

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT
BULLETIN OF THE ASSEMBLY
(33rd SESSION)

Date	Thursday, the 27th May, 2021 (Private Members' Day)
Commenced at	4:22 P.M.
Adjourned at	7:22 P.M.
Total working hours	2 Hours 45 Minutes
Presided by	Mr. Muhammad Qasim Khan Suri, Deputy Speaker of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
Attendance	

1. **TILAWAT, HADITH, NAAT AND NATIONAL ANTHEM**

- *Tilawat and Hadith* by Qari Muhammad Ibrahim Kasi
- *Naat* by Muhammad Jawwad Kareemi
- National anthem

QUESTIONS

2.	Questions entered in a separate list to be asked and answers given.	Questions No. 63, 100, 56, 49, 31, 59, 61 and 63 were asked and their answers given. Mr. Deputy Speaker referred the question No. 61 to the Standing Committee concerned.
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LEAVE APPLICATION

The leave applications of the Members who requested for grant of leave were read out by the honourable Deputy Speaker and granted.

BREAK

At 5:32 p.m. Honourable Speaker suspended the proceedings of the House for Asr Prayers, the House re-assembled at 5:47 p.m.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE

3.	MS. ZILLE HUMA to invite attention of the Minister for Interior to a matter of urgent public importance regarding not-giving the possession to the applicants by the Ministry of Interior Employees Co-operative Housing Society since 1995, causing grave concern amongst the public.	Attention invited by Ms. Zille Huma MNA Mr. Shaukat Ali, Parliamentary Secretary for Interior made a brief statement followed by a question asked by Ms. Zille Huma, MNA and answer given.
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INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

4-5	MR. ALI GOHAR KHAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Elections Act, 2017 [The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2021]. Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.	Deferred
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6-7	MR. IQBAL MUHAMMAD ALI KHAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the establishment of the Memon University at Islamabad [The Memon University at Islamabad Bill, 2021]. Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.	Deferred
8-9	MS. SHAHIDA REHMANI to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Protection against Harassment of Women at the Workplace Act, 2010 [The Protection against Harassment of Women at the Workplace Bill, 2021]. Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.	Introduced
10-11	SARDAR AYAZ SADIQ to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 [The Pakistan Penal Code (Amendment) Bill, 2021]. Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.	Deferred
12-13	SARDAR AYAZ SADIQ to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 and the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal Law (Amendment) Bill, 2021].(Section- 489F and Schedule- II) Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.	Deferred
14-15	MR. AMJID ALI KHAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2021](Amendment in Articles- 11 and 25A) Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.	Deferred
16-17	SARDAR AYAZ SADIQ to move for leave to introduce a Bill to repeal the Recusant Witnesses Act, 1853 [The Recusant Witnesses (Repeal) Bill, 2021]. Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.	Deferred
18-19	MR. AMJID ALI KHAN to move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the establishment of an International Institute of Science, Arts and Technology [The International Institute of Science, Arts and Technology Bill, 2021]. Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.	Deferred
20-21	SARDAR AYAZ SADIQ to move for leave to introduce a Bill to amend the Children (Pledging of Labour) Act, 1933 [The Children (Pledging of Labour) (Amendment) Bill, 2021]. Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.	Deferred
22-23	MR. FAIZ ULLAH to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2021]. (Amendment in Article- 84) Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.	Deferred

24-25	SYED JAVED HUSNAIN to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2021] (Amendment in Article-185) Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.	Deferred
26-27	MR. KESOO MAL KHEEAL DAS to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2021] (Amendment of Preamble and Article-36) Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.	Introduced

POINTS OF ORDER

	Name of Member	Brief Subject
	Syed Naveed Qamar 5.58 p.m. to 6.05 p.m.	Acute shortage of water in Sindh.
	Mr. Mohsin Dawar 6.05 p.m. to 6.07 p.m.	Pointed out the non-inclusion of his Private Member Bill on agenda.
	Mr. Fehmida Mirza, Minister for Inter-Provincial Coordination 6.07 p.m. to 6.16 p.m. 6.18 p.m. to 6.19 p.m.	Spoke on shortage of water in Sindh
	Shazia Marri 6.16 p.m. to 6.18 p.m.	Spoke on shortage of Water in Sindh
	Syed Naveed Qamar 6.27 p.m. to 6.29 p.m. 6.32 p.m. to 6.34 p.m.	Spoke on Minorities Access to Higher Education Bill, 2021 at agenda item No. 34 and 35. The following Members spoke on the matter:- <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr. Mahmood Bashir Virk 6.29 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. 2. Mr. Jai Parkash 6.30 p.m. to 6.31 p.m. 6.37 p.m. to 6.38 p.m. 3. Dr. Lal Chand, Parliamentary Secretary for Human Rights 6.31 p.m. to 6.32 p.m. 4. Engr. Sabir Hussain Kaim Khani 6.34 p.m. to 6.36 p.m. 5. Shazia Marri 6.40 p.m. to 6.42 p.m.
	Mr. Ali Khan Jadoon 7.06 p.m. to 7.10 p.m.	Shortage of staff in Peshawar Electric Supply Corporation.
	Rao Muhammad Ajmal Khan 7.10 p.m. to 7.13 p.m.	Prices of wheat in Pakistan.
	Ms. Nuzhat Pathan	Shortage of staff in Hyderabad Electric

	7.13 p.m. to 7.17 p.m.	Supply Corporation. Mr. Deputy Speaker referred the matter to the Standing Committee concerned.
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LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

28.	SYED JAVED HUSNAIN to move that the Bill further to amend the Limitation Act, 1908 [The Limitation (Amendment) Bill, 2020], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.	Deferred
	[Amendments entered in a separate list to be moved]	
29.	SYED JAVED HUSNAIN to move that the Bill further to amend the Limitation Act, 1908 [The Limitation (Amendment) Bill, 2020], be passed.	

30.	DR. NAFISA SHAH to move that the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020] (Amendment in Article-25 as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.	Deferred
31.	DR. NAFISA SHAH to move that the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020] (Amendment in Article-25), be passed.	

32.	JAM ABDUL KARIM BIJAR to move that the Bill further to amend the Civil Servants Act, 1973 [The Civil Servants (Amendment) Bill, 2020], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.	Deferred
33.	JAM ABDUL KARIM BIJAR to move that the Bill further to amend the Civil Servants Act, 1973 [The Civil Servants (Amendment) Bill, 2020], be passed.	

34.	MR. JAMSHED THOMAS to move that the Bill to provide for quota in the admission at higher education level to students belonging to the minority community in the Public and Private Institutions [The Minorities Access to Higher Education Bill, 2021], as reported by the Standing Committee, be taken into consideration at once.	Referred back to the Standing Committee concerned for re-consideration.
35.	MR. JAMSHED THOMAS to move that the Bill to provide for quota in the admission at higher education level to students belonging to the minority community in the Public and Private Institutions [The Minorities Access to Higher Education Bill, 2021], be passed.	

MOTION

36.	MR. BILAWAL BHUTTO ZARDARI , Chairman Standing Committee on Human Rights to move that the delay in the presentation of report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Protection against Harassment of Women at Workplace Act, 2010 [The Protection against Harassment of Women at Workplace (Amendment) Bill, 2021], till today be condoned. (moved by Mr. Amjad Ali Khan, MNA)	Moved by Shazia Marri, MNA Motion adopted
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REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE PRESENTATION OF:

37.	MR. BILAWAL BHUTTO ZARDARI , Chairman Standing Committee on Human Rights to present the report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Protection against Harassment of Women at Workplace Act, 2010 [The Protection against Harassment of Women at Workplace (Amendment) Bill, 2021]	Presented
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MOTION

38.	RAO MUHAMMAD AJMAL KHAN , Chairman Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research to move that the delay in the presentation of report of the Standing Committee on the Bill to provide for the registration and regulation of chamber of agriculture [The Chamber of Agriculture Bill, 2019], till today be condoned (moved by Mr Riaz Fatyana, MNA)	Adopted
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REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE PRESENTATION OF:

39.	RAO MUHAMMAD AJMAL KHAN , Chairman Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research to present the report of the Standing Committee on the Bill to provide for the registration and regulation of chamber of agriculture [The Chamber of Agriculture Bill, 2019].	Presented
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MOTION

40.	MR. BILAWAL BHUTTO ZARDARI , Chairman Standing Committee on Human Rights to move that the delay in the presentation of report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Islamabad Capital Territory Child Protection Act, 2018 [The Islamabad Capital Territory Child Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2020], till today be condoned. (moved by Ms. Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak, MNA)	Moved by Shazia Marri, MNA Motion adopted
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REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE PRESENTATION OF:

41.	MR. BILAWAL BHUTTO ZARDARI , Chairman Standing Committee on Human Rights to present the report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Islamabad Capital Territory Child Protection Act, 2018 [The Islamabad Capital Territory Child Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2020]	Presented
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MOTION

42.	MR. BILAWAL BHUTTO ZARDARI , Chairman Standing Committee on Human Rights to move that the delay in the presentation of report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Juvenile Justice System Act, 2018 [The Juvenile Justice System (Amendment) Bill, 2020], till today be condoned. (moved by Ms. Uzma Riaz, MNA)	Moved by Shazia Marri, MNA Motion adopted
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REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE PRESENTATION OF:

43.	MR. BILAWAL BHUTTO ZARDARI , Chairman Standing Committee on Human Rights to present the report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Juvenile Justice System Act, 2018 [The Juvenile Justice System (Amendment) Bill, 2020], till today be condoned. (moved by Ms. Uzma Riaz, MNA)	Presented
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MOTION

44.	MR. BILAWAL BHUTTO ZARDARI , Chairman Standing Committee on Human Rights to move that the delay in the presentation of report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Women in Distress and Detention Fund Act, 1996 in its application to Islamabad Capital Territory [The Women in Distress and Detention Fund (Amendment) Bill, 2019], till today be condoned. (moved by Ms. Uzma Riaz, MNA)	Moved by Shazia Marri, MNA Motion adopted
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REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE PRESENTATION OF:

45.	MR. BILAWAL BHUTTO ZARDARI , Chairman Standing Committee on Human Rights to present the report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Women in Distress and Detention Fund Act, 1996 in its application to Islamabad Capital Territory [The Women in Distress and Detention Fund (Amendment) Bill, 2019]	Presented
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MOTION

46.	MR. MUJAHID ALI , Chairman Standing Committee on Parliamentary Affairs to move that the delay in the presentation of report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Elections Act, 2017 [The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2020], till today be condoned (moved by Mr Junaid Akbar, MNA)	Moved by Mr. Sher Ali Arbab, MNA Adopted
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REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE PRESENTATION OF:

47.	MR. MUJAHID ALI , Chairman Standing Committee on Parliamentary Affairs to present the report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Elections Act, 2017 [The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2020]	Presented
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AMENDMENT TO THE RULES OF PROCEDURE AND CONDUCT OF BUSINESS IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, 2007

48.	MR. SHER ALI ARBAB to seek leave under sub-rule (4) of rule 293 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007 to move the following amendments in the said Rules:- “Amendment in rule 203 of the rules of procedure.- that in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, after sub-rule (5) the following new sub-rule (6) shall be inserted:- “(6) Actionable Audit Paras of the report of the Public Accounts Committee adopted by the House shall stand referred to the concerned Standing Committee and Ministry concerned shall submit its implementation report to the Committee.”	Referred to Standing Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges.
49.	MR. SHER ALI ARBAB to move under sub-rule (5) of rule 293 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, that the proposed amendments be taken into consideration.	
50.	MR. SHER ALI ARBAB to move that the proposed amendments in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, be adopted.	

51.	DR. NAFISA SHAH to seek leave under sub-rule (4) of rule 293 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007 to move the following amendments in the said Rules:- <u>Amendment in Rule 108 of the Rules of Procedure.-</u> that in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007 hereinafter referred to as the said Rules, in rule	Deferred
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108, for sub-rule (1) the following shall be substituted:-

“(1) The Speaker or Chairman of a Committee shall summon a member in custody on the charge of bailable or non-bailable offence to attend a sitting or sittings of the Assembly or meeting of a Committee of which he is a member”.

Insertion of new Rule 295 and 296.- that in the said Rules after rule 294 the following new rules 295 and 296 shall be inserted:-

**"CHAPTER XXIII
PUBLIC PETITIONS**

295. Right of petition.- (1) Any citizen of Pakistan or any natural or legal person residing or having a registered office in the country shall have the right to address, individually or in association with other citizens or persons, a petition to the National Assembly on a matter which affects him, her or them directly.

(2) Petitions shall be addressed to the Speaker of the National Assembly and shall be titled as “Public Petition to the National Assembly” and shall show the name, nationality and permanent address of each petitioner.

(3) Where a Petition is signed by more than one Petitioner, the signatories shall designate a representative who shall be regarded as the petitioner for the purposes of this Title.

(4) Each Petitioner may at any time withdraw support of petition in writing and on withdrawal of support by all the petitioners the petition shall become null and void.

(5) Petitions must be preferably written in official languages, either English or Urdu and sent to the National Assembly Secretariat. However petitions in Provincial or local languages e.g Sindh, Punjabi, Pashto, Balochi, Kashmiri, Shina, Hindko or Brahvi will also be considered.

(6) Petitions shall be entered in a register in the order in which they are received if they comply with the conditions laid down in sub-rule (2); those that do not shall be filed, and the petitioner shall be informed of the reasons for this.

(7) Petitions entered in the register shall be forwarded by the Speaker to the Public Petitions committee responsible, which shall first establish the admissibility or otherwise of the petition in accordance with these Rules.

(8) Petitions declared inadmissible by the Committee shall be filed; the petitioner shall be informed of the decision and the reasons for it.

Where possible, alternative means of redress may be recommended.

(9) Petitions, once registered, shall as a general rule become public documents, and the name of the petitioner and the contents of the petition may be published by the National Assembly for reasons of transparency.

(10) Notwithstanding the provision of sub-rule (9), the petitioner may request that his or her name be withheld in order to protect his or her privacy, in which case the National Assembly must comply with the request.

Where the petitioner's complaint cannot be investigated for reasons of anonymity, the petitioner shall be consulted so as the further steps to be taken.

(11) The petitioners may request that his or her petition be treated confidentially, in which case suitable precautions shall be taken by Parliament to ensure that the contents are not made public. The petitioners shall be told under which precise conditions this provision is to apply.

(12) Where the Committee deems it appropriate, it may refer the matter to the Ombudsman or to the relevant Government departments or Divisions for redressal.

296. Examination of petitions, Redressal and

Report.- (1) Admissible petitions shall be considered by the Committee where the petitioners may be invited to participate in meetings of the Committee if their petition is to be the subject of discussion, or they may ask to be present. The right to speak shall be granted to petitioners at the discretion of the Chair

(2) The Committee shall submit report to the Parliament. The Committee shall, in particular, inform Parliament of the measures taken by the Committee on petitions referred to them by the Parliament.

(3) The Committee may seek opinions from other committees that have specific responsibility for the issue under consideration.

(4) Where the report deals with, in particular, the application or interpretation of law or proposed changes to existing law, the Standing Committee responsible for the subject-matter shall be associated. If the Committee responsible does not accept such suggestions, the associated committee may table them directly in the House.

(5) When investigating petitions, establishing facts or seeking solutions the Committee may

	<p>organize fact-finding visits to the region concerned by the petition. Reports on the visit shall be drafted by their participants.</p> <p>(6) The petitioner shall be informed of the decision taken by the Committee and the reasons for the decision. When consideration of an admissible petition has been concluded, it shall be declared closed and the petitioner informed.”</p>	
52.	DR. NAFISA SHAH to move under sub-rule (5) of rule 293 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, that the proposed amendments be taken into consideration.	Deferred
53.	DR. NAFISA SHAH to move that the proposed amendments in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, be adopted.	Deferred

RESOLUTIONS

54.	<p>MS. SHAHIDA REHMANI to move the following resolution:-</p> <p>“This House is of the opinion that the Government should take steps to control price hike in the country.</p>	Left over
55.	<p>MR. SHER AKBAR KHAN to move the following resolution:-</p> <p>“This House is of the opinion that the Government should take steps to make arrangement for supply of natural gas to District Buner.”</p>	Left over

MOTIONS UNDER RULE 259

56.	<p>MR. MURTAZA JAVED ABBASI MS. SHAZA FATIMA KHAWAJA MS. ROMINA KHURSHEED ALAM to move the following motion:-</p> <p>“This House may discuss the steps being taken to increase water reservoirs in the country.”</p>	Left over
57.	<p>MR. SHER AKBAR KHAN to move the following motion:-</p> <p>“This House may discuss the steps being taken by the Government to provide electricity to all the villages in district Buner.”</p>	Left over
58.	<p>MS. SHAHIDA REHMANI to move the following motion:-</p> <p>“This House may discuss the foreign policy of the present Government.”</p>	Left over

DISCUSSION ON A MATTER OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE UNDER RULE 87

59.	MR. MUHAMMAD ASLAM KHAN to discuss a matter of urgent public importance regarding award of contract to medical firms for purchase of medicines in haste by Federal Government Poly Clinic Hospital in violation of rules.	Left over
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MATTERS OTHER THAN POINTS OF ORDER

60.	Raising matters under Rule 18 which are not Points of Order.	
	Left over	

INTRODUCTION OF GOVERNMENT BILL

61.	DR. SHIREEN M. MAZARI , Minister for Human Rights to introduce a Bill to amend the Protection against Harassment of Women at the Workplace Act, 2010 [The Protection against Harassment of Women at the Workplace (Amendment) Bill, 2021].	Introduced
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CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE

62.	MS. SHAHIDA AKHTAR ALI to invite attention of the Minister for Energy to a matter of urgent public importance regarding cancellation of regional office of SNGPL in D.I. Khan, causing grave	Attention invited by Ms. Shahida Akhtar Ali, MNA Mr. Khial Zaman, Parliamentary Secretary for Petroleum Division made a brief statement followed by a question asked by Ms. Shahida Rehmani, MNA and answer given.
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At 7:22 p.m. the sitting of the Assembly was adjourned to meet again on Friday, 28th May, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.

**Islamabad, the
27th May, 2021**

**TAHIR HUSSAIN
Secretary**