

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 5th March, 2014

139. ***Dr. Mahreen Razaque Bhutto:**

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of drone strikes made in the country during the period from 1-1-2008 till date;*
- (b) *the year-wise total number of persons killed and injured in said attacks during the said period?*

Reply not received.

140. ***Dr. Arif Alvi:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the Independent Power Projects (IPPs) have been illegally collecting Gas Infrastructure Development Cess from consumers despite ban by the Court;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the Central Power Purchase Agency was also involved therein;*
- (c) *whether it is further a fact that the amount collected therefrom so far will be refunded to the consumers; and*

- (d) *the action taken by the Government against IPPs besides depositing the said amount alongwith the interest in the National Exchequer?*

Transferred to Water and Power Division for answer on Next Rota Day.

141. ***Mr. Muhammad Muzammil Qureshi:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the details of local and foreign companies to whom licences have been issued for the exploration of oil and gas in the country during the last five years till date;*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that no ground work for the exploration of oil and gas was carried out by said companies if so, the reasons thereof alongwith the action taken or proposed to be taken against those companies; and*
- (c) *the financial and other perks provided to those companies during the said period alongwith the impacts on the national exchequer thereof?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): (a) The Government has granted 48 licences during last five years (from 01-07-2008 to 17-02-2014) to the local and foreign companies, given below, for exploration of oil and gas in the country.

Foreign Operator

1. Eni Pakistan Limited
2. Hycarbex Inc.
3. Pyramid Petroleum Pakistan Inc.
4. Kirthar Pakistan B.V
5. Ocean Pakistan Limited
6. United Energy Pakistan Limited

Local Operator

1. Dewan Petroleum Private Limited
2. Mari Petroleum Company Limited
3. Pakistan Oilfields Limited
4. Oil and Gas Development Company Limited
5. Oil and Gas Investments Limited
6. Pakistan Petroleum Limited

(b) The Government granted 48 Exploration licences to various E & P companies during the period out of which no work has been done in (14) exploration blocks due to various reasons. The matter has already been taken up with the Provincial Governments to provide security cover and conducive working environment to E&P companies to carry out exploration activities in accordance with their work commitments. Besides, where work is held up due to their slackness and actions under the Rules are being taken by the Government on case to case basis.

(c) During exploration stage the companies do not get any financial benefit or perks whereas they pay rent, license fee, social welfare and training funds. Upon discovery the companies get / will get the following gas price under Policy, 2009 and Policy, 2012 at floor price of 10 US\$/bbl and ceiling price of 100 US\$/bbl & 110 US\$/bbl respectively:

Zone	Policy 2009 US\$/MMBtu	Policy 2012 US\$/MMBtu
Zone-I	5.0307	6.6
Zone-II	4.7061	6.3
Zone-III	4.3816	6.0
Zone-O (Offshore Shallow)	5.0307	7.0
Zone-O (Offshore Deep & Ultra Deep)	5.3553	8.0 (Deep) 9.0 (Ultra Deep)

142. ***Mr. Muhammad Muzammil Qureshi:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the estimated quantity of oil and gas reserves in the country at present alongwith the locations thereof;*
- (b) *the names of foreign companies which participated in the exploration of oil and gas during the period from 1-1-2012 to 31-12-2013; and*
- (c) *the province wise revenue earned therefrom during the said period?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): (a) The requisite information is at Annexure-I.

(b) The requisite information is detailed in Annexure-II

(c) The province-wise revenue generated by E & P companies during the reporting period is detailed as under:

<u>Province</u>	<u>Revenue</u> <u>(Million \$)</u>
Sindh	7742.09
Punjab	959.38
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	3067.10
Balochistan	891.70
Total	12660.27

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

143. ***Dr. Azra Fazal Pechuho:**

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Human rights be pleased to state the steps being taken by the Ministry to fulfill the commitments

of the Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)?

Minister For Law, Justice And Human Rights: Pakistan ratified the Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) in 1996. Devolved Ministry of Women Development was the focal point for the implementation of the Convention. After 18th Constitutional Amendment, Ministry of Women Development was devolved and subject of Women has been devolved to the provinces. One of the functions of devolved Ministry of Women Development *i.e.*, representing Pakistan at international and bilateral level, involving all gender related matters was transferred to the former Ministry of Human Rights which has now been merged with Ministry of Law and Justice. At Federal level an independent National Commission on the Status of Women has been established in 2012 to address the issues of Women.

Government of Pakistan presented Fourth Periodic Report on CEDAW before UNCEDAW Committee in February 2013. The Ministry of Law, Justice and Human Rights took following steps to fulfill the international Commitment:

- Concluding Observations were disseminated to all federal and provincial stakeholders for implementation and were also uploaded on the official website of Ministry of Human Rights.
- Ministry is in consultation with relevant Ministries regarding:
 - Withdrawal of Declaration / narrowing the scope of Declaration
 - Adoption of Optional Protocol
- Protection Against Harassment Of Women At Workplace (Filing And Disposal Of Complaints) Rules, 2013 have been notified.
- National Consultations have been arranged to finalize following Bills and Policy:
 - Domestic Violence (Prevention and Protection) Bill 2013
 - Hindu Marriage Bill
 - Christian Marriage (Amendment) Bill

- o Christian Divorce (Amendment) Bill
- o National Policy for Home Base Workers.
- Provincial CEDAW Implementation Committees have been revitalized / reconstituted to ensure the implementation of Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women and to address the issues of women.
- An Inter Provincial Ministerial Group (IPMG) for Women Development has been constituted which meets periodically to agree on key priorities for Gender Equality in line with our International commitments. This group is comprised of Honorable Ministers for Women Development and respective Secretaries of Provincial Women Development Departments in addition to Chairperson, National Commission on the Status of Women and representative of Ministry of Law, Justice and Human rights. The 7th meeting of IPMG was held in January 2014.
- Coordination with Provincial Women Development Departments is a continuous process on matters relating to protection and empowerment of women. Women Development Departments are taken on board on all the policies relating to women.

144. ***Mr. Abdul Waseem:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of registered/un-registered private courier companies functioning in the country, at present; and*
- (b) *the steps being taken by the Government to improve performance of the Pakistan Post?*

Minister for Communications: (a) No private courier company stands registered with the Ministry of Communications as there is no such legal/regulating requirement for the same. However, the Ministry has obtained a list of 215 private courier companies and their registered addresses from the Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan, registered therewith under Companies Ordinance, 1984 (list enclosed) as **Annex-A**.

(b) Pakistan Post has launched a variety of Express Post Services with an objective to foster postal services at par with the 21st Century customers requirements at an affordable cost.

Following are the Services with varied fetures and costs:

- Urgent Mail Service (UMS)
- Urgent Money Order Service (UMO)
- Fax Money Order Service (FMO)
- Fax Mail Service (FMS)
- Electronic Money Order Service (EMO)

Urgent Mail Service (UMS)

- UMS (Local)
- UMS (City to City)
- UMS (Counter Collection)
- UMS (Proof of Delivery)

The brief on UMS, Rates and step taken by Pakistan Post is attached **Annex-B.**

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

145. ***Mr. Abdul Waseem:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the National Highway from Karachi to Hyderabad is in a dilapidated condition at present; and*
- (b) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Ministry to repair the said Highway; if so, when it will be implemented alongwith the steps taken in this regard so far; if not, the reasons thereof?*

Minister for Communications: (a) Yes, it is a fact that Karachi-Hyderabad Highway (M-9) is in a dilapidated condition at present, due to heavy traffic on the highway as well as end of its design life.

(b) For repair and improvement of M-9, NHA approved following periodic maintenance schemes under Annual Maintenance Plan (AMP) 2013-14 amounting to Rs.305.28 million. The details are as under:

(i)	Km 125-130 NB	PKR 76.32 Million
(ii)	Km 130-135 NB	PKR 76.32 million
(iii)	Km 125-130 SB	PKR 76.32 million
(iv)	Km 130-135 SB	PKR 76.32 million
	Total	PKP 305.28 million

Further Routine maintenance (RM) contracts amounting to PKP 116.8 million are being procured.

ECNEC approved the PC-1 of “Conversion of 04-lane Super Highway into 06-lane Motorway M-9 Project” and directed to undertake this project on Public Private Partnership (PPP) basis. The project was advertised on BOT basis on 7th August, 2013 and the bids were received on 18th February, 2014. Technical evaluation of bids is in progress. Tentative construction will commence in December 2014 subject to the achievement of financial close by the Concessinaire in time.

146. ***Sheikh Salahuddin:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the gap between demand and supply of gas will be removed/controlled by the Government during the next year; if not, the reasons thereof?

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): The Gap between demand and supply of gas is increasing day by day due to depleting gas fields and increasing demand. Government is taking various steps to overcome the shortage of natural gas which will help to overcome the short fall during subsequent years.

147. ***Sheikh Salahuddin:**

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Human Rights be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the billions of rupees of the people have been misappropriated by the illegal Mudarba Companies in the country;*
- (b) *if so, the steps taken by the concerned departments in this regard?*

Minister For Law, Justice And Human Rights: (a) It is a fact that billions of rupees of the people have been misappropriated by the illegal Mudaraba Companies in the country.

- (b) The steps taken so far by NAB include:
 - i. Authorization of 7 x Inquiries.
 - ii. Authorization of 1 x investigation.
 - iii. Filing of 1 x Interim reference in Accountability Court.
 - iv. Partial recovery of Rs. 446.61 million in one case.
 - v. Freezing of bank accounts of the accused persons and their companies.
 - vi. Caution on properties of accused persons.
 - vii. Arrest of 10 x accused persons in the illegal Mudaraba companies' cases.
 - viii. Placing of names of accused persons on ECL.
 - ix. Initiation of legal proceedings against the absconders.
 - x. Verification of claims submitted by almost 12081 affectees is under process,
 - xi. NAB is pursuing the matter vigorously by utilizing all its resources to ensure recovery of the looted amounts and their return to the affectees.

148. ***Ms. Naeema Kishwar Khan:**

Will the Minister for Defence Production be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of ordnance factories in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa to which licenses have been issued by the Ministry during the period from 1-1-2007 to 31-12-2013 alongwith the details and locations thereof;*
- (b) *whether it is fact that the said licenses have been issued according to the prescribed rules and regulations; and*
- (c) *whether it is also a fact that a number of licenses have been issued to ghost factories; if so, the steps being taken by the Government against the responsible?*

Reply not received.

149. ***Shaikh Rohale Asghar:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the number of year for which the present reserves of Natural Gas in Pakistan are sufficient; and*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that the further exploration of gas is being made; if not, the reasons thereof?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): (a) At current rate of daily ;as production, balance recoverable reserves will last for about 16 years.

(b) Yes. Besides 133 active Exploration Licences (ELs), the Government has recently signed ELs and Petroleum Concession Agreements (PCAs) over 20 blocks with OGDCL, PPL and MPCL for further exploration of oil and gas in the country. ELs and PCAs over another 30 blocks with different companies will also be signed shortly.

150. ***Shaikh Rohale Asghar:**

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to construct new airports in the country;*
- (b) *if so, when it will be implemented alongwith the locations thereof?*

Transferred to Aviation Division for answer on Next Rota Day.

151. ***Mr. Sher Akbar Khan:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the Malakand Division is rich in various minerals like granite;*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to explore the said minerals;*
- (c) *if so, the time by which the work will be started thereupon?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): (a) Yes, Malakand Division has known potential of various minerals like Granite, Marble, Limestone, Dolomite, Soapstone, Slate Stone, Emerald, Chromite & Iron Ore etc.

(b) Constitutionally, all minerals other than nuclear ones are Provincial subject. Executive authority for exploration & development, its regulation and grant of exploration licenses/mining leases rests with the Provinces. The Minerals Development Department, Government of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has granted 226 Prospecting/Exploration Licenses and Mining Leases to private companies/investors for various minerals in Malakand Division including nine prospecting licenses and eight mining leases for granite.

Besides, the Federal Organizations have also been working within their domain for facilitating/promoting mineral sector. Geological Survey of Pakistan

(GSP), Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Resources has already published geological maps for Malakand Division. Pakistan Stone Development Company (PASDEC) established under Ministry of Industries & Production is working for value-addition in marble & granite (dimension stones) sector by introducing mechanized working on international lines. Under a PSDP Scheme, this Company has already implemented Model Quarry projects for marble in Bampokha (Buner) & Chitral areas and Marble Quarry Up-gradations at Torwarsak & Salarzai (Buner). Another Model Quarry Up-gradation project has been allocated for Shangla area.

(c) The duration of prospecting and exploration licenses is spread over 2-5 years and 3-9 years, respectively. Some mining companies/lease holders are at the advanced stage of mining and processing. These companies have generated economic activities in the far-flung areas of the country by providing jobs to hundreds of locals besides earning considerable foreign exchange.

152. ***Mr. Sajid Ahmed:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) *the rates of Toll Tax on Motorways at present; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to reduce the said rates; if so, when it will be implemented?*

Minister for Communications: (a) Presently following toll tax rates are being implemented on Motorways:

Vehicle Category	Toll rates for Motorways Network (Rs)		
	M-1	M-2	M-3
Car	130	290	50
Wagon	220	485	80
Coaster	305	680	115
Buses	440	970	160
Rigid Truck	570	1260	210
Articulated Truck	700	1550	260

(b) No proposal with regard to the reduction of toll rates on Motorways is under consideration.

153. ***Mr. Sajid Ahmed:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the head-wise expenditures incurred by the Government to solve the gas crisis in the country so far alongwith the results achieved therefrom; and*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that the Government has failed to solve the said crisis; if so, the reasons thereof?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): (a) The question is not clear. However, if the mover wants to know about prices of local gas then on an average it is Rs. 416.48 /MMBTU. Cost of Supply (prescribed price) including cost of gas, T & D costs, depreciation and ROA is Rs. 418.48 /MMBTU for SNGPL and Rs. 413.25 /MMBTU for SSGCL.

(b) The Gap between demand and supply of gas is increasing day by day due to depleting gas fields and increasing demand. Government is taking different short and long term steps to overcome the shortage of natural gas which will help to overcome the short fall during subsequent years as given hereunder:

- (i) Enhancement of indigenous gas production.
- (ii) Import of gas from Iran. (750 MMCFD)
- (iii) Import of gas from Turkmenistan (1350 MMCFD)
- (iv) Import of LNG. (First follow by end 2014)
- (v) Promotion of LPG air mix.

154. ***Ms. Shazia Mari:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the province-wise production of natural gas at present; and*
- (b) *the prescribed formula for the distribution of natural gas among the provinces at present?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): (a) The province-wise detail of the daily average gas production during the last fiscal year *i.e.* 2012-13 is given below;

Province	Raw Gas Production (MMCFD)
Sindh	2841.14
Punjab	180.55
Balochistan	757.79
KPK	346.11
Total	4125.59

(b) In compliance of applicable provision of the constitution of Pakistan, the gas producing provinces are accorded priority in meeting their requirements while following the sectoral priority order as given below:

S. #	Category of Consumers	Priority Order
1.	Domestic and commercial Sectors	First
2.	Power Sector	Second
3.	General Industrial, Fertilizer and Captive Power	Third
4.	Cement Sector including its Captive Power	Fourth
5.	CNG Sector	Fifth

155. ***Ms. Shazia Mari:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state whether there is any gas loadshedding schedule for provinces at present; if so, the criteria prescribed therefor?

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): There is no gas load management in domestic and commercial sectors. However, at present, following gas load management schedule is being observed for provinces;

	CNG sector (curtailment days)	Industrial and Captive Power Sectors (curtailment days)
Punjab	7days/week@	7days/week
Sindh	3days/week	1 day/week
Khyber Pakhtunkhawa	No curtailment	
Balochistan	No curtailment	

@SNGPL is providing gas to CNG sector in Rawalpindi/Islamabad region for 3 days/week in compliance of court order.

Gas Load Management is carried out in accordance with criteria mentioned in Natural Gas Allocation and management Policy 2005 as following;

S. #	Category of Consumers	Priority Order
1.	Domestic and commercial Sectors	First
2.	Power Sector	Second
3.	General Industrial, Fertilizer and Captive Power	Third
4.	Cement Sector including its Captive Power	Fourth
5.	CNG Sector	Fifth

156. ***Mr. Waseem Akhtar Shaikh:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the province-wise Petroleum Development Levy (PDL) collected during the last five fiscal years till date;*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that the PDL is not made a part of the Federal Consolidated Fund; if so, the justification thereof; and*

- (c) *the development program in petroleum sector initiated by utilizing such collected funds during the said period alongwith the present status thereof?*

Transferred to Finance Division for answer on Next Rota Day.

157. ***Dr. Shireen Mehrunnisa Mazari:**

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether there is any proposal/plan under consideration of the Government to install fence on the International Border between Pakistan and Afghanistan;*
- (b) *if so, when it will be implemented;*
- (c) *if not, whether the said plan has been abandoned?*

Reply not received.

158. ***Mr. Junaid Akbar:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that Pakistan is bestowed with all kinds of resources e.g, industrial rocks and minerals;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the said resources have not fully explored till date;*
- (c) *if the answers to parts (a) and (b) above are in the affirmative, whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to strengthen the mineral industry;*
- (d) *if so, the steps being taken to strengthen and develop the said industry?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): (a) Yes, Pakistan is bestowed with a variety of industrial rocks and

minerals. The major known resources include coal, rock salt, chromite, copper lead-zinc, manganese, iron ore, barite, fireclay, fuller's earth, gypsum silica sand, red oxide, quartz, fluorite, graphite, limestone, marble granite, dolomite, magnesite, phosphate, shale, slate stone, sandstone soapstone, emerald, ruby, sapphire, topaz, tourmaline and garnets etc.

(b) A lot of mineral exploration work has been done by the concerned Federal and Provincial organizations within their domains and it is undertaken as a regular activity through private sector investment as well as public funding. Many mineral occurrences have already been explored and this work is extended to unexplored areas as per availability of funds and economic importance of the resource. At the time of independence of Pakistan, only six mineral commodities were being mined in appreciable quantities. As a result of subsequent exploration efforts, the number of minerals in production has now grown to over sixty.

(c) The Federal & Provincial Governments have been striving to strengthen the mineral industry as an important sector of economy. Constitutionally all minerals other than nuclear ones are Provincial subject. Executive authority for exploration & development, its regulation and grant of exploration licenses/mining leases rests with the Provinces. Federal Government is mandated with geological surveys, national policy/plan formulation and coordination at national and international levels. Within their domain, the Federal and Provincial organizations have taken necessary measures to support the advancement of mineral sector, viz provision of appropriate policy and regulatory frameworks with emphasis on facilitation/promotional roles, infrastructure development, implementation of mineral exploration & development programs, capacity building, skill development and conservation/value-addition & local processing of indigenous mineral resources, etc. These activities constitute core feature of organizational agendas on a continuous basis.

(d) The major steps taken by the Federal and Provincial Governments to develop and strengthen the mineral sector in the country are summarized below:

Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Resources:

1. Updated National Mineral Policy in 2013 to facilitate investment in mineral sector and enhance its international competitiveness, with consensus of all Provinces and approval of Council of Common Interests (CCI).

2. Launched strategy on mining, cutting, polishing & marketing of gemstones with a view to enhance export. Federal Government/MPNR sponsored trainings of locals of gem-bearing areas (Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, Azad Jammu & Kashmir and Gilgit-Baltistan) in gemology and gemstone mining on scientific lines, and establishment of two gemstone cutting & polishing centers in A.J.K. and Gilgit-Baltistan.
3. Geological Survey of Pakistan (GSP) carries out geological surveys and regional mineral investigation/exploration under its regular/PSDP funded projects/programs. GSP's work has led to major mineral discoveries in the country.
4. Support for development and exploitation of strategic mineral resources: Saindak Copper-Gold Project, Chagai District, Duddar-Lead Zinc Deposit, District Lasbela (Balochistan), Thar Coal-Field (Sindh), Chichali Iron Ore, Mianwali District (Punjab), etc.

Ministry of Industries & Production:

5. Pakistan Stone Development Company (PASDEC) set up to introduce mechanized quarrying and value-addition in dimension stones sector on international lines.
6. Pakistan Gems & Jewellery Development Company established to support enhancing productivity of entire value-chain from mine to market through facilitation, technology up-gradation, skill development, and marketing & branding.

Provincial Governments (Mines & Minerals/Energy Depts.):

7. Regular grant of Exploration Licences/Mining Leases.
8. Implementation of development programmes for mineral exploration and development, training for skill development, capacity building and provision of infrastructure in mineral bearing areas etc.
9. Review and updation of regulatory framework (rules/procedures) initiated to enhance its international competitiveness and transparency in processes involved.

159. ***Mr. Junaid Akbar:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that a large number of consumers of sui gas are not paying bills thereof;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that a number of factories and manufacturing plants are utilizing gas without installation of gas meters;*
- (c) *if the answers to parts (a) and (b) above are in the affirmative, whether any action has been taken against the responsables during the year 2013-14; if so, the details thereof; and*
- (d) *whether the Government has failed to take necessary action against the responsables therefor during the said period; if so, the reasons thereof?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): (a) Both the gas utility companies have informed that it is not a fact that a large number of consumers of sui gas are not paying bills.

(b) SSGCL has informed that all factories and manufacturing plants are being provided gas meter for proper gas consumption while SNGPL has informed that only 6 factories/ manufacturing plants were utilizing gas without installation of gas meter. Their details along with action taken is given **Annex-I**.

(c) SNGPL has informed that they are carrying out disconnections for recovery of outstanding amount from defaulters. The detail of disconnections made by the company during the period from January 2013 to December 2013 is given at **Annex-II**.

(d) It is not a fact that the Government has failed to take the action against the responsible and the action taken against the responsible has already been given in above parts (b) & (c).

Case wise details of Non-consumer (using gas for Industrial purpose)
FY:2013-14

Annex-I

S. No	Region	Name & Address	Type of Case	Volume (HM3)	Amount (Rs.)	Category	FIR/ APPLICATION
1	PESHAWAR	MR. IFTIKHAR HUSSAIN, INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, HAYATABAD, PESHAWAR	DIRECT TAPPING	413.39	894,871	Industry	FIR lodged
2	PESHAWAR	MR. SHAKEEL PLASTER OF PARIS FACTORY, HAZAR KHWANI NEAR REHMAN BABA MAZAR, PESHAWAR	DIRECT TAPPING	3,948.85	55,347,305	Industry	Application submitted in respective Police Station for registration of FIR.
3	LAHORE	M/S NADDEM /AMIN SHARIF PURA JHUGGIAN PIND GANJIVAN ROAD LAHORE	DIRECT TAPPING	13,162.82	24,764,432	Industry	Application submitted in respective Police Station for registration of FIR.
4	FAISALABAD	MS HAMZA SPINNING MILLS PSD ROAD CHOWK CHINIOT	DIRECT TAPPING	9,256.40	18,284,974	Industry	FIR lodged
5	GUJRANWALA	M. IOBAL BUTT GALLA GAMA WATER PUMP WALA NEAR BILAL CUNI MARKET SKP RD GUJRANWALA	DIRECT TAPPING	11,252.90	20,036,539	Industry	FIR lodged
6	LAHORE	M/S RIAZ AND NADDEM STEEL MILLS SHARIF	DIRECT TAPPING	5,012.69	8,270,917	Industry	FIR lodged

DISCONNECTIONS MADE

MONTHS	INDUSTRIAL		COMMERCIAL		DOMESTIC		TOTAL	
	No. of Cons	Amt (Rs.)	No. of Cons	Amt (Rs.)	No. of Cons	Amt (Rs.)	No. of Cons	Amt (Rs.)
JAN-13	31	104,267,703	305	44,772,985	3,367	116,714,477	3,703	265,755,165
FEB-13	90	269,879,096	345	41,104,683	3,226	98,820,269	3,661	409,804,048
MAR-13	58	405,710,775	336	31,515,108	4,413	104,040,384	4,807	541,266,267
APR-13	34	172,593,299	410	49,479,287	4,433	127,735,745	4,877	349,808,331
MAY-13	35	110,131,220	423	54,604,453	4,310	126,669,064	4,768	291,404,837
JUN-13	33	174,922,735	331	38,632,170	4,871	109,382,782	5,235	322,937,687
JUL-13	35	195,626,288	544	295,488,668	4,119	111,578,636	4,698	602,693,592
AUG-13	28	102,257,573	518	64,665,468	2,624	62,088,701	3,170	229,011,742
SEPT-13	31	407,781,308	239	31,855,789	4,636	103,456,438	4,906	543,093,536
OCT-13	11	76,773,786	291	36,513,604	2,568	75,300,533	2,870	188,587,923
NOV-13	39	186,280,837	384	56,450,115	3,372	78,076,888	3,795	320,807,840
DEC-13	26	299,284,780	247	19,077,460	4,043	87,521,709	4,316	405,883,949
TOTAL	451	2,505,509,501	4,373	764,159,791	45,982	1,201,385,626	50,806	4,471,054,918

160. ***Ms. Aasiya Nasir:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to explore new coal mines; if so, when it will be implemented alongwith the details thereof?

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): Constitutionally, coal is a Provincial subject. Federal Government is mandated with geological surveys, national policy/plan formulation and coordination at national and international levels in mineral sector. Exploration of mineral/coal resources is undertaken as a regular activity by the concerned Federal and Provincial organizations within their domains through private sector investment as well as public funding.

Geological Survey of Pakistan (GSP), Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Resources has done extensive work contributing to discoveries of all major coalfields in the country. Presently, GSP is engaged in executing the following coal exploration projects under Federal PSDP funding:—

- (i) Appraisal of newly discovered Coal Resources of Badin Coal Field and its adjoining areas of Southern Sindh (Thar), to be implemented in three years 2013-16 at total cost of Rs170.000 Million; and
- (ii) Exploration of Tertiary Coal in Central Salt Range, Punjab, costing Rs43.350 Million over three years implementation period (2013-16).

These projects will help in establishing additional coal reserves to meet the growing domestic energy demand and developing the coal-fields for supporting power generation.

Besides sponsoring coal exploration and development projects through government funding, the Provincial Governments have granted many coal prospecting/exploration licences in private & public sectors, which invest their own resources for the requisite exploration work.

161. ***Ms. Aasiya Nasir:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the province-wise total number of licenses issued for CNG Stations during last five years alongwith criteria adopted therefor; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to provide gas facility to the remote areas of Balochistan; if so, the on going projects alongwith the budget allocated therefor?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): (a) Number of licenses issued for CNG stations during last five years are as under;

Baluchistan	18
Punjab	01
Sindh	Nil
Khyber Pakhtunkhawa	Nil
Azad Jammu Kashmir	Nil

Criteria

OGRA has informed that a CNG Provisional Licence was granted under rule-6 of CNG (Production & Marketing) Rules, 1992 for installation/ establishment of a CNG station at a particular site subject to fulfillment of the following requirements;

- An application as per prescribed format;
- A fee of Rs. 25000/-

(b) The implementation of these projects is dependent on arrangement of 100% funding from government. A list of on-going projects along with budget allocated is also enclosed at **Annexure-A**.

Annexure-A**SUI SOUTHERN GAS COMPANT LTD.**

Ongoing Schemes of Balochistan Province
 Supplement Attachment for Question No. 161(b)

S.No	Name of Schemes	Total Project Cost (Rs in million)	Total Planned Network (Kms)	Total Network Laid (Kms)
1	Killi New Khan Hazar Ganji	44.103	15.460	9.200
2	S.O.G to Killi Chor Badezai, Tor Khail Sadiq & Pando Badezai, Hurmzai	184.237	37.512	24.498
3	Remaining Killis of Naushki LPG Air Mix Phase-I, Killis Qadirabad, Badeni & Killi Jamalidino (SM & DM)	230.399	65.472	29.210
4	Abdul Hayee & Others, Killi Sultan Abad Mastung Road	4.151	1.146	1.143
5	Supply of Gas to Killi Haji Yaqoob Rindak Kad Kucha Dist. Mastung	10.723	3.594	3.593
6	Supply of Gas and Installation of 5 Nos PRS at Killi Manglabad Naushki	29.295	11.328	0.600
7	SOG to killi Regi Bostan Pashin	33.220	10.954	6.610
8	Reinforcement work at Killi Station and adjacent streets of Kuchlak	8.289	2.126	2.000
9	Hayatullah & others residents of Hayatabad near Ghaziabad Baleii Chaman road Quetta	7.725	2.304	2.304
10	Haji Khuda-e-Dad Res: of Pelwan Colony E-by Pass Road	1.665	0.426	0.426
11	SOG to Abdul Qadir & others residents of Dawood street Eastern bypass road, Quetta	5.435	2.052	1.972
12	Supply of Gas to Abdul Majeed & others res. Of Killi Samali Kuchlak	1.875	0.618	0.618
13	Command & Staff College, Quetta	31.879	4.326	2.500
	Total	592.995	157.338	84.674

162. ***Ms. Aisha Syed:**

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Human Rights be pleased to state:

- (a) *the details of projects launched by the Ministry for the welfare of women in the country during the last five years alongwith the present status thereof separately; and*
- (b) *the amount allocated for the said projects during the said period alongwith the utilization thereof separately?*

Minister For Law, Justice And Human Rights: (a) Pursuant to the 18th Amendment to the Constitution 1973, the subject of "Women" stands devolved to the provinces with effect from June 30, 2011. The Ministry of Law, Justice and Human Rights (Human Rights Wing inherited following ongoing projects from Ministry of Women Development (devolved):

- (i) 12 Shaheed Benazir Bhutto Human Rights Centres for Women, Punjab located at Lahore, Vehari, Sahiwal, Mianwali, Rawalpindi, Faisalabad, Bahawalpur, Sialkot, Multan, Muzaffargarh, Khushab and D.G.Khan.
 - (ii) Construction of Working Women Hostel, G-6/2 and G-7/3, Islamabad.
- (b) Detail of allocation of funds and utilization is as under:
- (i) An amount of Rs.60.586 million was allocated during FY 2011-12 out of which Rs.44.163 million was utilized.
 - (ii) An amount of Rs.126.000 million was allocated during FY 2012-13 out of which Rs.54.936 million has been utilized.
 - (iii) An amount of Rs.78.00 million was allocated during FY 2013-14 out of which Rs.15.600 million has been utilized so far.

Details submitted at Annex-A.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

163. ***Ms. Aisha Syed:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) *the percentage of the construction work completed on Lowari Tunnel so far;*
- (b) *the original estimated cost of the said project/Tunnel; and*
- (c) *the total amount of expenditures incurred thereupon so far?*

Minister for Communications: (a) The progress up to date are as follows:

- Tunnel Widening 44%
- Civil Works 40%
- Overall Progress of Project 32%

(b) The original estimated cost of project is as given below:

- Cost of Original PC-I Rs.7,983 Million
- Cost of Revised PC-I
- (Approved by ECNEC in November, 2011. Rs.18,132 Million
- Cost of Rail Tunnel Civil Works Rs.5,450 Million
- Revised Cost of Rail Tunnel Civil Works Rs.6,047 Million
- Cost of Modified Road Tunnel Rs.9,810 Million

(c) The total amount of Rs.8,990 Million has been incurred so far;

164. ***Mr. Jamshed Ahmad:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that different levies, duties, surcharge and cess are being charged from consumers exclusively for the development of the petroleum sector at present; if so, the details/ ratio alongwith the justifications thereof;*
- (b) *the sector-wise total amount collected against each of the above levy duty surcharge and cess up till now alongwith the utilization thereof; and*
- (c) *the estimated period for which such levy, duty, surcharge and cess will be charged?*

Transferred to Finance Division for answer on Next Rota Day.

165. ***Mian Javid Latif:**

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Human Rights be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the powers of contempt of Court have not been conferred upon the Federal Service Tribunal; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) *the time by which the said powers will be conferred upon the said Tribunal?*

Transferred to Establishment Division for answer on Next Rota Day.

166. Admissibility is being re-considered.

167. ***Rai Hasan Nawaz Khan:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is fact that Gas Infrastructure Development Cess (GIDC) was levied by the previous Government; if so, the details alongwith the justifications thereof;*

- (b) *the total amount of GIDC collected so far by SNGPL and SSGPL separately; alongwith the utilization thereof; and*
- (c) *the period for which GIDC has been imposed?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): (a) Yes.

The Gas Infrastructure Development Cess (GIDC) Act, 2011 was passed by the National Assembly as on 25.11.2011 which received the assent of the President of Pakistan on 13.12.2011 and published in Gazette of Pakistan on 15.12.2011 as Act No. XXI of 2011. The Infrastructure Development Cess shall be utilized for or in connection with infrastructure development of Iran Pakistan Pipeline Projects/LNG and other projects and/or for price equalization of other alternate fuels.

(b)	Company Name	Period,	Amount in Rs.
	SNGPL	Jan, 2012 to Jan 2014	22,257,819,098
	SSGCL	Jan, 2012 to Jan 2014	18,242,725,258
	MPCL	Jan, 2012 to Jan 2014	21,231,260,916
	TOTAL		61,731,805,272

The funds have not been utilized.

- (c) The GIDC has been imposed *w.e.f.* 1st January, 2012.

ISLAMABAD:
The 4th March, 2014.

KARAMAT HUSSAIN NIAZI,
Secretary.

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT**“UNSTARRED QUESTIONS AND THEIR REPLIES”****For Wednesday, the 5th March, 2014**

(Originally Unstarred Question Nos. 167, 114, 49, 50, 60, 71, 6, 9, 11, 12, 13, 16, 18, 21, 22, 24, 26 and 27 were set down for answer on 24-2-2014)

167. Ms. Shaista Pervaiz:

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) the names, qualification and relevant experience of Government officers nominated on various Boards of Directors of companies and organizations working under the Ministry during the period from 1-3-2008 till date; and*
- (b) the date-wise details of meetings attended by each one of the said officers alongwith the remunerations received for each meeting during the said period?*

Reply not received.

114. Ms. Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak:

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) the structure and mandate of the Pakistan Postal Services Management Board (PPSMB);*
- (b) the name, qualification, relevant experience, perks and privileges of the persons who worked as members of the PPSMB during the last five years;*

- (c) *the criteria adopted for appointment of said members; and*
- (d) *whether those posts were advertised in the newspapers; if not, the reasons thereof?*

Minister for Communications: (a) Postal Services Management Board was established *vide* Pakistan Postal Services Management Board Ordinance 2002 published in the Gazette of Pakistan extra Ordinary 15th November 2002. The composition of Board is as under:-

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|-----|---|----------|
| (1) | Director General Pakistan Post Office
Department | Chairman |
| (2) | An Officer of the rank of Joint Secretary
from the Ministry of Finance | Member |
| (3) | An Officer of the rank of Joint Secretary
from the Communications Division | Member |
| (4) | Three Senior Technical Officers from the
Pakistan Post Office Department | Member |
| (5) | Three suitable persons from Private Sector | Member |

Under Section 11(i) of PPSMB Ordinance 2002, the Board has complete decision making power in matters relating to all the administrative, operational and financial matters and finances of the Pakistan Post Office Department, provided that the power to make decisions in important policy matters vests with the Federal Government.

(b), (c) The name, qualification and relevant experience of the private members is at **Annex-A** and the *Ex-officio* members is at **Annex-B**. Each member is given remunerations for participating in each meeting. Three private members are also given traveling and accommodation expenses.

Sl. No.	Composition	Status	Criteria
(1)	Director General Pakistan Post Office Department	Chairman	<i>Ex-Officio</i>
(2)	An Officer of the rank of Joint Secretary from the Ministry of Finance	Member	<i>Ex-Officio</i>
(3)	An Officer of the rank of Joint Secretary from the Communications Division	Member	<i>Ex-Officio</i>
(4)	Three Senior Technical Officers from the Pakistan Post Office Department	Members	<i>Ex-Officio</i>
(5)	Three suitable persons from Private Sector	Members	Person must have relevant experience of dealing PPO matters.

(d) The requirement of advertisement of posts is not require for *ex-officio* members. The Posts of private members are also not advertised since they are not a part of official hierarchy of PPDO and as the private members only receive some compensation for attending the Board Meeting.

Annexure-A

Name of the PPSMB private members from 2009 to 2013.

Name	Qualification	Experience
Mr. Iftikhar Ahmed Jomezai	Graduation	<i>Ex-Executive</i> Vice President National Bank of Pakistan.
Syed Zia Haider Rizvi	LL.B	Legal & Financial Consultant Advocate Supreme Court.
Ms. Moazamma Hasnain,	LL.B	Advocate High Court Multan
Malik Khaliq Dad	LL.B	Advocate High Court
Mr. Abdul Samad	M.A English	Principal (BPS-18) Retired
Mr. Ali Syed Hazrat	M.B.A	Director Linkages University of Balochistan

Annexure-B**Name of the PPSMB Ex-officio members from 2009 to 2013.**

Name	Qualification	Experience
Mr. Muhammad Ahmed Mian	B.Sc / M.Sc (Physics)	Working as D.G/ Chairman
Mr. Tahawwar Ahmed	B.Com/ M.Com	Financial Advisor MoC
Mr. Khalid Ahmed Khan	B.A / M.A	Senior Joint Secretary MoC
S. Ghulam Panjtan Rizvi	B.Com/M.Com & L.L.B	Addl. D.G (FS)
Mr. Shamshad Hussain Khan	B.A / M.A (Social Work)	Working as Addl. D.G
S.Tajan Shah	B.A / M.A (Economics)	PMG Karachi
Mr. Abdul Hameed	B.A / M.A (English) & (Urdu)	D.G/ Chairman
Mr. Muhammad Sarwar	B.Com/ MBA	Financial Advisor MoC
Mr. Muhammad Ramzan Javaid	B.A / M.A	Joint Secretary MoC
Mr. Fazli Sattar Khan	B.A / M.A (Political Science) & (Pushto) L.L.B	Addl. D.G (O)
Mr. Abid Bashir	B.Sc / M.Sc	Joint Secretary MoC
Raja Muhammad Ikramul Haq	B.A / M.A	D.G/ Chairman
S. Ghulam Panjtan Rizvi, from 22-06-2012	B.Com/M.Com & L.L.B	D.G/ Chairman
Mr. Waqar Ahmed	B.Com/ M.com / L.L.B	Financial Advisor MoC
Mr. Khalid Khan Turu	B.A / M.A	Senior Joint Secretary MoC
Ms. Rubina Tayyab	B.A / M.A (English)	PMG Lahore
Dr. Azizullah Khan	M.B.A Ph. D(MS)	Dy. D.G (FS)
Dr. Naseer Ahmed Khan	M.A Economics M.A Political Science Ph.D	PMG Rawalpindi
Mr. Aamir Hasan	B.Sc / Civil Engineering (Pak) MA (ECON) (U.K)	Senior Joint Secretary MoC

Name	Qualification	Experience
Mr. Fida Muhammad	B.Com / M.Com	Financial Advisor MoC
Ms. Samreen Zehra	B.A / M.A	Joint Secretary MoC
Mr. Mashal Khan	B.A / M.A (Political Science)	Addl. D.G (Admn)
Mr. Muhammad Jan	B.Sc / M. Sc (Chemistry)	Addl. D.G (A&F)

49. **Ms. Belum Hasnain:**

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of Petrol Pumps, Shopping Centers, Workshops, Private Commercial Schools and other commercial businesses established by the armed forces on the Government land in Cantonment areas of the country;*
- (b) *the income earned therefrom during the last two years; and*
- (c) *whether the said income has been credited in the Federal Consolidated Fund; if not, the reasons thereof?*

Reply not received.

50. **Ms. Belum Hasnain:**

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of welfare projects launched by the Fauji Foundation in the country during the last two years; and*
- (b) *the income earned from the said projects during the above period?*

Reply not received.

60. **Ms. Seema Mohiuddin Jameeli:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to privatize PSO; if so, when it will be implemented alongwith the details thereof;*
- (b) *the details of employees recruited therein during the period from March, 2008 to March, 2013 alongwith the names of posts thereof; and*
- (c) *the criteria adopted for the said recruitments?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): (a) Privatization Commission has not yet conveyed/shared any proposal regarding privatization of PSO to Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Resources.

(b) The details during the period from March 2008 to March 2013 along with the names of posts is attached as Annexure 'A'.

(c) Prior to October 2011 recruitments in PSO were done pursuant to Company Employment Policy and Uniform Recruitment & Promotion Policy.

Pursuant to the above, the procedure adopted for recruitment included:

- Advertisement
- Preliminary screening
- Pre-recruitment test
- Interview(s) by selection committee.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

71. **Sahibzada Tariq Ullah:**

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Human Rights be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to publish Justice (Retd.) Samdani's Report on May 31st, 1974 incident?

Reply not received.

6. **Mrs. Shahida Rehmani:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state the time by which the construction work on M-9 Motorway Project will be completed?

Minister for Communications: Karachi-Hyderabad Motorway (M-9) project was advertised on 17th August, 2013 inviting the bids on BOT basis. The Bids were received on 18th February, 2014. Technical evaluation of bids is in progress. Subject to the achievement of financial close by the Concessionarie in time, tentatively construction will commence in December, 2014. The construction work on M-9 motorway project is expected/planned to be completed by May 2017.

9. **Sahibzada Muhammad Yaqub:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the road of NHA from Chakdara to Dir is in a dilapidated condition at present; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to construct/repair the said road; if so, the time by which the repair work on the said road will be initiated alongwith the amount allocated therefor so far?*

Minister for Communications: (a) Yes, it is a fact that road condition of Chakdara - Dir (N-45) is in dilapidate condition at some sections

(b) In order to improve the road condition following steps have been taken by NHA;

- i. Road construction has been completed between Timergrah to Akhgram section
- ii. Four Maintenance contracts have been awarded during 2012-13 between Chakdara-Timergrah (Km 88 - Km 98) amounting to Rs. 75 million.

Work will be completed by March 2014

- iii Under Annual Maintenance Plan 201-14, following reaches have been approved & procurement is underway.

(Rs in million)

a	Chakdara-Timergarh (Km 100-130 Km)	Rs. 96.89
b	Timergarh-Naaree (KM 131-158 Km)	Rs.145.33
c	Panakot-Drosh Km 203-255	Rs.112.24
Total		Rs.354.62

- (iv) Chakdara Bridge which was washed out during Super Flood 2010, has been reconstructed and an additional bridge has been constructed parallel to old Chakdara Bridge. The cost of project is Rs. 450 million.

11. Alhaj Shah Jee Gul Afridi:

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state whether it is a fact the land provided to Army Camp in Landi Kotal, Khyber Agency has been leased or transferred with proprietary rights?

Reply not received.

12. Sahibzada Tariq Ullah:

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Human Rights be pleased to state:

- (a) the province-wise total number of Anti-Terrorism and Special Courts working in the country at present;*
- (b) the year-wise total number of cases referred to those Courts during the last five years;*
- (c) the total number of cases decided by those Courts up to December, 2013;*
- (d) the names, addresses and domiciles of the persons awarded punishments in those cases; and*
- (e) the number of cases pending in the said Courts as on 31-12-2013?*

Reply not received.

13. **Sahibzada Tariq Ullah:**

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Human Rights be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of cases of mismanagement, irregularities and corruption detected/registered in Government departments and disposed of by each High Court including the Islamabad High Court during the last five years till date alongwith the details thereof; and*
- (b) *the total number of cases pending in each High Court at present?*

Reply not received.

16. **Mr. Shafqat Mehmood:**

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of attacks made from the Indian Border Security Forces alongside the Line of Control during the last five years; and*
- (b) *the number of civilians and military personnel killed therefrom during the said period?*

Reply not received.

18. **Mr. Sher Akbar Khan:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the province-wise details of new Villages/Towns to which gas will be supplied under the PSDP during the year 2013-14;*
- (b) *the details of new Villages/Towns in KPK to which gas has been supplied during the said period under the PSDP; and*
- (c) *the present status of supply of sui gas projects for the said Villages/Towns initiated in the said province under the PSDP during the said period?*

Reply not received.

21. **Mr. Sajid Ahmed:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state the utilization of Toll Tax collected on Motorways during the year 2013-14?

Reply not received.

22. **Ms. Shazia Mari:**

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that there is a discrepancy in the promotion structure for the employees of two wings of Military Land and Cantonment Department namely Cantonment Boards and Military Estate Offices;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that employees of Cantt. Boards are not promoted as Cantonment Executive Officers even having experience with the relevant Cantt. Boards while employees of Military Estates Offices do become Executive Officers without any experience of Cantt. Board affairs; if so, the reasons therefor; and*
- (c) *whether it is further a fact that the Establishment Division has approved the proposal of Military Lands and Cantonment Boards regarding fixation of quota for the promotion of CBs employees as CEOs; if so, the reason for not implementing the same so far alongwith the time by which it will be implemented?*

Minister for Defence: (a) There is no discrepancy in the promotion structure for the employees of ML&C Department. As a matter of fact MEO staff is paid and recruited by the Federal Government whereas Cantt. Board staff are not government officials since they are employees of Cantonment Boards which are local governments. Their pay and allowances are also paid by the Cantt. Boards. However, ML&C Deptt. has administrative control over both of these streams *i.e.* MEO side and the Cantonment Board side. Cantonment Board employees have their own promotion mechanism for progression upto BS-19 and their promotion is considered in the light of Recruitment / Promotion Policy, 2010 made under Pakistan Cantonment Servants Rules, 1954. Whereas employees of Military

Land and Cantonment Department are Federal Government employees and their promotion is considered under Federal Government rules/regulations and instructions issued by Establishment Division.

(b) As stated in (a) above the Cantonment Board Employees have their own line of promotion upto BS-19. Employees of Cantonment Boards are not promoted to BS-17 against 25% quota which has been fixed by the Government for the promotion of Federal Government employees *vide* O.M No. 9/2/75-ARC, dated 11-5-1975 [Rule 4 of SI. No. 9 (Framework of Rules and Procedure applicable to Military Lands and Cantonments Group) of Esta Code Edition 2007].

(c) Establishment Division has not yet approved the proposal of Military Lands and Cantonments Deptt. regarding fixation of quota for the promotion of Cantonment Board employees. However, Establishment Division has advised ML&C Deptt. to consider preparing a combined seniority list of the existing and would be eligible employees for promotion to BS-17 in order to avoid litigation on the subject. The department was unable to find any provision of law hence a reference is being sent to Establishment Division to guide under what provision of law a combined seniority list of two entirely different cadres can be prepared.

24. **Mr. Tahir Iqbal Ch:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the sui gas pipelines were laid in the main city, Vehari three years ago;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the said lines have not been interconnected/operationalised so far;*
- (c) *if the answers to parts (a) and (b) above are in the affirmative, the reasons thereof?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): (a), (b) & (c) SNGPL has informed that supply of gas to Vehari Town was approved under Southern District Punjab Project and the laying of gas distribution network in Vehari city is being carried out in a Phased manner. At present, Phase-I, Phase-III, & Phase-IV have been completed & commissioned whereas laying in Phase-II & Phase-V is in progress. So far following network has been laid and commissioned:

Supply Main : 11.00 KM

Distribution network : 77.20 KM

Company further informed that following Distribution network is required to cover the city of Vehari which will be laid in phased manner during subsequent fiscal years:

Distribution network required : 152.00KM (Different Diameters).

26. **Ms. Aisha Syed:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names and addresses of the applicants of Islamabad who applied for sui gas connections and deposited the amount vide demand notices during the year 2012-13;*
- (b) *the names and addresses of said applicants to whom gas connections have been given on priority and without priority basis alongwith the names of persons who made recommendations thereof; and*
- (c) *the authority who granted approval in each case therefor?*

Reply not received.

27. **Mrs. Shahida Rehmani:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names of villages to which the gas connections were provided during the year 2012-13 alongwith the details thereof; and*
- (b) *the total amount of funds allocated for the gas pipelines installation in Shaheen Town Moza Jhang Syedan, Islamabad?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): (a) The names of villages to which the gas connections were provided during the year 2012-13 as provided by SNGPL and SSGCL are at Annex-I and II, respectively.

(b) Gas supply to Shaheen Town, Moza Jhang Syedan is on TOR (through own resources) basis, according to which distribution network is laid by the developing agency at its own cost under the supervision of SNGPL.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

137. **Dr. Mahreen Razaque Bhutto:**

Will the Minister for Defence be pleased to state the total amount of collateral damage caused by drone strikes in the country so far?

Reply not received.

138. **Dr. Azra Fazal Pechuho:**

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Human rights be pleased to state the steps being taken to improve the curriculum of law being taught at Law Colleges in the country?

Reply not received.

139. **Dr. Azra Fazal Pechuho:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the construction work of the Amari Bridge connecting district Dadu and district Shaheed Benazir Abad has not been completed so far;

(b) if so, the time by which it will be completed?

Minister for Communications: (a) Main Bridge (Package-I) has been completed since June 7, 2013. Works on approach roads and training works are in progress

(b) Project is expected to be completed. by December 2014, subject to timely allocation of funds.

140. **Maiza Hameed:**

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Human Rights be pleased to state:

- (a) *the month-wise total complaints/cases alongwith appeals filed/ directly received since the appointment of the first Ombudsman under the Protection against Harassment of Women at Workplace Act 2010;*
- (b) *the total number of said cases decided so far alongwith the case-wise time spent thereupon; and*
- (c) *whether the decision of each case was communicated to each party; if so, the details thereof separately?*

Minister for Law, Justice and Human Rights: (a) Month wise total complaints/cases alongwith appeals filed/directly received since the appointment of the first Ombudsman are enclosed herewith as: **Annex-A**

(b) Total No. of decided cases so far 161 Case wise time spent is enclosed herewith as **Annex-B**.

(c) The decision of each case was communicated to each party Case wise detail is enclosed herewith as **Annex-C**,

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

141. **Sahibzada Muhammad Yaqub:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *the prescribed procedure for supply of gas to District Lower Dir (NA-34);*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that the work of supply of gas to said district is being carried out; if so, the authority who granted approval therefor;*

(c) *the total expenditures incurred thereupon so far; and*

(d) *the percentage of said work completed so far?*

Reply not received.

142. **Sahibzada Muhammad Yaqub:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

(a) *the name, designations and domicile of persons appointed in the Ministry, SNGPL, SSGPL and OGDCL on regular, contract and daily wages basis during the last five years; and*

(b) *the names of persons appointed in the Ministry on deputation basis during the said period alongwith the salaries, allowances and other fringe benefits admissible to them?*

Reply not received.

143. **Mr. Siraj Muhammad Khan:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

(a) *whether it is a fact that as per orders of the Supreme Court, the work on Sui Gas Schemes has been stopped in Nowshera, (NA-6);*

(b) *whether it is also a fact that some of the said schemes have been completed and the work on the other schemes has been stopped despite the availability of material; if so, the time by which the work on the same will be completed; and*

(c) *the steps being taken by Government in this regard?*

Reply not received.

144. **Mr. Sher Akbar Khan:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state the names and designations of the employees of District Buner presently working in NHA?

Minister for Communications: Following officers / official belonging to District Buner are working in NHA :-

	Name	Designation
1.	Mr. Kishwar Ali	Deputy Director (Accounts), BS-18
2.	Mr. Hameed Iqbal	Supdt. (Accounts), BS-17
3.	Mr. Hazar Umar	Junior Accounts Clerk, BS-11
4.	Mr. Khan Sher	Naib Qasid

145. **Mr. Sajid Ahmed:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state the total number of employees of Motorways/Highways police in the country at present?

Minister for Communications: Total number of employees presently serving in National Highways and Motorway Police (NH&MP) as on 25th February, 2014 are as under:

Uniformed Police Officers	3994
Civil/Non-Uniformed Staff	1292
Total	5286

146. **Mr. Sajid Ahmed:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state the prescribed procedure for the supply of gas to new areas/ localities in the country at present?

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): The honourable parliamentarians identify the localities for provision of gas. Surveys are carried out by gas utility companies and cost estimates are furnished to Prime Minister's Office, accordingly, for approval/ release of funds. Thereafter, directives are issued by the Prime Minister's Office for undertaking these projects. Gas utility companies contribute funds up to the cost criteria which is as under:

Province	Per Consumer Cost Criteria (Rs./Consumer)
Punjab/ Sindh	54,000/-
Khyber Pakhtunkhawa	108,000/-
Balochistan	270,000/-

The cost above criteria is funded by the Government of Pakistan. However this Govt. has not issued any directive and gas is supplied on the basis of merit and criteria.

147. **Mr. Tahir Iqbal Chaudhry:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the sui gas department, Vehari received applications for supply of sui gas connections during the year 2010;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the computerized record of said applications is not available in the said office at present; and*
- (c) *whether those applications are being dealt with on priority; if not, the reasons thereof?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): (a) Yes.

(b) SNGPL has informed that it is not a fact that the computerized record of said applications is not available in the said office at present rather, acknowledgements with the computerized application ID Nos. have already been issued to the said applicants.

(c) All the applications received for provision of gas connections are being processed on turn / merit basis as per Company's prevailing policy and to ensure the merit policy, computer generated lists are being issued from Head Office through a centrally controlled mechanism.

148. **Mr. Sher Akbar Khan:**

Will the Minister for Science and Technology be pleased to state the names of companies in Rawalpindi, Lahore, Karachi and Queta against which the Pakistan Standards and Quality Control Authority took action for manufacturing unhygienic and unregistered products during the financial year 2013-14 alongwith the details thereof?

Minister for Science and Technology (Mr. Zahid Hamid): As the National Standards Body, Pakistan Standards & Quality Control Authority (PSQCA) has developed various standards for Food and Mineral Water products. List of 37 mandatory items (including various food items and natural mineral water / bottled drinking water) for which Pakistan Standards have been notified by the Government under section 14 of PSQCA Act 1996 is attached as Annex-A. Manufacture, storage and sale of any of these notified articles which does not conform to the Pakistan Standards is prohibited, and is punishable under section 22 of the said Act.

PSQCA has taken following actions against the companies involved in manufacturing of unhygienic and unregistered products from the 37 mandatory Food items list during the financial year 2013-14:

- Cancellation of 35 bottled drinking water licences at Karachi for non - compliance of Pakistan Conformity Assessment rules 2011. (Annex-B)
- City wise un-registered bottled drinking water units sealed:

Karachi	: 12 Nos (Annex-C)
Lahore	: 02 Nos (Annex-D)
Rawalpindi /Islamabad	: 07 Nos (Annex-E)

- Notices issued to 27 units of various food products for non-conformity (Annex-F)

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

149. **Ms. Aisha Syed:**

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Human Rights be pleased to state the names, educational qualifications, grade and domicile of the persons belonging to the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa appointed in the Ministry and its attached departments/sub-ordinate offices during the last five years?

Reply not received.

150. **Ms. Aisha Syed:**

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Human Rights be pleased to state:

- (a) the objectives of the National Gender Reform Action Plan; and*
- (b) the head-wise amount spent by the Government on the said plan so far?*

Minister for Law, Justice and Human Rights: (a) To improve the status of women

- To promote processes that lead towards equal participation of women at all levels of governance laying the foundation for long term permanent gender equality in the society.
- To assure effective implementation of gender equality in relation to international conventions like Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW);
- To enhance participation of women across the governance spheres at the federal, provincial and district levels; and

- To ensure that all stakeholders contribute positively towards the goal of gender mainstreaming and equality.

(b) The total allocation of the project is 418.563 M (Phase-I). Out of total allocation an amount of Rs. 354.00 M was incurred upto 30-06-2010 which includes 1st release of 250.00 M known as Gender Development Grant to the districts government @ Rs. 2.250 million.

The Project was closed on 30-06-2010.

151. **Mr. Abdul Qahar Khan Wadan:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the road from Madyan to Kalam is in a dilapidated condition at present;*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to construct/repair the said road;*
- (c) *if so, the time by which the construction work of the said road will be completed?*

Reply not received.

152. **Mian Javid Latif:**

Will the Minister for Defence Production be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the facility has not been given to the retired employees of POF to draw pension from Post Office besides the National Bank of Pakistan; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) *the time by which the facility to draw pension from Post Office department will be given to said retired employees?*

Minister for Defence Production (Rana Tanveer Hussain): (a) The facility for drawl of pension from Post Office is available for Grade 1 & 2 Civil Government servants under the provisions contained in para 237 o Chapter-V Office Manual Part-IV issued by Controller Military Pension Lahore Cantt. an office of Military Accountant General (MAG) (**Annex-A**).

(b) Facility to draw pension by Graded I and II officials is already available. To extend this facility to remaining employees relevant Rule is required to be amended by MAG. Question, may therefore, be transferred to the relevant Ministry *i.e* Ministry of Defence.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

153. **Mian Javid Latif:**

Will the Minister for Defence Production be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Federal Service Tribunal (FST) has ordered to up-grade/promote the telephone operators of the Pakistan Ordinance Factory including the telephone operators of Sunjuwal Exchange from BPS 7 to 14;*
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the said orders have not been implemented in letter and spirit so far; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (c) the time by which the said telephone operators will be promoted?*

Reply not received.

154. **Ms. Aisha Gulalai:**

Will the Minister for Law, Justice and Human Rights be pleased to state the steps being taken by the Government to make the NAB a truly autonomous body?

Reply not received.

155. **Maulana Muhammad Gohar Shah:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the traffic flow is not smooth at Charsadda Interchange at present;*
- (b) *the steps being taken by the Ministry to broaden the said Interchange?*

Reply not received.

156. **Maulana Muhammad Gohar Shah:**

Will the Minister for Communications be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to construct a regular round-about on Nowshehra Road, outside the Inter-change in Charsadda; if so, when it will be implemented?

Reply not received.

157. **Mr. Waseem Akhtar Shaikh:**

Will the Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that natural gas has been provided to Mohallah, Green Town, Basti Nao, Bosan Road Multan;*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that certain resident of Mohallah Green Town, Basti Nao, Bosan Road, Multan have not been provided natural gas despite they have applied for the same since June, 2012 if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (c) *the time by which the same will be provided to the rest of resident of above mention locality?*

Minister for Petroleum and Natural Resources (Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi): (a) SNGPL has informed that it is not a fact that natural gas has been provided to Mohallah Green Town Basti Nao, Bosan Road Multan. Green Town

is a privately developed locality and surrounded by publically developed locality namely Basti Nao where company's gas network already exists and applications for provision of new gas connections are being processed as per turn/merit basis.

(b) As stated above

(c) A moratorium has been imposed by the Prime Minister on 04-10-2011 for provision of gas to privately developed localities. As soon as the moratorium is deposed supply of gas to Green town shall be considered upon receipt of 100% cost by the developing authority in accordance with the policy at that time.

KARAMAT HUSSAIN NIAZI,
Secretary.

ISLAMABAD:
The 4th March, 2014.