	1640
32.	Badabher-Darra Adam Khel (N-55)	29	17	381
Rehab of Earthquake Damages				
33.	Buttal-Batgram (N-35)	25	18	565
34.	Bustar-Balakot-Narab (N-15)	65	22	1475
35.	Kohala-Muzaffarabad (S-2, JVR)	59	49	1606
	Total	1671.22	1074.27	48,259

210. ***Mr. Abdul Qadir Patel:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total capital outlay in the Lyari Expressway, Karachi alongwith the total amount incurred on it;*
- (b) *the date of completion of the said Expressway; and*
- (c) *the total revenue collected from the Toll Plaza during the year, 2008-09 constructed on the said Expressway?*

Minister for Communications (Dr. Arbab Alamgir Khan): (a) The estimated cost of Lyari Expressway is Rs. 11.871 billion.

An amount of Rs. 7.038 billion has so far been spent.

- (b) Revised completion date is February 28, 2010.
- (c) Gross toll revenue during FY 2008-09 was Rs. 23,680 million.

211. ***Mr. Abdul Qadir Patel:**

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

- (a) *the total amount spent so far by Government on SAINDAK Project; and*
- (b) *the detail of mineral products obtained from said Project during the last five years till date?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Syed Naveed Qamar): (a) Saindak Copper-Gold, Balochistan is an entity of Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Resources with 100 % equity share. The details of investment made by GOP are as under:

Total Investment	Rs. 29.24 billion
Refunded to GOB	Rs. 2.00 billion
Balance Investment	Rs. 27.24 billion

(b) Detail of mineral products produced by Saindak project during the last five years till to date are as under:

Year	Quantity in Tons					in million US\$	
	Copper	Gold	Silver	Iron Concentrate	Total	Value US\$	
2005	18,719.920	1.771	2.509	—	18,724.200	60.798,385	
2006	16,527.134	1.410	2.403	—	16,530.947	145.101,197	
2007	18,413.016	1.590	2.154	—	18,416.760	169.704,512	
2008	17,268.700	1.491	2.019	*15,020.590	32,292.800	142.076,246	
2009 up to Oct.	14,311.350	1.674	1.236	26,923.730	41,237.990	111.202,852	
Total	85,240.12	7.936	10.321	41,944.320	127,202.697**	628.883,193	

* Production of iron concentrate started during the year 2008.

** The plant is closed for repair and maintenance since October 2009.

212. *Transferred to the Interior Division for answer on next Rota Day.*

213. ***Ms. Shireen Arshad Khan:**

Will the Minister for Environment be pleased to state the steps taken during the last five years to control the pollution in the rivers and sea in the country?

Minister for Environment (Mr. Hameedullah Jan Afridi): The Government has taken up the following steps during the last 05 years to control pollution in rivers and sea in the country:

- (i). The provincial Environmental Protection Agencies took cognizance of industrial pollution and have registered about 732 cases against polluting industry to protect water bodies from pollution.
- (ii). Carried out study on River Ravi and River Swat to identify tributaries adding pollution load in the rivers. As a follow up action, NWFP Government has developed a PC-I to cleanup River Swat while a similar action is being done for River Ravi's clean up.
- (iii). The Punjab Government has also planned to install six (06) wastewater treatment plants in Lahore to protect River Ravi, one each in Faisalabad protection of River Chenab.

- (iv). City District Government Karachi has planned a project of S-III at a cost of Rs.13.4 billion which includes up-gradation of existing (03) three waste water treatment plants and installation of additional (04) four treatment plants to treat municipal sewerage waste water particularly Liayyari and Malir Rivers.
- (v). The Marin Pollution Monitoring Center was established in the National Institute of Oceanography at a cost of Rs. 39.00 million. This center tested sea water samples taken from harbour and coastal line.
- (vi). The Ministry of Environment delegated powers of the Federal Agency to Maritime Security Agency for control of pollution in the sea.
- (vii). The Marine Pollution Control Board under the Chairmanship of Federal Minister for Ports and Shipping has been constituted comprising of all stack holders including DHA, Karachi City District Government and Ministry of Environment.

214. ***Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) *when the Prime Minister Yellow Cab scheme was introduced in the country in the past;*
- (b) *the total number of persons provided vehicles under the scheme; and*
- (c) *whether there is any proposal to launch a similar scheme; if so, the detail thereof?*

Minister for Communications (Dr. Arbab Alamgir Khan): (a) The self employment scheme for Revamping Public Transport Was launched by the former Prime Minister on 06-10-1991 and was terminated by the caretaker Government *w.e.f* 16-9-1993.

(b) Under the scheme 60,567 vehicles of various types were supplied to the applicants through out the country.

(c) No, at present there is no proposal to launch a similar scheme.

215. *Admissibility is being reconsidered.*

216. ***Mr. Muhammad Riaz Malik:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that due to the construction of Murree Expressway by NHA, trees alongside the said road were damaged/ up-rooted;*
- (b) *if so, the steps taken for rehabilitation of the trees on both sides of the road?*

Minister for Communications (Dr. Arbab Alamgir Khan): (a) Satra Mile - Lower Topa Expressway (E-75) traverses new alignment Involving State & Guzara/ Malqiat Forest compelling damage to or removal of various plants during construction:-

Description	State Forest	Guzara/ Malqiat	Total
1. Mature trees	4800	3000	7800
2. Pole crops	2112	2700	4812
3. Broad leave trees	3459	735	4194
4. Regenerator	25600	4015	29815
5. Bushes	22600	46000	68600
6. Total	58571	56450	115021

(b) NHA's Right-of-Way (acquired land) varied 40-50m. Two afforestation schemes have been got executed through Punjab Forest Department as deposit work viz plantation:-

- I. of trees in lieu of trees/vegetation removed.
- II. to rehabilitate affected area along RoW.

Description	I	II
1. Trees	23,5000	78.126*
2. Cost (Rs in M)	4.638	19,13
3. Plantation	Completed	Completed
4. Maintenance Period	2 years	5 years

*Substantial part comprises ornamental and slope stabilizing species.

217. ***Chaudhry Muhammad Barjees Tahir:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total expenditure involved on the construction of Faisalabad-Multan Motorway;*
- (b) *the name of the company whom the contract for construction of said Motorway awarded;*
- (c) *the amount of Toll Tax to be levied on the said Motorway after its completion; and*
- (d) *the names of Highway projects which are under construction at present?*

Minister for Communications (Dr. Arbab Alamgir Khan): (a) Estimated cost of Faisalabad—Multan Motorway (M-4) is Rs 45 billion.

(b) Faisalabad—Gojra (58 km) awarded to M/s China International Water & Power Corporation.

(c) Toll rate structure shall be similar to that of Pindi Bhattlan - Faisalabad Motorway (53 km, M-3). Toll rates applied on M-3 are given below for the sake of comparison, however, that of Faisalabad - Gojra will be marginally higher due to longer distance:—

	Vehicle	Rate
1.	Car	30
2.	Wagon	50
3.	Coaster	70
4.	Bus	100
5.	Rigid Truck	130
6.	Articulated Truck	160

(d) Total 67 development projects are ongoing, List is at Annex-A.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly library)

218. **Chaudhry Muhammad Barjees Tahir:**

Will the Minister for Ports and Shipping be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of Pakistani merchant ships sailed abroad since 19th February, 2009 till date;*

- (b) *the total number of foreign merchant ships anchored in Pakistani ports during the said period; and*
- (c) *the total expenditure incurred on dredging of Ports during the said period alongwith the criteria adopted thereof?*

Minister for Ports and Shipping (Mr. Babar Khan Ghauri):(a) During the said period 89 Pakistani Merchant's Ships sailed abroad.

(b) A total number of 3368 Foreign Merchant Ships anchored in Pakistani Ports during the said period.

(c) A sum of Rs. 2281 Million was spent on dredging of Ports during the said period.

International tender for dredging were awarded in a transparent manner as prescribed under PPRA Rules.

219. ***Sheikh Salahuddin:**

Will the Minister for Environment be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the Steel Mills functioning in Islamabad are bound to install "Pollution Mitigation Devices"; if so, the present status of installation of those devices; and*
- (b0) *whether any Steel Mills have been penalized for non-compliance of the said requirement; if so, the details thereof?*

Minister for Environment (Mr. Hameedullah Jan Afridi): (a). All industries including steel mills are bound to comply with the National Environmental Quality Standards (NEQS) established by Pakistan Environmental Protection Agency with the approval of the Pakistan Environmental Protection Council in 1993. In order to comply with the National Environmental Quality Standards (NEQS), Pollution Mitigation Devices are installed at all such units. There are 09 steel furnaces operating in industrial area of 1-9 & I-10, Islamabad. All these steel furnaces are equipped with Pollution Mitigation Devices (Scrubbers). Since all the steel furnaces are induction furnaces operating on electricity and no fuel is used, the quality of emission depends on steel quality of scrape used in furnaces. Due to economy purposes, sometime steel furnaces use inferior quality scrape which cause excessive pollution.

(b). The cases against 02 steel furnaces namely M/s Modern Steel Mill and M/s Photohar Steel Mill were filed in February, 2007 in the Environmental

Protection Tribunal and the same are pending for decision. Moreover, the Supreme Court of Pakistan also took Suo moto case against the industry causing pollution in 1-9 and 1-10 sectors in 1993 which is also pending.

Pakistan Environmental Protection Agency (Pak-EPA) stopped operation of (04) four steel furnaces in 2007 and allowed them to operate after installation of pollution mitigation devices.

220. ***Dr. Abdul Wahid Soomro:**

Will the Minister for Local Government and Rural Development be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total amount of Funds released during the year 2001 to 2009 for the projects under Khushal Pakistan Programme-I; and*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that misappropriation in the said fund was un-earthed; if so, the action taken thereupon?*

Minister for Local Government and Rural Development (Mr. Justice (R) Abdul Razzaq A. Thahim): (a) Khushal Pakistan Programme-I was launched in July 2002 and it continued till June 2008. Under this programme, an amount of Rs.14428.990 million was released. This programme was re-named as People's Works Programme-1 in July 2008 and during 2008-2009 and 2009-2010, an amount of Rs.4462.834 million has so far been released.

(b) No case of misappropriation of funds came to the notice of the Ministry.

221. ***Mrs. Nisar Tanveer:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that exclusive rights for setting up and managing Motorway service area on M-2 have been granted to a person/company since the completion of said section;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that said beneficiary has not paid any share from the revenue of the said project to NHA so far; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (c) *whether there is any proposal to revise the said concession in order to make it profitable for NHA?*

Minister for Communications (Dr. Arbab Alamgir Khan): (a) Exclusive rights for setting up and managing Motorway Services Areas on M2 were granted to M/s Daewoo Corporation under a BOT based on a 15 year concession agreement (Sep 1997—2012).

(b) M/s Daewoo Corporation has paid Rs.4.567 million ground and lease rent up to Dec. 2007. However, NHA's revenue share of more than Rs. 304 million as per request for proposal (REP) is yet to be paid. Concessionaire is holding money on pretext of various claims against NHA.

(c) No such proposal is under consideration.

222. ***Rana Mahmood -ul- Hassan:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

(a) *whether it is a fact Multan-Faisalabad Motorway originally designed for 6 lines has been reduced to 4 lines; if so, the justification thereof;*

(b) *the present status of construction of said Motorway alongwith the time of its completion;*

(c) *the total expenditure involved therein;*

(d) *the total number of companies in the bidding for construction of said Motorway alongwith the name of the company whom the tender was awarded; and*

(e) *whether there is any proposal to construct the said Motorway by its original 6 lines?*

Minister for Communications (Dr. Arbab Alamgir Khan): (a) The Motorway (M-4) was planned for construction from Faisalabad to Khanewal as a 6-lane facility. However, the Planning Commission decided, in May 2007, its construction as a 4-lane road for making the project financially viable.

All major structures *i.e.* bridges on River Ravi and Sidhnai Channel & all flyovers/ interchanges will, however, be constructed as 6-lane to accommodate future upgradation.

(b) NHA has planned construction of Faisalabad - Multan Motorway (M-4, 241 km) in sections for completion within 6-7 years.

Contract for construction of Faisalabad - Gojra (58 km) recently awarded for Rs 10.3 billion for completion by Dec 2012. Land acquisition for remaining sections is in process.

(c) Estimated cost of M-4 is Rs. 45 billion.

(d) Four firms participated in the bidding for Faisalabad - Gojra and contract awarded to M/s China International Water & Power Corporation.

(e) Number of lanes depends upon anticipated traffic. A 4-lane motorway can carry up to 50,000 vehicles per day (vpd). Additional lanes to M-4 will be added in the long run when the traffic reaches close to 50,000 vpd. Traffic forecast inclusive of both diverted and generated is given below:-

<u>Year</u>	<u>Total</u>
2012	16925
2015	20811
2020	27487
2025	34227
2030	41842

ISLAMABAD:
The 27th January, 2010.

KARAMAT HUSSAIN NIAZI,
Secretary.

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT**“UNSTARRED QUESTIONS AND THEIR REPLIES”****For Thursday, the 28th January, 2010***(Originally Unstarred Question Nos 262,244 and 123, were set down for answer on 20-01-2010)***262. Mr. Abdul Qadir Patel:***Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state the names and addresses of the persons against whom the cases are pending in NAB in the country at present alongwith the details of the charges against them?*

Reply not received.

244. Mrs. Belum Husnain:*Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state?**(a) the names designations of domiciles, educational qualifications of employees who have been appointed in the Ministry and its attached/subordinate offices during the years 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09; and**(b) the provincial/regional quota allocated for those posts?***Minister for Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs(Dr. Zaheer-ud-Din Babar Awan):** (a) Reply is at Annex-A.

(b) Reply is at Annex-B.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

123. **Mrs. Yasmeen Rehman:**

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state the total amount of profit earned by PIA from Hajj Flights of the Hajj 2009?

Reply not received.

265. **Mrs. Yasmeen Rehman:**

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Drivers appointed in PIA Office, Lahore during the year 1992 were removed from services during the year, 2001;*
- (b) whether it is also a fact that one Driver appointed in the year 1998 was reinstated in service under Reinstatement of Sacked Employees Ordinance, 2009;*
- (c) if answer to question (a) and (b) is in the affirmative, whether there is any proposal under consideration to reinstate the remaining Drivers; if so, when it will be implemented?*

Minister for Defence (Chaudhry Ahmed Mukhtar): (a) As per available record, no driver was appointed in the year 1992 in PIA office at Lahore. No such driver has been removed from PIAC service in the year 2001.

(b) No driver has been re-instated in service under re-instatement of Sacked Employees Ordinance 2009 at Lahore station.

(c) Since PIA has outsourced Motor Transport Function in 2005, there is no proposal to re-instate any driver.

266. **Ms. Khalida Mansoor:**

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

- (a) the company to whom the contract awarded for laying gas pipe line at Peer Mehr Ali Shah Town, Chakri Road, Rawalpindi alongwith the name of the contractor thereof; and*
- (b) whether it is a fact that the said contractor has received huge amount for laying extra pipe line; if so, the details thereof?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources(Syed Naveed Qamar): (a) Gas pipeline was laid in Peer Mehar Ali Shah Town, Chakri Road, Rawalpindi in two phases.

The name of the companies and the contractors, to whom the contracts were awarded for laying gas pipelines is as under:

Phase - I

<u>Company name</u>	<u>Contractor name</u>
M/s Malik Abdul Majid & Co.	Malik Abdul Majeed

Phase - II

<u>Company name</u>	<u>Contractor name</u>
M/s Ittifaq Corporation	Sher Nawaz
M/s Inayat Ullah Khan & Brothers	Inayat Ullah Khan

(b) No.

267. **Ms. Shireen Arshad Khan:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

(a) *the date of issuance of NOC to the owners of plazas, CNG Stations and Petrol Pumps on both sides of National Highway from Peshawar to Rawalpindi during the last five years; and*

(b) *the total income earned therefrom?*

Minister for Communications (Dr. Arbab Alamgir Khan): (a) Total 160 NOCs were granted by NHA during the last five years. List containing requisite detail is at Annex-A.

(b) An amount of Rs. 118 million was earned.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

268. **Ms. Shireen Arshad Khan:**

Will the Minister for Ports and Shipping be pleased to state:

(a) *the total income earned by Karachi Port Trust since 1st July, 2009 till date alongwith the head-wise details thereof; and*

(b) *the head-wise total amount expended by KPT during the said period?*

Reply not received.

269. **Ms. Surriya Asghar:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state the per litre prices of petrol, diesel and other petroleum products like kerosene oil as on October 2006, 2007 and 2008 alongwith the reason of increase in the prices of those products?

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Syed Naveed Qamar): Per litre ex-depot sale prices of petrol (MS), HOBC, kerosene (SKO), diesel (HSD) and LDO as on 1st October 2006, 2007 and 2008 are given as under:—

(Rs./litre)

Month	MS	HOBC	SKO	HSD	LDO
Oct 2006	57.70	64.88	35.23	38.73	32.57
Oct 2007	53.70	64.88	35.23	37.73	32.57
Oct 2008	81.66	96.08	61.87	68.14	60.00

The domestic ex-depot sale prices of petroleum products decreased in October 2007 while increased in October 2008. The domestic sale prices of petroleum products increase/decrease was due to increase/decrease in international Arab Gulf market published prices of petroleum products as well as Rupee depreciation during the said period.

270. **Dr. Darshan:**

Will the Minister for Environment be pleased to state the steps taken to control the de-forestation in the country due to various plant diseases?

Minister for Environment (Mr. Hameedullah Jan Afridi): The extent of tree diseases in Pakistan had been much localized and did not involve large scale deforestation. The trees fall prone to diseases in case of extreme stresses usually drought.

The major diseases include attack of Kail Defoliator in Murree and Azad Jammu Kashmir (AJK) in 1992, 2001 and 2003. Only 56 acres in Murree and 15

acres in AJK were affected and the disease did not result in large scale deforestation as mechanical control involving removing of effected branches was used. In severe attack cases, whole of the tree was removed.

Similarly, in Changa Manga plantation in Punjab 200 acres were affected by Shisham Defoliator in 1998 and 2000. This disease was again controlled mechanically without much deforestation.

Due to severe drought in 1997-2005 the shisham trees in Punjab forests and farmlands were affected by die-back disease. Chemical and mechanical control was used to reduce deforestation. Gatwala Forest Research Institute, Faisalabad carried out research and is now trying to introduce disease free growing stock.

The Juniper forests in Balochistan have been facing attack by mistle-toe disease since early 70s. The effected forests include Sasna Mana, Zargai, Skobi-Zizri forest and the total area affected is 235 acres here too mechanical control was used to limit deforestation.

271. **Mr. Muhammad Riaz Malik:**

Will the Minister for Ports and Shipping be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of persons to whom industrial plots were allotted at Port Qasim during the year, 2009-10 till date;*
- (b) *the names of allottees alongwith the details thereof; and*
- (c) *the procedure adopted for the said allotment alongwith the reasons thereof?*

Minister for Ports and Shipping (Mr. Babar Khan Ghauri): (a) Only 02 persons were allotted Industrial plots during the said period.

- (b)(i) Name: Mr. Narendar Satyani. Date of Allotment: 11-08-2009
Area: 03 acres
- (ii) Name: Mr. Fazal Ghaffar. Date of Allotment: 15-12-2009 Area: 02
acres

(c) The Procedure adopted for the allotment of land is in accordance with the Land Allotment Policy 2000 and modified 2005, under Direct Foreign Investment (DFI), subject to completion of following formalities:—

- (i) Joint Venture Agreement of (if applicable).

- (ii) Registration documents of Company in Foreign Country.
- (iii) Copy of Partnership Deed or Memorandum of Articles of Association or Affidavit on stamp paper in case of sole proprietorship (whichever is applicable).
- (iv) Evidence of foreign remittance (s) *i.e.* 25% amount of Peripheral Development Charges (PDC) in foreign currency.
- (v) Estimated cost of project and financial arrangements on non-judicial stamp paper of Rs. 100/-.
- (vi) Prescribed application form duly filled and signed in all respect.
- (vii) Broad terms & conditions for allotment of land duly signed / sealed as token of acceptance.
- (viii) Undertaking as per Fast Track Policy *i.e.* to start project within six months of allotment to be furnished by the applicant on stamp paper of Rs. 100/-.
- (ix) Attested copy of Passport / CNIC.
- (x) Line sketch plan to assess / justify the requirement of plot / land.
- (xi) Attestation of documents by the Pakistan Embassy or Notary Public from the country of origin.

272. **Chaudhry Muhammad Barjees Tahir:**

Will the Minister for Defence Production be pleased to state:

- (a) *the name of those persons who were charged with the offence for taking commission in the purchase of French Submarines during the year 1994; and*
- (b) *whether the amount of said commission has been recovered from those persons; if so, the amount thereof?*

Reply not received.

273. **Chaudhry Muhammad Barjees Tahir:**

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state the total amount of fee paid so far to the Lawyers for defending the case of Dr. Afia Siddiqui, presently detained in America?

Minister for Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs (Dr. Zaheer-ud-Din Babar Awan): Ministry of Law, Justice & Parliamentary Affairs did not pay fee to the lawyers for defending the case of Dr. Afia Siddiqui, presently detained in America. However, according to our record **Fee Agreement** between the foreign law firm Swift **Macdonald, P.S** and **the Embassy of Islamic Republic of Pakistan at United States** is being negotiated through Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and Ministry of Interior for hiring of defense attorneys at demanded fee of Five Hundred Thousand US Dollars (\$ 500,000) in this case.

274. **Ms. Shaheen Ishfaq:**

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state the perks and privileges admissible to the Directors of PIA at present?

Reply not received.

275. **Ms. Shaheen Ishfaq:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state the location-wise total production of Coal, Gold, Silver, Copper and Iron during the last five years in the country?

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources(Syed Naveed Qamar): The location wise total production of Coal, Gold, Silver, Copper and Iron for the last five years in the country is given as under:

(1) **COAL:**

Balochistan **10.3 million tons**

from the localities of Sorrange, Degari Sinjidi, Pir Ismail, Ziarat, Duki, Chamalang, Mach, Abegum, Shahrig and Hernai-Khost.

Sindh **4.93 million tons**

from the localities of Lakhra, Mieting Jhampir and Thata.

Punjab **2.6 million tons**

from the localities of Chakwal, Mianwali Khushab and Jhelum.

NWFP **0.22 million tons**

from the localities of Mansehra, Kohat, Karak, Haripur, Abbottabad and Nowshera.

FATA **1.14 million tons**

from the localities of Kohat, Orakzai and Kurram Agencies.

A J&K **0.01 million tons**

The earthquake of 2005 badly effected coal mining activities in the Kotli and Muzaffarabad areas due to which production remained negligible.

(2) Iron Ore:**NWFP** **14.00 million tons**

from the localities of Mansehra, Kohat Karak, Haripur Abbottabad, Chitral D.I.Khan, Bannu and L.Murwat

Punjab **0.85 million tons**

from the localities of Khushab, Jhang, Mianwali, Attock, Chakwal, DG Khan and Rawalpindi.

Balochistan **0.12 million tons**

from the localities of Chagai, Q. Saifullah and Mastung.

(3) Copper, Silver and Gold:

The country has only one metallurgical plant at Saindak copper project Balochistan to process ore containing the elements such as copper, gold and silver etc. up to the stage of blister copper only. Pakistan has no capacity to separate copper, gold and silver etc. onward from the blister copper. The total production of blister copper during the last five years (2004-05 to 2008-09) is 0.11 million tons.

276. **Ms. Nighat Parveen Mir:**

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of Cantonment Boards in the country at present; and*
- (b) *the total number of illegal occupants of the land of those Boards at present alongwith the steps taken to get those land vacated from those occupants?*

Reply not received.

277. **Mr. Murtaza Javed Abbasi:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to link Girjah Road, Rawalpindi Cantt. with Motorway via Dhoke Syedan; if so, the time by which it will be implemented?

Minister for Communications (Dr. Arbab Alamgir Khan): No such proposal is under consideration by the Government.

278. **Mrs. Anusha Rahman Khan Advocate:**

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

- (a) *the total number of persons apprehended by NAB on the charges of financial irregularities/embezzlements since its inception alongwith the total amount of those irregularities/embezzlement in each case;*
- (b) *the total number of persons amongst them who have been acquitted under NRO, 2007 so far; and*
- (c) *the total expenditure incurred by NAB for prosecuting the cases of those acquitted persons?*

Reply not received.

279. **Mrs. Anusha Rahman Khan Advocate:**

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

- (a) *the names of political parties alongwith the name of their heads registered with Election Commission of Pakistan as on 30th September, 2009; and*
- (b) *the criteria/procedure adopted for the registration of those parties?*

Minister for Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs(Dr. Zaheer-ud-Din Babar Awan): (a) It may be stated that there is no provision in the Law for registration of Political Parties. However, it is mandatory for every Political Party to submit its documents to the Election Commission according to requirements of Political Parties Order, 2002 and Rules framed thereunder. On submission of documents by a Political Party in conformity with the Political Parties Order, 2002 and the Political Parties Rules, 2002, the same is enlisted with Election Commission of Pakistan. Answer to the Question is given hereunder:

- (a) 135 Political Parties stand enlisted with the Election Commission of Pakistan up to 30th September, 2009. list containing the names of these Political parties alongwith names of their heads is at Annex-I.
- (b) According to section 12 of Political Parties Order, 2002, the party leader of a political party is required within seven days from the completion of Intra-party elections, to submit a certificate under his signature to the Election Commission to the effect that elections were held in accordance with constitution of the party. The certificate is published by the Election Commission for public information.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

280. **Ms. Nighat Parveen Mir:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to refer to Un-Starred Question No.350 replied on 17-11-2008 and to state the present status for supply of sui gas to the villages Nangal Ramchand/Mirzapur Bajwa and Musapur, Tehsil Pasrur, District Sialkot?

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources(Syed Naveed Qamar): The gas network as phase-I has been laid and commissioned in villages Nangal Ramchand, Mirzapur Bajwa and Musapur, Tehsil Pasrur, District Sialkot as given below:

4" dia. X 2000 metres

2" dia. X 458 metres

88 applications have been received, so far, from the residents of village Nangal Ramchand and the company is in process of issuing proposal letters to these applicants.

No application has been received, so far, from the residents of villages Mirzapur Bajwa and Musapur.

281. **Khawaja Muhammad Khan Hoti:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state the names of the Members of National Assembly and the Ministers to whom LPG quota was issued since March, 2008 till date?

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources(Syed Naveed Qamar): None.

282. **Khawaja Muhammad Khan Hoti:**

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state the name of the persons who are being prosecuted in Accountability Courts and High Courts at present referred by Accountability Bureau alongwith the nature of those cases?

Reply not received.

283. **Mir Amer Ali Khan Magsi:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration to provide sui gas to village Fakeer Muhammad Bugti, Waggan Road, District Larkana, Sindh; if so, the time by which it will be implemented?

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources(Syed Naveed Qamar): No.

284. **Mrs. Nisar Tanveer:**

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that Compressor Plants have not so far been installed in Qadir Pur Gas Field causing decrease in the production of gas of the said field; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) *the time by which those Compressor Plants will be installed in the said area?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources(Syed Naveed Qamar): (a) Yes, the compressor plants have not so far been installed at Qadirpur Gas Field but this is not causing decrease in production. The installation of compression plants was delayed by litigation in Sindh High Court

(b) Ten compressor plants will be installed by June 2010 and the remaining four compressors by mid September 2010

285. **Ch. Anwar Ali Cheema:**

Will the Minister for Postal Services be pleased to state:

- (a) *the name, designation of the employees of Pakistan Post in B-1 to B-15 who were retired or dismissed or compulsorily retired from service during the period from January, 2003 to December, 2005;*
- (b) *whether dues have been paid to those employees who were dismissed from service;*
- (c) *whether the pension to those retired employees is being paid; and*
- (d) *the name of those employees amongst them whom dues have not been paid so far?*

Minister for Postal Services(Mir Israr Ullah Zehri): (a) The detail of name, designation of the employees (BPS 1-15) of Pakistan Post, who retired or dismissed or compulsory retired from Government service is placed at Annexure "A".

(b) No dues have been paid to the dismissed employees as per prescribed rules.

(c) Yes. The pension is being paid regularly to the retired employees.

(d) Dues have not been paid to dismissed employees. Name of dismissed employees are included in Annexure "A".

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

286. **Mian Javed Latif:**

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

(a) *the date of laying pipeline in the Sector I-10/4, Islamabad;*

(b) *the date of completion of the said project; and*

(c) *the name of firms/contractor whom the contract of the said project has been given?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources(Syed Naveed Qamar): (a) Natural gas has already been provided to certain areas of Sector I-10/4, Islamabad, however, CDA has developed a new area in the sector where laying of gas pipeline started on 23-10-2009.

(b) The said project would be completed by July, 2010 barring unforeseen circumstances.

(c) The contract for the laying of pipeline has been awarded to M/s Musab Jan.

287. **Mr. Jamshaid Ahmad Dasti:**

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

(a) *whether it is a fact that Senior Admn Assistants (BS-17) presently working in OGDCL since long have not been promoted so far; if so, the reasons thereof; and*

(b) *whether there is any proposal to promote those incumbents; if so, when it will be implemented?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources(Syed Naveed Qamar): (a) These employees (Senior Administrative Assistants) were lastly promoted *w.e.f.* 01-07-2006 from BPS-14 to BPS-16 and as per promotion

policy in vogue; they will become eligible for consideration of promotion to the next higher scale on completion of 05 years in existing pay scale.

(b) As per promotion policy these Senior Administrative Assistants will **be considered for promotion in 2011** to the next higher scale on completion of 05 years service in existing pay scale/cadre.

288. **Mian Javed Latif:**

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs be pleased to state the names of Ministers and Ministers of State who have been issued with Notices to appear before NAB Courts alongwith the dates thereof?

Reply not received.

289. **Ms. Bushra Gohar:**

Will the Minister for Local Government and Rural Development be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total amount of development fund of projects identified by Parliamentarians under Khushal Pakistan Programme-I released since February, 2008 till date;*
- (b) *the locations of those projects launched with said fund;*
- (c) *the total amount of said fund lapsed as un-utilized; and*
- (d) *the date of release of said fund alongwith the date of completion of projects under the said Programme?*

Minister for Local Government and Rural Development(Mr. Justice (R) Abdul Razzaq A. Tahim): (a) An amount of **Rs. 1896. 50** million was released for schemes identified by the Parliamentarians under the Khushal Pakistan Program-1 (KPP-I) during 2007-08. People's Works Program-I was started from July, 2008 and till now an amount of **Rs. 4462.834** million has been released for schemes of the Parliamentarians.

(b) Funds have been released for 4982 Schemes/Locations identified by the Parliamentarians under Peoples Works Programe-1 (PWP-1).

(c) An amount of **Rs. 446. 066777** remained un-utilized till 30th June, 2009 under Peoples Works Programe-1 (PWP-1).

(d) Funds were released after completion of all codal formalities progressively. All Provincial Governments / Executing Agencies have been requested to give status of the schemes/completions of the Projects under Peoples Works Programme-1 (PWP-1).

290. **Nawab Abdul Ghani Talpur:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state whether it is a fact that despite approval, natural gas has not been provided in village Pir Bajidi, Jamshoro so far; if so, the reasons thereof?

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources(Syed Naveed Qamar): Yes, the village Pir Bajidi, Jamshoro has not been supplied natural gas, because of land/property dispute between Sindh University and the local residents and the case being sub-judice.

291. **Ch. Abid Sher Ali:**

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

- (a) *the total number of applications received for provision of sui gas connections in A-Block of Gulshan-e-Hayat, ABC Road, Faisalabad so far; and*
- (b) *the number of applications amongst them who have been provided the sui gas connection so far alongwith the time by which the remaining applicants will be provided sui gas connection?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources(Syed Naveed Qamar): (a) Total number of applications, received for provision of natural gas connection in A-Block of Gulshan-e-Hayat, ABC Road, Faisalabad so far, are **106**.

(b) Out of **106** applicants, **50** have been provided gas connection and the remaining **56** applicants will be provided gas connections on turn/merit basis after completion of contractual formalities.

292. **Mr. Muhammad Hanif Abbasi:**

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that natural gas has been provided to the residents of Bhara Kahu, Islamabad in recent past;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the said gas has not been provided to the certain residents of Mohallah Chaudrian, New Abadi of the area; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (c) *whether there is any proposal to provide natural gas to the remaining localities of said area; if so, when it will be implemented?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources(Syed Naveed Qamar): (a) Yes, natural gas has been provided to **30** residents of Bhara Kahu, Islamabad.

(b) Yes, natural gas has not been provided to certain residents of Mohallah Chaudrian, New Abadi of the area. The company has shown its inability to undertake the above job due to financial constraints.

(c) Yes, there is a proposal to provide natural gas to the remaining localities of Bhara Kahu, however, its implementation is subject to availability of requisite funds.

KARAMAT HUSSAIN NIAZI,
Secretary.

ISLAMABAD:
The 27th January, 2010.