

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

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

Wednesday, the 12th May, 2010

105. ***Mrs. Yasmeen Rehman:**

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

- (a) the per week number of hours allocated for education Programmes on PTV at present;*
- (b) whether there is any proposal to increase the duration of said Programme; and*
- (c) the education level of these Programmes alongwith the achievements gained so far?*

Minister for Information and Broadcasting (Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira):

(a) PTV is televising 7 hours educational programmes per week. The titles of the said programmes are as follows:—

- Al Quran 10 minutes (daily)
- Granny Sunny & Science 25 minutes (weekly)
- Arty 25 minutes (weekly)
- Pocket Money 25 minutes (weekly)
- Meezan 50 minutes (weekly)
- Prizes Surprises 25 minutes (weekly)
- Ghumo Phiro Maze Urao 25 minutes (weekly)
- Science Forum 25 minutes (weekly)
- You Stay You Win 25 minutes (weekly)
- Bazm-e-Tariq Aziz 50 minutes (weekly)
- Haya Alal Flah 50 minutes (weekly)

(b) It is an on going process. Recently PTV has planned to telecast children educational programme of 25-minutes duration on daily basis which will sufficiently increase the number of hours per week.

(c) PTV's educational programmes focus different age groups from tiny tots to teen agers and youth which definitely enhance their knowledge and awareness about the advancement development in different fields.

106. ***Ms. Shireen Arshad Khan:**

Will the Minister for Inter Provincial Coordination be pleased to state the steps being taken for creating harmony among the provinces on the issue of water distribution alongwith the benefits achieved therefrom so far?

Minister for Inter Provincial Coordination (Pir Aftab Hussain Shah Jilani): In terms of entry 30 in Schedule II of Rules of Business, 1973, Ministry of Water & Power is interalia, responsible to deal with the matters relating to development of water resources, Indus Water Treaty, Indus Basin works and Indus River System Authority.

Indus River System Authority (IRSA) under the Act of 1992 is mandated to regulate and monitor the distribution of water sources of Indus River, in accordance with the Water Accord 1991, amongst the provinces.

IRSA determines the provincial shares according to availability of water in each crop season. The provinces are entitled to use their allocated share at any time.

Due to scarcity of water, in the beginning, of this year, Parliamentarians of Sindh raised concerns about Power Project at Chashma Jhelum Link Canal. The Prime Minister advised the Minister for IPC to look into the matter, for resolution. Accordingly, the M/o Inter-Provincial Coordination (IPC) arranged meetings with the Ministry of Water & Power, IRSA and representatives of Sindh and Punjab.

Both the Provincial Governments agreed to develop a formula to cater for water requirements during scarcity periods, within the framework of Water Apportionment Accord 1991.

Both the sides expressed their willingness to strengthen the process of regular consultation in the spirit of trust and accommodation.

107. ***Mrs. Nisar Tanveer:**

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that PEMRA has provided free of cost facility to the government departments for telecasting and broadcasting their messages for public on PTV and Radio Pakistan; if so, the details thereof; and*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that millions of rupees have been charged from Ministry of Zakat and Ushr for launching campaign for Zakat collection on. PTV and Radio Pakistan during the year 2009-10 till date; if so, the justification thereof?*

Minister for Information and Broadcasting (Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira):

Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority (PEMRA)

(a) Under section 37 (a) of PEMRA Ordinance 2002 as Amended by PEMRA Amendment Act 2007, Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation (Radio Pakistan) and Pakistan Television Corporation are continued to be administrated under the provisions of the Company's Ordinance 1984 hence PEMRA is not regulating these organizations. Therefore, PEMRA has never involved in providing any free of cost facility to the government departments for telecasting and broadcasting their messages for public on PTV and Radio Pakistan.

Pakistan Television Corporation (PTVC)

(b) Pakistan Television continuously televises a vast number of programmes, spots and public service messages as part of its National obligations free of cost across its entire Network. However, there are certain media campaign, which are launched commercially by various Ministries and their attached departments through advertising agencies.

The Zakat collection campaign was launched during 2009-10 by the Ministry of Zakat and Ushar through an advertising agency as a specific commercial campaign. Hence, a sum of Rs.1.315 million was charged from the commercial agency M/s. M. Communications (PVT) LTD, Islamabad.

Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation (PBC)

Yes. Radio Pakistan has broadcast the Zakat collection messages of M/o Zakat & Ushar from its FM-101 Network during the month of August 2009. An amount of Rs.284, 211/- (inclusive of GST) has been charged against this business as per PBC's advertisement policy. The above business was received by PBC through M/s. Argus Advertising Pvt. Ltd, Karachi.

108. ***Ms. Shaheen Ishfaq:**

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state the time by which the new domestic, commercial and industrial connection for electricity is to be provided to those residents of the area where the line of electricity is passing in front of their house/factory/office at present in the country alongwith the criteria to be adopted thereof?

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): Submission of a completed application on a prescribed form by the consumer is a pre-requisite for start of processing a new connection by a Distribution Company. This is irrespective of the fact that the electricity line is passing in Front of the premises or otherwise.

The preparation of estimates and installation of connection depends upon the site conditions and requirements of tariff applicable to the prospective consumer. For example, in case of urban areas a domestic connection is to be installed within 35 days, whereas an industrial connection at 132 KV requiring construction of a grid station is to be completed within 496 days. The time limits are of course dependent upon the prompt and timely payment of dues by the consumers.

Some deviation from this time line are, however, observed in the field due to local problems like right of way etc.

109. ***Mrs. Belum Husnain:**

Will the Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a comprehensive policy justifying the re-employment of Government officer after their superannuation has not been formulated so far; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) the steps being taken to formulate the said policy in order to avoid the financial implication on government exchequer?*

Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division: (a) The Federal Government had issued policy for Re-employment on 28-01-1989 (Annex-A) read with Section 14 of the Civil Servants Act, 1973 (Annex-B). The policy, inter alia, lays down the following criteria for re-employment:

- (a) Non availability of suitably qualified or experienced officers to replace the retiring officer.
- (b) The officer is a highly competent person with distinction in his profession/field.
- (c) The re-employment does not cause a promotion block; and
- (d) Retention of the retiring officer, for a specified period, is in public interest.

The policy clearly stipulates that all proposals for re-employment of Government Servants beyond the age of superannuation require the approval of the Prime Minister.

- (b) The policy is already in vogue as mentioned against (a) above.

Annex-A

Employment after retirement Policy and procedure

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Re-employment after superannuation.—It has been noticed that Ministries/ Divisions initiate proposals for re-employment of Government servants after superannuation as a routine measure. It is emphasized that re-employment beyond superannuation should be an exception and not the rule. It may be recommended only in cases where Government considers that the experience gained by the retiring person is of vital importance and can be gainfully utilized, particularly in fields where suitably qualified and experienced persons are not available.

2. For achievement of the objective mentioned above, the present Government has framed a policy for re-employment of Government servants and cases for re-employment would, in future, be considered in accordance with the following criteria:

- (i) Non availability of suitably qualified or experienced officers to replace the retiring, officer;

- (ii) the officer is a highly competent person with distinction in his profession/ field:
- (iii) the re-employment does not cause a promotion block; and
- (iv) retention of the retiring officer, for a specified period, is in the public interest.

This policy would also apply to government controlled corporations and other autonomous bodies.

3. Proposals for re-employment are required to be accompanied with the following documents/information:—

- (a) The proposal duly signed by Secretary or Additional Secretary Incharge of the Ministry concerned is received in the Establishment Division 6 months before the officer is due to attain the age of superannuation and has the approval of the Minister Incharge;
- (b) the steps taken to train the substitute, if any;
- (c) ACRs with photograph, ICP chart and bio-data on prescribed proforma; and
- (d) certificate that the officer is medically fit.

4. Re-employment beyond the age of superannuation in all cases requires the approval of the Prime Minister.

5. It is requested to instruct all concerned in Ministries/ Divisions and Attached Departments/autonomous bodies to strictly follow the guidelines given above.

[Authority.—Establishment Secretary's d.o. letter No.7/3/ 89-OMG-11 dated 28-01-1989].

Annex-B

14. **Employment after retirement.**—(1) A retired civil servant shall not be re-employed under the Federal Government, unless such re-employment is necessary in the public interest and is made with the prior approval of the authority next above the appointing authority:

Provided that, where the appointing authority is the President, such re-employment may be ordered with the approval of the President.

(2) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Ex-Government Servants (Employment with Foreign Governments) (Prohibition) Act, 1966 (XII of 1966), a civil servant may, during leave preparatory to retirement, or after retirement from Government service, seek any private employment:

Provided that, where employment is sought by a civil servant while on leave preparatory to retirement or within two years of the date of his retirement, he shall obtain the prior approval of the prescribed authority.

110. ***Begum Nuzhat Sadiq:**

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

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration to launch any mega project in the country for generating electricity through solar energy;*
- (b) *if so, the locations thereof alongwith the source of funds to meet expense thereupon;*
- (c) *the time by which those project will become functional; and*
- (d) *the name of the employees presently working?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): Currently, there is no proposal under consideration to launch any mega project in the country for generating the. electricity through solar energy.

111. ***Shaikh Rohale Asghar:**

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration to build a Tunnel from Islamabad to Khan Pur Tarnawa via Pir Sohawa;*
- (b) *if so, the time by which the said project will be started alongwith the expenditure involved therein?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) Presently there is no proposal in hand to build a tunnel from Islamabad to Khanpur Tarnawa via Pir Sohawa by CDA..

(b) Not applicable.

112. ***Ms. Sabeen Rizvi:**

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

(a) *whether it is a fact that water reservoirs and small dams have been constructed at Naran, Kaghan, Balakot, Gilgit-Baltistan and Azad Kashmir since March, 2008 till date for generating of electricity;*

(b) *if so, the locations thereof?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) Yes, it is a fact that WAPDA is undertaking construction of water reservoirs and small dam projects for generation of electricity in Gilgit-Baltistan and Azad Jammu and Kashmir.

(b) The location of projects are narrated as under:

Satpara Dam:

It is located on Satpara Nala, Skardu in Gilgit-Baltistan. This project is under execution since 2003. With anticipated completion on August, 2010, the live water storage capacity will be 0.053 MAF with generation capacity of 17.3 MW.

Neelum Jhelum Hydroelectric Project

This project is located in the vicinity of Muzaffarabad AJ&K and being constructed since 30th January 2008 with an installed capacity of 969 MW.

Diamer Basha Dam Project.

The project is located on Indus River near Chilas (Gilgit Baltistan and Khyber - Pakhtunkawa). At present this project is under pre-construction stage and completion is anticipated in 2020-2021. Project will provide 4500 MW cheaper hydropower and live storage of 6.4 Million Acre Feet (MAF).

113. ***Mian Marghoob Ahmad:**

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that unscheduled load shedding is being observed in the country at present; if so, the justification thereof;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the said load shedding is exceeding eighteen hours in a day; if so, the steps being taken to normalize the duration of said load shedding?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) It is intimated that at present no unscheduled load shedding is being carried out in the country. Rather the load management is being carried out according to a schedule, which is announced by DISCOs. However, sometimes if a Power Plant goes out of the system due to any emergency, then this lack of generation leads toward forced / unscheduled load management in order to save our system from total collapse.

(b) The supply is being provided to different categories of consumers according to the following schedule:—

Category of consumers	Hours-supply given
Cement	24-Hours
Continuous Process	-do-
Industry Sugar, Plastic	
Chemical, Fertilizer,	
Textile	-do
Power Looms	20-Hours
SME (Small Medium	18-Hours
Enterprises)	
Industrial Dominated	18-Hours
feeders	
Agriculture	0000-0060 hrs un-interrupted supply
	1400-1600 hrs Un-interrupted supply

Note:

Rest of the timings of closure have been adjusted after consultation with the Advisory Committee at DISCO level having representatives from Agriculturists etc.

Commercial	1000-0400-hrs un-interrupted supply
	1600-2000-hrs Un-interrupted supply

Note:

Rest of the timings of closure have been adjusted after consultation with the Advisory Committee Traders Associations and Representatives of traders bodies.

Domestic	Urban	06-08 Hours
	Rural	10-12 Hours

114. ***Mr. Muhammad Riaz Malik:**

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

- (a) *the location-wise power plants for generating electricity through wind and coal installed in the country at present;*
- (b) *the ratio of electricity/power being generated from each of the said plants; and*
- (c) *whether there is any proposal to set up those new plants during the year, 2010-11; if so, the total number of those plants alongwith the locations thereof?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) Zorlu Energy Pakistan has installed 5 units of 1.2 MW each, which are generating electricity through wind and are presently installed at 5 different location of HESCO. Power from these generating units. is being utilized by HESCO Distribution Company, ultimately Zorlu Energy Pakistan intends to extend Electricity generation through wind up to 50 MW in HESCO Area. On the other hand, the electricity is produced by coal at Lakhra Power Plant situated in District Jamshoro Sindh with a plant capacity of 150 MW. It however, can generate about 30 MW presently.

(b) The ratio of electricity generated through coal is only 0.136%.

(c) Several wind power projects are in the pipeline and at various stages of implementation. These wind power projects are being developed at Gharo and Jhampir towns of District Thatta. It is anticipated that 3-4 wind power projects of 50 MW each would achieve financial close in the 2010 and would start operation by end of 2011.

115. ***Sardar Shahjehan Yousaf:**

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

- (a) whether there is any proposal to provide free electricity for agricultural purposes in the country;*
- (b) if so, the details thereof?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) There is no such proposal under consideration at PEPCO level to provide free electricity for agricultural purposes.

(b) N.A.

116. ***Mr. Murtaza Javed Abbasi:**

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to construct Dams on River Kunhar at Garhi Habib Ullah and Balakot; if so, the time by which it will be implemented?

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): At present, WAPDA has no proposal to construct dams on River Kunhar at Garhi Habib Ullah and Balakot.

117. ***Mr. Mohammad Pervaiz Malik:**

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

- (a) whether there is any proposal to attract foreign investment in energy sector in the country to combat the present energy crises; if so, the detail thereof; and*
- (b) the steps taken to remove the shortfall of electricity in the country?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) Currently, PPIB is processing 44 multiple fuel (oil, gas coal and hydel) projects with an investment of over US\$ 15 billion. Amongst these 5 projects (4 IPPs and 1 rental) with a cumulative capacity of 857 MW have already been commissioned, whereas the rest of them are planned to be completed by year 2017 to combat energy crisis. Details are at Annex-I). The investments in these projects are being made by various local and foreign investors.

(b) The projects mentioned in (a) above are expected to remove shortfall of electricity in the country through addition of various IPP and rental projects.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

118. ***Dr. Talat Mahesar:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the line losses of electricity has increased considerably during the last six months; if so, the reasons thereof;*
- (b) the line losses in Mega Watt suffered by WAPDA during the year 2008-09 alongwith the value in rupees thereof; and*
- (c) the steps being taken to control those line losses?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) It is not true that the line losses have been increased considerably during the last six months—rather progressive line losses by the end of March 2010 have been reduced from 19.8% to 19.6% showing a decrease of 0.2% losses, thereby extra 2.7 billion units were billed during this period in comparison to compatible period of last year.

(b) Line losses are calculated and measures in kWh (units) as %age of total generated units. During the year 2008-09, the loss was 21%, which was less by 0.3% in comparison to the figure of 2007-08.

(c) The losses figure comprises of technical and administrative losses. PEPCO is sustaining admin loss of Rs. 27 billion against the total assessment of Rs. 366 billion.

Following steps are taken to control the line losses:—

1. Shifting of Meters outside of consumer premises.
2. Replacement of sluggish /old and defective meters.
3. Combing of feeders.
4. Daily reading of seasonal industrial connections.
5. Periodic checking of big industrial consumer by M&T.
6. Registration of FIRs against the illegal power extractors.
7. Maintenance of rise and fall consumption registers.
8. Prompt billing of new connections.
9. Reward for detection of theft.
10. Heavy punishment to the field staff involved in theft of energy.
11. Rotation of meter readers.
12. Besides PEPCO has declared 2009-10 as the year of eradication of theft. New reporting system has also been evolved.

119. *Mrs. Shakeela Khanam Rashid:

Will the Minister for Labour and Manpower be pleased to state:

- (a) *names of different on going development projects included in the PSDP for the year, 2009-10 under the supervision and control of Ministry alongwith their total cost, nature and objectives to be achieved;*
- (b) *names of Projects Directors and other officers working/appointed in such projects with their salary, perks and privileges, educational qualifications, experience, dates of birth and domiciles;*
- (c) *method of recruitment adopted for their appointment; and*
- (d) *procedures being adopted for their performance evaluation/audit and retention?*

Minister for Labour and Manpower (Syed Khurshid Ahmad Shah):

(a) Departments working under the control of HRD Wing, Ministry of Labour and Manpower.

Name of Project	Reply	
	Total Cost	Objectives
The following projects are being implemented by the Departments of HRD Wing of Ministry of Labour & Manpower.		
(i). <u>Training of Trainers (TOT).</u>	62.707 million.	This project has been launched to improve the quality of training courses. The project envisages training of 770 Instructors through various courses.
(ii). <u>Training at Applied Technologies Institute (ATIN), NLC Mandra.</u>	Rs.70.0 million.	This project has started training courses in Apprenticeship Training Institute (ATIN), NLC Mandra to meet the demand of skilled workers in construction related trades.

(iii) <u>Green man Project:</u>	Rs.15.064 million	<p>4000 trainees will be trained during the project period.</p> <p>This project is offering three months certificates course on gardening. 1800 proper skilled gardener will be trained during the project period.</p>
(iv) <u>Trade Testing & Certification of Skilled Workers.</u>	Rs.18.089 million	<p>This project has started to recognize those skilled workers who are trained through informal system (ustad - shagird) for seeking employment in the country as well as abroad. The target to trade test and certify 5400 skilled workers.</p>
(v) <u>Establishment of Vocational Training Centre at Kashmore Sindh</u>	Rs.36.02 million	<p>This project is being executed by provincial C & W department through Directorate of Manpower & Training, Government of Sindh</p>
(vi) <u>Construction of Hostel Building at NTB Campuses.</u>	Rs.70.00 million	<p>Hostel building for 100 persons is being constructed through Pak PWD at National Training Bureau (NTB) Campus, in order to provide residential facilities to the instructions and trainees coming from different cities/provinces to attend the training.</p>
(vii) <u>Visits of Expatriate Pakistani Consultants for short assignments in Pakistan. (2005-2010)</u>	39.3 million	<p>To accelerate the socio-economic development of Pakistan through improved utilization of available services of highly qualified expatriates available outside the country.</p>
(viii) <u>President's Programme for the Care of Highly Qualified Overseas Pakistanis (PPQP). (2009-2014)</u>	346.10 million	<p>To establish an interactive web-based Data Bank of highly qualified professional Pakistanis.</p> <p>To create a system in which expatriate Pakistan experts can make effective</p>

		<p>contribution to various institutions in Pakistan.</p> <p>To reduce the impact of brain drain through short to long term duration visits of expatriate nationals to Pakistan.</p> <p>To avail the benefit from the advice of the experts, while they are abroad through correspondence and supply of pertinent technical literature.</p> <p>To provide employment services to highly skilled expatriate Pakistanis in the country.</p>
<p>ix) Labour Market Information System and Analysis(LMIA).</p>	<p>Rs.64.73 million</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To provide up to date and timely labour market Information and Analysis disaggregated by sex, age and area in the form of publications. - To provide information bases on internationally accepted concepts and key indicators of Labour Market. - Establishment of LMIA database containing an internationally adopted set of key indicators of Labour Market. - Regular publication of national LMIA reports titled "Pakistan Employment Trends". - Feedback to Federal Bureau of Statistics to improving data collection through refinement and extended coverage of the "Labour Force Survey". - Capacity building of the Staff and officers of LMIA through on job training and the capacity building of MOLMP and provincial Statistical Department and Labour Direct orates by arranging technical course s/Workshop on Labour Market

(f) Projects at Sr. I, II, III, IV, V and VI		<p>Information and Analysis.</p> <p>No separate Project Directors and Officers have been appointed for the supervision of the projects.</p> <p>The Project at Sr. No.i, ii, iii and iv are being supervised by the Director General, National Training Bureau. The Project at Sr. No.v is supervised by the Director, Manpower & Training, Government of Sindh and Project at Sr. No.vi is being implemented by Pak PWD Islamabad.</p>					
Project at Sr. VII		<p>No additional staff approved under the project. The Director General, (BPS-20) National Talent Pool, performing the duties of Project Director</p>					
Project at Sr. VIII		<p>Project staff on contract basis is under process as per prescribed qualified, experience and job assignment detailed in the PC-I duly approved by CDWP in its meeting of 23rd July, 2009.</p> <p>Two advertisements in the Press have been published inviting applications for appointment of 36 project staff of various nomenclature as per prescribed qualifications, experience and job assignment detailed in the PC-I which was approved by CDWP in its meeting of 23rd July, 2009.</p> <p>To develop basic infrastructure on priority basis, 05 officers with technical background of various sections/departments of the Ministry have therefore been temporarily assigned duties of the project on additional charge basis to start the process in shape of</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) hiring of technical staff, ii) purchase and installation of hardware/software, iii) designing client/server and architecture and iv) developing software/databases/s v)licensing with global placement agencies; etc software firms have been contacted in order to upgrade the existing modules of the web-portal. 					
Project at Sr. (IX)							
Name	Designation	Education	Date of Birth	Domile	Salary	Perks and Privileges	Experience
Mr. Manzoor Zaid Khan	System Analyst (BPS-18)	MCS	11-08-1979	Barjaki	Fix Pay - Rs 20,000/-	Nil	3 years as Data Manager in Project PPC M/o I. & M
Mr. Nayyar Amed Siddiqui	Research Officer (BPS-17)	M. Phil in Management Sciences	23-08-1977	Sardar	Rs 17,000/- including all allowances	Hiring	3 years in Research and Database Management
Miss AShree Ashraf	Research Officer (BPS-17)	M.Sc. Economics	04-07-1977	Punjab	Rs 17,000/- including all allowances	Hiring	2 years in Economics Department of Nour Degree College for Women in Rawalpindi

C	Projects at Sr. I, II, III, IV, V and VI	As stated at (b) above the Project Director and Officers have not been appointed.
	Project at Sr. VII	No additional staff approved under the project.
	Project at Sr. VIII	The recruitment of project staff is under process on contract basis as per Govt. rules. The posts have been advertised, applications were short listed in the light of prescribed qualifications, experience and job description for their test/interview through respective project selection committees as per rules.
	Project at Sr. No. IX	Direct appointment.
S	Projects at Sr. I, II, III, IV, V and VI	Not applicable as the Project Director and Officers have not been appointed.
	Project at Sr. VII - VIII	The expenditure of the project is being made through AGPR pre-audit crossed cheques and record of bills/receipt is being maintained for audit. The performance and audit are governed by Directorate General of Audit, Government of Pakistan.
	Project at Sr. IV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Performance of the officers is mainly evaluated by the UNDP being the funding agency on continuous basis while the local side P&D is evaluating the performance through their defined procedures. - According to the approved PC-1, the project after its expiry date will be brought to non development side and will be part of HRD wing of the Ministry because the activities initiated through this project are of permanent nature and the staff/officers trained during the project period will be transferred to the HRD wing on permanent basis.

120. ***Ms. Qudsia Arshad:**

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

- (a) the water reserves in cusecs in Warsik Darn at present;*
- (b) whether the said storage meets the requirements of the country; and*
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to meet the water shortage in the country?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) Water Reserves are measured in Acre feet and not in cusecs.

- The first impounding of Warsak Dam reservoir was done in early 1960. At that time the live storage capacity of the reservoir was 25400 acres feet.
 - Due to sediments deposits the reservoir's live storage capacity has been considerably reduced to 3302 Acres feet which is only 13% of the original reservoir capacity.
- (b) The above said storage does not meet the water requirement of the country.
- (c) WAPDA has taken following steps to meet the water shortage in the country.
- Mangla Dam Raising Project which will store additional 2.88 MAF of Water.
 - Diamer Basha Dam project will store 6.4 MAF of water after its completion by 2020-2021.
 - WAPDA is also undertaking construction of small/medium dams which will store 2.5 MAF water after completion in 2012-13.

121. ***Mr. Humair Hayat Rokhri:**

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

- (a) *the sources in addition to Nuclear, Wind, Thermal and Hyde(from which electricity is being generated in the country;*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration to purchase electricity from Iran, China and Oman; if so, the total amount of units in MW alongwith the rates thereof?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) So far no other source at AEDB is being used to generation of electricity in the -country except solar homes programme under which about 3000 houses have been provided solar power in Sindh.

(b) At present there is no proposal under consideration to purchase electricity from China and Oman. As regard to the purchase of electricity from Iran, it is intimated that Iran is already supplying 39 MW power to border towns and coastal areas of Balochistan. The rate till 31-12-08 was US\$ 0.05 per Kwh Negotiation are under way for the revised rate demanded by Iran. Following are the details of proposals/projects for the future purchase of electricity from Iran.

1. **Import of 100 MW. power from Iran** for Gawadar. It includes construction of a 220KV Grid Station at Gawadar & 75 Km associated 220KV double circuit Transmission Line from Pak-Iran. Border to Gawadar. The project is intended to be financed by Export Development Bank of Iran (EDBI), for which negotiations with the Bank are in progress. The project is expected to be completed by year 2011.

2. **Import of 1000 MW power from Iran** for the National Grid. The feasibility study for the project involving construction of about 700 Km high voltage DC/High Voltage AC interconnection has already been assigned to a joint venture of NESPAK & MOSHANNIR of Iran with NESPAK as lead consultant. The final report along with the detailed financial analysis based on techno-economic studies and the Implementation plan for the project are under process. Further action could be taken depending upon the outcome of the Feasibility Study and arrangement for the financing of project. The project may take 4-5 years from commencement of the project implementation activities. This is envisaged to take care of a substantial level of demand of Balochistan and the South-East of Pakistan.

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

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to refer to Starred Question No.96 replied on 24.2.2010 and to state:

- (a) *the impact of decision of neutral expert appointed by the World Bank on the flow of water in the river of Pakistan relating to construction of Buglihar Dam by India; and*
- (b) *the measures taken to implement the decision of the said neutral expert in later and spirit?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) The Neutral expert appointed by the World Bank had given the determination in February 2007: Out of the four questions raised by Pakistan, the Neutral Expert decided three questions in favour of Pakistan, *i.e* (i) Lowered the height of the dam by 1.5 meters (II) Reduced the pondage/storage by 5 Million Cubic Meter (MCM), (III) raised the level of power intake by 3 meters. However, the Neutral Expert accepted India's design of the gated spillway which was a major concern by Pakistan. The Neutral Expert decided about the Spillway without giving due considerations to the Treaty provisions and he referred to the international practices' and the state of the art techniques. He also allowed India to bring the water down below the Dead Storage Level (DSL).

As far as flow in River Chenab Is concerned there would not be any direct impact of the decision given by the Neutral Expert. The flow downstream of Baglihar Hydroelectric Plant would only be disturbed if India wrongly operates the Plant by violating the Treaty provisions, which provide the maintenance of net balance of flow downstream over a certain period of time, as well as other operational proceedings

(b) The decision of Neutral Expert was implemented by India and verified by Indus Commission in July and October, 2008.

123. ***Ms. Tasneem Siddiqui:**

Will the Minister for Labour and Manpower be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of Pakistani Doctors, Dental Surgeons and other Medical professionals went abroad for employment during the last two years;*

- (b) *the total number of Doctors migrated abroad for employment during the said period alongwith the names of countries thereof; and*
- (c) *the impact of said migration in the country?*

Minister for Labour and Manpower (Syed Khurshid Ahmad Shah):

(a) As many as 1,416 Doctors, Dental Surgeons and 774 Medical professionals proceeded abroad for employment during the last two years (2008-2009)

(b) The Doctors who proceeded abroad on visit/residence visa and get themselves settled permanently abroad do not come under the purview of Emigration Ordinance, 1979.

(c) It has the following positive impacts:

- (i) Lessening and releasing the pressure of unemployment in the local market.
- (ii) Augment the remittances.
- (iii) Improves the skill standards of doctors in latest medical researches.

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

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

- (a) *the names of government departments in Quetta which are defaulters of WAPDA at present alongwith the total amount of default thereof; and*
- (b) *the steps being taken by the WAPDA to recover the said amount?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) Arrears outstanding against the different Government Departments in Quetta are given

below:—

Department	Outstanding Amount (Rs. in million)	Detail is placed as
Federal Government	202.409	Annex-A
Provincial Government	329.610	Annex-B-1
District Government	1722.692	Annex-B-2
TMA's	88.123	Annex-B-3
Grand Total	2342.834	

(b) PEPCO has formulated recovery plan to recover outstanding dues from different Government departments, which includes following steps:

1. PEPCO officers are already being entrusted with the competency to recover outstanding electricity bills of Government consumers in installments.
2. Finance Division and Finance Departments of Provincial Governments, are kept informed on monthly basis about the billing and the amount required to be paid by the concerned department.
3. Meeting with provinces have been held time and again for recovery of outstanding electricity dues.
4. PEPCO Computer Centres regularly issue Equipment Removal Orders against the defaulting connections in order to recovery the outstanding, dues.
5. Facility of payment at source is also provided to Government connections.
6. Field formations are directed to use tool of disconnection, where it is necessary.
7. Incentives for waiver off late payment surcharge are also given to the Government defaulting departments if, they clear the outstanding dues upto 30th June of each year.

8. Reconciliations with defaulting departments are also regularly carried out to settle the PEPCO / DISCOs electricity dues.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

125. ***Ch. Abid Sher Ali:**

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

- (a) *the location-wise total number of Rental Power Plants installed in the country at present alongwith their power generating capacity separately;*
- (b) *the achievements gained so far on installation of those plants; and*
- (c) *whether the tariff of electricity will be effected on generation of electricity through those plants?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) and (b) The location wise detail of Rental Power Plants installed in the country at present; alongwith their Power Generation Capacity & achievements ,gained so far; is attached as Annex-I.

(c) The increase in customer tariff is estimated to be around 3.7% for 8 RPPs in financial year 2010-2011 as worked out and reported by ADB Final Report, January 2010.

Annex-I

INSTALLED RENTAL POWER PLANTS

S. No.	Rental Power Project	Capacity (MW)	Achievement
1.	Alstom Power Rental Bhikki	136	Rental power plant is in commercial operation. The three years rental term is due to expire on 22-06-2010.

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|----|------------------------------------|----|--|
| 2. | Gulf Rental Eminabad
Gujranwala | 62 | Commissioning Test performed on 28-04-2010. Gulf has declared Commercial Operation Date on 29-04-2010. |
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126. ***Mr. Mudassar Qayyum Nahra:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the World Bank will provide financial assistance for enhancing the generating of electricity by 1000 megawatts in the country;*
- (b) whether any comprehensive plan has been evolved for saving of electricity;*
- (c) whether there is any proposal to generate electricity through Solar Energy for government offices;*
- (d) if the replies to parts (a), (b) and (c) are in affirmative, the time by which those proposals will be materialized?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) World Bank is financing the feasibility study of Tarbela 4th Extension Project-wise capacity of 960 MW.

(b) In pursuance of the recently held Energy Summit in April 2010 at Islamabad, which was attended by all the four Chief Ministers beside other stakeholders, a comprehensive energy conservation plan has approved by the Prime Minister. The detail is as under:

1. Reduction of lights upto 50% in President, Prime Minister's Secretariats and houses, Federal Ministers, Governors, Chief Ministers, all Provincial Ministers and all Government Offices beside induction of energy savers.
2. Use of Air Conditioners by authorized officers only after 11.00 AM.
3. Illumination of Alternate street lights and non-supply of power to billboards and neon signs.
4. Ban on commercial decorative lights.

5. Staggering of weekly holidays for Industry.
6. Non-supply of power to Irrigation dominated tube well feeders during peak hours.
7. Closure of markets and shops at 08.00 p.m. During the day shops shall be provided with at least two continuous spells of power supply..
8. Evening Marriage Hall usage restricted to three hours during peak hours.
9. Five day week for Government Departments and affiliated institutions.

The above measures are expected to have a continued net saving of about 1100 MW, Initially, the above measures are upto 31st July 2010. In addition, following measures were also recommended for conservation on long-term basis.

1. Inefficient irrigation / water supply motors and pumps to be replaced by efficient ones.
 2. Energy efficient appliances should only be allowed to be manufactured and imported in Pakistan.
 3. Mandatory energy audit of industrial, commercial and public concerns.
 4. Energy Building Code shall be enforced immediately.
- (c) At present there is no such proposal materialized.
- (d) The Energy Conservation Plan is under implementation.

127. ***Ms. Bushra Gohar:**

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of IDPs of South Waziristan and other adjacent agencies of the area at present; and*
- (b) *the steps taken for provision of adequate residential, food and security facilities to those ISPs?*

Minister for Information and Broadcasting (Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira):

(a) Total number of IDPs families of South Waziristan and other adjacent agencies are as under:—

S. No.	Name of Agency	Verified	Unverified	Total
1.	South Waziristan	41489	14325	55814
2.	North Waziristan	1	32	33
3.	Kurram	—	2364	2364
4.	Orakzai	16584	10523	27107
5.	Khyber	—	2073	2073
6.	Bajaur	68757	26979	95736
7.	Mohmand	30407	8087	38494

(b) The IDPs of South prefer to reside with host families in Tank & D.I.Khan therefore, camp have not been established for them. Rupees 5000/- per month is being provided to each register IDPs families. Beside they are also provide with free food from the food hubs of World Food Programme in Tank and D.I. Khan. The IDPs of Mohammand, Bajaur and Khyber agencies have been accommodated in Jaluzai Camp. The IDPs of Orakzai and Khurram Agency have been housed in Camps at Kohat and Hangu. Provision of food facility and security arrangement at the caps are according to International Standard.

ISLAMABAD:
The 11th May, 2010.

SAFDAR HUSSAIN MALIK,
Acting Secretary.

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT**“UNSTARRED QUESTIONS AND THEIR REPLIES”****For Wednesday, the 12th May, 2010**

(Originally Unstarred Question Nos.199, 40, 57, 49, 60, 167, 178, 3, 8, 9 and 16 were set down for answer on 3-5-2010)

199. **Mrs. Shakeela Khanam Rashid:**

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

- (a) the total amount expended out of Discretionary Grants of Federal Minister and Minister of State from the budget for the years 2007-08 and 2008-09; and*
- (b) the location/area where the said amount expended?*

Reply not received.

40. **Syed Amir Ali Shah:**

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

- (a) the total number of Junior Engineers (BPS-17) of Electricity Distribution Companies, Generation Companies and NTDC in the country who have been promoted as Senior Engineers (BPS-18) and up-graded to BPS-18;*
- (b) the names, father's name, date of appointment as Junior Engineer, domicile, seniority number as per combined seniority list on Pakistan level, seniority number in the respective companies, date of promotion or up-gradation of the above Engineers;*
- (c) the terms and conditions for the said promotion or up-gradations; and*

- (d) *the names of the Junior Engineers in those companies who have not been promoted as Senior Engineers (BPS-18) or up-graded to BPS-18 for the last 10 years alongwith the reasons thereof?*

Reply not received.

57. **Mr. Humair Hayat Rokhri:**

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

- (a) *whether the statutory audit of electricity supply companies was conducted;*
- (b) *if so, whether any irregularity was found during the last 5 years; if so, the detail thereof alongwith action taken against the delinquents; and*
- (c) *the name of the organization/department which conducted the above said audit?*

Reply not received.

49. **Mr. Abdul Qadir Patel:**

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

- (a) *the total amount of funds for electricity schemes, identified by MNA, available with KESC at present alongwith the date of provision of said fund; and*
- (b) *the total amount incurred on those schemes so far alongwith the name of those schemes?*

Reply not received.

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

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that circular debt of power sector has been increased at present; if so, the reasons thereof;*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal to control and minimize the said debt; if so, the detail thereof;*

- (c) *the impact of loan obtained recently from national and international banks to pay circular debt of power sector; and*
- (d) *the criteria adopted to return said loan?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) The circular debt was created due to the huge difference between the cost of supply and the tariff rates being charged to the customers. Additionally delayed and non-payment of approved subsidies to the Power Sector further aggravated the situation.

(b) As such, in order to control and contain the Circular Debt, power tariff is being increased gradually so that cost of power purchase could be recovered. In this regard, tariff determination is being done on quarterly basis, whereas fuel adjustment is being done on monthly basis. In addition various efficiency measures are also being taken by PEPCO to increase its revenue.

(c) The major impact of the loans obtained from the Banks would be the payment of interest and principal amount. The Ministry of Finance has already allocated an amount of Rs. 30 billion in the budget to pay interest on these loans during 2009-2010.

(d) These loans were obtained by the DISCOS as Government had not paid required amount of tariff differential subsidy to DISCOS. Therefore, the servicing of these loans will be made through budgetary allocations by the Federal Government through the DEBT Company.

167. **Miss Marvi Memon:**

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

- (a) *the quantum of electricity in Megawatt, generated in the country during the year 2008-09 till date; and*
- (b) *the funds released for the said purpose during the said period?*

Reply not received.

178. **Dr. Talat Mahesar:**

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

- (a) *the Solar Power Generating Projects launched in the country during the last five years; and*
- (b) *the achievements gained therefrom so far?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) AEDB under the Rural Electrification Program has electrified 49 far flung villages of District Tharparkar, Sindh. The electrification has been done using solar energy. Another 51 villages in Sindh and 300 villages in Balochistan are approved and will be done after allocation of funds.

AEDB under Parliamentarian Sponsored Village Electrification Programme has completed 34 villages in District Jamshoro, Sindh. Work on another 3 villages in District Khuzdar Balochistan has been initiated.

(b) Achievements by AEDB 3000 households have been provided with standalone solar energy systems (Solar Home Systems) in district Tharparkar Sindh and another 119 in district Jamshoro.

Achievements by Private Sector. The Islamic Relief International has provided 2500 households in Balochistan with the Solar Home Systems. Moreover, Thardeep has provided community based Solar Water Pumps in the remote for flung areas of Tharparkar. Similarly the Universal Service Fund (USF) has been successful in running at least a few hundred ratio base stations through Solar/ Alternate Energy.

3. **Ms. Shireen Arshad Khan:**

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

- (a) *the names of the government offices against whom electricity dues are outstanding at present alongwith the amount and period thereof separately; and*
- (b) *the steps taken to recover those dues?*

Reply not received.

8. **Sardar Shahjehan Yousaf:**

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state whether it is a fact that a WAPDA feeder of 11000 KV has been provided to the residents of Balakot recently; if so, the justification thereof?

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): It is intimated that neither there is a proposal under consideration for construction of 11 KV feeder in Balakot nor there is any feeder constructed recently for the said area.

9. **Mr. Murtaza Javed Abbasi:**

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the electric cables laid at Havalian, Abbottabad, Sherwaan and Galiyat areas have been worn out at present;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that low voltage electricity is being provided in those areas at present;*
- (c) *the total number of transformers installed in those areas at present; and*
- (d) *whether there is any proposal to install higher capacity transformers in the said areas; if so, when it will be implemented?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) It is not fact that all the cables laid at Havellian, Abbottabad, Sherwan and Galiyat areas have been worn out. Whenever, any complaint is received, proposals will be processed under ELR / DOP programme for replacement of the worn out electric system.

(b) In order to redress the problem of low voltage, the proposals have been prepared and are under execution. After their execution Low Voltage problem will be solved.

(c) The capacity wise No. of transformers installed in the mentioned localities are as under:—

Location	Transformer Capacity					Total
	25 KVA	50 KVA	100KVA	200KVA	Others	
Havellian	43	103	64	23	18	251
Abbottabad	56	109	111	83	09	368
Sherwan	30	94	45	15	04	188
Galiyat	62	152	112	18	—	344

(d) 17 Nos. proposals for installation of high capacity/additional transformers are under process and will be processed after the availability of funds.

16. **Sardar Muhammad Mushtaq Khan:**

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

- (a) *the name of villages in District Haripur electrified during the last two years;*
- (b) *the Union Council-wise total number of on going electrification schemes in the said area at present; and*
- (c) *the Union Council-wise total number of pending schemes of electrification in the said area at present alongwith the time by which those schemes will be completed?*

Repy not received.

99. **Mrs. Yasmeen Rehman:**

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

- (a) *the location-wise TV Boosters installed in Swat, Northern Areas, Gilgit-Baltistan at present; and*
- (b) *the total amount incurred for those projects so far?*

Minister for Information and Broadcasting (Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira): (a) The location wise TV Boosters installed in Swat, Northern Areas and Gilgit/Baltistan are here under:—

Swat Area

- TV Booster Mingora.
- TV Booster Guli Bagh.
- TV Booster Morasar.
- TV Booster Batkhela.
- TV Booster Pooran, Distt. Shangla (under completion).
- TV Booster Besham (Maira) Distt. Shangla. (Ready to Function)
- TV Booster Buneer, Distt. Buneer (work could not be started due to law & Order situation).

GILGIT- BALTISTAN NORTHERN AREA

- TV Booster Gilgit
- TV Booster Skardu
- TV Booster Gahkuch, Distt. Ghizer (under completion)
- TV Booster Ali Abad/Karim Abad, Hunza Distt. Gilgit (under completion)
- TV Booster Bunji/ Jaglot, Distt, Astore (under completion)
- TV Booster Chillas, Distt, Diamar (under completion)
- TV Booster Astore, Distt, Astore -do-
- TV Booster Shiger, Distt, Shiger -do-
- TV Booster Khaplu, Distt, Ghanche -do-

(b) Statement showing the total amount incurred for those projects is attached at **Annexure "A"**.

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The total amount incurred for Swat, Northern Areas, Gilgit-Baltistan projects so far?

(Rs. In million)

Sr. No.	DESCRIPTION	SWAT			NORTHERN AREAS, GILGIT-BALTISTAN						
		Pooran	Besham Mairi	Bunder Shangla	Aliabadi/ Karimabad	Chilas	Gahkuch Khaplu	Jaglot/ Bunji	Astore	Shigar	
1	Land	0.765	2.761	0.000	1.600	1.246	1.306	0.280	1.123	1.127	0.456
2	Civil Works	22.153	29.141	0.000	5.602	1.326	16.803	11.265	10.444	8.867	11.897
3	Electronic Equipments	2.191	2.545	0.000	3.365	3.305	3.305	3.208	3.208	3.208	3.208
4	Tower	0.000	3.844	0.000	0.000	3.608	2.102	0.269	0.163	5.042	0.250
5	electrical Equipment	2.307	4.134	0.000	0.133	0.024	0.196	0.466	0.121	0.121	0.184
6	AC Equipment	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.087	0.087	0.087	0.000	0.000	0.087
7	Overhead	3.171	3.551	0.000	2.192	1.769	1.380	2.459	0.484	0.380	1.307
8	Furniture & Fixture	0.000	0.154	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
9	Fire fighting Equip	0.000	0.093	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
10	Motor Vehicle	2.648	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000
TOTAL		33.255	46.243	7.997	* 0.000	21.527	25.179	18.034	15.543	18.745	17.381

* Due to Law and order No funds were provided.

100. **Mr. Abdul Qadir Patel:**

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

- (a) *the steps taken since March, 2008 till date for improvement in the performance of NTC; and*
- (b) *the tariff of telephone reduced by NTC during the last two years alongwith the amount thereof?*

Minister for Information Technology and Telecommunications: (a) The steps taken since March 2008 till date for improvement in the performance of NTC are as under:—

- i. Broadband data ports increased by 5500.
 - ii. 30192 New telephone lines added to the Network.
 - iii. 75.6 Km Optical Fiber cable was deployed.
 - iv. Video conferencing, system were installed at more than six sites.
 - v. Revenue increased by 11%.
- (b) No reduction has been made in telephone tariff.

Following is the detail of tariff for the last two years:—

i. **Local Call:**

Call Type	Year	Year
On-Net/Own Network NTC-NTC Calls	2007-2008	2008-2009
Peak time (0700-2230 Hrs)	Rs. 2.01 per 5 minutes	Rs. 2.00 per 3 minutes
Off Peak (2230-0700 Hrs)	Rs. 2.01 per 10 minutes	Rs. 2.00 per 6 minutes
Off Net/Other Networks (NTC-PTCL Calls)	—	Rs. 2.00 per 3 minutes

ii. **NWD Calls:**

Call Type	Year	Year
On-Net/Own Network NTC-NTC Calls	2007-2008	2008-2009
Time (0700-2230 Hrs)	Rs. 2.01 per minute	Rs. 2.00 per minute
(2230-0700 Hrs)	Rs. 2.01 with no limit of time	Rs. 2.00 with no limit of time
Off Net NTC-PTCL	Rs. 2.01 per minute	Rs. 2.00 per minute

iii. **Call on Mobile:**

Call Type	2007-2008	2008-2009
Local/NWD	Rs. 2.50 per minute	Rs. 2.50 per minute

101. **Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb:**

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

- (a) whether there is any proposal to reduce the total number of per month admissible LFP to government employees;*
- (b) whether there is any proposal to increase the total number of per annum holidays for government employees on Eid occasions;*
- (c) if so, the time by which those proposals will be implemented?*

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

102. **Ms. Shireen Arshad Khan:**

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *the steps taken since March, 2008 till date to enhance the greenery in Islamabad; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal to grow traditional and valuable trees in Islamabad; if so, when it will be implemented?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) The following steps have been taken to enhance the greenery in Islamabad.

- i. Three years campaign to keep “clean & green Islamabad” was started from Spring 2008. 2.4 million plants will be planted during the campaign *i.e.* 0.8 million every year.

So far CDA has planted 1.731 million plants. in five seasons. The breakup is given below:—

• Spring 2008	=	0.242 million
• Monsoon 2008	=	0.390 million
• Spring 2009	=	0.379 million
• Monsoon 2009	=	0.395 million
• Spring 2010	=	0.325 million
Total:	=	1.731 millions

- ii. General public, citizen Sector Committee, Traders, Educational Institutions, NGO’s Environmentalists and Government Employees are involved in the aforesaid Tree Plantation Campaign.
- iii. Similarly Public awareness campaign is also launched through Banners. Streamers. Leaflets and Floats, in each planting season.
- iv. During current Spring Tree Plantation Campaign, 15 distribution points were established in all Sectors. Approximately 25000 fruit & ornamental trees / shrubs distributed free of cost along with awareness material amongst the inhabitants of the capital city.

- (b) (i) CDA in collaboration with Capital Citizen Committee (CCC) has started a project titled “**Preservation of Old, Heritage & Historic Trees**” to protect and preserve the existing traditional and monumental trees in the Capital City. 381 Nos. of trees at 22 Nos. of sites have been registered. Documentation of these trees with historic background is under process. On completion of documentation wooden benches and proper landscaping of the area around the old & historic trees will be done.
- ii. Since last Monsoon season CDA has taken up the plantation of traditional and valuable trees like Olive and Dhak (Flame of the forest) etc. 300 Nos. of Olive trees have been planted in Green belt Sector G-13, Rose & Jasmine Garden & Convention Centre and 200 Nos. of Dhak trees have been planted in green belt Sector D-12. During next Monsoon season tree about 5000 Nos. of traditional trees will be planted.

103. **Begum Nuzhat Sadiq:**

Will the Minister for Overseas Pakistanis be pleased to state:

- (a) *the location-wise total number and names of the educational institutions established under Overseas Pakistanis Foundation in the country at present; and*
- (b) *the total number of students of Overseas Pakistanis and other who are presently studying in those institutions, separately?*

Minister for Overseas Pakistanis (Dr. Muhammad Farooq Sattar):

(a) 25 schools / colleges have been established in the country. Detail is at Annex-I.

(b) 14,206 students, in total, are studying in these institutions out of which 1,787 are Overseas Pakistanis Students and 12,419 are other students. Detail is at Annex-II

Annex-I

Location-wise total number and names of the Educational Institutions established under Overseas Pakistanis Foundation in the country at present is as under:—

Islamabad	02 colleges
	OPF Girls College, F-8/2, Islamabad and OPF Boys College, H-8/4, Islamabad
Punjab	10 (02 colleges and 08 schools).
	OPF Girls College, Rawalpindi and Lahore (School Section) OPF Public Schools at Kallar Syedan, Bhalwal, Gujrat, Sheikhpura, Sialkot, Pakpattan, Depalpur and Multan
NWFP	03 Schools.
	OPF Public School at Manshra, Dera Ismail Khan and Hangu.
Azad Kashmir	03 Schools.
	OPF Public Schools at Mirpur, Kotli and Muzaffarabad.
Sindh	05 Schools.
	OPF Public Schools at Sanghar, Dadu, Larkana, Badin and Karachi.
Balochistan	02 Schools.
	OPF Public School, Quetta and Turbat.

Annex-II

Total number of students of Overseas Pakistanis (OP) and other who are presently studying in those institutions, separately

Sr.#	Name of Institution	Student's Strength	OP's Children	Others
ISLAMABAD				
1.	OPF, Girls College, Islamabad	4300	645	3655
2.	OPF, Boys College, Islamabad	1000	182	818
PUNJAB				
3.	OPF, Girls College (School Section), Rawalpindi	248	67	181
4.	OPF, Girls College (School Section), Recently Established, Lahore	04	-	04

5.	OPF, Public School, Sialkot	665	108	557
6.	OPF, Public School, Bhalwal	517	42	475
7.	OPF, Public School, Multan	371	43	328
8.	OPF, Public School, Sheikhpura	495	35	460
9.	OPF, Public School, Pakpattan	290	23	267
10.	OPF, Public School, Kallar Syedan	517	167	450
11.	OPF, Public School, Gujrat	320	66	254
12.	OPF, Public School, Depalpur	280	10	270
NWFP				
13.	OPF, Public School, Hangu	260	80	180
14.	OPF, Public School, D.I. Khan	550	38	522
15.	OPF, Public School, Mansehra	306	46	266
AZAD KASHMIR				
16.	OPF, Public School, Mirpur (AK)	727	99	628
17.	OPF, Public School, Muzaffarabad (AK)	224	11	213
18.	OPF, Public School, Kotli (AK)	381	62	319
SINDH				
19.	OPF, Public School, Karachi	83	-	83
20.	OPF, Public School, Badin	319	-	319
21.	OPF, Public School, Dadu	596	14	582
22.	OPF, Public School, Larkana	357	-	357
23.	OPF, Public School, Sanghar	599	19	580
Balochistan				
24.	OPF, Public School, Quetta	377	20	357
25.	OPF, Public School, Turbat	420	10	430
	Total:	14,206	1,787	12,419

104. **Ms. Parveen Masood Bhatti:**

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the electricity bill at fixed rate of Rs.1350 p.m is being charged for Tube Well of agriculture land of former President, in Islamabad; if so, the justification thereof?

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): No. Electricity bill at fixed rate of Rs. 1350 per month was never charged. However the connection of former President of Pakistan was charged under D-2 tariff applicable to Agricultural Tubewell from date. of connection till construction of his house. After construction of the house on the farm the tariff A-1(b) (domestic supply) is being charged. Difference of tariff amounting to Rs. 480910 for the entire period has been recovered from the consumer.

105. **Shaikh Rohale Asghar:**

Will the Minister for Labour and Manpower be pleased to state the total number of Doctors who went abroad for employment during the last five years alongwith the names of the countries thereof?

Minister for Labour and Manpower (Syed Khursheed Ahmed Shah):

3665 Doctors were sent to major countries *i.e.* Saudi Arabia UAE, UK, USA, Maldives, Oman and some other countries during the last five years as under:—

S. No.	Year	Number of Doctors sent abroad during last five years.
1.	2005	844
2.	2006	848
3.	2007	557
4.	2008	673
5.	2009	743
Grand Total:		3665

106. **Mr. Muhammad Riaz Malik:**

Will the Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of Community Centres of the Staff Welfare Organization functioning at present alongwith the locations thereof;*
- (b) the time schedule prescribed for holding marriage and other functions in those Centres during the evening and nights; and;*
- (c) the steps taken to observe those timings for functions in those Centres strictly?*

Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division: (a) There are 11 Community Centers functioning under Staff Welfare Organization, detail of these is at Annex-I.

(b) The timings for the marriages in the Community Centers are prescribed from 7.00pm to 10.00 p.m at night.

(c) An undertaking is signed by Staff Welfare Organization and the applicant (Government Servant) who accepts in writings that he will wind up his marriage function at 10.00 p.m. During current crises of the energy, Staff Welfare Organization is strictly observing the timings. Other functions are conducted during day time.

ANNEX-I

LOCATION OF COMMUNITY CENTRES, ESTABLISHED UNDER
STAFF WELFARE ORGANIZATION

STATION	LOCATION
Islamabad	1. Community Centre, G-6, Aabpara
	2. Ch. Rehmat Ali Community Centre, G-7.
	3. Community Centre, Ibn-e-Sina Road, G-9/2.
Lahore	4. Community Centre, A.G. Office Compound, Nabah Road, Lahore.
	5. Community Centre, Dhana Singh Waia, Wafaqi Colony, Lahore.
Peshawar	6. Community Centre, F.G. Colony, Hassan Garhi, Sham Road.
	7. Community Centre, Near Audit Colony, Kohat Road.
Karachi	8. Community Centre, Garden Road.
	9. Community Centre, Jahangir Road.
	10. Community Centre, F.C. Area.
Quetta	11. Community Centre, Central Government Servant Colonys', Satellite Town.

107. **Mr. Muhammad Riaz Malik:**

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number and name of species of Wild Life available in Islamabad National Park at present; and*
- (b) the steps being taken for protection and breeding of those species to the required standard?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) Margalla Hills National Park (MHNP) was notified in 1980 by the Federal Government under Section 21 of Islamabad Wildlife (Protection, Preservation, Conservation and Management) Ordinance, 1979. MHNP hosts 250 species of birds, 38 mammals, 3 reptiles and 616 plants species. The list of prominent birds, mammals and reptiles is annexed.

(b) Margalla Hills National Park (MHNP) spread over an area of 15,883 hectares consisting of Margallah Hills, Rawal Lake and Shakarparian. The main objectives of creation of MHNP was to conserve flora, fauna scenery and culture resources of the park and offer opportunity for research/studies and recreational facilities at the doorstep of the residents of Islamabad. Following steps have been taken for protection and breeding of the wildlife of MHNP:—

- i. MHNP is being managed on scientific lines under a Management Plan. 1st Management Plan of MHNP was prepared in 1979 by National Council for Conservation of Wild Life(NCCW) and 2nd Management Plan in 1992 in collaboration with International Union for the Conservation Nature(IUCN). UNDP and Government of Pakistan. The Management plan provides guidelines, polices and activities for achieving, the objective of the National Park.
- ii. The following staff has been deployed for the protection, preservation, conservation and management of the park.

(a) Deputy Director Forest	01
(b) Deputy Director Wildlife	01
(c) Assistant Director Wildlife	01
(d) Assistant Director Forest	01
(e) Range Officer Wildlife	01

(f) Range Officer (Forest/protection)	05
(g) Wildlife Inspector	03
(h) Forester	10
(i) Forest Guard	52
(j) Wildlife Watcher	10
(k) Mali	125

- iii. Scientific studies regarding inventory of flora and faunistic diversity in MHNP was conducted in collaboration of Pakistan Science Foundation in the year 2004-05. The study reports are available for the Guidance of MHNP staff and other allied organizations.
- iv. A project titled “Re-introduction of Cheer Pheasant” was launched in the year 1978 to 1992.
- v. In order to control environmental degradation of natural resource, 41 stone crushers operating in MHNP were removed during 1993 to 1994 and the degraded area was restored. through extensive plantation of local species.
- vi. Each year CDA plants 0.3 million sapling of indigenous species annually to cover the blank areas in the MHNP.
- vii. Sit out area, picnic spots, hiking trails and tracks have been developed to facilitate visiting public.
- viii. Public awareness is a continuous process. and ensured by displaying signage. distribution of leaflets and involvement of residents and educational institutions in Margalla Hills Park.
- ix. Elaborate arrangement are made for prevention and control of forest fire in Margalla Hills. National Park in summer season.
- x. Marghzar Zoo, Islamabad is being developed on Modern liens to promote ex-situ conservation, Captive Breeding and Education on wildlife conservation.

- xi. A participatory approach has been developed for the management of MHNP. Following further activities have been generated to facilitate visiting public:—
- a. Environment Wing in collaboration with Himalayan Wildlife Foundation and BHP Billiton has established an information centre at Darra Jangla in MHNP. to create awareness amongst the public, students and training of the staff for Protection, Preservation, Conservation and Management of National Park.
 - b. NGOs like WWF Pakistan, Margallah Hills Society, IUCN, HWF and local community is involved in conservation and protection of Margalla Hills National Park.
 - c. An MOU has been signed with HWF and Premier Oil for Environmental management and conservation of 05 valleries in Margalla Hill National park.

Cultural Resource

- Numerous important historic and archeological sites are found in and around Margalla Hills National Park which are being preserved. These include.
- Shrine Bari Imam at Nurpur Shahan
- Loh-e-Dandi.
- Shrine of Pir Mehar All Shah at Golra Shull
- Saidpur Cultural Village.
- Hindu and Buddhist sites at Shah Allah Ditta / Monument Trees.
- Cobbled path and water points of Moghal times.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

108. **Sardar Shahjehan Yousaf:**

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state the total amount of funds granted by the Federal Government to the provinces for Water Irrigation Projects in the country during the year 2009-10?

Reply not received.

109. **Sardar Shahjehan Yousaf:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that installation of a feeder in Baffa, District Mansehra was initiated during the calendar year 2005;*
- (b) if so, the present status of the installation of said feeder alongwith the inordinate delay thereof?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) It is a fact that installation of feeder in Baffa District Mansehra was initiated during Calendar Year 2005 but the work was stopped by NHA. Later on due to earth quake the material drawn was utilized in restoration of PoWer Supply to the earth quake affected area.

(b) Now the material has been provided by ERRRA. The work will be taken in hand subject to permission of NHA and will be completed in the earliest possible time.

110. **Mr. Murtaza Javed Abbasi:**

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

- (a) the names of the employees presently working in NEPRA alongwith their designation, qualification, experience in relevant field salaries and other benefits admissible to them separately; and*
- (b) the benefits accrued to the Ministry from NEPRA?*

Reply not received.

111. **Ms. Parveen Masood Bhatti:**

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is an acute shortage of drinking water in Government Flats, Sector G-9/2, Islamabad;*
- (b) if so, whether there is any proposal to install hand pumps in the said Sector; and*
- (c) the total amount of funds allocated or proposed to be allocated for the said purpose?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) There is an acute shortage of drinking water all over Islamabad due to depletion in existing sources (lack of rain fall). Water to Government Flats in Sector G-9/2, is supplied at par with other Blocks from E-10 reservoir & tube wells through over head tank/motor pumps round the clock. Due to long dry spell. surface/ground water sources have depleted considerably. The intermittent load shedding has further compounded the problem. Consequently CDA has to reschedule supply of water to various Sectors including G-9/2, in accordance with the availability of water. However, the status of water supply to Government Flats in Sector G-9/2 has been checked and observed that water is supplied to all the blocks daily, which is at par with the other blocks.

(b) At present there is no proposal at hand to install hand pumps in Sector G-9/2.

(c) NA.

112. **Dr. Araish Kumar:**

Will the Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Staff Welfare Organization, Islamabad has not granted the scholarships to the children of government employees since long; if so, the reasons thereof?

Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division: Grant of education stipends to the children of government employees is regular activity of Staff Welfare Organization which is completed before closing of every Financial Year For the current Financial Year (2009-2010) the distribution will be completed with-in the current Financial Year.

113. **Dr. Araish Kumar:**

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

- (a) *the total number of promotional posts lying vacant in Staff Welfare Organization, Islamabad at present; and*
- (b) *the date-wise total meetings of DPC held during the years from 2005 to 2010 for the promotions of employees in BP-5 to BP-17 in the said organization?*

Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division: (a) There are 6 posts lying vacant at Islamabad that are to be filled in through promotion. The detail of these posts is as under:—

Director (BPS-19)	=	02
Accounts Officer (BPS-17)	=	01
Stenographer (BPS-15)	=	01
Assistant (BPS-14)	=	02
Total	=	06

(b) The meetings held for promotion of employees BS-05 to BS-17 during 2005-2010 are 07 detail of which is as under:—

- i. 17-09-2005
- ii. 20-09-2005
- iii. 16-01-2006
- iv. 21-03-2007
- v. 05-05-2007
- vi. 16-05-2007
- vii. 09-02-2008

114. **Mr. Sher Mohammad Baloch:**

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that survey for installation of solar system at Gadap and Maheedan has been conducted during recent past;*
- (b) *if so, the time by which the said system will be installed in the area?*

Reply not received.

115. **Mr. Sher Mohammad Baloch:**

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that water is being supplied to Karachi from Hubb Dam; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal to supply water to Maheedan and Gadap from said Dam; if so, the time by which it will be implemented?*

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): (a) Yes, water is being supplied to Karachi from Hub Dam.

(b) There is no such proposal for supplying the water to Maheedan and Gadap from Hub Dam.

116. **Dr. Talat Mahesar:**

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of employees presently working on deputation in CDA alongwith the names, designation, educational qualification and experience; and*
- (b) *the justification of posting of those persons on deputation?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) Presently a total of 54 officers/Officials on deputation are working in CDA. Detail at Annex-A.

(b) The services of deputationists were requisitioned in public interest by CDA.

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

117. **Mrs. Shakeela Khanam Rashid:**

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of official visits abroad made by the Minister during the last five years;*

- (b) *the total number and names of ministerial entourages of those visits;*
- (c) *the total expenditure incurred on each visit alongwith the purpose of those visits; and*
- (d) *the benefit accrued to the Ministry of those visits?*

Minister for Information and Broadcasting (Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira): (a) The total number of official visits aboard made by the Federal Ministers for Information and Broadcasting during the last five years are **eight (08)** detailed as under:—

S. No.	Name of Federal Minister	Country	Duration
1.	Sheikh Rasheed Ahmad	Japan	August 18-22, 2005
2.	-do-	Kula Lumpur, Hong Kong & Thailand	November 20-25, 2005
3.	-do-	UK, USA & Canada	March 11-17, 2006
4.	Mr. Muhammad Ali Durrani	Yemen	June 24-26, 2006
5.	Ms. Shery Rehman	India	May 2-3, 2008
6.	-do-	UK	November 25-29, 2008
7.	Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira	Japan	April 15-17, 2009
8.	-do-	Libya, USA & Dubai	April 30 to May 15, 2009

(b) Nil.

The total expenditure incurred on the above eight visits of Federal Ministers for Information & Broadcasting were Rs.3,020,788/-. The details of total expenditure along with purpose of the visits are as under:—

S. No.	Name of Federal Minister	Country	Expenditure	Purpose of the visit
1.	Sheikh Rasheed Ahmad	Japan	Rs. 276,261.00	On the invitation of Pakistan Associations, Japan.
2.	-do-	Kula Lumpur, Hong Kong & Thailand	Rs. 239,368.00	To attend the sixth Conference of Ministers of Information of the Non Aligned Countries.
3.	-do-	UK, USA & Canada	Rs. 254,152.00	As a member of Prime Minister's entourage to UK. To launch the extended PTV Coverage to USA and Canada.
4.	Mr. Muhammad Ali Durrani	Yemen	Rs 65,356.00	To attend a Conference on Democracy, Political Reforms and Freedom of Expression.
5.	Ms. Shery Rehman	India	Rs. 443,062.00	To participate in the funeral of Indian Rajya Sabha, Member, Ms. Nirmala Deshpande.
6.	-do-	UK	Rs. 488,122.00	On the invitation of British Home Secretary to Study the functioning of the Strategic Counter Terrorism (CT) Communication Centers.
7.	Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira	Japan	Rs. 172, 943.00	Member of President's entourage.
8.	-do-	Libya, USA & Dubai	Rs. 1,081,524.00	Member of President's, entourage.
Grand Total:-			Rs. 3,020,788.00	

(d) The benefits accrued to the Government/Ministry of the above visits of Federal Information Ministers are as under:—

- (1) The Pakistan Association, Japan has invited Mr. Sheikh Rasheed, Minister for I&B to visit Japan (Aug-18-22, 2005) to familiarize himself with the activities of Pakistanis and to boost up the morale of Pakistani community living in Japan for enhancing the image of Pakistan and further cement cordial relations between Pakistan and Japan.

- (2) The Minister for I&B was invited by the his Malaysian counterpart to attend the 6th Conference of Ministers of Information of the Non-aligned countries at Malaysia (Nov. 19-22, 2005). This conference helped in enhancing Pakistan's international profile and expanding cooperation with the NAM Member countries in the field of Information and broadcasting. Besides, the Minister also proceeded to Hong Kong and Thailand (22-26 Nov, 2005) to visit Information Sections there to supervise the publicity arrangement of Pakistan's image in these countries.
- (3) Sheikh Rasheed Ahmad, Minister for I&B was a member of Prime Minister's entourage at London (UK). He proceeded to USA & Canada to inaugurate the launching ceremony of extension of PTV Coverage to UK, USA & Canada.
- (4) Mr. Muhammad Ali Durrani, Minister for I&B was nominated by the Prime Minister to visit Yemen ((June 24-26, 2006) to participate in a Conference on Democracy, Political Reforms and Freedom of Expression
- (5) Ms. Sherry Rehman, Minister for I&B was nominated by the Prime Minister to attend the funeral ceremony of Indian Rajya Sabha Member, Ms. Nirmala Despande on May 2, 2008 as a gesture on the part of Government of Pakistan.
- (6) On the invitation of British Home Secretary, Ms. Sherry Rehman, Minister for I&B visited UK ((Nov.25-29, 2008) to study the functioning of the Strategic Counter Terrorism (CT) Communication Centers. During the visit the Minister briefed the British leadership about the strategy and the framework, recommended by the Parliament through a resolution and being adopted by the Democratic Government of Pakistan to counter terrorism.
- (7) Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira, Minister for I&B paid visit Japan as a member of President's entourage.
- (8) Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira, Minister for I&B visited Libya, UAE & Dubai as a member of President's entourage.

118. **Ms. Qudsia Arshad:**

Will the Minister for Labour and Manpower be pleased to state:

- (a) the gender-wise total number of unemployed persons in country at present;*
- (b) the total number of persons to whom jobs have been provided since 16th April, 2009 till date; and*
- (c) whether there is any proposal to provide financial assistances to unemployed persons; if so, the details thereof?*

Minister for Labour and Manpower (Syed Khursheed Ahmed Shah):

(a) There are 2.74 million unemployed persons in the country at present. There gender-wise detail is given below:—

Unemployed by Gender 2008-09

	(in millions)	(in percentage)
Both		
Sexes	2.74	100.00
Males	1.79	65.35
Females	0.95	34.65

Source: Labour Force Survey 2007-08

(b) There is no mechanism in the country to register the unemployed persons however, according to Labour Force Survey, an estimation has been made based on past trends, according to which about 0.71 million persons have been provided jobs since 16th April 2009, to date.

(c) The Government has no program for providing financial assistance to all unemployed persons however, the Government intends to start the Internship Program for the Graduates according to which Rs.10,000/- per month will be paid to each internee. The strategy is being devised in this regard.

119. **Mr. Humair Hayat Rokhri:**

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the road situated in front of Sareena Hotel, Islamabad has been closed for traffic;*
- (b) *if so, the reasons thereof?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) The road in front of Sareena Hotel has been partially closed for traffic, due to security reasons. Nevertheless traffic is allowed, on this road by creating a diversion, subject to security checks conducted by Islamabad police.

- (b) As above.

120. **Ms. Tasneem Siddiqui:**

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state the procedure adopted in the appointment of the present, Chairman Alternate Energy Development Board (AEDB) alongwith the salary package admissible to the Chairman?

Reply not received.

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

Will the Minister for Information and Broadcasting be pleased to state:

- (a) *the language-wise regular desks established in Associate Press of Pakistan (APP) at present;*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that desk of Sariaki and Punjabi languages have not been established in APP at present; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (c) *the steps being taken to establish desks of those languages in APP alongwith the time by which those desks will be established?*

Minister for Information and Broadcasting (Mr. Qamar Zaman Kaira): (a) Presently, APP has been running the following News Desks in addition to its English News Service:—

- (i) Urdu News Service
- (ii) Sindhi News Service
- (iii) Arabic News Service
- (iv) Pashto News Service

(b) Yes, it is a fact that presently APP has no news desk for Saraiki and Punjabi. However, steps are underway to ensure that it starts functioning with effect from July 2010.

(c) Hopefully, both desks will start functioning within July, 2010.

122. **Ms. Khalida Mansoor:**

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the year-wise total expenditures incurred on administration of the President House since the year 2006-07 till-date alongwith the head-wise details thereof?

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: The detail of expenditure incurred on the administration of President House {President's Secretariat (Personal)} is as under:—

Head of Account	Exp 2006-07	Exp 2007-08	Exp 2008-09	Exp upto Apr, 2010
A011-1 Pay of Officers	7,621,928	9,050,005	10,441,388	9,400,839
A011-2 Pay of Other Staff	24,835,289	29,767,709	35,586,506	30,820,129
A012-1 Regular Allowances	32,818,018	38,387,750	46,973,392	53,290,399
A012-2 Other Allowances	6,925,181	2,342,686	2,064,982	1,674,074
A03 Operating Expenses	30,311,685	37,705,457	48,686,546	35,424,274
A04 Employees Retirement Benefits	6,049,975	456,714	599,412	1,144,574
A05 Grants, Subsidies & Write off	11,300,000	10,900,000	3,200,000	200,000
Loans				
A06 Transfers	8,108,932	12,105,004	19,362,202	15,148,832
A09 Physical Assets	6,955,879	7,103,998	3,086,500	190,311
A13 Repair & Maintenance	5,923,622	9,029,450	7,794,790	6,079,590
Total:-	140,850,509	156,848,773	177,795,718	153,373,022

123. **Malik Shakir Bashir Awan:**

Will the Minister for Water and Power be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration to install a Power Plant in Shah Pur, District Sargodha; if so, the time by which the said plant will become functional?

Minister for Water and Power (Raja Pervaiz Ashraf): PPIB processed 150 MW IPP at Shahpur near Sargodha in year 2009. However, sponsors failed to submit various pre-requisites such as Performance Guarantee (@US\$ 5,000 per MW) and processing Fee (US\$ 100,000) for the issuance of Letter of Support (LOS). Accordingly, as decided by PPIB Board, further processing of the project was stopped.

124. **Sardar Muhammad Mushtaq Khan:**

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) the prescribed working hours for all the employees of the Shaikh Zayed Post Graduate Medical Institute, Lahore; and*
- (b) whether it is a fact that the Doctors, Consultant, Specialists etc of the said Institute do not check the patients after 1.00 p.m on the working day; if so, whether any complaint has been lodged relating thereto during the current calendar year 2010; if so, the steps taken to address those complaints?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) The prescribed working hours for all employees of the SZPGMI, Lahore are from 8.00 a.m to 2.30 p.m. continuously. However, on clinical side, there are three shifts.

(b) Doctors, Consultant, Specialists etc remain on their duties regularly from 8.00 a.m. to 2.30 p.m. to examine the registered patients in Out Patients Department. They are also available for emergency services round the clock. Moreover, emergency department of the hospital works 24 hours. No complaint has been received during the current calendar year 2010 in this regard.

125. **Khawaja Sheraz Mehmood:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that electricity connections to Village Dadyal, Post Office Lissar Kalan, Tehsil Zafarwal, District Narowal have been provided through. Service Cable by WAPDA; if so, the reasons thereof; and*

- (b) *the time by which the electricity polls will be installed in the said village and electricity be supplied thereof?*

Reply not received.

126. **Haji Muhammad Akram Ansari:**

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that electricity has been provided to village Rambri, Tehsil Zafarwal, District Narowal from Service Cable without installing electric poles; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) *the time by which electric poles will be installed in the said area?*

Reply not received.

127. **Ch. Abid Sher Ali:**

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) *the date on which the work for laying pipelines was started to provide drinking water in Sector 1-10/4, Islamabad alongwith the date of completion of the work;*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that the said project has not been completed as per scheduled; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (c) *the action taken against the responsables who are involved in the delay of said work?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) The work for laying pipelines to provide drinking water in Sector 1-10/4, Islamabad was started on 26.05.2009. The date of completion of the project was 25.11.2009.

(b) No. The work on the project was completed as per given time in the contract agreement and according to schedule.

(c) N.A.

128. **Dr. Darshan:**

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

- (a) whether it is fact that LT Conductor, installed at Police Station Road, Tehsil Kallar Syedan District Rawalpindi has out lived since long; if yes, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) the time by which the said conductor will be replaced?*

Reply not received.

129. **Dr. Darshan:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that 200,KV transformer installed at Mohallah Masoom Nagar, Kallar Syedan, District Rawalpindi has been over loaded;*
- (b) if so, whether any proposal under consideration to replace the said transformer with high voltage transformer; if so, when it will be replaced?*

Reply not received.

130. **Ms. Bushra Gohar:**

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the total number of Advisers to the Prime Minister appointed since March, 2008 till date alongwith the terms and conditions and responsibilities of each Adviser?

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: Advisors to the Prime Minister appointed since March, 2008, their period of appointment alongwith their responsibilities and their terms and conditions of appointment are at **Annex.**

ADVISERS TO THE PRIME MINISTER
APPOINTED SINCE MARCH, 2008 TO DATE

S.No.	ADVISER TO THE PRIME MINISTER	RESPONSIBILITIES AND STATUS	TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF APPOINTMENT
1.	Mr. A. Rehman Malik 27.03.2008 to 26.04.2009	Adviser to the Prime Minister on Interior and Narcotics Control with the status of Federal Minister.	As allowed to a Federal Minister under the Federal Ministers /Ministers of States (Salaries, Allowances and Privileges) Act, 1975
2.	Mr. Mahmud Ali Durrani 15.04.2008 to 07.01.2009	Adviser to the Prime Minister on National Security with the status of Federal Minister	-do-
3.	Mian Manzoor Ahmad Wattoo 19.05.2008 to 02.11.2008	Adviser to the Prime Minister on Industries and Production with the status of Federal Minister.	-do-
4.	Syed Hamid Saeed Kazmi 25.06.2008 to 02.11.2008	Adviser to the Prime Minister on Religious Affairs and Zakat and Ushr with the status of Federal Minister.	-do-
5.	Mr. Shaukat Fayaz Ahmed Tarin 08.10.2008 to 06.08.2009	Adviser to the Prime Minister on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs and Statistics with the status of Federal Minister.	-do-
6.	Dr. Asim Hussain, 11.11.2008 to 06.08.2009	Adviser to the Prime Minister on Petroleum and Natural Resources with the status of Federal Minister.	-do-
7.	Sardar Muhammad Latif Khan Khosa 11.10.2009 to 05.02.2010 06.02.2010 to date	i) Adviser to the Prime Minister with the status of Federal Minister. ii) Adviser to the Prime Minister for Information Technology with the status of Federal Minister.	-do-
8.	Sardar Aseff Ahmad Ali 16.12.2009 to date	Adviser to the Prime Minister on Education with the status of Federal Minister.	-do-
9.	Nawabzada Ghazanfar Ali Gul 15.03.2010 to date	Adviser to the Prime Minister on Political Affairs with the status of Federal Minister.	-do-
10.	Mian Raza Rabbani 19.03.2010 to date	Adviser to the Prime Minister with the status of Federal Minister.	-do-
11.	Dr. Abdul Hafeez Shaikh 19.03.2010 to date	Adviser to the Prime Minister on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Planning & Development with the status of Federal Minister.	-do-

131. **Mr. Mohammad Afzal Khokhar:**

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that certain plots have been allotted at green belt of Sectors 1-8, 1-9 and 1-10, Islamabad;*
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the said allotment is a violation of the allotment of the Master Plan of CDA; and*
- (c) if the answers to part (a) and (b) above be in the affirmative, the names and designation of those allottees?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division: (a) No plots have been planed / allotted by CDA in Green belt of Sector I-8, I-9 & I-10. CDA has not allotted any plot in green belt of Sectors I-8, I-9 and I-10, Islamabad.

(b) Not applicable.

(c) Not applicable.

SAFDAR HUSSAIN MALIK,
Acting Secretary.

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