

## NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

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**Islamabad, the 28<sup>th</sup> July, 2015:** The 11<sup>th</sup> meeting of the standing Committee on Railways was held today at 11:00 a.m. in Committee Room No. 02, parliament House, Islamabad, under the Chairmanship of Syed Naveed Qamar, MNA.

2. The Standing Committee on Railways offered *FATEH* for the SHUHADAs of the train accident at Chinawa, Keenal Wazirabad that claimed 19 lives.
3. The Ministry informed the Committee that a seven member Joint Enquiry Committee headed by Mian Muhammad Arshad, Federal Government Inspector of Railways was formed, the committee considered all probable causes of derailment of locomotive and concluded that the derailment of S-318(Military special) occurred due to running of the train at an excessive speed, resulting in such a catastrophe.
4. The Standing Committee recommended that railways in consultation with Pakistan Army should develop effective SOPs for the movement of Military special trains. The Committee also suggested up gradation of the existing infrastructure of Pakistan Railways.
5. Mr. Rasheed Ahmad Khan, Mr. Ramesh Lal, Mr. Amjad Ali Khan, Syed Muhammad Ashiq Hussain Shah, Dr. Shezra Mansab Ali Khan, Engr. Hamid-ul-Haq Khalil, Ms. Naseema Hafeez Panezai, Mr. Muhammad Riaz Malik, MNAs attended the meeting. The meeting was also attended by Khawaja Saad Rafique, Minister for Railways and senior officers of the Ministry of Railways and Major General Shahzad Sikandar (Director General Engineers, GHQ).

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