## NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON PETROLEUM & NATURAL RESOURCES MET IN PARLIAMENT HOUSE UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF CH. BILAL AHMAD VIRK, MNA TO DISCUSS THE PERFORMANCE OF GOVERNMENT HOLDINGS (PRIVATE) LIMITED (GHPL).

The Committee directed that the Ministry of Petroleum may engage local representatives of the respective areas before starting any exploration project in the country and preference should be given to local workers/labour.

The Committee directed that the fired employees of Rakhni Oil Field Project may be reinstated on their jobs as they are more experienced than newly employed workers.

The Committee spurred earlier constituted two Sub-Committees on 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2014 to expedite their work for finalization of reports till 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2015. The Committee also added two Members – Ch. Khalid Javed Warriach, MNA and Mr. Shehryar Afridi to the Sub-Committee working under the Convenership of Malik Ihtebar Khan and one Member Mr. Sajid Ahmad, MNA to the Sub-Committee working under the Convenership of Sardar Ali Gohar Khan Mahar.

Earlier, the Committee was briefed by the Ministry on the working of Government Holdings (Private) Limited (GHPL) in different areas of the Country. The Committee was also briefed about various ongoing/new exploration projects of (GHPL).

From the Members of Committee MNAs Malik Ihtebar Khan, Mr. Muhammad Afzal Khokhar, Rana Afzaal Hussain, Mian Tariq Mehmood, Rana Muhammad Ishaq Khan, Mr. Rasheed Ahmad Khan, Chaudhry Khalid Javaid Warraich, Mr. Nawab Ali Wassan, Mr. Shehryar Afridi, Mr. Sajid Ahmad and Mr. Akram Khan Durrani were present in the meeting.

(MALIK AAMIR HUSSAIN)
Secretary Committee