

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

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

Friday, the 3rd February, 2017

3. ***Mr. Jamshed Ahmad Dasti:**
(Deferred during 36th Session)

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:

- (a) *the actions which were due to be taken by the Ministry and departments come under the administrative control of it in response to the resolutions passed by the National Assembly and Senate since 01-01-2013; and*
- (b) *the details of all those actions which have been taken by the said departments in response to each resolution thereof?*

Reply not received.

17. ***Ms. Saman Sultana Jaffri:**
(Deferred on 26-01-2017)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that Pakistan has taken more than six billion dollars loans from the International Monetary Fund (IMF); if so, the borrowing/lending arrangements made therefor;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that Pakistan has addressed areas and agreed with the IMF upon said arrangements particularly*

with reference to economy growth, private investment, structural reform and challenges of power sector; if so, the details thereof; and

- (c) *whether it is further a fact that the Government will assure the Parliament that Pakistan will not have another external payment crisis in future?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): (a) Yes Pakistan has received \$ 6.3 billion under Extended Fund Facility (EFF) with the IMF.

Disbursements under the EFF were made in twelve tranches. Each tranche is repayable to the Fund after 4.5 years from date of disbursement.

First tranche was received in September 2013, while the last tranche was disbursed by the Fund in September 2016. First repayment will start in 2018. The repayment schedule extends till FY 2025-26.

- (b) The Government formulated and implemented a homegrown economic reform program, which was also supported by the IMF.

Major reforms were undertaken during the Program in Various sectors including Fiscal, Financial, Public Sector Enterprises, Power, and Business Climate improvement. In the Fiscal sector, reforms include: withdrawing the powers of FBR to issue SROs; rationalization of Import Tariffs; strengthening Tax Audit; and enactment of Benami Transaction law.

In the Financial sector, phased implementation of Basel III capital and liquidity requirements; establishment of Independent Monetary Policy Committee; enactment of Deposit Protection Corporation Act and Credit Bureau Act were the main reforms.

Reforms in the Public Sector Enterprises were initiated to enhance efficiency of loss making PSEs.

In the Power sector, Gas Theft Control & Recovery Act was enacted; while the Government revisited regulatory benchmarking for losses during FY 2015-16 tariff determination by NEPRA; and completed a study to examine options for unbundling of gas companies.

Several initiatives were undertaken to improve Business Climate including establishment of Virtual One Stop Shop (VOSS) for business registration; establishment of Alternative Dispute Resolution Centers in Karachi and Lahore; and reduction in import tariff slabs to simplify the Trade regime.

(c) The country has stable economic outlook in the wake of reforms undertaken during the past more than three years, which has built buffers against possible future shocks.

20. ***Ms. Shagufta Jumani:**
(Deferred on 26-01-2017)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state the total foreign aid/funds received by the NGOs in the country during the last two years alongwith the names, area of services and sources of funds thereof?

Transferred to Interior Division for answer on Next Rota Day.

23. ***Shazia Marri:**
(Deferred on 26-01-2017)

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of officers of BPS-19 of the Federal Government/Constitutional Bodies who are drawing their salaries from the Accountant General of Pakistan Revenue (AGPR), Islamabad at present alongwith the details thereof;*
- (b) *the names of officers out of the said who have been drawing their salaries from AGPR from the last 21 years in same scale alongwith their names, designations and departments alongwith justifications thereof; and*
- (c) *the total length of service of said officers according to the record of the AGPR?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economics Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): (a) The total number of officers of BPS-19 of the Federal Government/Constitutional Bodies who are drawing their

salaries from the Accountant General Pakistan Revenues (AGPR), Islamabad at present are 1,702. Detail is at **Annex-I**.

(b) Exact number of BPS-19 officer who are drawing their salaries from AGPR from the last 21 years in same scale can not readily be provided since employees related data is being maintained in system since 2004 onwards . For older record, concerned Ministry/Division/Department or/ and concerned pre-audit section has to be contacted which needs considerable time. However, record can be provided if relevant details of such officer are provided to AGPR Islamabad.

(c) As per available record of AGPR, the date of entry into Government Service of officers of BS-19 is mentioned against each at **Annex-I**.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

27. ***Ms. Suraiya Jatoi:**
(Deferred on 26-01-2017)

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state the province-wise total number of terrorists arrested/escaped during the year 2016?

Reply not received.

150. ***Ms. Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak:**

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 300 human traffickers reside in the country at present; if so, the steps taken by the Government to arrest them; and

(b) the details of punishments awarded to them in this regard?

Minister for Interior and Narcotices Control (Ch. Nisar Ali Khan):

(a) It is a fact that a number of human traffickers operate clandestinely in the country. The exact figure of such criminals can not be worked out, as they operate discretely in individual capacity or through international networks.

At present, there are 69 Most Wanted Human Traffickers (MWTs), as per FIA's Red Book.

On the directives of Minister for Interior, FIA launched a countrywide crackdown on human smugglers and traffickers on 18-11-2015. Detail of raids and arrests are as under:

Zones	Raids Conducted	Proclaimed Offenders	MWTs	Court Absconders	General arrests	Total Arrests
Punjab	1421	653	16	87	797	1553
Sindh	119	07	09	69	83	168
KPK	205	72	-	04	189	265
Islamabad	112	180	08	17	729	934
Balochistan	79	01	-	02	86	89
Total:	1936	913	33	179	1884	3009

- Following steps have also been taken against human traffickers:
- o Temporary blockage of CNIC;
 - o Cancellation of Passport;
 - o Placement of their names and particulars in BL/Passport Control List and on ECL;
 - o Letters issued to the concerned District Police Officers by FIA Anti Human Trafficking Circles to effect their arrest;
 - o Approached Head of Compliance of Banks for temporary blockage of bank accounts.

(b)

Years	Human traffickers convicted by the Courts
2015	3,953
2016	4,692
Total	8,645

151. ***Dr. Mahreen Razaque Bhutto:**

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of drug addicts in the country at present; and*
- (b) the steps being taken by the Government to control narcotics/ drugs in the country?*

Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control (Ch. Nisar Ali Khan):

(a) The total number of drug addicts in the country at present as per the records available with NCD/ANF is attached as **Annex-A**.

(b) The steps being taken by the Government to control narcotics/ drugs in the country is attached as **Annex-B**.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

152. ***Mr. Muhammad Muzammil Qureshi:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:

- (a) the country and organization-wise financial assistance received by the Government during the last three years;*
- (b) the criteria adopted for distribution of said financial assistance among the provinces and other entities; and*
- (c) the mechanism for its transparent utilization?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): (a) Country and Organization-wise financial assistance received by the Government during the last three years *i.e.* (01-12-2013 to 30- 11-2016) is as under:

(US\$ Million)

Source	Donor	Disbursement of foreign assistance during last three years		
		Grant	Loan	Total
Countries	China	62.44	2,156.32	2,218.77
	France		37.75	37.75
	Germany	76.64	35.59	112.23
	Italy		11.32	11.32
	Japan	2.86	478.91	481.77
	Korea		8.67	8.67
	Kuwait		73.36	73.36
	Norway	1.98		1.98
	Oman	9.90		9.90
	Saudi Arabia	1.52	91.12	92.64
	UK	911.27		911.27
	USA	382.76		382.76
Total (Countries)		1,449.38	2,893.04	4,342.42
Organizations	ADB	0.06	2,429.02	2,429.09
	ECO (Trade Bank)		65.00	65.00
	European Union	52.11		52.11
	IBRD	126.97	308.67	435.63
	IDA	5.71	3,964.27	3,969.98
	IDB		358.26	358.26
	IDB (Short-term)		2,468.05	2,468.05
	IFAD		36.80	36.80
	OPEC Fund		46.73	46.73
	UNHCR	3.63		3.63
	China Dev. Bank		700.00	700.00
	Dubai Bank		60.20	60.20
	Noor Bank PJSC		538.25	538.25
	SUISSE AG,UBL,ABL		1,183.00	1,183.00
	SCB (London)		172.64	172.64
	Bond Holders		4,500.00	4,500.00
Total (Organizations)		188.48	16,830.89	17,019.37
Grand Total		1,637.86	19,723.93	21,361.79

The government has also obtained US\$6.4 billion from the IMF under a program that was spread over three years.

(b) The financing is arranged on receipt of demand/requests from federal and provincial government's departments/ organizations/ autonomous bodies in accordance with development priorities of government and approved by competent forum. On matching of the interests of the donors and the borrowers, the financing is finalized and agreements signed. Development partners (Countries and Organizations) provide Financial Assistance to the implementing agencies through State Bank of Pakistan.

- (c) i. The implementation agencies are responsible for transparent utilization of the funds as required for conduct of Financial and Performance Audits by the government auditors to measure the transparency regularly as per Audit Manual derived from the functions of the Auditor General of Pakistan laid down in the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
- ii. Portfolio review meetings with respective implementing agencies and donors are conducted to review the progress.
- iii. Monitoring and evaluation of the projects/programs is also carried out by the Provincial P&D Departments and the Planning Commission as per Rules of Business
- iv. Donors have their own monitoring mechanisms as per covenants agrees between the recipient agency and donors ensuring the transparency of fund's utilization
- v. Monthly and quarterly reports showing donor, project/program, implementing agency and purpose-wise commitments and disbursements of Foreign Assistance are regularly prepared and are placed at the official website of EAD besides circulation to relevant stakeholders.

153. ***Ms. Suraiya Jatoi:**

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:

- (a) *the quantity of drugs seized by the Anti Narcotics Force in the country since 01-01-2013; and*

(b) *the action taken by the present Government against the persons involved in trafficking of drugs in each case?*

Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control (Ch. Nisar Ali Khan):

(a) The details of drugs seized by the Anti Narcotics Force in the country since 01-01-2013 to 31-12-2016 is attached as **Annex-A**.

(b) It is submitted that the accused apprehended by ANF for involvement in drug trafficking are proceeded against as per legal procedure given in the CNS Act 1997 and other related laws. Prosecution state & assets forfeiture for the period of 01-01-2013 to 30-11-2016 is attached as **Annex-B & C**, respectively.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

154. ***Dr. Shazia Sobia:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state the resources distribution mechanism/formula among provinces under the current National Finance Commission Award alongwith the details thereof?

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): Under the 7th NFC Award resources are being distributed among the provinces in the following ratios:

Punjab	51.74%
Sindh	24.55%
KPK	14.62%
Balochistan	9.09%
Total	100.00%

The details of resource distribution mechanism/ formula among-the Provinces under the current NFC Award (7th NFC Award) have been laid down in Article 3 & 4 of the “Distribution of Revenues & Grants-in-Aid, Order, 2010, (President’s Order No. 5 of 2010). A copy of the Presidential Order is placed at **Annex-I**.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

155. ***Dr. Mahreen Razaque Bhutto:**

Will the Minister for Planning, Development and Reform be pleased to state the details of projects launched in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Gilgit-Baltistan and Azad Jammu and Kashmir under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor so far alongwith the present status thereof?

Minister for Planning, Development and Reform (Mr. Ahsan Iqbal):

The details of Projects launched in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Gilgit-Baltistan and Azad Jammu and Kashmir under China-Pakistan Economic Corridor are at annex-I.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

156. ***Begum Tahira Bukhari:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state whether it is a fact that new census will be started on 15th March, 2017; if so, whether all the relevant preparations have been completed in this regard?

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): Yes it is a fact that new Population and Housing Census will start from 15th March, 2017. The Council of Common Interests (CCI) in its meeting held on 16th December, 2016 decided that Census will be held *w.e.f* 15th March, 2017 and will be completed within a period of two months. Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (an attached department of Statistics Division) accordingly has started following preparatory activities:

- *PBS has held meetings with Federal & Provincial Govts including Finance, Interior, Defence and Military Operations Directorate of GHQ and NADRA for taking them on board;*
- *Meetings were also held with the Provincial Chief Secretaries to brief them about assistance required from Provincial Govts in completion of this task.*
- *Provincial Census Commissioners have been appointed.*

- *The Provincial Governments have appointed their representatives as Focal Persons for Census activities.*
- *Allocation of Rs. 14.5 billion has been made for Census operation.*
- *Series of meetings were held with Armed Forces for ensuring availability of Army Personnel for deployment of Army personnel at man to man level. Now they have assured the availability of requisite number of troops.*
- *Activity Calendar has been chalked out and is being pursued vigorously.*
- *Appointment of Divisional / District Census Coordinator and Census District Officer / Delimitation Officers has been notified.*
- *Deployment of Census staff at Admin District / Census District level has been completed.*
- *Census field use material has been supplied at Provincial / Regional / Field offices.*
- *Preparations are almost complete and provinces are being pursued regularly to solicit their support for completion of this task successfully.*

157. ***Ms. Asyia Naz Tanoli:**

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:

- (a) *the steps taken by the Government to make the Training Institute of Police Department as par with the international standard; and*
- (b) *the names of foreign countries to which police officers are being sent to learn modern investigations and training techniques thereof?*

Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control (Ch. Nisar Ali Khan):

(a) In order to bring Police Training School (PTS), Islamabad at par with the international standards, following steps are taken:—

- Modules on modern scientific methods for investigation / security are included in the Basic Recruits Course and Probationer ASIs class course.
- Adequately educated, and experienced instructors are posted at Police Training School, Islamabad TO improve the environment, for newly recruited officials.
- Police Training School, Islamabad has also arranged various basic and advanced training courses in collaboration with International Criminal Investigative Training Assistance Programme (ICITAP), Anti Terrorism Assistance Programme (ATAP), Bureau of International Narcotics & Law Enforcement Affairs - Pakistan (INL-P), Embassy of the France, British High Commission etc.
- The training courses are run under the direct supervision of senior officers of Islamabad Police.

(b) China, USA, Thailand, Australia, UK, France, Italy, Spain, etc.

158. ***Ms. Shazia Mubashar:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of officers working as the Chief Editor, Chief Interpreter, Chief Reporter and Chief Translator in various departments of the Ministry at present alongwith the names and designations thereof; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to upgrade the above mentioned posts; if so, when it will be implemented; if not, the reasons thereof?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): (a) There is no post of Chief Editor, Chief Interpreter, Chief Reporter and Chief Translator at the sanctioned

strength of this Division. Moreover, there is no attached department etc. under the administrative control of this Division. Therefore, the requisite information in respect of Economic Affairs Division may be treated as NIL.

(b) Not applicable.

159. ***Ms. Parveen Masood Bhatti:**

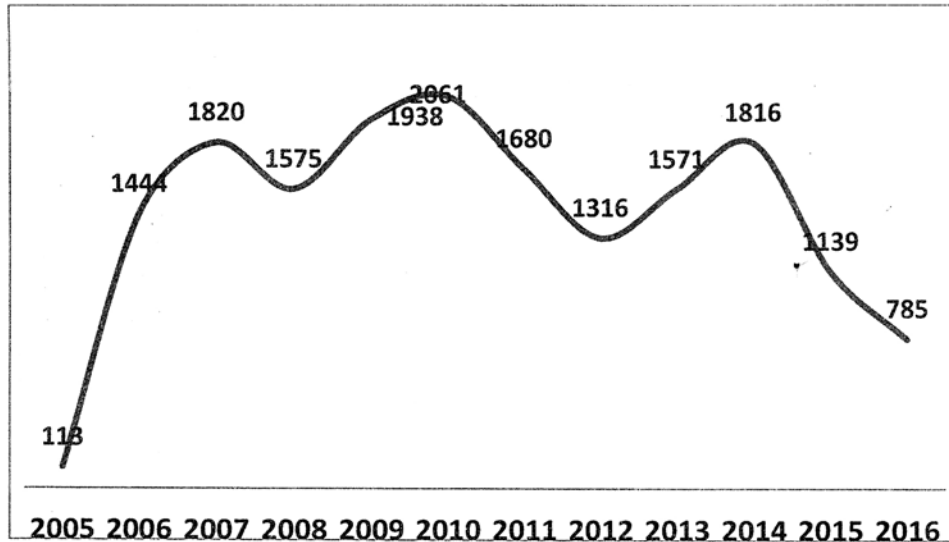
Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to open another bank branch in the Parliament House; if so, when it will be implemented?

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): Banks being commercial entities are free to open their branches keeping in view business prospects of the area concerned. For the purpose they approach SBP and submit their Annual Branch Expansion Plan (ABEP) for consideration and approval. Moreover, ABEP of the banks for the year 2017 has been approved and conveyed to the banks accordingly, so any proposal for opening of branch(es) by any bank at Parliament House, Islamabad during 2017, if received, will be processed by State Bank of Pakistan as per Branch Licensing Policy.

160. ***Ms. Shagufta Jumani:**

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state the steps taken by the present Government against extremist elements in the country?

Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control (Ch. Nisar Ali Khan): At Federal level National Counter Terrorism Authority (NACTA) was established through enactment from parliament in 2013, with the mandate for countering terrorism and extremism. In this period NACTA has formulated the first ever National Internal Security Policy (NISP) 2014-18 and also working in close coordination with provinces and other stakeholders for the implementation of National Action Plan. As a result of implementation of NISP and NAP, pragmatic and effective steps have been taken by Federal and Provincial Governments against extremists elements. These have resulted in a significant reduction in the number of terrorists incidents in the country. A graph showing fluctuation of terrorist incidents from 2005-2016 is at **Annex-A**.



161. ***Shaikh Rohale Asghar:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the biometric system has been installed in the AGPR, Islamabad to ensure the timely attendance of its employees?

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): Biometric system has not been installed in the AGPR, Islamabad. Manual attendance register is being used to ensure attendance of the employees of AGPR, Islamabad.

162. ***Mr. Iqbal Muhammad Ali Khan:**

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to establish the NADRA Swift Registration Centre at Tehsil Headquarter Naseerabad, District Qumber Shahdadkot, Sindh; if so, the time by which it will be established/commissioned?

Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control (Ch. Nisar Ali Khan): Proposal for establishment of NADRA Registration Centre at Tehsil Naseerabad was considered and evaluated at appropriate level. In this regard, feasibility was

checked and report was prepared by Regional Head Office Sukkur. According to said report, total population of Tehsil Naseerabad is 170,670. Statistics show that 80% population of Tehsil Naseerabad is already registered. Remaining eligible population is approximately 23,893 only and the expected booking per day is below 30 tokens which can be conveniently covered through deployment of Mobile Registration Van in Tehsil. Moreover, NADRA Registration Centers at Dokri, Kamber, Mehar and Larkana are also at approachable distance from Naseerabad. Hence, Regional Head Officer Sukkur has been instructed to cover the area of Naseerabad through deployment of Mobile Registration Van for facilitation of residents.

163. ***Ms. Seema Mohiuddin Jameeli:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state the percentage of interest on which loans being provided to the individuals by the private and the Government Banks at present?

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): The weighted average rate of interest (*i.e.* the aggregate rate of interest being charged on all types of loan facilities) charged by the government & private sector banks from individuals is annexed.

Annex-A

Bank wise Position of Weighted Average Rate of Interest Charged on Financing to Individuals

S.No	Name of Bank	Weighted Average Rate of Interest Charged on Financing to Individuals
<u>Government Sector Banks</u>		
1	First Woman Bank Limited	18.44%
2	National Bank of Pakistan	13.22%
3	Sindh Bank Limited	9.73%
4	The Bank of Khyber	10.23%
5	The Bank of Punjab	9.66%
6	IDBL	Nil*
7	Punjab Provincial Cooperative Bank	17.01%
8	SME Bank	9.62%
9	Zarai Taraqiati Bank Limited	13.84%

Private Sector Banks

1	Al Baraka Islamic Bank Limited	11.45%**
2	Al Baraka Islamic Bank Limited (Ex-Burj Bank)	12.17%
3	Allied Bank Limited	9.62%
4	Askari Bank Limited	10.95%
5	Bank Al-falah	14.06%
6	Bank Al-habib Limited	9.72 %
7	Bank Islami	13.11%**
8	Citibank NA Pakistan	NIL*
9	Deutsche Bank AG	NIL*
10	Dubai Islamic	11.65%**
11	Faysal Bank Limited	16.30%
12	Habib Bank Limited	14.05%
13	Habib Metropolitan Bank Limited	7.77%
14	Industrial & Commercial Bank of China Ltd. (Pakistan)	NIL*
15	JS Bank Limited	11.24%
16	MCB Bank Limited	14.00%
17	MCB Islamic Bank Limited	10.38%**
18	Meezan Bank Limited	11.53%**
19	NIB Bank Limited	20.05%
20	Punjab Provincial Cooperative Bank	17.01%
21	SAMBA Bank Limited	15.58%
22	Silk Bank	28.89%
23	Soneri Bank Limited	11.55%
24	Standard Chartered Bank (Pakistan) Limited	21.91%
25	Summit Bank Limited	11.63%
26	United Bank Limited	20.03%

* Bank does not provide loan to individuals

**Profit

164. ***Ms. Musarat Rafique Mahesar:**

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:

- (a) *the crime rate in Islamabad during the year 2016; and*
- (b) *the steps taken by the present Government to prevent rising crime rate in Islamabad?*

Reply not Received.

165. ***Ms. Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Pakistan is receiving another bailout package from the International Monetary

Fund during the current financial year; if so, the justification alongwith the terms and conditions thereof?

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): No. There is no need to seek new loans from the International Monetary Fund (IMF) since the country is facing stable economic conditions.

166. ***Mr. Waseem Akhtar Shaikh:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economics Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Rs. 65590/- as a Transport Monetization Allowance are being paid to the officers of BPS-20 working in the Ministries/Divisions at present;*
- (b) whether it is also a fact that Rs.5000/- are being paid as a Conveyance Allowance to the officers of BPS-19 working in Ministries/Divisions at present;*
- (c) if the answers to part (a) and (b) above are in the affirmative, the justification thereof; and*
- (d) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to eliminate the said discrimination within three months, if not, the reasons thereof?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): (a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) Justification of the above mentioned policy is that officers in BS-20 and above were allowed staff car facility before introduction of Monetization of transport *w.e.f* 1 January 2012. Before introduction of this policy huge amounts on purchase of vehicle, maintenance, fuel charges, salary and pension of drivers etc used to be spent. To decrease the expenditure on transport facility to these officers Monetization of Transport facility was introduced. Officers in BPS 19 were not allowed staff car facility, they were receiving Rs. 2480/- as conveyance allowance, which was enhanced to Rs. 5000/- *w.e.f* 1-7-2012.

(d) There is no discrimination as both the categories *i.e.* BS-20 and BS-19 have been allowed the transport allowance/ facility in their respective scales which are covered under the rules.

167. ***Ms. Naseema Hafeez Panezai:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the process of matching qualifications, expertise in the fields and required experience have been observed as per rules of ESTACODE as well as the directions of the Supreme Court of Pakistan given under Crl. Org.P.No.89/2011 at the time of postings of officers/officials in the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority (PPRA), Islamabad on deputation basis; if not, the reasons thereof;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the terms and conditions of services regarding pay and allowances of all current deputationists working in the PPRA approved by the Establishment Division as per ESTACODE rules; and*
- (c) *whether it is further a fact that the PPRA management has sent any case in this regard to concerned Division; if not, the reasons thereof?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): (a) It is stated that service regulations have not been notified as yet. Therefore, in order to run the affairs of the PPRA, the best available officers/officials were posted in the Authority from different departments.

The Crl. Org. P.No. 89/2011 referred in the question has no relevance with the posting of officers / officials in PPRA.

(b) All deputationists, except for MD PPRA, are drawing their salaries as per approved standard term & conditions of deputation given in the Estacode. The relevant rule 43 of ESTACODE states as “if on transfer from one department to another a Government servant is appointed to a post for which pay and allowances have already been fixed he should, ordinarily, draw the pay and

allowances attached to that post”. However, the salary & allowances for the post of Managing Director are determined by the Federal Government in pursuance of Section 8(5) of PPRA Ordinance 2002 which states:

“The Managing Director shall be paid such salary and allowances as the Federal Government may determine but his salary and allowances shall not be varied to his disadvantage during his term of office”.

(c) All employees on deputation are drawing their salaries as per approved standard term & conditions of deputation given in Estacode and need not to be sent to Establishment Division.

The only case sent to Establishment Division was for the determination of salary & allowances for the post of Managing Director by the Federal Government in pursuance of Section 8(5) of PPRA Ordinance 2002.

168. ***Ms. Shamas Un Nisa:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state the total number of State owned entities included in the current privatization plan by the Government alongwith the deadline for the privatization of said entities separately?

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): Since, October 2013, the Cabinet Committee on Privatisation (CCOP) approved a list of 69 State Owned Entities (SOEs) for inclusion in the Privatisation Program. Of these 69, 40 were approved by the CCOP for ‘Early Implementation’. Details are placed at **Annex-A**.

After approval of the CCOP, the Privatisation Commission (PC) initiated the privatisation process of 26 SOEs, of which 05 privatisation transactions have been completed (**Annex-B**), whereas 14 privatisation transactions have been terminated under the decision of the PC Board and/ or the CCOP (**Annex-C**). Moreover, PC is currently pursuing the privatisation of 09 SOEs and is planning to initiate the process of 02 additional privatisation transactions. The details regarding expected timeline/ deadline for completion of the ongoing privatisation transactions is placed at **Annex-D**.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

169. ***Ms. Mussarrat Ahmadzeb:**

Will the Minister In-charge of the Prime Minister's Office be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that visit of the Prime Minister of Pakistan to Pashin, Balochistan has been cancelled/postponed recently; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) whether it is also a fact that some amount was spent on said visit; if so, the details thereof?*

Minister In-charge of the Prime Minister's Office: (a) Yes. Due to fog/bad weather, the visit of Honourable Prime Minister to Pashin, Balochistan on 13th Dec, 2016 was cancelled.

(b) Since the visit was cancelled, no expenditure was incurred by the Government.

170. ***Malik Shakir Bashir Awan:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:

- (a) the total income accrued to the Federal Board of Revenue (FBR) from auction of 43 vehicles of the Cabinet Division made on 16th November, 2016 alongwith the number of purchasers out of them who have filed their annual income tax returns to FBR;*
- (b) the total amount accrued to the FBR from auction of vehicles of the National Database and Registration Authority (NADRA) made on 18th October, 2016;*
- (c) whether it is a fact that the purchasers of vehicles of NADRA have filed their annual income tax returns to FBR;*
- (d) the total amount of tax collected from the purchasers of vehicles of the Ministry of Law, Auditor General of Pakistan, Islamabad, National Highway and Motorway Police, Attock Oil Company and National Bank of Pakistan, Islamabad during the tenure of the present Government; and*

(e) *the steps taken by the Government to collect annual tax/income tax returns/statements from the said purchasers?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): (a) As reported by Cabinet Division to field formation, number of vehicles auctioned were 39 instead of 43. Tax collected is Rs. 2.1 million on account of vehicles auctioned by Cabinet Division on 16th November, 2016. Name of buyers of auctioned vehicles along with status of filing of return is attached as **Annex-A**. However, auctioned price for the vehicles has not been provided for which the information is being sought from the said Division. For enforcing return filing, please refer to reply in para (e), below.

(b) No tax has been paid to FBR on account of 13 vehicles auctioned by NADRA on 18-10-2016. Since no tax has been collected, audit of NADRA is being conducted and in case the purchasers were found to be liable to pay tax and did not hold exemption certificate, recovery shall be made from NADRA as well as from the purchasers.

(c) No return has been received from purchasers of vehicles auctioned by NADRA. However, for enforcing return filing, please refer to reply in para (e), below.

(d) Detail of vehicles auctioned and tax paid to FBR by Ministry of Law, Auditor General of Pakistan Islamabad, National Highway and Motorway Police, Attock Oil Company and National Bank of Pakistan Islamabad is attached as **Annex-B** and names of purchasers along with status of filing of Income Tax Return is attached as **Annex-C**.

(e) For any income or investment made during financial year 2016-17, return is due on 30 September, 2017. Therefore, notice u/s 114 of filing of return will be issued after 30th September, 2017, if return is not filed voluntarily. However as indicated in para (b) for recovery of tax not collected, notice for tax not withheld shall be issued after completion of audit of NADRA.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

171. ***Syed Naveed Qamar:**

Will the Minister for Planning, Development and Reform be pleased to state:

- (a) *the details of projects to be constructed/built in the first phase under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor alongwith the names and locations thereof;*
- (b) *the total expenditure/cost to be incurred on said projects alongwith the executing companies/agencies thereof separately; and*
- (c) *the expected dates of completion of said projects separately?*

Minister for Planning, Development and Reform (Mr. Ahsan Iqbal):

(a) The details of projects to be constructed /built under China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) are at annex-1.

(b) Project-wise cost and expenditure incurred upto June 2016 is at annex-1. Further, Energy projects are in IPP mode and outside PSDP.

(c) CPEC is a Long Term Plan divided in short term, medium term and long term phases to be completed till 2030. Road Infrastructure projects are targeted to be completed by 2018/19, energy early harvest projects are expected to be completed by 2017/18 except hydel projects which will be completed by 2020/21. Further, Gwadar and Railways projects are expected to be completed by 2020/21. Industrial Parks/SEZs are part of long term plan to be established by 2030.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

172. ***Mrs. Shahida Rehmani:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:

- (a) *the current volume of public debt of the country at present;*
- (b) *the reasons for borrowings since 01-01-2013; and*
- (c) *the repayment plan of the Government for the debt accumulated during the said period?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): (a) The volume of net public debt as on 30-9-2016 was Rs. 18277.6 billion.

(b) Public debt is mainly obtained to finance the fiscal deficit which is approved by the parliament. Some of the deficit financing has to be done in the form of external loans to supplement the domestic resources required to accelerate the pace of economic development and make positive contribution towards developing the country's infrastructure base. These loans were obtained for financing of projects of national importance, budgetary / balance of payment support, earthquake & floods, rehabilitation assistance and import of urea & crude oil. Another purpose is to build external buffers to protect against exchange rate volatility and absorb external shocks.

(c) Domestic debt is perpetual in nature and mostly refinanced year on year. Most of the external loans contracted by the present government are not only economical but are also dominated by long term funding and are used to retire corresponding amount of expensive domestic borrowings. External loans are repaid through budgetary allocation based on amortization schedule of each loan.

Over the past three years, the government has been able to significantly reduce economic vulnerabilities and implemented various growth-supporting structural reforms which resulted in improvement in debt repayment capacity of the country as well as controlling expenditure as per the following details:

- Pakistan's economy continues to maintain its growth momentum above 4.0 percent for the 3rd year in a row with real GDP growing at 4.71 percent in 2015-16 which is the highest in eight years. Economic growth is projected to continue its upward acceleration on the back of growth, supporting structural reforms. Besides, CPEC related development projects in the areas of energy and infrastructure are expected to contribute an additional two percentage points in real GDP growth in the coming years;
- Government has successfully brought down the fiscal deficit from 8.2 percent of GDP in 2012-13 to 5.5 percent in 2013-14, 5.3 percent of GDP in 2014-15 and 4.6 percent in 2015-16. Government has set 3.8 percent fiscal deficit target for current fiscal year which will be further brought down to 3.5 percent of GDP by 2018-19;

- Despite repayments of foreign loans amounting over US\$ 12 billion by the present government which were obtained by the previous governments, the foreign exchange reserves are presently recorded at over US\$ 23 billion up from US\$ 11 billion as at end June, 2013;
- Government has strengthened tax administration, reduced tax concessions /exemptions and began implementing strategies to improve the business climate. Domestic resource mobilization strategy helped in achieving higher revenue growth and tax to GDP ratio in recent years. Tax to GDP ratio which was 9.8 percent of GDP in 2012-13 has been increased to 12.4 percent of GDP during 2015-16;
- Low inflation, low interest rate environment has enabled the government to further reduce cost of the domestic debt portfolio thus resulting in significant savings to the economy. Improved international ratings have enabled the government to borrow internationally at historically low levels thus further reducing the cost of external borrowing.
- The development budget has been gradually and adequately raised in order to meet the investment requirements of a growing economy. Federal PSDP gradually increased from Rs. 348.3 billion during 2012-13 to Rs.800 billion for 2016-17, showing a cumulative increase of over 129 percent;
- Credit to private sector, which was negative at Rs.19.2 billion in 2012-13, increased to Rs.460.6 billion in 2015-16. The expansion of credit to private sector helped in improving financial conditions of the corporate sector and a general uplift in business environment in the country;

Owing to these efforts, fiscal space is expected to be enhanced further which will reduce government borrowing requirements and augment repayment capacity.

173. ***Ms. Belum Hasnain:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:

- (a) *the steps taken by the present Government to decrease indirect taxes in the country since 01-01-2013; and*
- (b) *the names of indirect taxes enforced in the country at present alongwith the details thereof?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): (a) The Federal Government is focusing on meeting its revenue requirements through increase in direct taxes and the efforts of Federal Government are evident from the fact that %age of indirect taxes in net taxes collection which was at 61.09% in the year 2013-14 has come down to 60.09% in the year 2015-16. The following table illustrates effort of the Federal Government in this direction.

	Rs. In billion		
	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
(i) Net collection (all taxes)	2254.6	2589.90	3112.47
(ii) Direct Taxes collection	877.3	1033.7	1217.47
(iii) Indirect taxes collection	1377.3	1556.2	1895.00
(iv) %age of Direct Taxes	38.91%	39.99%	39.91%
(v) %age of Indirect Tax	61.09%	60.01%	60.09%

It is also worth mentioning that the major indirect tax in vogue in Pakistan is Sales Tax which is a tax on consumption and this tax has been structured in such a manner that the principle of equity is not compromised. Unprocessed food items, flour and Rice and medicines that constitute the major portion of consumption of poor household is exempted from Sales Tax and hence the burden is proportionately much higher on upper strata of the society. However, it has to be realized that due to resource constraints indirect taxes will continue to remain an important source of tax collection. Faced with a tax base far from the ideal, the Federal Government cannot resort to outright decrease/elimination of indirect taxes.

However, in order to reduce reliance on indirect taxes incidence of indirect taxes is being reduced on sectoral basis and during the budget 2016-17 rate of sales tax on urea fertilizer was reduced from 17% to 5% while pesticides were fully exempted from sales tax and rate of sales tax on tractors was also reduced to 5%. Similarly, computers and laptop were also exempted from sales tax.

Traditionally the Customs duty constituted a major component of overall revenue collected by the Federal Government . The share of Customs Duty, an indirect tax, has reduced from 19% to 13% from 2005-06 to 2015-16 indicating a shift towards direct taxation. The steps taken in this regard include,—

- (a) Reduction of maximum rate of Customs Duty from 30% to 20%, with the exception of Auto sector and Alcoholic Beverages.
- (b) Decrease in the number of Slabs from 7 to 4 *i.e.* 3%, 11%, 16% and 20%.
- (c) In the Budget 2015-16, out of total Rs. 238 billion budgetary revenue measures only Rs. 42 billion were Customs related in comparison with Rs. 142 billion Income Tax (Direct Taxes) measures.
- (d) Similarly, in budget 2016-17, the share of CD in budgetary measures was only Rs. 11.4 billion out of a total of more than Rs. 148 billion measures, while the share of Income Tax (Direct Tax) was Rs. 115.5 billion.
- (e) Moreover, in the budget 2016-17, Customs Duty on more than 2000 items was reduced from 5% to 3% to provide incentive and relief to the industrial sector of the country.

(b) Presently, three major indirect domestic taxes are being collected by the Federal Board of Revenue which are sales tax, a tax on sales/ supplies; Federal Excise Duty, a duty on production and sales tax on services in the Islamabad Capital Territory (Tax on Services) Ordinance, 2001 and Customs Duties imposed on the import of goods in the country. With the exclusion of tariff peaks on the import of Vehicles/Auto parts and alcoholic drinks, there are four general slabs as mentioned above and 20% is the highest CD rate. Moreover, 95% of imports of the country, in terms of value, fall in the CD rate ranging from 3% to 20%.

Details of collection of indirect taxes is as follows:

	<i>Rs. In billion</i>		
Collection	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16
(i) Sales Tax	994.6	1100	1301.7
(ii) Federal Excise	135.1	170.6	185.0
(iii) Custom Duty	247.542	285.271	408.898

174. ***Ms. Shamas Un Nisa:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of indirect taxes imposed by the Government during the last five years; and*
- (b) whether it is a fact that tax collection is increasing in the country due to indirect taxation?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): (a) No new indirect tax has been imposed during the last five years. Major indirect taxes in the domain of the Federal Board of Revenue are Customs Duties, Sales Tax and Federal Excise Duty and only rates of duties and taxes have been rationalized. Moreover, exemptions and zero-rating available under the Sales Tax Act, 1990 have been withdrawn particularly during the last three years in pursuance of policy of the Federal Government to minimize exemptions. It may be noted that dairy products sold in retail packing under a brand name have been subjected to reduced rate of 10%.

The only indirect tax that may be treated as imposed during the past five years is further tax under section 3(1A) of the Sales Tax Act, 1990 which currently is leviable at the 2% on sales to unregistered persons and rationale behind imposition of further tax is to promote documentation of the economy and expand tax base of sales tax registered persons. Section 3(1A) pertaining to levy of further tax was omitted through Finance Act, 2004 but has been reintroduced through Finance Act, 2013. Besides further tax, extra tax @ 5% has also been imposed on industrial and commercial consumers of gas and electricity where monthly gas/electricity bills exceeds Rs. 15,000. Rationale behind imposition of extra tax is also to promote sales tax registration.

(b) It is submitted that collection of Federal Board of Revenue has been registering a worthwhile growth and both the direct taxes and indirect taxes are contributing in the growth. This is evident from the following table:

Rs. In billion

	2011-12	2015-16
Total collection	1882.7	3112.4
Direct taxes	738.4	1217.47
%age share of direct taxes	39.22%	39.11%
Indirect taxes	1144.3	1895
%age share of indirect taxes	60.78%	60.89%

Government, being cognisant of the regressive nature of indirect taxes, has taken various steps for reduction of indirect taxes, including Customs Duty, in the country. With the exception of Auto Sector and Alcoholic beverages, the highest rate of CD has been reduced from 30% to 20% in the last three years. The number of Slabs has also been cut down from 7 to 4 *i.e.* 3%, 11%, 16% and 20%.

It is not correct that tax collection in the country is increasing due to indirect taxes as the share of direct taxes is increasing while the share of indirect taxes like Customs Duty is on the decline. The share of direct taxes in the last ten years has increased from 31.5% in 2005-6 to 39% in 2015-16. Similarly, the share of Customs Duty, an indirect tax, has reduced from 19% to 13% in the same period, indicating a shift towards direct taxation.

The actual reason for increase in collection of customs duty over couple of years is improvement in application of customs laws and phased withdrawal of excessive and economically unjustified exemption regime. Due to these measures those segments of industrial and commercial sectors which were not contributing their fair share in the tax revenue are being made to contribute in the revenue collection.

175. ***Sayed Essa Nori:**

Will the Minister for Planning, Development and Reform be pleased to state the total number of local persons recruited in the Security Force established/constituted under the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor?

Reply not received.

176. ***Sheikh Salahuddin:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state the steps being taken by the Government to eliminate double taxation in the country?

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): Income Tax is a tax on person's income and is leviable on taxable income. Similarly Sales Tax is a tax on sales of goods. Both these taxes are leviable under the existing provision of Income Tax Ordinance, 2001, and Sales Tax Act, 1990, respectively.

The double taxation on income (Income Tax) and transaction (Sales Tax) arises when it is levied twice on same income or transaction by the same jurisdiction or the tax on same income or transaction is levied by two jurisdictions simultaneously.

There is no double taxation on income in Pakistan. Similarly there is no double taxation in respect of Sales Tax. FBR levies Sales Tax on goods whereas provinces levy Sales Tax on services. In respect of double taxation on income by two jurisdictions, again foreign tax credit can be claimed under section 103 of Income Tax Ordinance, 2001, which eliminates double taxation. If the honourable Member has some specific query, it might be intimated to the FBR.

177. ***Ms. Shakila Luqman:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of programmes launched under the Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP) for women specially in Balochistan/Tribal Areas/FATA during last three years till date;*
- (b) the year-wise total number of advertisements of BISP given on TV Channels and newspapers during the said period; and*
- (c) the year-wise total expenditures incurred thereupon during the said period?*

Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar): (a) No programme has been launched under BISP *specially in Balochistan/ Tribal Areas/FATA during last three years till date;*

(b) No advertisement was given to TV Channels. However, some public service messages were telecast by TV Channels free of cost. Detail of year wise advertisements, placed in newspapers on account of recruitment and procurement etc. is as under:—

Financial Year	Number of Ads
2013-14	16
2014-15	16
2015-16	17
Total =	49

(c) Year wise expenditure on the above mentioned advertisements placed in News Papers is given below:—

Financial Year	Expenditure on Advertisement (PKR million)
2013-14	3.08
2014-15	0.61
2015-16	1.52
Total =	5.21

178. ***Ms. Musarat Rafique Mahesar:**

Will the Minister for Planning, Development and Reform be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to enhance the capability of Public Sector; if so, the details; if not, the reasons thereof?

Minister for Planning, Development and Reform (Mr. Ahsan Iqbal):

The Government is committed to enhance the capabilities of public sector by reforming Civil Service. A comprehensive reform agenda for civil service reform has been initiated by the Ministry of Planning, Development and Reform, which will be finalized with stakeholders buy-in and participation.

To actualize the objectives of Pakistan Vision 2025, following initiatives are being undertaken to modernize policy making and improve service delivery of

the public sector. These initiatives will enhance the capabilities of public sector to deliver more effectively

- To encourage participation of youth in national mainstream especially from less privileged regions, upper age limit of CSS Examination, 2017 onwards has been increased from 28 years to 30 years.
- Mandatory service-specific training regime is being overhauled and reviewed.
- ToRs to conduct Training Need Assessment (TNA) on specific trainings needs and to identify gaps in the existing training regime have been prepared.
- A Training Need Assessment (TNA) for enhancing capabilities of officers/officials of Federal Ministries/Divisions has been conducted by a third party to design short-term training courses which is expected to improving service delivery.
- On the basis of TNA, training modules for conducting Executive Leadership Management Course (ELMC) a five days training program to train 1000 senior civil servants has been prepared.
- A Government to Government talent exchange program is being initiated that will enable the foreign partner countries exchange their best talent with each other.
- The recruitment process of civil service is being calibrated against international best practice. Proposals for the creation of new cadres and cluster based competitive examination have been prepared to promote specialization in civil services. These proposals have been discussed with the stakeholders.
- Accountability will be enforced through calibration of ACR, ranking, career development plans and PER form for officers in BPS-17&18 has been revised on the basis of objective criteria by the Establishment Division.
- A committee has been constituted by the Prime Minister of Pakistan to prepare objective and transparent criteria for Performance-based Remuneration.

- To promote effectiveness of public service delivery, restructuring of government organizations is under process. Initial work on redundant organization has already been undertaken.

179. ***Ms. Aisha Syed:**

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:

- (a) the percentage of drug addicts among Pakistanis at present; and*
- (b) the facilities available for their treatment?*

Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control (Ch. Nisar Ali Khan):

(a) The details of percentage of drug addicts among Pakistanis at present is attached as Annex-A.

(b) The facilities available for their treatment are attached as **Annex-B**.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

ISLAMABAD:
The 2nd Febraury, 2017

ABDULJABBARALI,
Secretary.

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

“UNSTARRED QUESTIONS AND THEIR REPLIES”

For Friday, the 3rd February, 2017

117. **Dr. Shazia Sobia:**
(Deferred during 28th Session)

Will the Minister In-charge of the Prime Minister’s Offices be pleased to state the average per day expenses of the Prime Minister’s House during the last two years?

Reply not received.

27. **Ms. Musarat Rafique Mahesar:**
(Deferred during 29th Session)

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state the details of land regained in the rural areas of Islamabad by the Ministry during the tenure of the present Government?

Reply not received.

34. **Mr. Ramesh Lal:**
(Deferred during 29th Session)

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state the names and father names of those persons to whom licences of beer and wine have been issued in Islamabad Capital Territory since 01-01-2013 alongwith the details thereof?

Reply not received.

22. **Mian Abdul Manan:**
(Deferred during 36th Session)

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to refer to the Starred Question No.15 replied on 02-09-2016 and to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that none of the hotels in Islamabad is following by One Dish System in marriage functions;*
- (b) *whether ban has been imposed by the present Government on any hotel in Islamabad so far; and*
- (c) *the details of hotels penalized by the Government during the period from 01-01-2016 to 30-06-2016 alongwith the dates of inspections made therefor?*

Reply not received.

57. **Mr. Murad Saeed:**
(Deferred during 37th Session)

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:

- (a) *the total number of staff/employees deputed for the cleanliness of Street No.52, Sector G-10/3, Islamabad;*
- (b) *the time by which said employees clean the said street;*
- (c) *the total salaries paid to said employees during the year 2015-16 till date;*
- (d) *the total number of employees/workers deputed for the maintenance, cleanliness and cutting of grass/weeds during the said period alongwith the details thereof separately;*
- (e) *the time by which the said street will be cleaned; and*

(f) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to depute permanent staff to clean the said street; if not, the reasons thereof?*

Reply not received.

3. **Ms. Shamas Un Nisa:**
(Deferred on 26-01-2017)

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state the names of Paramilitary forces working in the country at present alongwith funds allocated therefor during the year 2016-17 separately?

Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control (Ch. Nisar Ali Khan): At present, following seven Paramilitary forces are working under Ministry of Interior:—

- i. Frontier Corps (KP)
- ii. Frontier Corps (Balochistan)
- iii. Pakistan Rangers (Punjab)
- iv. Pakistan Rangers (Sindh)
- v. Frontier Constabulary (KP)
- vi. Pakistan Coast Guards
- vii. Gilgit Baltistan Scouts

2. Detail of funds provided to Civil Armed Forces in **2016-17** is placed as “**Annex-I**” & “**Annex-II**”

Annex-I**REGULAR BUDGET FOR CIVIL ARMED FORCES FOR THE
YEAR 2016-17****(Rs in thousand)**

Name of CAF	Total Regular Budget 2016-17
Frontier Corps KP, Peshawar	26,200,335
Frontier Corps Balochistan, Quetta	23,053,625
Gilgit Baltistan Scouts	1,140,135
Frontier Constabulary, Peshawar	7,947,775
Pakistan Coast Guards	1,750,731
Pakistan Rangers (Punjab)	9,090,007
Pakistan Rangers(Sindh)	11,514,306
Total:—	80,696,914

Annex-II**DEVELOPMENT BUDGET FOR CIVIL ARMED FORCES FOR THE
YEAR 2016-17****(Rs. In Million)**

Sr.#	Name of CAF	Total Development Budget 2016-17
1.	Punjab Rangers	1405.097
2.	Sindh Rangers	1261.710
3.	Frontier Constabulary, Peshawar	250.810
4.	FC Balochistan	1587.460
5.	FC KPK	2060.517
6.	Gilgit Baltistan Scouts	143.834
7.	Pakistan Coast Guards	0.000
	Total	6709.428

In the CFY, 29 X Additional Wings have been approved to be raised to secure the Western Border. The allocation of development funds for new raising is as under:

Rs. In Billion			
Sr. No.	Name of the CAF	Approved Nos of Wings to be Raised	Funds allocated by Finance Division
1.	FC Balochistan	15	6.086
2.	FC KPK	14	5.459
Total		29	11.545

38. Ms. Shamas Un Nisa:

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state whether the Federal Government has issued directions to the Provincial Governments for controlling price hike in the country, if so, the details thereof ?

Reply not received.

39. Mr. Muhammad Muzammil Qureshi:

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the false claims made and advertisements given by the Cabinet Division Employees Cooperative Housing Society (CDECHS) regarding the availability of facilities of Electricity and Gas to mislead the purchasers of plots in the said Society;*
- (b) if the answer to part (a) above is in the affirmative, whether the Registrar Office being a regulator has taken notice thereon; if not, whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to make the society accountable for said misleading/false advertisements/claims at the earliest; and*
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?*

Reply not received.

40. **Ms. Shagufta Jumani:**

Will the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Ministry has closed liaison with the Provincial Governments to control prices of essential commodities in the country; if so, the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Reply not received.

41. **Ms. Shagufta Jumani:**

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state whether it is a fact that some seminaries/madrassas in the country are receiving financial and other support like training of clerics, teachers and curriculum development from some foreign islamic countries, if so, the details thereof?

Reply not received.

42. **Shazia Marri:**

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether the hair dressers/experts do hair cut in unhygienic ways and without proper utilization of clean water and sterilizers in saloons/beauty parlours/shops in various markets in Islamabad;*
- (b) *the prescribed method for utilization of sterilizers for said purpose;*
- (c) *whether water is not available in said shops/saloons/beauty parlours at present;*
- (d) *the total number of dressers available in each market in Islamabad at present alongwith the details thereof;*
- (e) *whether law has been made by the Government therefor; if so, since when;*
- (f) *the charges/rates of hair dressers in Islamabad at present;*
- (g) *the prescribed penalties for cutting hair in unhygienic ways; and*
- (h) *the amount of penalties charged by the Administration from 01-01-2016 to 30-06-2016 alongwith details thereof?*

Reply not received.

43. **Ms. Shamas Un Nisa:**

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:

- (a) *the details of cases of privatization of public sector enterprises/entities investigated by the FIA since 01-01-2013 alongwith the findings of investigations thereof; and*
- (b) *the action taken by the Government in the light of said findings separately?*

Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control (Ch. Nisar Ali Khan):

(a) No case of privatization of public sector enterprises/entities has been investigated by FIA.

(b) Nil.

44. **Mr. Muhammad Muzammil Qureshi:**

Will the Minister for Interior and Narcotics Control be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that a CNIC No.42101-7960883-8 was sent by the Awami Markaz, Office of NADRA, Karachi for clearance to NADRA Head Office, Islamabad in January, 2016;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the NADRA Head Office has failed to clear the same and sent it back to Karachi for taking relevant information from concerned office;*
- (c) *if the answers to part (a) and (b) are in the affirmative, the steps being taken by the Government to address the said issue at the earliest?*

Reply not received.

ISLAMABAD:
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ABDUL JABBAR ALI,
Secretary.