

(19th Session)

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 25th February, 2010

(Originally Starred Question Nos. 215 and 14 were set down for answer on 17-2-2010)

215. ***Malik Shakir Bashir Awan:**

Will the Minister In-charge of the Prime Minister’s Secretariat be pleased to state:

- (a) *the province-wise total amount of funds released for development schemes of Parliamentarians launched during the year 2008-09 under People’s Works Programme-II; and*
- (b) *the total number of those schemes completed out of the said fund?*

Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister’s Secretariat: (a) An amount of Rs.28000.0 million has been allocated from the People Works Programme-II (PWP-II) since 1st April 2008 to 30th June, 2009 for the development schemes of MNAs as under:—

	Amount Released
NWFP	2862.9 (m)
FATA	674.3 (m)
Punjab	12155.4 (m)
Sindh	5277.3 (m)
Balochistan	7029.9 (m)
Total	27999.9 (m)

(b) Schemes Completed

NWFP	2499
FATA	953
Punjab	7926
Sindh	399
Balochistan	072
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Total	11849
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@7. *Ms. Tasneem Siddiqui:

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state the present status of the project for the construction of Jail in Islamabad alongwith the time by which it iwll be completed?

Minister for Interior (Mr. A. Rehman Malik): The CDWP in its meeting held on 19th November, 2009 considered /approved in principle the project titled “Acquisition of land for construction of Prison and Training Institute for Prisoners and Prison staff at Village Malot, Islamabad” for consideration of ECNEC subject to the rationalization of cost by a committee constituted under the Chairmanship of Secretary Finance with Additional Secretary, Ministry of Interior, Chief Commissioner ICT, Islamabad and Chief PP&H Section, Planning & Development Division as members. Meeting of the committee could not be held due to pre-occupation of Finance Secretary in other important official business.

As and when the cost of the project is rationalized by the committee,PC-I will be placed before ECNEC for approval.

14. *Mrs. Yasmeen Rehman:

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) the prescribed procedure for issuing NOCs to private Housing Societies in Islamabad;*
- (b) the total number of NOCs issued during last 3 years for those societies;*
- (c) the zone-wise total number of societies established in Islamabad at present; and*
- (d) the steps being taken to regulate those societies?*

Transferred to the Cabinet Division for answer on next Rota Day.

@108. *Ch. Abid Sher Ali:

Will the Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister's Secretariat Division be pleased to state the efforts made by National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) to combat the natural calamities?

Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister's Secretariat:The NDMA, since its inception, took lot of measures to combat natural calamities including mitigation, preparedness, response, recovery, rehabilitation, advance stockpiling of relief items raising of urban search and rescue teams, human resource development, strengthening of institutions, education and awareness, etc.

In compliance of Section 41 of National Disaster Management Ordinance (NDMO) the NDMA, has already submitted Annual Report (2007-2008) of its activities to Parliament whereas Annual Report for the year 2009 will be submitted soon.

118. *Mrs. Yasmeen Rehman:

Will the Minister for Economic Affairs and Statistics be pleased to refer to Starred Question No. 60 replied on 15th January, 2010 and to state:

- (a) *the present status for conducting the 6th Population and Housing Census in the country;*
- (b) *the total number of times those Census were conducted during the last 30 years;*
- (c) *the prescribed criteria/mechanism for conducting those Census; and*
- (d) *the steps being taken to coordinate the provinces for the said purposes?*

Minister of State for Economic Affairs and Statistics (Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar): (a) A summary to the Prime Minister has been submitted on 23rd January 2010, by the Statistics Division proposing revised schedule for holding House Listing Operation to be carried out in April 2010 and Population Census in October 2010.

- (b) Two Censuses were conducted in 1981 and 1998.

(c) The Census is conducted under the legal cover of Census Ordinance-1959.

(d) Census is conducted with the assistance of Provincial Governments which provide field force for successful accomplishment of national gigantic work. Provincial Coordination Committees have been formed under the Chairmanship of respective Chief Secretaries. District Coordination Committees have been formed under the Chairmanship of respective District Coordination Officers and Census District Coordination Committees have been formed under the Chairmanship of Deputy District Officer Revenue.

119. ***Mrs. Shakeela Khanam Rashid:**

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

(a) *the details of Fee being charged by NADRA for the registration of an individual; and*

(b) *why such basic facility is not being offered free of cost?*

Minister for Interior (Mr. A. Rehman Malik): (a) As per the directive of the Prime Minister of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, NADRA is not charging any fee from the applicant applying for the First Time. However, fees for following categories are being charged for registration of individual:—

S.No.	CNIC	Normal in Rs.	Urgent in Rs.	Executive in Rs.
1.	First time	0	200	1000
2.	Modification	150	200	1000
3.	Duplicate	150	200	1000
4.	Renewal	75	200	1000
5.	Cancellation	50	—	—

(b) The basic facility is being offered free of cost since 24 June 2008.

120. ***Mr. Abdul Rashid Godil:**

Will the Minister for Economic Affairs and Statistics be pleased to state the present ratio of population growth in the country alongwith steps being taken to collect accurate data in this regard?

Minister of State for Economic Affairs and Statistics (Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar): Present growth rate of population in the country is 1.90. Various steps have been taken for collection of accurate data through 6th Housing & Population Census, which are proposed to be conducted in April, 2010 and October, 2010 respectively (Annex “A”).

Annex-“A”

**STEPS TAKEN FOR CONDUCT OF ACCURATE 6TH POPULATION
& HOUSING CENSUS**

- (i) Consultation with data users/stake holders held at various level to determine their needs regarding topics to be covered and tabulation to produce.
- (ii) Work plan giving details/procedure of major activities prepared and finalized after consultation with the experts/ technical groups.
- (iii) Cartographic/Geographic work has been completed. Updating of rural (50666) as well as urban area maps (5316 census circles) completed.
- (iv) A Census Advisory Committee comprising representatives of Federal and Provincial Govt. departments, universities and individual experts formed to finalize questionnaires, census methodology, etc.
- (v) Pre-test of the questionnaires as well as manual of instructions held in June, 2007 to asses clarity of concept & definition, wording, flow / sequence, sensitivity of questions, etc.
- (vi) Delimitation of census areas has been completed while appointment of field staff is in progress.
- (vii) To test various planning steps and procedures, pilot census was conducted in March/April, 2008 through out the country covering over 20,000 households.
- (viii) Questionnaires finalized and approved by the Census Advisory Committee which were drafted in consultation with data users/experts and in the light of recommendations made in Census Methodology Workshop.
- (ix) Sensitization workshops for the provincial and district functionaries on census and gender issues organized at each Provincial Headquarters.

- (x) Similar workshops for orientation of Census District Officers (CDOs) held at Regional level through out Pakistan.
- (xi) For close liaison and effective supervision Five Regional Offices opened at Sukkur, Khuzdar, FATA, Muzaffarabad and Gilgit.

121. ***Miss Marvi Memon:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of Cartels functioning in the country at present; and*
- (b) *the steps taken to control those Cartels for their illegal monopoly?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development: (a) The total number of cartels functioning in the country can not be determined because Cartels or collusive agents, by nature and compulsion are secretive in their activities. As such to build a viable case against them requires efforts to collect irrefutable evidence. Since its inception in 2007, the Competition Commission of Pakistan has been successful to detect 8 concealed cartels, evidence of conspiracy and behaviour of cartel members by conducting thorough forensic investigations. This also involved gathering information about market and behaviour of market participants from stakeholders *i.e.*, the manufactures, dealers, consumers, etc.

(b) Government of Pakistan has taken serious steps to control cartels. First and foremost being the establishment of Competition Commission of Pakistan. The main responsibility of the Commission is to enforce the Competition Ordinance, 2009 as a quasi-judicial, quasi-regulatory and law enforcement agency.

Section 4 of the Competition Ordinance, 2009 relates to the prohibited agreement – ‘cartels’ for fixing price, production or setting any other anti competitive practices.

Since 2007, the Commission has taken actions against the cartels. The information about the companies involved and action taken during the last three years is placed at Annex-A.

It may, however be noted that most of the cases decided by the Commission are sub-judice either at the Honourable Supreme Court of Pakistan or the High Courts.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library).

122. ***Mr. Abdul Qadir Patel:**

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) *the year in which trade deficit was registered during the last 5th years; and*
- (b) *the steps taken to control the said deficit?*

Minister for Commerce (Makhdoom Amin Fahim): (a) The trade deficit registered during the last five years is:—

Value in million US\$			
Year	Exports	Imports	Gap
2004-05	14,391	20,598	-6207
2005-06	16,451	28,581	-12130
2006-07	16,976	30,540	-13564
2007-08	19,052	39,966	-20914
2008-09	17,688	34,822	-17134

Source: FBS

(b) The steps taken by Ministry of Commerce to control the trade deficit are annexed.

Annexure

Steps Taken by Ministry of Commerce to Control the Trade Deficit

1. Dynamics of the Trade Deficit

It may also be pointed out that Pakistan's imports mainly consist of petroleum, machinery, raw material and food products which are essential for sustaining the economic growth. Their imports cannot be curtailed drastically as cut in the import of these products will hurt the economy resulting in slow down of economic growth, unemployment, increase in poverty, inflation, and local shortages.

2. Steps to Manage Trade Deficit

Ministry of Commerce is endeavoring to use the trade policy as an instrument to pursue the ongoing export led growth strategy more vigorously. It aims at bridging

the trade gap by focusing on reducing the cost of doing business, enhancing productivity and competitiveness of our manufacturing sector.

For boosting exports, the Government is providing various incentives to exporters such as concessionary financing, zero rating of exports by refunding whole amount paid as indirect taxes, duty free import of raw material under temporary importation scheme and DTRE and duty drawback scheme, concessions in duty/taxes on import of machinery and raw material of priority export sectors, development of export clusters etc.

3. **Pakistan's Trade Diplomacy Efforts**

As part of its trade diplomacy and to seek better market access for domestic products, Pakistan has signed free trade agreements (FTAs) and preferential trade agreements (PTAs) with different countries. Details are as under:

- i. Pakistan signed a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with Sri Lanka on August 1st 2002, which became operational on 12th June 2005.
- ii. Pakistan entered into a Preferential Trade Agreement (PTA) with Iran on March 4, 2004 which is operational since September 1, 2006.
- iii. Pakistan is also a signatory of the South Asian Free Trade Agreement (SAFTA) signed on January 6, 2004 which became operational from January 1, 2006.
- iv. Pakistan and China also initiated and concluded an Early Harvest Program (EHP) on April 2005, which became applicable on January 1, 2006.
- v. The Pakistan Malaysia Agreement on the Early Harvest Program was signed on October 1, 2005, which is operational from January 1, 2006.
- vi. Pakistan and China signed FTA in November 2006, which is in operation since July 1, 2007.
- vii. Pakistan also signed a comprehensive FTA on November 8, 2007 with Malaysia, which came into operation on January 1, 2008.
- viii. Pakistan also signed a Preferential Trade Agreement (PTA) with Mauritius on July 30, 2007 and is in operation since November 30, 2007.

- ix. Pakistan is a signatory of the Preferential Trade Agreement among the OIC Member Countries (PRETAS) which was signed on February 17, 2007.
- x. In order to expand and promote trade relations, Pakistan started Free Trade Negotiations with the MERCOSUR countries, which concluded on a Framework Agreement on Trade, which was signed in June 2006.
- xi. Pakistan also signed a Trade & Investment Framework Agreement with USA on June 25, 2003.
- xii. The ECO Trade Agreement (ECOTA) was signed in July 2003 by five out of ten Member States. These include Pakistan, Iran, Turkey, Afghanistan and Tajikistan. The Agreement has been ratified by four Member States and will become operational as soon as all the five Member States ratify it.
- xiii. Pakistan is the member of the D-8 Preferential Trade Agreement (PTA) since May 14, 2006. The D-8 is a group of Eight Muslim countries. The other members are Indonesia, Malaysia, Egypt, Iran, Turkey, Bangladesh and Nigeria.
- xiv. Pakistan and Indonesia have also signed a Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement in November 2005 to promote trade ties between the two countries.
- xv. A Framework Agreement on Preferential Trade Agreement between Pakistan and Turkey was signed during the President of Pakistan's visit to Turkey in January 2004.
- xvi. A Trade Agreement between Pakistan and Yemen was signed on March 2, 2004.

123. ***Ms. Shireen Arshad Khan:**

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration to export wheat during the current year 2009-10; if so, the quantity thereof?

Minister for Commerce (Makhdoom Amin Fahim): Export of wheat is not allowed. However, export of Wheat Products (Flour, Suji & Maida) is allowed to a maximum of 200,000 MT since June 17, 2009.

124. ***Ms. Khalida Mansoor:**

Will the Minister for Economic Affairs and Statistics be pleased to state:

- (a) the total amount of financial aid provided to Pakistan by the Islamic Development Bank during the last three years alongwith the amount expended there from so far; and*
- (b) the impact of said aid on the socio-economic indicators of the country?*

Minister of State for Economic Affairs and Statistics (Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar): (a) The Islamic Development Bank (IDB) has provided an amount of US\$ 1,513.413 million as financial assistance to Pakistan during last 3 years from January 2007 to December 2009. Details of project based long-term financing and short-term trade financing disbursements may be seen at Annex-I.

(b) The said aid has been provided by the IDB in sectors, like energy, infrastructure, trade, transport, communications and agriculture which are the key sectors of the economy and hence has helped in improving the socio-economic indicators.

◆ The foreign funded projects like: (i) Chagai Water Management Project; (ii) Railways Development Project; (iii) Khwar Dams Hydropower Project; and (iv) Ghazi Brotha Hydropower Project aim at generation of cheap energy, enhancing agricultural productivity and improving livelihood.

Annex-I

Financial Assistance through Project Financing provided by IDB during Last 3 Years

S.No.	Name of the Project	Signing Date	Closing Date	Sector	Disbursement in 2007	Disbursement in 2008	Disbursement in 2009	Total
Long-term Financing								
1	Rawat Sub-Station Project	24-05-2000	30-06-2009	Energy	5,203,880	326,404,910	110,149,250	641,758,040
2	Rawat Sub-Station Project	24-05-2000	30-04-2009	Energy	114,679,400	467,665,110	743,130,210	1,319,473,720
3	NUST Exp Project Build Construction	24-08-2000	31-07-2008	Education	1,910,537,370	161,306,250	1,804,030,840	2,002,443,620
4	NUST Expansion Project	24-08-2000	31-12-2009	Education	4,770,563,740	2,154,537,540	732,316,020	8,539,161,120
5	Chaghi Water Management Project	27-07-2004	25-02-2010	Agriculture	1,432,908,930	366,258,660	914,707,730	3,032,783,620
6	Victims of Earthquake 2005	30-05-2006	31-12-2010	Infrastructure	25,952,542,920	217,405,150	7,465,142,500	26,259,418,760
7	Railways Development Project	30-03-2006	31-12-2010	Transport		50,405,000		7,515,542,500
8	Reconstruction of Houses for Earthquake Victims	03-01-2008	31-12-2009	Construction		53,949,374,190	13,335,470,650	67,284,844,810
9	Earthquake in Shangla and Kohistan	04-09-2008	31-12-2009	Construction			165,192,570	165,192,570
10	Kwar Dams Hydropower Project	01-12-2008	31-07-2012	Power			40,727,144,320	40,727,144,320
11	Ghazi Brotha Hydropower Project	18-11-1998	30-06-2007	Power	360,404,660			360,404,660
	Sub-Total				34,852,039,740	58,400,671,780	64,974,656,130	157,928,167,650
Short-term Financing								
12	Masler Murabaha Agriculture Crude Oil	30-12-2008	31-12-2009	Agriculture			99,976,331,910	99,976,331,910
13	Global Trade Financing	21-05-2007	20-06-2008	Trade	199,999,997,040			199,999,997,040
14	Commodity Murabaha 2007	14-12-2007	31-12-2007	Trade	156,000,000,000			156,000,000,000
15	Commodity Murabaha 2007 (Eur)	14-12-2007	31-12-2007	Trade	143,755,000,000			143,755,000,000
16	Commodity Murabaha 2008	07-11-2008	30-11-2008	Trade		200,000,000,000		200,000,000,000
17	Commodity Murabaha Financing	17-12-2008	31-12-2008	Trade		305,800,000,000		305,800,000,000
18	ITFO Earthquake	23-04-2007	31-12-2008	Infrastructure	90,990,802,670	100,000,197,300		200,000,000,000
19	Import of Crude Oil (PARCO)	19-08-2008	31-10-2008	Trade		25,000,000,000		25,000,000,000
20	Import of Crude Oil (PARCO)	19-08-2008	28-02-2009	Trade		20,047,701,470	4,900,000,000	24,947,701,470
	Sub-Total				599,754,799,740	650,651,699,320	104,876,331,910	1,355,484,980,970
	Grand Total				634,307,999,480	709,254,571,100	169,850,988,040	1,513,413,158,620

[Amount in US\$]

125. ***Ms. Qudsia Arshad:**

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names and addresses of those persons who have been awarded punishment for illegal human trafficking during the last one year alongwith the nature thereof; and*
- (b) *the steps taken to control the said crime?*

Minister for Interior (Mr. A. Rehman Malik): (a) **385x** persons found involved in illegal human trafficking, were awarded punishment during the year 2009. Station-Wise detail of these persons is as under:—

1. AHTC Lahore, Gujranwala, Multan, Faisalabad Annex-A.
2. AHTC Quetta Balochistan Annex-B.
3. AHTC Peshawar Annex-C.
4. AHTC Karach. Annex-D.

(b) The following steps are being taken by FIA to curb human trafficking:

- (i) Immigration check posts intercept the victims of human trafficking and refer them to FIA Anti Human Trafficking Circles (AHTCs). In year 2009, as many as 672 persons were offloaded from various flights, who attempted to travel on illegal /fake documents.
- (ii) At all immigration check posts, PISCES has been installed which is successfully working.
- (iii) FIA AHTCs examine the victims of human trafficking in order to identify the agents when information is gathered from these victims, proper action is initiated by FIA, against the human traffickers.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

126. ***Mrs. Nisar Tanveer:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that a “Drought Programme” has been launched in South Punjab and Cholistan during the recent past; if so, the locations thereof;*
- (b) *the funds allocated for the said Programme; and*
- (c) *whether it is a fact that misappropriation/irregularities were unearthed in the said funds; if so, the action taken against the delinquents?*

Reply not received.

127. ***Ms. Shaheen Ishfaq:**

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state the names of the countries to whom vegetables exported during the last six months till date alongwith the names of vegetables and value thereof?

Minister for Commerce (Makhdoom Amin Fahim): Federal Bureau of Statistics (FBS) has not compiled vegetables export data for the last six months so far. Nevertheless, the list showing names of the countries to whom vegetables were exported during the months of July-August or the fiscal year 2009-10 is attached at Annex-I.

The total value of the vegetables exported during the same period is US\$ 7.3 million. The list showing the names of vegetables is attached at Annex-II.

Source: Federal Bureau of Statistics

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

128. ***Mr. Mahmood Hayat Khan Tochi Khan:**

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that a cotton seed agreement has been signed with China during recent past;*
- (b) *if so, the time by which it will be materialized?*

Transferred to Food and Agriculture Division for answer on next Rota Day.

@129. *Chaudhry Muhammad Barjees Tahir:

Will the Minister for Economic Affairs and Statistics be pleased to state:

- (a) *the name of the countries which granted loan to Pakistan since 18-2-2008 till date alongwith the rate of interest thereof;*
- (b) *the name of the countries amongst above which have written off the said loan;*
- (c) *the name of the countries whom Pakistan granted loan during the said period; and*
- (d) *the name of those countries amongst above whose loan was written off by Pakistan alongwith the reason thereof?*

Minister of State for Economic Affairs and Statistics (Ms. Hina Rabbani Khar): (a) Name of countries which granted [disbursed] loan to Pakistan since 18-02-2008 to 31-01-2010 along with the rate of interest is tabulated below:

Countries	Amount Disbursed [\$ Million]	Type of Interest	Weighted Average Interest Rate [% p. a.]
CHINA	295.17	Fixed	2.39
	500.00	Variable	LIBOR + Margin
FRANCE	7.01	Fixed	2.37
GERMANY	45.61	Fixed	0.75
JAPAN	71.11	Fixed	1.34
KUWAIT	39.18	Fixed	1.98
SAUDI ARABIA	123.41	Fixed	3.24
	332.18	Variable	LIBOR + Margin
Total	1413.67		

(b) NIL.

(c) NIL.

(d) NIL.

@Transferred from Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development Division.

130. ***Dr. Talat Mahesar:**

Will the Minister In-charge of the Prime Minister's Secretariat be pleased to state:

- (a) *the details of work in the earthquake affected areas of district Mansehra and Battgram completed so far; and*
- (b) *the time by which the remaining work in the said areas will be completed?*

Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister's Secretariat: (a) Out of 2517 projects in District Mansehra, **1277** have been completed, 638 are under construction and 602 are at designing / tendering stage. In District Battagram out of 1186 projects **644** have been completed, 391 are under construction and 151 are at designing / tendering stage.

(b) **December, 2011** is the target date for completion of remaining projects.

131. ***Begum Nuzhat Sadiq:**

Will the Minister In-charge of the Prime Minister's Secretariat be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether the foreign companies are allowed to register their companies in the country on partnership basis; and*
- (b) *whether those companies are also allowed to become a partner of any existing project in the country?*

Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister's Secretariat: • The subject pertains to the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan (SECP) who inform that:

- (a) • The law doesn't provide for any such arrangement.
- (b) • There is no such restriction under the law.

132. ***Mr. Mohammad Afzal Khokhar:**

Will the Minister In-charge of the Prime Minister's Secretariat be pleased to state the names of foreign countries/organizations which made investments in Pakistan during the current financial year 2009-10 till-date alongwith the sectors and total amount thereof?

Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister's Secretariat: • Board of Investment (BOI) deals with Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflows.

- According to the available FDI data of 7 months (July–January 2010) during the current financial year compiled by the State Bank of Pakistan. FDI inflow was US\$ 1175.8 million.

- Detailed breakup of this FDI by country wise is attached as **Annex-I** and sector wise as **Annex-II**.

FDI Inflow-Country Wise

Annex-I

Million \$

Country	July - January 2009 - 10
USA	347.5
UK	119.0
U.A.E	121.8
Japan	9.8
Hong Kong	(56.8)
Switzerland	45.0
Saudi Arabia	27.1
Germany	37.4
Korea (South)	1.4
Norway	0.6
China	(8.3)
Others	531.3
Total	1175.8

Annex-II

FDI Inflow-Sector Wise

Million US\$

Sector	July - January 2009 - 10
Oil & Gas	320.7
Financial Business	86.4

Textiles	13.3
Trade	45.6
Construction	63.3
Power	102.4
Chemical	72.4
Transport	63.5
Communication (IT & Telecom)	113.2
Others	295.0
Total	1,175.8

133. ***Abdul Malik Wazir:**

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration to export apples and vegetables from South Waziristan;*
- (b) *if so, the steps taken in this regard so far?*

Minister for Commerce (Makhdoom Amin Fahim): (a) Fruits and Vegetables are exported from Pakistan, including South Waziristan. There is no proposal specific to South Waziristan.

- (b) No specific steps have been taken with regard to South Waziristan.

134. ***Ms. Bushra Gohar:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning & Development be pleased to state:

- (a) *the loss suffered by Banks working under the administrative control of State Bank of Pakistan due to writing off the loans granted since March, 2008; and*
- (b) *the steps taken to recover the said amount of loan?*

Reply not received.

135. ***Shaikh Rohale Asghar:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under consideration to provide interest free loan for the establishment of new industries in the country;*
- (b) if so, the time by which it will be implemented alongwith the detail thereof?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development: (a) Currently no proposal is under consideration in which interest free / markup free loans would be given for the establishment of new industries in our country.

- (b) Since no proposal is being considered, no time frame is being considered.

136. ***Ms. Sabeen Rizvi:**

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state the total amount of foreign exchange earned through export of pesticides during the last five financial years?

Minister for Commerce (Makhdoom Amin Fahim): The total amount of foreign exchange earned through export of pesticides during the last five financial years was US\$ 2.1 million.

Source: Federal Beauru of Statistics

137. ***Mr. Muhammad Riaz Malik:**

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) the total quantity of used edible oil imported during the last five years;*
- (b) the names of countries/firms from where the said oil was imported; and*
- (c) the criteria and procedure adopted thereof alongwith the purpose and utilization thereof?*

Minister for Commerce (Makhdoom Amin Fahim): (a) Nil

(b) N.A.

(c) No edible product that has a shelf life of less than 50% is allowed to be imported as such import of used edible oil is not permitted and no special permission was given.

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

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that a huge amount of public have been lying un-utilized with the Commercial Banks in the country at present; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) *the steps taken to utilize the said money during the current financial year 2009-10?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development: (a) and (b) According to the information provided by State Bank of Pakistan there are Rs. 280.4 billion as Federal Government deposits with the Commercial Banks as on 31st December, 2009. However, these deposits include own receipts, loans, pension funds as well as budgetary releases. A survey is underway to separate these into budgetary and non budgetary deposits. Based on the results of the survey, deposits related to budgetary releases will be transferred into the treasury to have an effective treasury single account system while ensuring that this transfer does not affect banking sector liquidity position negatively.

ISLAMABAD:
The 24th February, 2010.

KARAMAT HUSSAIN NIAZI,
Secretary.

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

“UNSTARRED QUESTIONS AND THEIR REPLIES”**For Thursday, the 25th February, 2010**

(Originally Unstarred Question Nos. 230, 26, 30 and 33 were set down for answer on 17-2-2010)

230. Mrs. Farkhanda Amjad:

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the employees of the Intelligence Bureau have been reinstated in service in March, 2009 under the Reinstatement of Sacked Employees Ordinance, 2009;*
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the said reinstatement is made on one scale higher and the arrears for three years in three equal installments are admissible to those employees;*
- (c) whether it is also a fact that those employees working in the Punjab province have not been given the said benefit; and*
- (d) whether those employees working in Punjab province will also be granted the said benefit on the analogy of other provinces; if so, when it will be implemented?*

Transferred to the Cabinet Division for answer on next Rota Day.

@23. Raja Muhammad Asad Khan:

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state the name of those persons who purchased land measuring more than 100 Kanals in Islamabad during the year; 2008-09 alongwith the location and rate thereof and tax received on its registry?

Minister for Interior (Mr. A. Rehman Malik): The names of persons who purchased land measuring more than 100 Kanals in Islamabad during the year 2008-2009 alongwith location, rate of land and tax received are at Annexure-A.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

26. **Ms. Parveen Masood Bhatti:**

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

(a) the details of compensation given to the bereaved families of those persons who were killed in the terrorist incidents during the years 2007-08 and 2008-09; and

(b) whether there is any proposal to compensate the persons who suffered financial loss in those incidents; if so, the details thereof?

Minister for Interior (Mr. A. Rehman Malik): (a) Compensation is paid by Provincial Governments through DCOs. The information obtained from Provinces is tabulated as at Annex "A".

(b) NWFP: The newly established department *i.e.* PDMA is working to formulate a comprehensive data base from all Districts in NWFP with regard to damages sustained by private infrastructure owing to terrorists attacks/ bomb blast incidents.

FATA: There are a number of houses/ property damaged in FATA during operations/ terrorist acts. The operations in FATA are still going on Property damages reported so far are Rs. 2089.608 million. However, a detailed assessment on the pattern of Swat will be carried out to find out extent of losses, whether entitled for any relief being a collateral damage or not being so because of use by militants etc.

Annex "A"**Statement showing the amount of compensation paid to bereaved families of persons killed in terrorist incidents 2007-08 and 2008-09**

Province	Number of persons		Compensation Paid in Rupees in million
	killed	injured	
Punjab	159	0	440.12
Sindh		Awaited	
NWFP	744	1384	457.883
Balochistan		Awaited	
ICT		Awaited	
FATA	1623	2636	733.800
Total:-	2526	4020	1631.803

30. **Ms. Khalida Mansoor:**

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names of the cities and the countries to which official visits were made by the Federal Minister and Minister of State for Interior since March, 2008 till date;*
- (b) *the names and the designations of the entourage of those visits; and*
- (c) *the head-wise total amount incurred on each visit?*

Reply not received.

33. **Mrs. Nisar Tanveer:**

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that foreign agencies have been hired for the trainings of law enforcing agencies in the country to combat terrorism;*

(b) *if so, the name of those agencies alongwith the expenditure involved therein?*

Minister for Interior (Mr. A. Rehman Malik): (a) No foreign agency has been hired for training of law enforcement agencies in the country to combat terrorism. However, Government of Pakistan signed a Memorandum of Intent (MOI) on 1st September, 2004 with the government of United States to impart training to law enforcement agencies of Pakistan to combat terrorism.

(b) Under the above mentioned MOI Department of State/Anti-terrorism Assistance Programme have imparted training to law enforcing agencies combating terrorism in Pakistan. So far 1,750 Pakistani Law Enforcement Officers belonging to all provinces have been trained under this programme to combat terrorism in Pakistan. On this programme no expenditure on the part of Government of Pakistan has been incurred.

129. **Ms. Shahnaz Saleem:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state the percentage of GDP allocated for education during the financial year 2009-10?

Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development: As per information provided by Ministry of Education (MOE) the combined Budgetary Allocation for Education in the Financial year 2009-10 for all levels of government (federal, provincial and district governments) is provisionally estimated at 2.3 percent of GDP.

130. **Ms. Parveen Masood Bhatti:**

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

(a) *whether it is a fact that land has been allotted by CDA to foreigners in Islamabad for commercial purposes during the years, 2007-08 and 2008-09;*

(b) *if so, the names and countries of those allottees alongwith the location of the said land; and*

(c) *the benefits to be accrued to the country there from?*

Transferred to the Cabinet Division for answer on next Rota Day.

131. **Miss Marvi Memon:**

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Americans presently living in Pakistan; and*
- (b) the nature of visa granted to them?*

Reply not received.

132. **Miss Marvi Memon:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state the Ministry-wise total amount of funds provided during the last six months under public sector Development Programme (PSDP)?

Reply not received.

133. **Mr. Abdul Qadir Patel:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the audit of expenditure of Supreme Court for the last five years has been conducted;*
- (b) if so, whether the report has been laid before the National Assembly?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development: (a) Yes. The Directorate General Audit (Federal Government), Islamabad has regularly conducted audit of expenditure of Supreme Court for the last five years *i.e.* Financial Years 2004-2009.

(b) The audit did not find any material observations that could be included in the audit report of respective years laid before the National Assembly.

134. **Mrs. Belum Husnain:**

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of arms licences of prohibited bore issued by the Ministry since 12th October, 2007 to February, 2008 alongwith the names and addresses of the licensees; and*

(b) *the total number of approved cases for issuance of those licences of booklets which are still pending?*

Minister for Interior (Mr. A. Rehman Malik): (a) 462 licenses have been issued since 12, October, 2007 to February, 2008. The details are Annexed.

(b) Nil.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

135. **Mrs. Belum Husnain:**

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

(a) *the names, BPS and domicile of the employees presently working in the NADRA Office, Mandi Baha-ud-Din; and*

(b) *the date of appointment of the present Registration Officer of Mandi Baha-ud-Din?*

Minister for Interior (Mr. A. Rehman Malik): (a) The names, BPS and domicile of the employees presently working in NADRA Office, Mandi Baha-ud-Din are as under:—

Sr.#	Name	Designation	Grade BPS	Domicile
1.	Mr. Muhammad Siddique	Asstt. Director	17	Punjab
2.	Mr. M. Mushtaq	Stenographer	12	"
3.	Mr. M. Mehboob	R.C	5	"
4.	Mr. M. Younas	R.C	5	"
5.	Mr. M. Ismail	R.C	5	"
6.	Mr. Sultan Ali	R.C	5	"
7.	Mr. M. Maqbool Ahmed	R.C	5	"
8.	Mr. Mushtaq Ahmed	R.C	5	"
9.	Mr. M. Aslam	LDC	5	"
10.	Mr. Rashid Ahmed Abid	LDC	5	"
11.	Mr. Ghulam Muhammad	Naib Qasid	2	"
12.	Mr. Nazir Ahmed	Naib Qasid	2	"
13.	Mr. Arshad Mehmood	Naib Qasid	2	"

(b) The date of appointment of the present Registration Officer Mr. Muhammad Siddique is 06 June 1977. (He has been posted at Mandi Beha-ud-Din on 1-5-2009).

136. **Ms. Shireen Arshad Khan:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state the total number of those persons whom National Bank has granted loan of more than one hundred thousand Rupees since 1st February, 2008 till date?

Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development:

381,103 persons were granted loan of more than one hundred thousand rupees since 1st February, 2008 to 31st January, 2010.

137. **Mrs. Shamshad Sattar Bachani:**

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number, make and model of vehicles provided to Islamabad Police for patrolling duties in the ICT at present; and*
- (b) *the total expenditure incurred on maintenance/repair on those vehicles during the last 3 years?*

Minister for Interior (Mr. A. Rehman Malik): (a) 347 vehicles have been provided to ICT Police for patrolling duties in Islamabad;

Title of vehicle	No of vehicles
Toyota Corolla /Honda VTI/Suzuki Cultus Cars.	78
Pick Ups Single Cabin.	96
Motor Cycles.	173
Total:-	347

Detail of the above vehicles is at **Annex-A**.

(b) An expenditure of Rs.16,282,492/- has been incurred on repair/maintenance of transport during the last three years as per following detail;

S.#	Year	Expenditure (Rs.)
1.	2006-07	3,394,964/-
2.	2007-08	7,257,069/-
3.	2008-09	5,630,459/-
Total		Rs.16,282,492/-

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

138. **Ms. Khalida Mansoor:**

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state the number at which Pakistan stands amongst fruits exporting countries at present?

Minister for Commerce (Makhdoom Amin Fahim): Pakistan stands at number 53 in the fruit exporting countries of the world.

Source: International Trade Map.

139. **Ms. Khalida Mansoor:**

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

(a) the designation-wise total number of employees appointed on deputation in FIA since March, 2008 till date;

(b) the reasons of said appointments; and

(c) the appointing authority of those employees?

Minister for Interior (Mr. A. Rehman Malik): (a) Designation-wise total number of employees appointed on deputation in FIA during March, 2008 to date are as under:—

<i>Name of post</i>	<i>Number of post</i>
Addl. Director (BS-19)	02
Dy. Director (BS-18)	09
Asstt. Director	10
Inspector	19

<u>Name of post</u>	<u>Number of post</u>
Sub-Inspector	09
Asstt. Sub-Inspector	10
Head Constable	02
Constable	40
Assistant	01
Stenotypist	02
Total:	104

(b) To meet shortage of staff and rapidly increasing workload due to expansion of jurisdiction/responsibilities of FIA.

(c) Secretary Interior allowed deputation to posts in BS-17 to 19. Whereas the posts in BS-16 and below were allowed deputation with the approval of Director General, FIA.

140. **Mrs. Nisar Tanveer:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that special teams have been deployed to monitor the development schemes launched in the country under PSDP; if so, the justification thereof; and*
- (b) *the tenure of those teams alongwith the total expenditure involved therein?*

Reply not received.

141. **Mrs. Nisar Tanveer:**

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state the steps being taken to promote the trade with SAARC countries?

Minister for Commerce (Makhdoom Amin Fahim): The Government of Pakistan has taken the following steps to promote trade with the SAARC Countries:

- i. Negotiated Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with the SAARC Countries. The goods part of the FTA was operationalized *w.e.f* 1st July 2006 while the Services part is being negotiated.

- ii. Negotiated FTA with Sri Lanka, which is operational since June 12, 2005.

Trade Promotional Activities

As per its new export strategy Trade Development Authority is putting efforts in broadening the base of Pakistan's exports by upgrading export potential of products where Pakistan has competitive advantage and increasing their market share in traditional and non traditional markets. SAARC is one of the potential regions and TDAP has performed following promotional activities in this region to promote Pakistan's exports from July 2008-till to date:

Trade Exhibitions

To enhance exports, Pakistan's exporters participated in the following six Trade Fairs/ Exhibitions in SAARC member countries:

1. SAARC Trade Fair, Colombo, Sri Lanka, 28-31 August, 2008.
2. India International Trade Fair, New Delhi, India, October, 2008.
3. CPHI Exhibition, Mumbai, India, October, 2008
4. Dhaka Intl Trade Fair, Bangladesh, 1-31st Jan. 2009
5. India International Trade Fair, New Delhi, India, November, 2009
6. Dhaka International trade fair January, 2010.

Trade Delegations

Ministry of Commerce (TDAP) sent following five trade delegations to various SAARC Member Countries.

1. Visit of all Pakistan Bed sheets and Upholstery Manufacturer Association (APBUMA) trade delegation to Bangladesh May 2009.
2. Visit of TDAP's trade delegation to Maldives and Sri-Lanka from 5-12th July 2009
3. Visit of Faisalabad Chamber of Commerce & Industry (FCCI) trade delegation to Sri-Lanka 12-21st August 2009.

4. Visit of dates delegation to Bangladesh 15-30th August, 2008
5. Visit of Federation of Pakistan Chambers of Commerce & Industry (FPCCI) delegation to Sri-Lanka 22-23 November 2009.

TDAP is in the process of finalizing its Calendar of Event (Exhibitions/ Delegations) for the next financial year. To promote the exports in SAARC, a number of events will be included.

142. **Ms. Shaheen Ishfaq:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of official vehicle allowed to the present Secretary, Additional Secretaries and Joint Secretaries of the Ministry;*
- (b) *the name, model and engine capacity of each vehicle separately; and*
- (c) *the head-wise total amount incurred on maintenance, POL Charges of each vehicle during the last two years separately?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development: (a) A total of 39 vehicles have been allowed to Secretary, Additional Secretaries and Joint Secretaries. Detail of vehicles is attached at Annex-I.

(b) The detailed information of vehicles is a Annex-I.

(c) The details of expenditure incurred on maintenance & POL is also at Annex-I

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

143. **Ms. Shaheen Ishfaq:**

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of official vehicles allowed to the present Secretary, Additional Secretaries and Joint Secretaries of the Ministry;*

- (b) *the name model and engine capacity of each vehicle separately; and*
- (c) *the head-wise total amount incurred on maintenance and fuel of each vehicle during the last two years separately?*

Minister for Interior (Mr. A. Rehman Malik): (a) 08.

- (b) The information is at Annexure-I.
- (c) The information is at Annexure-II.

Annexure-I

DETAIL REGARDING ALLOCATION OF VEHICLES TO THE FEDERAL MINISTER AND STAFF OF THE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR

S. No.	Vehicle No.	Allocation	Name	Model	Engine Capacity
1	IDP-9999	Secretary	T/ Corolla	2003	1300 CC
2	IDG-9999	Additional Secretary (I)	T/ Corolla	2003	1300 CC
3	IDP-7171	Additional Secretary (II)	T/ Corolla	2003	1300 CC
4	IDP-8000	Additional Secretary (III)	T/ Corolla	2009	1300 CC
5	IDP-7300	Joint Secretary (Admn)	S/Cultus	2005	1000 CC
6	IDP-7015	Joint Secretary (Law)	S/(Mehran)	2005	800 CC
7	IDP-9000	Joint Secretary (Security)	S/Cultus	2003	1000 CC
8	IDP-7072	Joint Secretary (ICT)	S/Cultus	2003	1000 CC

Annex-II

DETAIL OF EXPENDITURE INCURRED ON REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF VEHICLES MENTIONED BELOW DURING THE YEAR 2008:

S. No.	Vehicle Number	Allocation	Amount Incurred on Repair & Maintenance	Amount Incurred on Fuel	Total
1	IDP-9999	Secretary	159683.00	89305.00	248988.00
2	IDG-9999	Additional Secretary (I)	62498.00	198487.00	260985.00
3	IDP-7171	Additional Secretary (II)	43090.00	39787.00	82877.00
4	IDP-8000	Additional Secretary (III)	160635.40	175146.40	335781.70
5	IDP-7300	Joint Secretary (A)	38462.00	66632.00	105144.00
6	IDP-7015	Joint Secretary (Law)	56229.00	55767.60	111996.60
7	IDP-9000	Joint Secretary (Security)	75818.00	101730.00	177548.00
8	IDP-7072	Joint Secretary (ICT)	76820.00	124844.00	201664.00
Total:			673235.40	851749.00	1524984.40

**DETAIL OF EXPENDITURE INCURRED ON REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF
VEHICLES MENTIONED BELOW DURING THE YEAR 2009.**

S. No.	Vehicle Number	Allocation	Amount Incurred on Repair & Maintenance	Amount Incurred on Fuel	Total
1	IDP-9999	Secretary	308209.00	1367272.96	1675281.00
2	IDG-9999	Additional Secretary (II)	80009.80	123832.96	203842.76
3	IDP-7114	Additional Secretary (II)	78155.00	98225.69	174380.69
4	IDP-8000	Additional Secretary (III)	75850.00	113309.63	189159.63
5	IDP-7300	Joint Secretary (A)	36891.98	73673.58	110565.56
6	IDP-7015	Joint Secretary (Law)	61735.98	78838.50	138574.48
7	IDP-9000	Joint Secretary (Security)	47296.98	86842.00	133938.96
8	IDP-7072	Joint Secretary (ICT)	55135.98	88296.73	143432.71
Total: -			741284.70	2027892.00	2769176.70

144. **Ms. Surriya Asghar:**

Will the Minister In-charge of the Prime Minister Secretariat be pleased to state:

- (a) *the present status of the development package for Tharparker announced by the Prime Minister's during the month of September, 2004 alongwith its salient features; and*
- (b) *the time by which the said development project will be completed alongwith the funds released so far?*

Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister's Secretariat: (a) The Prime Minister was pleased to approve Thar Package for financing as under:—

<u>Sector</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Financing Mode</u>
1. Water Supply	475.000 M	50% (GOP share)
2. Irrigation	473.020 M	-do
3. Health	130.000 M	100% (GOP share)
4. Education	10.000 M	-do
5. Drainage Scheme	12.825 M	-do
6. Industry	133.486 M	-do
7. Rural Electrification	340.000 M	-do

(b) Against Federal Government's share of Rs. 1100.331 million, Finance Division released Rs. 600.0 million on 30-6-2005, Rs. 480.0 million on 11-3-2006 and Rs. 20.0 million on 27-6-2006.

Progress of the scheme are given below:

Name of Sector	No of Schemes	Progress as on 23.2.2010
Water Supply	2	Completed
Irrigation	5	Completed
Health	3	Completed
Education	1	Completed
Drainage scheme	1	Completed
Industries	2	Work in progress to be completed by 30-6-2010
Rural Electrification	78	Completed

145. **Mr. Muhammad Baligh -ur-Rehman:**

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names of Public and Private Insurance and TAKAFOL Companies presently functioning in the country; and*
- (b) *the bonus and benefits paid to the policy holders by those companies during the year 2008-09 separately?*

Minister for Commerce (Makhdoom Amin Fahim): (a) The names of Public and Private Insurance and TAKAFOL Companies presently operating in Pakistan are enclosed as annex-I.

(b) The details of Bonus and benefits paid/allocated for the policyholders by the Public as well as Private Life Insurance Companies for the year ending 31st December, 2008 are as indicated below:—

S. No	Name of the Companies	Allocated in Rupees	Remarks
1	East West Life Assurance Co. Ltd.	Nil	In deficit, no allocation

S. No	Name of the Companies	Allocated in Rupees	Remarks
2	American Life Insurance Co. Ltd.	44,400,000	
3	New Jubilee Life Insurance Co. Ltd.	NIL	In deficit, no allocation
4.	State Life Insurance Corporation of Pakistan	12,324,565,000	
5.	Asia Care Health and Life Insurance Co. Ltd.	Nil	Initial Year
6.	EFU Life Assurance Ltd.	Nil	In deficit, no allocation
7.	Adamjee Life Insurance	Nil	Initial Year
8.	Pak Qatar Family Takaful	Nil	Initial Year
9.	Dawood Family Takaful	706,424	

Explanation:

1. The accumulated bonuses are allocated to the policyholders Fund at the time these benefits accrue in the scale of time according to the policy terms and conditions. Once these amounts are allocated to the policy holder fund, they cannot be withdrawn and utilized by the Company for any other purpose, so they have to be treated as good as paid.

2. It is pertinent to mention here that accounts for the year ending 31st December, 2009 are not yet finalized.

Annex-I

LIST OF INSURANCE COMPANIES

SR NO	NAME OF COMPANIES	SECTOR	LISTED / UNLISTED
PUBLIC INSURANCE COMPANIES			
1	State Life Insurance Corp. of Pakistan	Life Insurance	listed
2	National Insurance Company Limited	General Insurance	unlisted
3	Pakistan Reinsurance Company Limited	Reinsurance	listed
PRIVATE INSURANCE COMPANIES			
4	Adamjee Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
5	Asia Insurance	General Insurance	Listed

6	Askari General Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
7	Atlas Ins. Co	General Insurance	Listed
8	Central Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
9	Century Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
10	East West Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
11	EFL General Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
12	Habib Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
13	International General Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
14	New Jubilee Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
15	Pakistan General Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
16	PRK Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
17	Premier Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
18	Reliance Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
19	Shaheen Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
20	Silver Star Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
21	United Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
22	Universal Insurance	General Insurance	Listed
23	ACF Insurance Limited	General Insurance	Un-Listed
24	Albalab Insurance	General Insurance	Un-Listed
25	Alliance EFL Health Insurance	General Insurance	Un-Listed
26	Alpha Insurance	General Insurance	Un-Listed
27	Capital Insurance	General Insurance	Un-Listed
28	Excel Insurance	General Insurance	Un-Listed
29	National Insurance Co	General Insurance	Un-Listed
30	New Hampshire Insurance	General Insurance	Un-Listed
31	Saudi Pak Insurance	General Insurance	Un-Listed
32	Security General Insurance	General Insurance	Un-Listed
33	TFI Direct Insurance	General Insurance	Un-Listed
34	UBL Insurers Limited	General Insurance	Un-Listed
35	American Life Assurance	Life Insurance	Listed
36	EFL Life Assurance	Life Insurance	Listed
37	New Jubilee Life Assurance	Life Insurance	Listed
38	The East West Life	Life Insurance	Listed
39	Adams Life Insurance	Life Insurance	Un-Listed
40	Asia Care Life and Health	Life Insurance	Un-Listed
41	State Life Insurance Corp	Life Insurance	Un-Listed
42	Dawood Family Takaful Limited	Life Takaful	Un-Listed
43	Pak Qatar Family Takaful	Life Takaful	Un-Listed
44	Pak Kuwait Takaful	General Takaful	Un-Listed
45	Pak Qatar General Takaful	General Takaful	Un-Listed
46	Takaful Pakistan Limited	General Takaful	Un-Listed
47	Pakistan Mutual Insurance	General Insurance	Un-Listed
48	Asian Mutual Insurance	General Insurance	Un-Listed
49	Crescent Star Insurance	General Insurance	Listed

146. **Chaudhry Muhammad Barjees Tahir:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state the number of times the salaries of the employees of Armed Forces have been increased since 18th February, 2008 alongwith the details thereof?

Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development: The Government has increased the salaries of Armed Forces Personnel since 18th February, 2008 as detailed below:—

- (1) The Pay Scales of Armed Forces personnel were increased @ 20% *vide* Finance Division's O.M. No.F.1(2)Imp/2008 dated 30-6-2008 *w.e.f.* 01-07-2008 (**Annex-I**).
- (2) In terms of Finance Division's O.M. No. F.1(7) Imp/2009-II dated 21-07-2009 (**Annex-II**), the following dispensations were made in respect of the Armed Forces personnel:
 - (a) An allowance equal to one month's basic pay to Armed Forces personnel deployed on the western front with effect from 01-07-2009.
 - (b) Ad-hoc Relief Allowance – 2009 to the remaining Armed Forces personnel (*i.e.* other than those mentioned at 'a' above) *w.e.f.* 01-07-2009 at the following rates:

Armed Forces personnel equivalent to BPS 1-16	-	20% of the basic pay
Armed Forces personnel equivalent to BPS 17-22	-	15% of the basic pay
 - (c) An allowance equal to one month's basic pay to the personnel of all Armed Forces (*i.e.* other than those mentioned at 'a' above) *w.e.f.* 01-01-2010 with the condition that Ad-hoc Relief Allowance–2009 to those mentioned at 'b' above will be discontinued *w.e.f.* 01-01-2010.
- (3) Further, in pursuance of the Cabinet Decision in Case No.31/02/2010, while removing the anomaly/ disparity among the pay package of the Armed Forces personnel serving on different fronts of the country, Finance Division *vide* its O.M.No. F.1(7)Imp/ 2009 dated 10-02-2010 (**Annex-III**) allowed to continue Adhoc Relief Allowance – 2009 *w.e.f.* 01-01-2010 @ 20% and 15% of the basic pay to the Armed Forces Personnel equivalent to BPS 1-16 and equivalent to BPS 17-22 respectively without any discrimination of deployment on western front as was earlier allowed *vide* para-1(b) of Finance Division's O.M. of even number dated 21-07-2009 (**Annex-II**), in addition to the allowance equal to one month's pay *w.e.f.* 01-01-2010.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

147. **Dr. Talat Mahesar:**

Will the Minister for Privatization be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of Government Units privatized since 1-7-2009 till date; and*
- (b) *the names of those Units alongwith the price thereof?*

Minister for Privatization (Mr. Waqar Ahmad Khan): (a) There has been no privatization since 01-07-2009.

(b) -do-.

148. **Begum Nuzhat Sadiq:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names, designation and departments of those employees whom House Building Advances have been granted out of turn basis since 1st February, 2008 till-date;*
- (b) *the amount of said advances granted in each case; and*
- (c) *the criteria and procedure adopted thereof?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development: (a) The names, designation and departments of those employees whom House Building Advances have been granted out of turn basis since 1st February, 2008 till-date is as under:—

- | | |
|-------------------------------|-----------|
| (i) AGPR, Islamabad | (Annex-A) |
| (ii) AGPR, Karachi | (Annex-B) |
| (iii) AGPR Sub-office Lahore | (Annex-C) |
| (iv) AGPR, Sub-office, Quetta | (Annex-D) |
| (v) AGPR Sub-office Peshawar | (Annex-E) |

(b) The amount of House Building Advance has been shown against each individual.

(c) The officers holding BPS-21 and above are empowered to accord priority for grant of House Building Advance to the employees of their departments. Accordingly, the loan is approved by the department concerned on the receipt of Funds Availability Certificate (FAC) issued by AGPR.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

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

Will the Minister In-charge of the Prime Ministers Secretariat be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of ERRA to re-construct roads in the earthquake of 2005 affected area from Hajjia Galli to Kaila and from Muhree Badhain to Chem Nakka, Tehsil Havellian;*
- (b) if so, the time by which it will be constructed alongwith the funds to be allocated thereof?*

Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister's Secretariat: (a) ERRA's Sectoral Strategies were finalized in July, 2006. The said roads are not included in the ERRA's approved Roads Sector Strategy.

- (b) Not applicable

150. **Mian Marghoob Ahmad:**

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of the countries where Pakistan Trade Office have been established at present; and*
- (b) whether there is any proposal to establish new offices abroad; if so, the name of those countries alongwith the date thereof?*

Minister for Commerce (Makhdoom Amin Fahim): (a) List of Trade Offices is enclosed as Annexure.

- (b) No.

Annexure

**PAKISTAN COMMERCIAL SECTIONS ABROAD UNDER THE
ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OF MINISTRY OF COMMERCE, ISLAMABAD**

SR NO.	COUNTRY (CITY)
1	AFGHANISTAN (02) (KABUL & KANDAHAR)
2	ARGENTINA (BUENOS AIRES)
3	AUSTRALIA (SYDNEY)
4	AZERBAIJAN (BAKU)
5	BANGLADESH (DHAKA)
6	BELGIUM (BRUSSELS)
7	BRAZIL (SAO PAULO)
8	CANADA (02) (MONTREAL & VANCOUVER)
9	CHINA (04) (BEIJING, HONG KONG, SHANGHAI & CHENGDU)
10	EGYPT (CAIRO)
11	FRANCE (PARIS)
12	GERMANY (02) (FRANKFURT & BERLIN)
13	GREECE (ATHENS)
14	INDIA (NEW DELHI)
15	INDONESIA (JAKARTA)
16	IRAN (TEHRAN)
17	ITALY (ROME)
18	JAPAN (2) (TOKYO & OSAKA)
19	KAZAKHSTAN (ALMATY)
20	KENYA (NAIROBI)
21	KUWAIT (KUWAIT CITY)
22	LIBYA (TRIPOLI)
23	MALAYSIA (KUALA LUMPUR)
24	MEXICO (MEXICO CITY)
25	MOROCCO (CASABLANCA)
26	NETHERLANDS (THE HAGUE)
27	NIGERIA *(LAGOS)
28	POLAND (WARSAW)
29	RUSSIA (MOSCOW)
30	SAUDI ARABIA (03) (JEDDAH, RIYADH, OIC Jeddah)
31	SOUTH AFRICA (JOHANNESBURG)
32	SOUTH KOREA (SEOUL)
33	SPAIN (MADRID)
34	SWEDEN (STOCKHOLM)
35	SWITZERLAND (GENEVA)
36	THAILAND (BANGKOK)
37	TURKEY (ISTANBUL)
38	USA (05) WASHINGTON, LOS ANGELES, NEW YORK, CHICAGO & HOUSTON
39	UNITED ARAB EMIRATES (02) (DUBAI & ABU DHABI)
40	UNITED KINGDOM (02) (LONDON & MANCHESTER)
41	Santiago (Chile)
42	Prague (Czech Republic)
Total	56 Commercial Sections in 42 countries

151. **Shaikh Rohale Asghar:**

Will the Minister In-charge of the Prime Ministers Secretariat be pleased to state the present status of negotiation for the bilateral investment agreement between Pakistan and China?

Minister Incharge of the Prime Minister's Secretariat: • Bilateral Investment Treaty (BIT) between Islamic Republic of Pakistan and Peoples Republic of China was signed on 12th February, 1989.

• Ratified on 30th September, 1990*.

152. **Shaikh Rohale Asghar:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Planning and Development be pleased to state the fringe benefits attached with the B-19 posts in the Federal Government at present?

Reply not received.

153. **Raja Muhammad Asad Khan:**

Will the Minister for Interior be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that illegal prohibited bore arms were recovered from foreigners in the country during the year, 2008-09;*
- (b) if so, the names of those foreigners along with the origins of their countries; and*
- (c) the steps taken to control the possession of said arms by foreigners in the country?*

Reply not received.

KARAMAT HUSSAIN NIAZI,
Secretary.

ISLAMABAD:
The 24th February, 2010.