

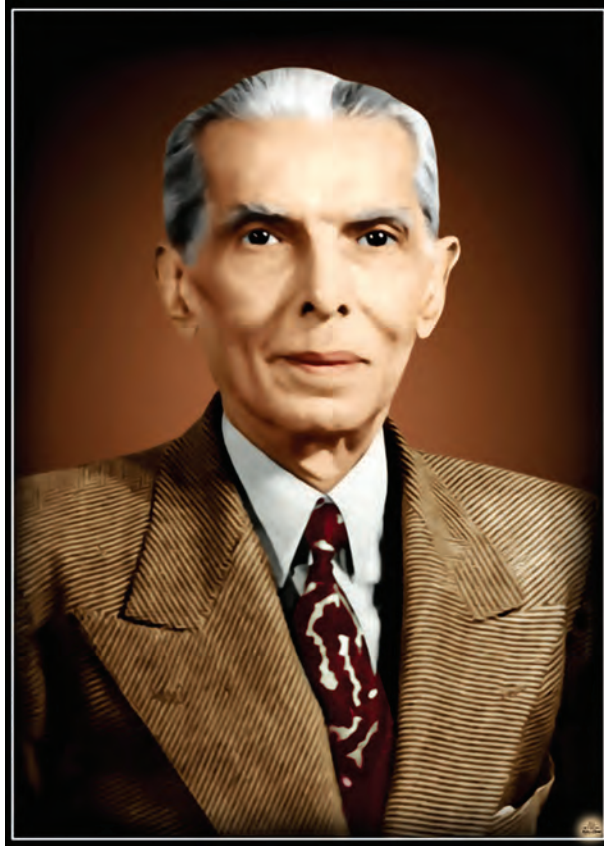


14TH NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PAKISTAN

ANNUAL REPORT

4TH PARLIAMENTARY YEAR, 2016-17

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF PAKISTAN



The first and the foremost thing that I would like to emphasize is this --remember that you are now a Sovereign Legislative body and you have got all the powers. It, therefore, places on you the gravest responsibility as to how you should take your decisions.

Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah

(Presidential Address to the Constituent Assembly of Pakistan on 11th August, 1947.)



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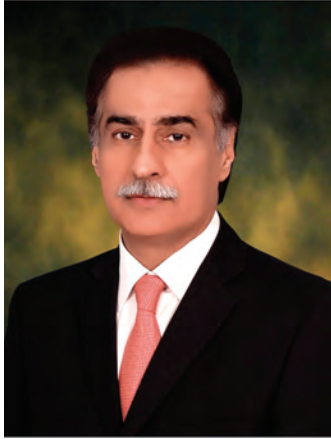
AJK	Azad Jammu and Kashmir	IPU	Inter-Parliamentary Union
APA	Asian Parliamentary Assembly	KESC	Karachi Electric Supplier Company
BOG	Board of Governors	KPIs	Key Performance Indicators
CANs	Calling Attention Notices	KPK	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
CARs	Central Asian Republics	LDC	Legislative Drafting Council
CPA	Commonwealth Parliamentary Association	MLA	Member of Legislative Assembly
CPC	Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference	MNA	Member of National Assembly
CPEC	China-Pakistan Economic Corridor	NASP	National Assembly Strategic Plan
CSCR	Center for Strategic and Contemporary Research	NESPAK	National Engineering Services Pakistan
CSO	Civil Society Organization	NFC	National Finance Commission
CSPOC	Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth	NGO	Non Governmental Organization
CSTO	Collective Security Treaty Organization	NIM	National Institute of Management
CWP	Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians	NPMM	National Parliamentary Meeting on Malnutrition
DRI	Democracy Reporting International	OIC	Organization of Islamic Cooperation
DISCOS	Distribution Companies (Pakistan)	PAC	Public Accounts Committee
ECO	Economic Cooperation Organization	PAF	Pakistan Air Force
EU	European Union	PFGs	Parliamentary Friendship Groups
F & A	Finance and Accounts	PIPS	Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services
FATA	Federally Administered Tribal Areas	PMU	Project Management Unit
FDI	Forum for Dignity Initiatives	PRC	Parliamentary Resource Center
GBV	Gender Based Violence	PSDP	Public Sector Development Programme
GREF	Golden Ring Economic Forum	PUIC	Parliamentary Union of Islamic Countries
IMF	International Monetary Fund	SAARC	South Asian Association for Regional Cooperation
IOK	Indian Occupied Kashmir	STI	Secretariat Training Institute



SDPI	Sustainable Development Policy Institute	SYPC	SAARC Young Parliamentarian Conference
SPOC	Strategic Plan Oversight Committee	SDGs	Sustainable Development Goals
SRS	Software Requirement Specifications	WBG	World Bank Group
UK	United Kingdom	WFD	Westminster Foundation for Democracy
UN	United Nations	WPC	Women's Parliamentary Caucus
UNAOC	United Nations Alliance of Civilization	WTO	World Trade Organization
UNDP	United Nations Development Program	YPA	Young Parliamentary Associate
UNICEF	United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund		



Message from the Speaker



I am pleased to note the publication of the Annual Report of the National Assembly of Pakistan for the 4th Parliamentary Year. The Report illustrates landmark achievements during the year and provides a cursory review of Business of the House, Committees and Secretariat.

This report manifests a strong desire of the National Assembly to facilitate parliamentary openness, transparency and citizen's access to parliamentary information. During the 4th Parliamentary Year, the Members of National Assembly have sincerely endeavored to truly represent people's aspirations and meet their expectations. During the period under reference, the National Assembly demonstrated a resolve to reach out to minorities, women and children by legislating on Hindu Marriage, National Commission on the Rights of the Child, and amendment in the Criminal Law (Amendment) Offences in the Name or on pretext of Honor. Members' passionate participation and comprehensive deliberation on Electoral Reforms, FATA Reforms, and Prevention of Electronic Crimes remained hallmark engagements of the year.

As custodian of the House, I am determined to foster sustained, participatory and informed engagement between citizens and their elected representatives. I believe that such an engagement will facilitate the National Assembly to continue the legacy of reforms-driven public interest legislation and oversight in the coming years.

SARDAR AYAZ SADIQ

SPEAKER NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PAKISTAN



Message from the Secretary



Parliamentary openness forms the bedrock of informed parliamentary democracy. The National Assembly Secretariat is committed to enrich public understanding of the parliamentary proceedings. The periodic publication of the annual reports is intended to strengthen the engagement and bridge the gap between the people and the Parliament. The publication of this Annual Report is in line with Article 19-A of the Constitution of Pakistan, 1973 that acknowledges citizens' fundamental right to information.

The Annual Report for 4th Parliamentary Year (June 1st 2016, May 31st, 2017) of the 14th National Assembly is a sequel to the preceding annual report and constitutes a central component of the parliamentary outreach strategy of the National Assembly. During the 4th Parliamentary Year, the Business of the House witnessed an unprecedented surge accompanied by an unwavering support of the Secretariat. This Report highlights key accomplishments of the House, Committees and the Secretariat. The Report also shed light on new initiatives taken to enhance the performance of the Secretariat and subsequently advance the gains of democracy in Pakistan.

I take this opportunity to acknowledge the contributions of various branches of the Secretariat specifically the Research Center for its painstaking efforts towards compilation of this Report. The Report is based on the official data provided by various departments, branches and wings of the National Assembly Secretariat. The Secretariat has made every effort to ensure accuracy of information and any error or omission, therefore, is not deliberate.

JAWAD RAFIQUE MALIK
SECRETARY NATIONAL ASSEMBLY



YEAR IN FOCUS

EFFECTIVE OVERSIGHT

Parliamentary oversight is one of the core democratic roles of parliaments. During the 4th Parliamentary year, the National Assembly continued to exercise and strengthen its oversight role. Apart from robust monitoring of government on various matters of national interests, some of the landmark developments in Parliamentary oversight are as follows:

Parliamentary Committee on National Security: Consequent upon motions adopted by the National Assembly on 21st March 2017 and the Senate on 28th March, 2017 respectively, the Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq, in consultation with the Chairman Senate, constituted a 33-Member Parliamentary Committee on National Security, under chairmanship of the Speaker National Assembly, to discuss issues relating to National Security of urgent nature; to periodically review, monitor and oversee implementation of the National Action Plan with a view to ensuring its expeditious implementation; to monitor the process of transition from Military Courts to Civil Courts through criminal justice reforms and to present periodical reports of the Committee to both Houses of the Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament)

Senate's Representation in the Public Accounts Committee: In a quest to promote inclusion and representation of the Upper House of Pakistan's Parliament in oversight of the financial matters of the country, the Senate of Pakistan was accorded Representation in the Public Accounts Committee. Responding to Senate's consistent demand for representation in the Public Accounts Committee, on August 1st, 2016 the National Assembly of Pakistan amended National Assembly Rules to accord representation to Six Senators from all the Federating Units. Traditionally, the Public Committee Accounts Committee of the National Assembly scrutinized the Annual Report of the Auditor General while the Senate of Pakistan had no representation in the Public Accounts Committee.

Resolutions: The House passed scores of Resolutions dealing with significant public issues. Through Resolution#133 passed on June 22nd, 2016, the House expressed its concern over the escalation in violence against women and men on the pretext of honour. The House also urged Government to take steps to stop forced conversions of minority women followed by forced marriages. National Assembly urged the Government to take stern action against those who are involved and ensure the safety and security of the minorities. The House condemned the worsening condition of non-Muslim communities and showed concern over the shrinking social space for minorities. Similarly the House adopted resolutions to control unemployment, simplify the procedure of pension, establish Women University in each district and against blasphemous content on social media. Recognizing the legitimacy of the indigenous struggle of the Kashmiri people for the realization of their right to self determination in accordance with UN Security Council resolutions and international law, a Resolution was passed in the Joint sitting of the Parliament to strongly condemn the brutal use of force and pellet guns and deliberately targeting protestors by the Indian occupation forces in the Indian occupied Jammu and Kashmir, resulting in killing of more than 110 innocent people and severe injuries to more than 12,000 with many in critical condition.



Calling Attention Notices (CANs): The Members National Assembly submitted 355 calling attention notices (CANs) out of which 87 were brought before the House and were discussed and responded by the concerned Ministers. A number of CANs dealt with governance issues such as adulteration in eatable items, demolition of slums, land grabbing and mushroom growth of illegal housing societies in Islamabad. Most of the CANs inquired regarding availability of sub-standard/spurious medicines at Medical Stores, costly lifesaving drugs, shortage of medicines and increased use of drugs in schools and colleges

PUBLIC INTEREST LEGISLATION

During the 4th Parliamentary Year, the National Assembly demonstrated a firm commitment to pursue public interest legislation. The House witnessed introduction of 37 Government Bills, 49 Private Members' Bills and 5 Ordinances. The National Assembly passed 16 Government Bills, 09 Private Members and 5 Ordinances. Two of the Private Members Bills were passed in Joint Sittings. The Legislation introduced and passed during the 4th Parliamentary Year include some landmark legislation given as follows:

The Criminal Law (Amendment) Offences in the Name or on pretext of Honor Act 2016: The Act, in principle, directs judges to sentence someone accused of an honour-killing to a life-term in prison, whether the victim's immediate family forgives the culprit or not. The legislation on honor killings has introduced strict punishment for the convicts making it tougher than the ordinary murder cases. Under the new law the convict in honor killing cases will have to face 25 years life imprisonment even if the relatives of the victims reach an agreement with the convict and pardon him or her.

The Hindu Marriage Act, 2017: The Hindu Marriage Act, 2017 was a much-awaited landmark Legislation to regulate marriages of Hindus in Pakistan. The Hindu Marriage Act 2017, which is the first elaborate Hindu community's personal law, will protect Hindus matrimonial rights. The bill is widely acceptable to Hindus living in Pakistan because it relates to marriage, registration of marriage, separation and remarriage, with the minimum age of marriage set at 18 years for both boys and girls. The Act would enable Hindu women to get documentary proof of their marriage.

The Pakistan Climate Change Act, 2017: The Pakistan Climate Change Act, 2017 establishes a policy-making Climate Change Council, along with a Climate Change Authority and Climate Change Fund to prepare and supervise the implementation of projects to help Pakistan adapt to climate impacts and hold the line on climate-changing emissions.

The Council will be a decision-making body chaired by either the Prime Minister or a person nominated by him. The government will appoint Federal and Provincial ministers, Chief Ministers and Chief Secretaries as members of the Council. Other members of the body will be scientists and researchers, representatives of business and industry, and experts from non-governmental organizations concerned with climate change.

The Climate Change Authority will be an autonomous government department, housed in Islamabad and led by scientists, academics, industrialists, agriculturalists and serving and retired government servants, with a chairperson appointed by the Prime Minister. It will formulate adaptation and mitigation policies and projects designed to meet Pakistan's obligations under international climate accords like the recent Paris Agreement. Projects are to be implemented by the provinces. The



Climate Change Fund will support adaptation and mitigation schemes, and other measures including research.

PRO-ACTIVE PARLIAMENTARY DIPLOMACY:

Kashmir Issue: Speakers' Letters To 196 Parliaments: The Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq sent letters to the Speakers of 196 Parliaments to highlight the rampant, unending and gross human rights abuse in Indian Occupied Kashmir and to garner diplomatic and political support for the freedom struggle of Kashmiri people. It must be remembered that last year the Speaker pulled back Pakistan from hosting 61st Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference as its chosen President when India agitated for extending invitation to Assembly of Indian Occupied Kashmir. The Speaker National Assembly stood firm on Pakistan's principle stance on Kashmir and highlighted that Parliament of Pakistan cannot issue an invitation to the Indian Occupied Jammu & Kashmir Assembly to attend the Conference, as it would be in violation of the UNSC Resolutions. The Speaker highlighted that Pakistan's principled stance on Kashmir was more important than hosting Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference.

International Parliamentarians' Seminar on Kashmir (IPSK): An unprecedented two-day International Parliamentary Seminar on Kashmir organized by Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF), National Assembly of Pakistan under the patronage of the Hon'ble Speaker Sardar Ayaz Sadiq was held, on January 5 - 6, 2017. It was for the first time that the Parliament of Pakistan hosted an international meet to delve upon the imperative issue of right of self-determination of people of Kashmir.

The event analyzed the plight of people of Indian occupied Kashmir (IOK) & issues regarding Indian brutalities since the rise of the new wave of self-determination after the martyrdom of Burhan Wani in July 2016. Various dignitaries comprising around 20 International Member Parliaments and experts from European Parliament, UK, Canada and North America, in addition to 400 national delegates comprising Members Parliament of Pakistan, academia, social scientists, think tanks, international reporters and students, participated in the Seminar. Pakistan Institute of Parliamentary Services (PIPS), Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Kashmir Affairs & Gilgit-Baltistan as well as the government of Azad Jammu Kashmir were collaborating with the Parliament of Pakistan to convene this seminar on 5th & 6th of January 2017. Honorable Prime Minister of Pakistan Mian Mohammad Nawaz Sharif inaugurated the seminar.

The International Parliamentary Seminar provided a platform which highlighted three primary aspects of the issue; firstly, solution of Kashmir is imperative as it has become a clear issue of humanitarian crisis with thousands killed of mass blinding, mass-graves and half-widows staring in the eyes of humanity to give them their just right of freedom. Secondly, Kashmir is a disputed territory as per UNSC resolution and a nuclear flashpoint that remains to threaten peace and security of South Asia, the most populated region of the world. Finally it is totally an indigenous and peaceful struggle of people of Indian Occupied Kashmir that the world community needs to recognize and respond to their just movement of right of self-determination.

Turkish President's Address to Joint Session of Pakistan's Parliament: Turkish President Hon'ble Recep Tayyip Erdogan addressed joint session of Pakistan's Parliament on 17th November, 2016.



He was the ninth world leader to address Pakistan's parliament and the first foreign dignitary to address the Joint Session thrice. Previously, he addressed Joint Session of the Parliament of Pakistan in October 2009 & May 2012.

He highlighted that Pakistan and Turkey are friendly nations and said both countries had strengthened bilateral ties in recent years. Extending Turkey's support for Kashmir cause, the Turkish President remarked that the Kashmir issue holds a special place in our hearts. We are familiar with the perils the Kashmiris face".

Parliament of Pakistan as CPA Asia Region Secretariat: The Parliament of Pakistan became the Secretariat of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) Asia Region for a period of 3 years. Moreover, Dr. Fehmida Mirza, MNA was elected as a Member of the CPA International Executive Committee for a period of 3 years. The Constitution of the CPA vests in the Executive Committee the control and management of the activities and business of the Association.

International Conference on Role of Women Parliamentarians in strengthening Democracy and Social justice. : Women's Parliamentary Caucus (WPC) organized an international conference on 'Role of Women Parliamentarians in Strengthening Democracy and Social Justice' on March 13 – 15, 2017 in Islamabad. The international conference aimed at providing a platform for discussing how a social contract in the societies during crisis can be renewed and how women Parliamentarian networks can build alliances to support the oversight, legislative and representative role to achieve this.

The international conference organized by the Women Parliamentary Caucus of Pakistan included delegates from 14 countries; Maldives, Sri Lanka, Turkey, Iraq, Iran, Jordan, Australia, Romania, Kyrgyzstan, Nepal, Myanmar, Indonesia & Pakistan. The conference spanning over three (3) days, divided into five (5) plenary sessions followed by six (6) thematic debates. The sessions were designed in a manner that they addressed all relevant concerns by identifying grey areas, hurdles and recommending a way forward regarding women empowerment and their role in parliamentary functioning.

First SAARC Young Parliamentarians Conference (SYPC) On Peace & Harmony For Development: Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) was a partner in the First SAARC Young Parliamentarians Conference (SYPC) with National Assembly of Pakistan and the Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS). Around 50 Members of Parliament from Afghanistan, Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, Maldives, Nepal and Sri Lanka and over 30 members of the Parliament of Pakistan attended the conference. Hon'ble Speaker inaugurated the SYPC. Diverse themes such as peace and development, human rights, sustainable development, regional trade, cultural diplomacy, youth issues and social inclusion were discussed in two days conference. Initiative laid the foundations of strong inter-parliamentary linkages across South Asia to setup a network that can help develop into a continued platform, nurture regional interaction, support democratic norms and build a coalition for sustained dialogue and peaceful cooperation and also bridged the gap between the future leaders of South Asia.

ENHANCING INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT

Democracy Monument at Parliament House: Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq and



Chairman Senate Mian Raza Rabbani inaugurated a monument in the lawn of Parliament House in remembrance of unsung and unnamed heroes of democracy. The monument is intended to acknowledge the sacrifices rendered by unnamed heroes for restoration and consolidation of democracy, rule of law and constitutionalism. The leaders of both houses decided that all visiting foreign dignitaries coming to Parliament House will first be taken to the monument and will place a wreath on it. The monument was completed in one and a half month by four artists from Lok Virsa along with Capital Development Authority staff.

Parliament gets first 'Infant Day Care Center': The National Assembly Secretariat established the first ever 'Infant Day Care Center' to facilitate women working at the Secretariat. The Center, established with the generous support of the United Nations Children's Education Fund (UNICEF) in collaboration with the Ministry of National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination is intended to facilitate mothers who want to have their children properly looked after while they are working in the parliament.

Strengthening of Legislative Drafting Council: In line with the National Assembly Strategic Plan to strengthen all aspects of legislation so that it is made effective in reflecting public interest and accountability of the government; the National Assembly strengthened and expanded the Legislative Drafting Council. The Legislative Drafting council reviews inputs on Legislation and Legislative amendments from stakeholders outside the Parliament such as academia, think-tanks, civil society organizations and general public. The Council facilitates Committees and Members in reviewing, drafting and scrutinizing legislation (Private Members Bills). During the year, LDC drafted 20 legislative proposals, vetted 165 Reports of the Committees and 88 Bills referred by the Legislation Wing of the National Assembly Secretariat.

Digitization of National Assembly Debates and Acts of the Parliament: In a bid to promote citizen's access to Parliamentary Debates and information, the Automation Center has digitized all the debates of the National Assembly from 1947 to the present day. Similarly, the Automation Center has started digitizing of all Acts of Parliaments from 1947 to present. The digitization of the Acts of Parliament has completed from 1985 to date, and remaining are under process.

Parliamentary Studies Program Training Of Trainers (ToT): A three day national program titled "Parliamentary Studies Program Training Of Trainers (TOT) was organized at PIPS in the backdrop of declaration signed on February 9, 2015 by Vice Chancellors of 25 universities under the guidance of Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly of Islamic Republic of Pakistan to introduce Parliamentary Studies as a new discipline in universities. 36 faculty members and academia from 22 reputed institutions from all over Pakistan, who are either working on the program or planning to introduce the parliamentary studies program in their respective institutions, attended this workshop. The occasion was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Speaker, National Assembly on March 20, 2017 while the Hon'ble Chairman Senate of Pakistan, Senator Mian Raza Rabbani also graced the occasion.

One Intern Each for Member of National Assembly: In January 2017, the Project Management Unit of the National Assembly Secretariat launched an exclusive internship program, in collaboration with the Prime Minister's Youth Training Scheme. The aim of this program is to provide the successful



interns with the opportunity to work with the legislators of their respective constituencies and render support to the Hon'ble Members in pursuance of their parliamentary responsibilities. Hence the program aimed at providing one intern each for the 342 Members of National Assembly. The recruitment process for this had been conducted by the Prime Minister Youth Training Scheme and appointments were made by fulfilling the criteria of a) merit and b) close proximity of the selected intern's residence to the Hon'ble MNA's constituency. Currently, 198 interns are actively serving their supervising Members. Project Management Unit (PMU) is working closely with the Prime Minister Office to monitor the program.



Statistical Summary of Performance of the National Assembly of Pakistan during the 4th Parliamentary Year

S.No	Indicators	Number
Sittings of the House		
1	Number of Sessions	11
2	Number of Sitting days	133
3	Number of Hours	263.07
4	Average length of a Session day	1 h:58 m
Legislation		
5	Government Bills introduced	36
6	Government Bills Passed	15
7	Private Members' Bills introduced in the National Assembly	49
8	Private Members' Bills transmitted from Senate	10
9	Total Private Members Bills Passed by Parliament	03
10	Private Members' Bills Passed by National Assembly	09
11	Private Members' Bills Passed (in Joint Sitting)	02
12	Acts of the Parliament	42
Motions/Resolutions/Questions/CANs		
13	Questions Received	7802
14	Questions Admitted	3602
15	Resolution Received	1174
16	Resolutions Passed	40
17	Calling Attention Notices Submitted	355
18	Statements made in response to calling attention Notices	87
19	Questions of Privilege received	70
20	Questions of Privilege under process	25
21	Adjournment Motions received	131
22	Adjournment Motions converted into Motion under Rule 259	05
23	Drafts of Motions under Rule 259 received	994
24	Statements made in the House in response to Motions under Rule 259	01
Committees		
25	Number of Ministerial Standing Committees	31
26	Meetings of Standing Committees	280
27	Number of Sub-Committees	24
28	Number of Non-Ministerial Standing Committees	06
29	Number of Special Committees	01
30	Number of Parliamentary Committees	10
31	Total number of Bills Referred to Committees	86



32	Reports Finalized by Ministerial Standing Committees	57
33	Reports by the Ministerial Standing Committees laid before the House	28
34	Meetings of Public Accounts Committee	78
35	Sub-Committees of Public Accounts Committee	04
35	Meetings of Sub-Committees of Public Accounts Committee	45

BUSINESS IN THE HOUSE





BUSINESS IN THE HOUSE

LEGISLATIVE PERFORMANCE

The 14th National Assembly sworn in on June 1st, 2013, sustained enhanced performance of the House in terms of its Business in the 4th Parliamentary Year. The Assembly remained in session for one hundred and thirty three days (133) spreading over 11 sessions including 03 Joint Sessions. During the 4th Parliamentary Year, the National Assembly passed 16 Government Bills, 11 Private Members' Bills and 4 Ordinances on a wide range of subjects of national importance. The House witnessed the passage of historic and much awaited legislation on women, children, human rights and cyber crime. The 28th Constitutional Amendment and Pakistan Army (Amendment) Act, 2017 revived the Military Courts for trying suspects belonging to any terrorist group and misusing the name of religion or sect. The government showed less reliance on legislating through ordinances as only five ordinances was laid in the National Assembly during 4th parliamentary year.

A. WORKING DAYS

TABLE-A: WORKING DAYS				
Indicator	2008-13 (Average)	2013-14	2015-16	2016-17
Working Days	133.2	131	131	133
Sessions	10	11	10	11

Table-A reflects the performance of the 14th National Assembly in terms of Working Days. The House met for 133 days from 1st June 2016 to 30th April 2017. The 14th National Assembly held 11 sessions during the 4th Parliamentary Year as compared to 10 sessions held in the 3rd Parliamentary Year.

B. WORKING HOURS

TABLE-B: WORKING HOURS				
Indicator	2008-13 (Average)	2013-14	2015-16	2016-17
Working Hours	282.25	322.10	304	263.07

Table-B shows that the House deliberated for 263.07 hours during the 4th parliamentary year.

C. GOVERNMENT BILLS¹

Table C summarizes the Legislative Business of the House. During the 4th Parliamentary Year, 36 Government Bills were introduced out of which 15 will passed in the same year.

¹Bills Introduced by a Minister and passed by simple majority.



TABLE-C: LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS OF THE HOUSE

Bills Type	No. of Bills
Government Bill Introduced	36
Government Bills Passed	15
Private Members' Bills Introduced in the National Assembly	49
Private Members' Bills Transmitted from Senate	10
Private Members' Bills Passed by National Assembly	09
Private Members' Bills Passed in Joint Sitting	02
Ordinances Introduced	05
Ordinances Passed	04

36 Government Bills laid in the National Assembly during the 4th Parliamentary Year

The government bills focused on constitutional amendments, notable amongst such Bills was the 22nd constitutional amendment which changed the procedure for the appointment, qualifications and other prerequisites for the Chief Election Commissioner and members of the Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP) and the Constitution (Twenty-eighth Amendment) Bill, 2017 for revival of the Military Courts for another two years. The Pakistan Climate Change Bill, 2016 was a much awaited legislation to shape Pakistan priorities and policies to counter the effect of climate change and global warming.

TABLE-D: GOVERNMENT BILLS/ORDINANCES INTRODUCED/LAID PASSED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

S.No.	Short title of the Bill	Introduced on	Report of Standing Committee presented on	Passed on	Remarks
33RD SESSION, 2016					
1	The Finance Bill, 2016	03-06-2016		22-06-2016	XXIX of 2016 Assented on 24-06-2016
2	The Illegal Dispossession (Amendment) Bill, 2016	14-06-2016	26-01-2017	01-02-2017	
3	The Marine Insurance Bill, 2016	14-06-2016	19-04-2017	17-05-2017	
4	The Pakistan National Accreditation Council Bill, 2016	14-06-2016	05-09-2016	23-11-2016	VI of 2017 Assented on 17-03-2017 Passed by Senate on 09-03-2017 without amendment



34 TH SESSION, 2016					
5	The Limited Liability Partnership Bill, 2016	03-08-2016	26-01-2017	01-02-2017	XV of 2017 Assented on 28-04-2017 Passed by Senate on 19-04-2017 without amendment
6	The Pakistan Council of Renewable Energy Technologies Bill, 2016	10-08-2016			
35 TH SESSION, 2016					
7	The Post Office (Amendment) Bill, 2016	02-09-2016	06-03-2017	10-03-2017	
8	The Pakistan Commission of Inquiry Bill, 2016	02-09-2016	21-11-2016	30-11-2016 Again passed on 22-03-2017	IX of 2017. Assented on 28-03-2017 Passed by Senate on 8-03-2017 with amendment
36 TH SESSION, 2016					
9	The Women in Distress and Detention Fund (Amendment) Bill, 2016	28-09-2016			
37 TH SESSION, 2016					
10	The Constitution (Twenty-fourth Amendment) Bill, 2016	18-11-2016	22-03-2017		
11	The Alternative Dispute Resolution Bill, 2016	18-11-2016	01-02-2017	03-02-2017 Again passed on 18-05-2017	Passed by Senate on 15-05-2017 with amendments
12	The Costs of Litigation Bill, 2016	18-11-2016	01-02-2017	02-02-2017	Passed by Senate on 15-05-2017 without amendment
13	The Pakistan Air Force (Amendment) Bill, 2016	28-11-2016	02-02-2017	06-02-2017	Passed by Senate on 15-05-2017 without amendment



14	The Pakistan Climate Change Bill, 2016	29-11-2016	20-12-2016	26-01-2017	X of 2017 Assented on 29-03-2017. Passed by Senate on 17-03-2017 without amendment
39TH SESSION, 2017					
15	The Constitution (Twenty-fifth Amendment) Bill, 2017	26-01-2017	22-03-2017		
16	The Compulsory Teaching of the Holy Quran Bill, 2017	26-01-2017	12-04-2017	19-04-2017	
17	The Apprenticeship Bill, 2017	01-02-2017			
18	The Pakistan Tobacco Board (Amendment) Bill, 2017	01-02-2017			
19	The Public Interest Disclosures Bill, 2017	01-02-2017			
20	The Rulers of Acceding States (Abolition of Privy Purses and Privileges) (Amendment) Bill, 2017	02-02-2017			
40TH SESSION, 2017					
21	The Constitution (Twenty-Sixth Amendment) Bill, 2017	08-03-2017			
22	The Constitution (Twenty-Seventh Amendment) Bill, 2017	08-03-2017	18-05-2017		
23	The Constitution (Twenty-third Amendment) Bill, 2017	10-03-2017	Without report	21-03-2017	XII of 2017 Assented on 30-03-2017 28-03-2017 without amendments Passed by Senate on



24	The Constitution (Twenty-Eighth Amendment) Act, 2017	10-03-2017			
25	The Pakistan Army Amendment) Bill, 2017	10-03-2017	Without report	21-03-2017	XI of 2017 Assented on 30-03-2017 Passed by Senate on 22-03-2017 without amendment
26	The Auditor-General's (Functions, Powers and Terms and Conditions of Service) (Amendment) Bill, 2017.	20-03-2017			
42ND SESSION, 2017					
27	The Constitution (Twenty-ninth Amendment) Bill, 2017	15-05-2017			
28	The Constitution (Thirtieth Amendment) Bill, 2017	15-05-2017			
29	The Tribal Areas Rewaj Bill, 2017	15-05-2017			
30	The Islamabad Capital Territory Child Protection Bill, 2017	15-05-2017			
31	The Investment Corporation of Pakistan (Repeal) Bill, 2017	15-05-2017			
32	The National Food Safety, Animal and Plant Health Regulator Authority Bill, 2017	15-05-2017			
33	The National Skill University Islamabad Bill, 2017	18-05-2017			



43 RD SESSION, 2017					
34	The Companies Bill, 2017	24-05-2017			
35	The Juvenile Justice System, Bill, 2017	24-05-2017			
36	The Finance Bill	26-05-2017			

D. Ordinances

A total of Five Ordinances were laid in the House during the 4th Parliamentary Year. Four of these Ordinances were passed by the National Assembly. The list of the aforementioned Ordinances is given as follows :

TABLE-E: LIST OF ORDINANCES INTRODUCED/PASSED

Short title of the Ordinance	Introduced on	Passed on	Remarks
The National Command Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (Ordinance No. I of 2016)	14-06-2016	05-09-2016 Passed by Senate on 22-12-2016 without amendment	LI of 2016 Assented on 29-12-2016
The Income Tax (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (Ordinance No. IV of 2016)	11-08-2016 Extended for 120 days on 28-11-2016	30-11-2016	XLIX of 2016 Assented on 02-12-2016
The Tax Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (Ordinance NO. V of 2016)	07-09-2016 Extended for 120 days on 28-11-2016		
The Companies Bill, 2016 (Ordinance No. VI of 2016)	18-11-2016	06-02-2017	Passed by Senate on 15-05-2017 with amendments
The National School of Public Policy (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (Ordinance No. 1 of 2017)	Introduced in Senate passed on 18-04-2017	17-05-2017	

E. PRIVATE MEMBERS BILLS²

The 4th Year of the 14th National Assembly witnessed introduction of 49 Private Members' Bills while ten Private Members' Bills were transmitted from the Senate. Out of 3 Private Members' Bills passed

²Introduced by any Member of the House and passed by simple majority



by Parliament, 02 were passed in Joint Sitting. The National Assembly passed 9 Private Members' Bills in the 4th Parliamentary year. The Private Members Bills passed in the Joint Sitting included: The Criminal Law (Amendment) (Offences Relating to Rape) Act, 2016 and The Criminal Law (Amendment) (Offences in the name or pretext of Honour) Act, 2016.

02 Private Members' Bills passed by Parliament in the Joint Sitting_

Under Rule 154 (7) If a Bill transmitted to the Senate is rejected or not passed within in 90 days of its laying in the Senate or is passed by the Senate with amendments but not passed by the Assembly with such amendment, any Minister in case of Government Bill, or in any other case, any member may after giving two days notice, move that the Bill be considered in the joint setting.

The Private Member agenda specifically focused on social issues including children and women rights, curbing extremisms, prevention of corruption, national accountability and health issues. Two major private member legislation passed in Joint Sittings were the The Anti-Honour Killings Laws (Criminal Laws Amendment) Bill, 2015, and The Anti-Rape Laws (Criminal Laws Amendment) Bill, 2015. Both of the Bills originated in Senate and were moved by Senator Senator Syeda Sughra Imam. Similarly, Private Members' Bills passed by National Assembly included 'The Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill, 2017' and 'The National Counter Terrorism Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2017' and the 'National Commission on the Status of Women (Amendment) Bill, 2016'. The National Commission on the Status of Women Bill, 2016 passed by the National Assembly and transmitted to Senate would ensure the election of new Chairperson of the National Commission on Status of Women within 30 days after the retirement of the incumbent head the existing law would give a clear time frame to the government to appoint a chairperson and make the commission more effective.

TABLE-F: PRIVATE MEMBERS BILLS PASSED IN JOINT SITTINGS

S.No.	Short title of the Bill	Introduced on	Report of Standing Committee presented on	Passed on	Remarks
1	The Criminal Law (Amendment) (Offences in the name or on the pretext of Honour) Act, 2016 The Anti-Honour Killings Laws (Criminal Laws Amendment) Act, 2015, (Senator Syeda Sughra Imam)	Introduced in the Senate and passed on 2-3-2015	Received in the Assembly on 3-3-2015 Referred to Joint Sitting Committee on 22-03-2016	Referred to the Standing Committee of N.A. on 28-04-2015 Referred to Joint Sitting on 05-10-2015.	XLIV of 2016 Assented on 19-10-2016 Passed in Joint Sitting on 06-10-2016 Returned to Senate on 04-09-2015. Not passed within 90 days



2	The Criminal Law (Amendment) (Offences relating to Rape) Act, 2016 The Anti-Rape Laws (Criminal Laws Amendment) Act, 2015. (Senator Syeda Sughra Imam)	Introduce in the Senate and passed on 2-3-2015 Referred to Joint Sitting Committee on 22-03-2016	Received in the Assembly on 3-3-2015 Report of Joint Sitting Committee presented on 11-04-2016	Referred to the Standing Committee of National Assembly on 28-04-2015 Referred to Joint Sitting on 05-10-2015.	XLIII of 2016 Assented on 19-10-2016 Passed in Joint Sitting on 06-10-2016 Returned to Senate on 04-09-2015. Not passed within 90 days
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TABLE-G : PRIVATE MEMBERS BILLS PASSED BY NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

S.No.	Short title of the Bill	Introduced on	Report of Standing Committee presented on	Passed on	Remarks
39TH SESSION,					
1	The National Commission on the Status of Women (Amendment) Bill, 2016. (Dr. Nikhat Shakeel Khan, MNA)	23-02-2016	31-01-2017	07-02-17	
2	The Compulsory Blood Test for Relatives of Thalassaemia Patients Bill, 2014 (Ms. Azra Fazal Pechuho, MNA)	06-05-2014	06-09-2016	07-02-17	
40TH SESSION					
3	The Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (Senator Nuzhat Sadiq) (Ms. Amra Khan, MNA)	Introduced in Senate. Passed on 13-02-17	Received in Assembly on 15-02-17	14-03-17	XIII of 2017 Assented on 30-03-2017
42ND SESSION					



4	The Senate Secretariat Services Bill, 2017 (Rana Muhammad Qasim Noon, MNA)	Introduced in Senate. Passed on 10-03-2017		16-05-17	
5	The Provincial Motor Vehicle (Amendment) Bill, 2015 (Dr. Nikhat Shakeel Khan, MNA)	Introduced in Senate. Passed on 09-03-2017	Received in Assembly on 10-03-2015	18-05-17	
6	The Witness Protection, Security and Benefit Bill, 2016 (Ms. Surriya Asghar, MNA)	Introduced in Senate. Passed on 18-01-2017	Received in Assembly on 19-01-2016	18-05-17	
7	The Land Acquisition (Amendment) Bill, 2016 (Ms. Surriya Asghar, MNA)	Introduced in Senate. Passed on 18-01-2016	Received in Assembly on 19-01-2016	18-05-17	
8	The Representation of the People (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (Dr. Azra Fazal Pechuho, MNA)	Introduced in Senate. Passed on 09-01-2017		18-05-17	
9	The National Counter Terrorism Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (Dr. Azra Fazal Pechuho, MNA)	Introduced in Senate. Passed on 09-01-2017		18-05-17	

TABLE-H: ACTS OF THE PARLIAMENT IN 4TH PARLIAMENTARY YEAR

S.No	Name of the Act	Date Passed On
1	The Limited Liability Partnership Act, 2017 (Act No.XV of 2017)	Friday, 28 th April, 2017
2	The Pakistan Army (Amendment) Act, 2017 (Act XI of 2017)	Thursday, 30 th March, 2017
3	The Constitution (Twenty-third Amendment) Act, 2017 (Act No.XII of 2017)	Thursday, 30 th March, 2017
4	The Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education (Amendment) Act, 2017 (Act No.XIII of 2017)	Thursday, 30 th March, 2017



5	The Pakistan Climate Change Act, 2017 (Act No.X of 2017)	Wednesday, 29 th March, 2017
6	The Public Private Partnership Authority Act, 2017 (Act No.VIII of 2017)	Monday, 27 th March, 2017
7	The Pakistan Commissions of Inquiry Act, 2017 (Act No.IX of 2017)	Monday, 27 th March, 2017
8	The Pakistan National Accreditation Council Act, 2017 (Act No.VI of 2017)	Friday, 17 th March, 2017
9	The Hindu Marriage Act, 2017 (Act No.VII of 2017)	Friday, 17 th March, 2017
10	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Act, 2017 (Act No. IV of 2017)	Tuesday, 14 th February, 2017
11	The Benami Transactions (Prohibition) Act, 2017 (Act No. V of 2017)	Tuesday, 14 th February, 2017
12	The Legal Practitioners and Bar Councils (Amendment) Act, 2017 (Act No. III of 2017)	Monday, 13 th February, 2017
13	The Companies (Appointment of Legal Advisers) (Amendment) Act, 2017 (Act No. II of 2017)	Thursday, 9 th February, 2017
14	The Central Law Officers (Amendment) Act, 2017 (Act No. I of 2017)	Friday, 3 rd February, 2017
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16	The National Command Authority (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act No.LI of 2016)	Thursday, 29 th December, 2016
17	The Income Tax (Fourth Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act No.XLIX of 2016)	Friday, 2 nd December, 2016
18	The Plant Breeders' Rights Act, 2016 (Act.No.L of 2016)	Friday, 2 nd December, 2016
19	The Islamabad High Court (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act No. XLVII of 2016)	Tuesday, 29 th November, 2016
20	The Pakistan Engineering Council (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act No. XLVI of 2016)	Tuesday, 29 th November, 2016
21	The Code of Civil Procedure (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act No.XLVIII of 2016)	Tuesday, 29 th November, 2016
22	The Special Economic Zones (Amendment) Act, 2016	Wednesday, 26 th October, 2016
23	The Criminal Law (Amendment) (Offences in the Name or on pretext of Honour) (Act XLIII of 2016)	Wednesday, 19 th October, 2016
24	The Criminal Law (Amendment) (Offences Relating to Rape) Act, 2016 (Act XLIV of 2016)	Wednesday, 19 th October, 2016
25	The Members of the Election Commission (Salary, Allowances, Perks and Privileges Act, 2016) (Act. XLII)	Friday, 19 th August, 2016



26	The Prevention of Electronic Crimes Act, 2016 (Act No.XL of 2016)	Thursday, 18 th August, 2016
27	The Banks (Nationalization) (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act. XLI)	Thursday, 18 th August, 2016
28	The Deposit Protection Corporation Act, 2016 (Act No.XXX-VII of 2016)	Friday, 12 th August, 2016
29	The Financial Institutions (Recovery of Finances) (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act. XXXVIII)	Friday, 12 th August, 2016
30	The Private Power and Infrastructure Board (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act.XXXIX)	Friday, 12 th August, 2016
31	The Securities and Exchange Commission of Pakistan (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act No. XXXVI of 2016)	Wednesday, 3 rd August, 2016
32	The Credit Bureaus (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act. XXXIV of 2016)	Wednesday, 27 th July, 2016
33	The Islamabad Capital Territory Local Government (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act.XXXV of 2016)	Wednesday, 27 th July, 2016
34	The Foreign Exchange Regulation (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act. XXXIII of 2016)	Monday, 25 th July, 2016
35	The Financial Institutions (Secured Transactions) Act, 2016	Tuesday, 28 th June, 2016
36	The National Energy Efficiency and Conservation Act, 2016 (Act No. XXX of 2016)	Tuesday, 28 th June, 2016
37	The Corporate Restructuring Companies Act, 2016 (Act No. XXXII of 2016)	Tuesday, 28 th June, 2016
38	The Finance Act, 2016 (Act No. XXIX of 2016)	Friday, 24 th June, 2016
39	The Electoral Rolls (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act No.XXVIII of 2016)	Thursday, 16 th June, 2016
40	The Constitution (Twenty-second Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act No.XXV) of 2016)	Wednesday, 8 th June, 2016
41	The Delimitation of Constituencies (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act No.XXVI of 2016)	Wednesday, 8 th June, 2016
42	The National Database and Registration Authority (Amendment) Act, 2016 (Act. No. XXVII of 2016)	Wednesday, 8 th June, 2016

F. LANDMARK LEGISLATION OF THE PARLIAMENT

The Criminal Law (Amendment) Offences in the Name or on pretext of Honor Act 2016

The Criminal Law (Amendment) Offences in the Name or on pretext of Honor Act 2016 in principle, directs judges to sentence someone accused of an honour-killing to a life-term in prison, whether the victim's immediate family forgives the culprit or not. The legislation on honor killings has introduced strict punishment for the convicts making it tougher than the ordinary murder cases. Under the new law the convict in honor killing cases will have to face 25 years life imprisonment even if the relatives



of the victims reach an agreement with the convict and pardon him or her.

The Criminal Law (Amendment) (Offences Relating to Rape) Act, 2016

The Act makes amendments to Pakistan Penal Code (PPC) 1860, Code of Criminal Procedure (CRPC) 1898 and the Qanun-i-Shahadat Order 1984, some of which are quite ground-breaking. For instance, it holds officers who may sabotage or disregard the investigation to account by stipulating three years in prison, a fine, or both for those who do not pursue an inquiry diligently. It also increases the punishment for obstruction of such an investigation from three months in prison to one year, and the fine from Rs500 to Rs50, 000. The new law stipulates that anyone who rapes a minor or a mentally or physically disabled person will be liable for the death penalty or life imprisonment. The same punishment is prescribed if a public servant such as police officer, jailer or medical officer takes advantage of their position to commit rape. It also declares that trials for offences such as rape and related crimes shall be conducted in-camera and also allows for the use of technology such as video links to record statements of the victim and witnesses, to spare them the humiliation or its entailed by court appearances. The media has also been barred from publishing or publicizing names or any information that would reveal the identity of a victim, except when publishing court judgments.

The Prevention of Electronic Crimes Act, 2016

The Act introduces a range of offenses involving the unauthorized access, transmission, copying, or interference in an information system or data. Harsher penalties are set for these crimes if they involve information systems or data connected to critical infrastructure. The Act also introduces the offense of cyber-terrorism. A cyber-terrorist crime is deemed to have been committed if a crime connected to critical infrastructure is carried out with the intent to commit terrorism. The punishment for such an offense upon conviction is up to a 14-year term of imprisonment or a fine of Rs5 million. The glorification of terrorism-related offenses, hate speech, and the recruitment for or funding and planning of terrorism through any information system or device are also punishable crimes under the Act. The Act also introduces crimes of spamming and of distributing and transmitting malicious code.

The Army Amendment Act 2017

The Army (Amendment) Act 2017 revived the military courts for further two years, but with certain changes compared to such courts in 2015-16. Certain provisions included in the recently passed law would ensure transparency in the affairs of these courts along with providing opportunity of fair trial to the accused persons. Through the recent Act several changes have been made in the Pakistan Army Act 1952. Section 2 (iv) (e) of the amended Army Act states, 'The accused shall have the right to engage a counsel of his choice at his trial as provided for in this Act. In case the accused is unable to engage a counsel due to any reason, the convening authority at its discretion, may provide a counsel, in request of the accused, at state expenses.' This provision is very vital for trials by the military courts as previously most of the convicts had complained that they were not consulted and they did not know as to who their counsel was during trial. Another important inclusion is that of sub clause (d) of sub-section (iv) which provides that the accused will be provided grounds of arrest within 24 hours of arrest as provided for in this Act.

The Hindu Marriage Act, 2017

The much-awaited landmark Act to regulate marriages of minority Hindus in Pakistan passed by



National Assembly in 4th parliamentary year. The Hindu Marriage Act 2017, which is the first elaborate Hindu community's personal law, will protect matrimonial rights of Hindus. The bill is widely acceptable to Hindus living in Pakistan because it relates to marriage, registration of marriage, separation and remarriage, with the minimum age of marriage set at 18 years for both boys and girls. The Bill once passed by both Houses would enable Hindu women get documentary proof of their marriage.

The Pakistan Climate Change Act, 2017

The Pakistan Climate Change Act, 2017 establishes a policy-making Climate Change Council, along with a Climate Change Authority and Climate Change Fund to prepare and supervise the implementation of projects to help Pakistan adapt to climate impacts and hold the line on climate-changing emissions.

The Council will be a decision-making body chaired by either the Prime Minister or a person nominated by him. The government will appoint Federal and Provincial ministers, Chief Ministers and Chief Secretaries as members of the Council. Other members of the body will be scientists and researchers, representatives of business and industry, and experts from non-governmental organizations concerned with climate change.

The Climate Change Authority will be an autonomous government department, housed in Islamabad and led by scientists, academics, industrialists, agriculturalists and serving and retired government servants, with a chairperson appointed by the Prime Minister. It will formulate adaptation and mitigation policies and projects designed to meet Pakistan's obligations under international climate accords like the recent Paris Agreement. Projects are to be implemented by the provinces. The Climate Change Fund will support adaptation and mitigation schemes, and other measures including research.

The Special Economic Zones (Amendment) Act, 2016

The Special Economic Zones (SEZ) Amendment Act 2016, aimed at making the SEZ regime more business-friendly and to encourage development of SEZs in Pakistan. The statement of objects and reasons says the Act was promulgated to encourage industrial infrastructure in the country. This was to be achieved by facilitating domestic and foreign investment in the manufacturing sectors of Pakistan, offering them special exemptions, leading to reduced cost of doing business with efficient infrastructure.

The Act provides for duty free import of plant, machinery and equipment and income tax holidays of 10 years for zone developers as well as zone enterprises. The investor friendly law would encourage rapid industrialization in the country leading to create jobs, transfer technology and develop industrial infrastructure.

F. QUESTIONS

Under rule 69 of the "Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly 2007", the first hour of every sitting except on Tuesday, known as the "Question Hour", is fixed for asking and answering questions. The said rule also empowers the National Assembly in exceptional cases in which Question Hour is dispensed with taking up some other urgent business only if the House unanimously agrees. Tuesday is designated as private members' day and there shall be no Question Hour on that day.

Parliamentary Questions are one of the important procedural devices that empower Members of



Parliament to seek factual information from the Government on a matter of public interest. Members can also seek any information on matters of national significance, as well as draw the attention of the government to public grievances so as to get them addressed. The entire range of governmental activities comes under the scrutiny of Parliament by this procedure.

A total of 57 Question Hours were held during the 4th Parliamentary Year. The Members asked 7802 questions out of which 3602 were admitted, 247 were disallowed and 3764 were processed but lapsed.

Starred Questions:

Starred Questions derive their name from the fact that they are always distinguished by an asterisk. Starred Questions enable Hon'ble Speaker of the National Assembly to seek information on issues of current concern before the House, and give Ministers a chance to answer orally against sharp questioning from all quarters of the House followed by only two supplementary questions. During the 4th Parliamentary year the National Assembly received 6744 Starred questions out of which Pakistan Muslim League (N) submitted 2405 starred questions, Pakistan Peoples Party Parliamentarians submitted 1620, Pakistan Tehreek Insaaf submitted 840, Muttahida Qaumi Movement submitted 801, Jamaat-e-Islami submitted 550, Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam (F) 314, Awami Muslim League Pakistan submitted 07, Independent submitted 44 and NPP submitted 25 Questions.

Unstarred Questions:

An Unstarred Question is so named because it does not carry an asterisk mark. Unstarred Questions unlike starred questions requires a written reply. Unstarred question are answered in detail by the concern Division/Department/Ministry and thereto are laid on the Table of the House. During the 4th Parliamentary year the National Assembly Secretariat received 681 Unstarred Questions out of which Pakistan Muslim League (N) submitted 164 starred questions, Pakistan Peoples Party Parliamentarians submitted 175, Pakistan Tehreek Insaaf submitted 96, Muttahida Qaumi Movement submitted 144, Jamaat-e-Islami submitted 52, Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam (F) 26, Awami Muslim League Pakistan submitted 01, Independent submitted 18 and NP submitted 04 unstarred Questions.

H. RESOLUTIONS

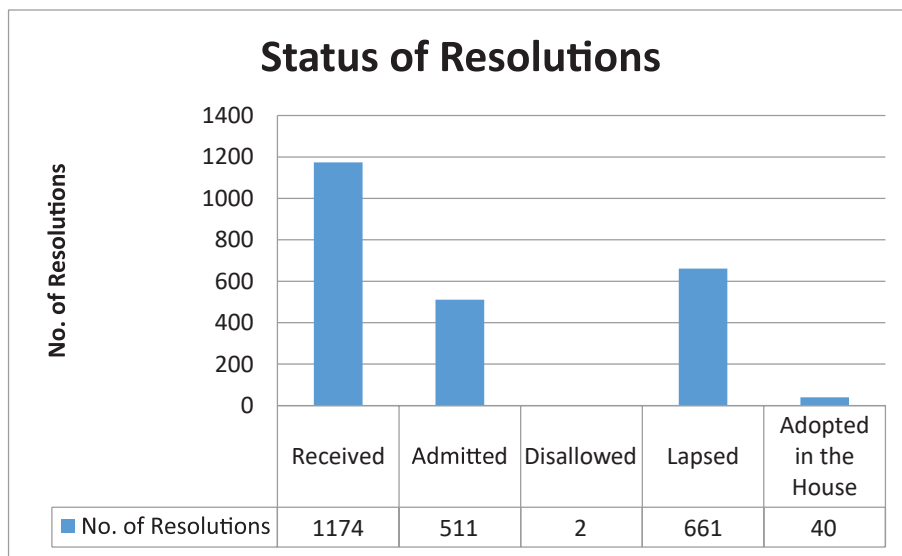
Resolution is a self-contained independent proposal submitted for the approval of the House and drafted in such away as to be capable of expressing a decision of the House. A resolution may be in the form:

The Rules of Procedures and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly 2007 described Resolution in Rule 157 as: "Any Member or Minister may move a resolution relating to matter of general public interest." Parliament discusses matters of public importance by passing motions and resolutions inside the House and then it votes its opinion after debate and discussion. Resolution is an important parliamentary instrument which is used by the Members of the National Assembly to show the consensus of the House on all important national and international issues or convey a message, or commend, urge or request an action, or call attention to a matter or situation for consideration by the Government. Additionally, Members use resolution to thank a member for service to the legislature criticizes him or her for disservice. The latter form of resolution is known as censure, a



rarely used formal process by which the legislature as a whole votes on whether to denounce a member for misdeeds. Resolution is also made to make recommendations

The National Assembly received 1174 drafts of resolutions during the 4th Parliamentary year. Out of which 511 were admitted, 2 were disallowed, 661 were lapsed, 40 were passed by the House, and 02 were rejected by the House.



The drafts of Resolutions received were of varied subjects from socio-economic issues faced by the Public at large to the issues pertaining to the National Security. The problems of the often neglected less developed areas and the issues pertaining to smaller provinces and the cold blooded murder of Mashal Khan were among the highlights.

Recognizing the legitimacy of the indigenous struggle of the Kashmiri people for the realization of their right to self determination in accordance with UN Security Council resolutions and international law, a Resolution was passed in the Joint sitting of the Parliament to strongly condemn the brutal use of force and pellet guns and deliberately targeting protestors by the Indian occupation forces in the Indian occupied Jammu and Kashmir, resulting in killing of more than 110 innocent people and severe injuries to more than 12,000 with many in critical condition.

Noting the recent escalation in violence against women on the pretext of honour killing and violence a number of resolutions were passed. The House instructed the government to address the issue of pending pro-women legislation and curb the violence against women as well as to apprehend and prosecute the culprits of these heinous crimes. Keeping in view the recent cases of kidnapping of young Hindu women, forced conversion to Islam and forced marriages the House showed displeasure to the Government. National Assembly urged the Government to take stern action against those who are involved and ensure the safety and security of the minorities. The House condemned the worsening condition of non-Muslim communities and showed concern over the shrinking social space for minorities. Furthermore, a Resolution was also passed by National Assembly to appreciate all the



women who had contributed to the democratic struggle in the country. The resolution condemned all acts of injustice, discrimination and violence against women. The resolution acknowledged that there was still a long path to traverse for making conducive environment for the empowerment and protection of women as guaranteed by the Constitution of Pakistan.

Similarly a number of Resolutions were tabled in the House regarding act of terrorism. Among those the significant Resolution was regarding the cold blooded murder of Mashal Khan. The House unanimously condemned the barbaric and cold-blooded murder of Mashal Khan and resolved to ensure that strong safeguards may be inserted into the blasphemy law to prevent its abuse through such atrocities in the future, including by mobs involved in such crimes. The House demanded the Federal and Provincial Governments to take strict action against the 'perpetrators' and 'facilitators' of the heinous crime, including those making hate speeches. Likewise, the House also condemned brutal killing of innocent laborers working in Gwadar area and termed it the brutal act of those who do not want the progress and prosperity of Pakistan and extended deep condolences to bereaved families. The House expressed strong resolve to eliminate the menace of terrorism from the country, to meet the internal and external challenges and to deal with the perpetrators with iron hands.

List of Resolutions the passed during 4th Parliamentary Year is as follows:

TABLE-I: LIST OF RESOLUTIONS

Date	Resolution #	Resolution Title
May 16, 2017	Res#171	The National Assembly condemns the brutal murder of 14 Labourers in Baluchistan
May 15, 2017	Res#170	The House condemns the suicidal attack on Deputy Chairman Senate and JUI's General Secretary.
April 18, 2017	Res#169	The House unanimously condemns the murder of Mashal Khan
March 14, 2017	Res#168	The National Assembly adopts Resolution against Blasphemous contents on Social Media
March 14, 2017	Res#167	The Govt. should take steps to establish a Women University in Each District
March 8, 2017	Res#166	The House acknowledges this day as the International Women Day
March 7, 2017	Res#165	The Govt. should take steps to undertake expansion/up-gradation of Sukker International Airport
March 7, 2017	Res#164	The Govt. should take steps to construct gates and protection walls around Railway Tracks
March 7, 2017	Res#163	The Govt. should take steps to control unemployment
March 7, 2017	Res#162	The Govt. should take steps to discontinue 5% deduction from salaries as repair/maintenance for occupying govt. accommodation



February 7, 2017	Res#161	The Govt. should take steps to improve the performance of PTV
February 7, 2017	Res#160	The Govt. should take steps to simplify the procedure of payment of pension
February 6, 2017	Res#159	The National Assembly Reiterates its unwavering support for the Kashmiri people's right of self determination
February 1, 2017	Res#158	The House strongly condemns the terrorists attack at Islamic Cultural Centre, Quebec City, Canada
November 30, 2016	Res#157	Deep Grief over the demise of Revolutionary Leader Fidel Castro
November 30, 2016	Res#156	People of Pakistan Strongly Denounce the Indian Escalation of the Situation at the Line of Control (LOC)
November 29, 2016	Res#155	Load Shedding of Gas
November 28, 2016	Res#154	The House resolves to extend the Income Tax (Amendment) Ordinance, 2016 (No.IV of 2016)
November 22, 2016	Res#153	Grant subsidy for low income persons on their first Hajj
November 22, 2016	Res#152	Resolution to commemorate the birthday of the Prophet Muhammad (Peace be upon him)
November 18, 2016	Res#151	The National Assembly expresses its deep concern over tragic incident at Indian unprovoked firing
October 7, 2016	Res#150	The Joint Session of the Parliament recognizes the legitimacy of the indigenous struggle of the Kashmiri people
October 4, 2016	Res#149	Government should take steps to stop forced conversions of minority women followed by forced marriages
October 4, 2016	Res#148	The Government should take steps to rename Swat Airport as "Maj. Gen. Sanaullah Khan Niazi Shaheed Airport"
October 4, 2016	Res#147	The Government should take steps for early construction of Diamer-Bhasha Dam
September 27, 2016	Res#146	The National Assembly condemns the Indian claim in United Nations General Assembly about Jammu and Kashmir being integral part of India
September 27, 2016	Res#145	Government should take steps to abolish interest on House Building Advance
September 7, 2016	Res#144	The National Assembly strongly condemns the hanging to Senior Leader of Jamat-e-Islami Meer Qasim Ali by the Government of Bangladesh
September 6, 2016	Res#143	The Govt. should set up separate counter for Women in NADRA and Passport Offices of Charsadda



September 2, 2016	Res#142	The House strongly condemns the attacks on the Media Houses and controversial speech of Altaf Hussain, Leader MQM
August 10, 2016	Res#141	The National Assembly commemorates 69 th Anniversary of the Assembly
August 9, 2016	Res#140	The National Assembly Strongly Condemns the brutal killings in Quetta
August 3, 2016	Res#139	The House resolves to extend the State Life Insurance Corporation (Reorganization and Conversion) Ordinance, 2016 (No III of 2016)
August 2, 2016	Res#138	The National Assembly strongly condemns the terrorist attacks in three cities of Saudi Arabia on 4 th July, 2016
August 1, 2016	Res#137	This House wishes to place on record its deepest sorrow at the passing away of a great Pakistani, Abdul Sattar Edhi
August 1, 2016	Res#136	This House strongly condemns the brutal murder of Amjad Sabri Shaheed
August 1, 2016	Res#135	The National Assembly strongly condemns the recent atrocities perpetrated on innocent Kashmiris by Indian Security Forces in Occupied Kashmir
August 1, 2016	Res#134	The National Assembly wishes to place on record its solidarity with the Parliament and the democratic government of Turkey
June 22, 2016	Res#133	The House expresses its concern over the escalation in violence against women and men on the pretext of honour
June 6, 2016	Res#132	The National Assembly condoles the death of the legend Muhammad Ali

I. MOTIONS

In the 4th Parliamentary Year of the 14th National Assembly, 355 notices of Calling Attention, 131 notices of Adjournment Motions, 70 notices of Questions of Privilege, and 994 notices of Motions under rule 253 were received. 05 Adjournment Motions were converted into Motion under Rule 259 whereas, 01 adjournment Motion was discussed in the House for two hours.

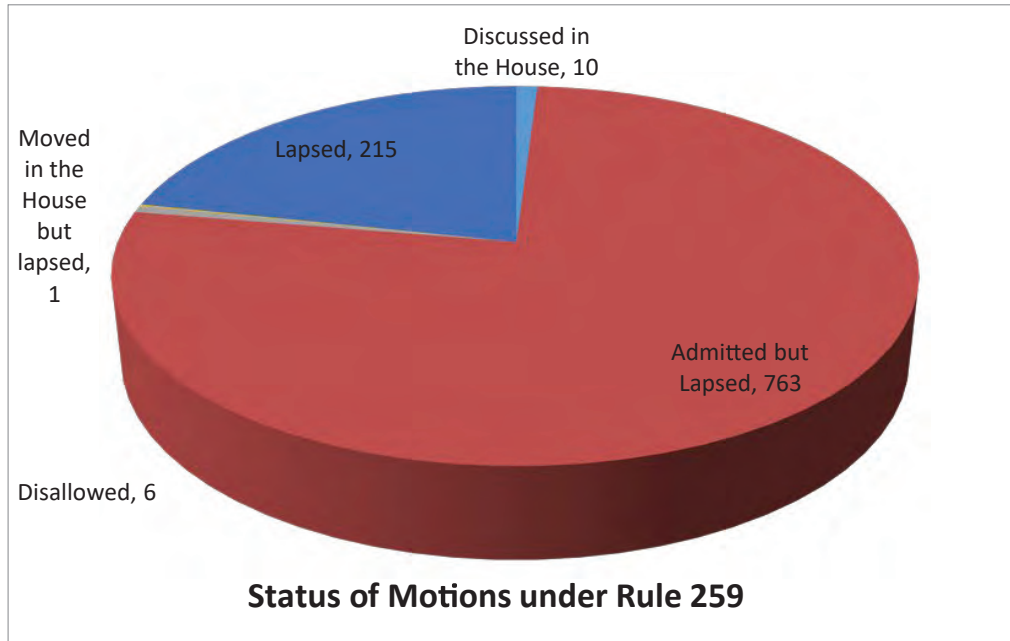
MOTION UNDER RULE 259

Rule 259 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007 provides that any Minister or Member may give notice of motion that any policy situation, statement or any other matter may be taken into consideration.

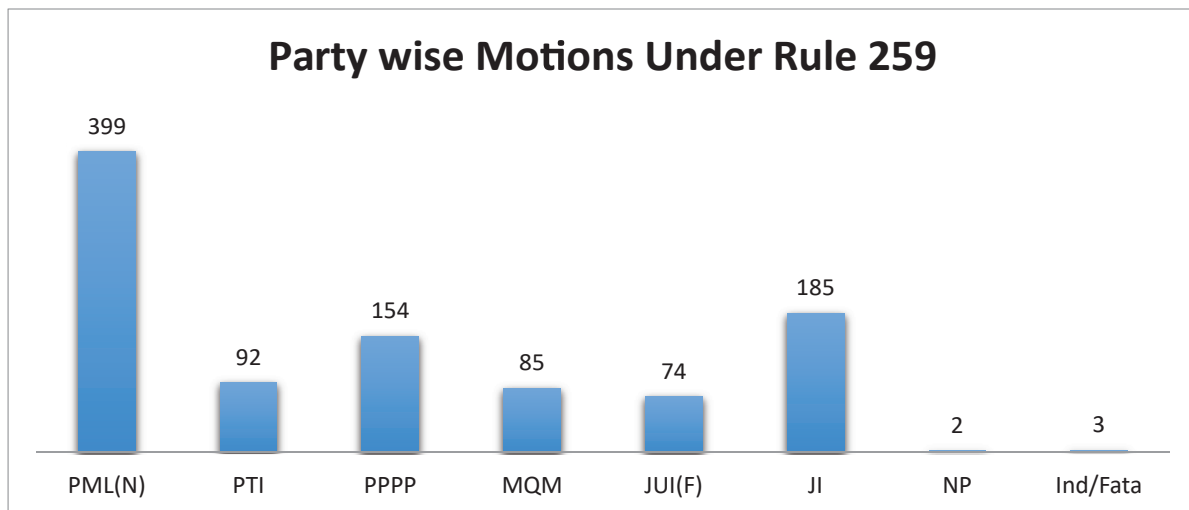
The National Assembly Secretariat received 994 motions under Rule 259. 399 Motions Under Rule 259 were submitted by Pakistan Muslim League (N), 92 were submitted by Pakistan Tehreek Insaaf, 154 were submitted by Pakistan Peoples Party, 85 were submitted by Muttahidda Qaumi Movement,



74 were submitted by Jamiat Ullama Islam (F) 185 were submitted by Jamat Islalmalmai, National Party submitted 02 while Members from Federal Tribal Administrative Areas sponsored 03 motions. Out of 994 received motions by the National Assembly Secretariat 06 were disallowed, 763 were admitted but lapsed, 01 was moved in the House but lapsed, 06 were disallowed, 6 were discussed in the House and 215 were lapsed.



Different matters were discussed through Motion under Rule 259 particularly matters and performances of different departments and institutions came under discussion in the House. Steps taken by the Government to improve the educational qualifications and training standards of police constables were discussed. Moreover, the House also discussed terrorism, Pakistan-Afghanistan relation in the context of border tensions and closure of Pak-Afghan border and deliberated upon the overall security and law and order in the country.





List of Motion under 259 which were discussed in the House during 4th Parliamentary year is as follows

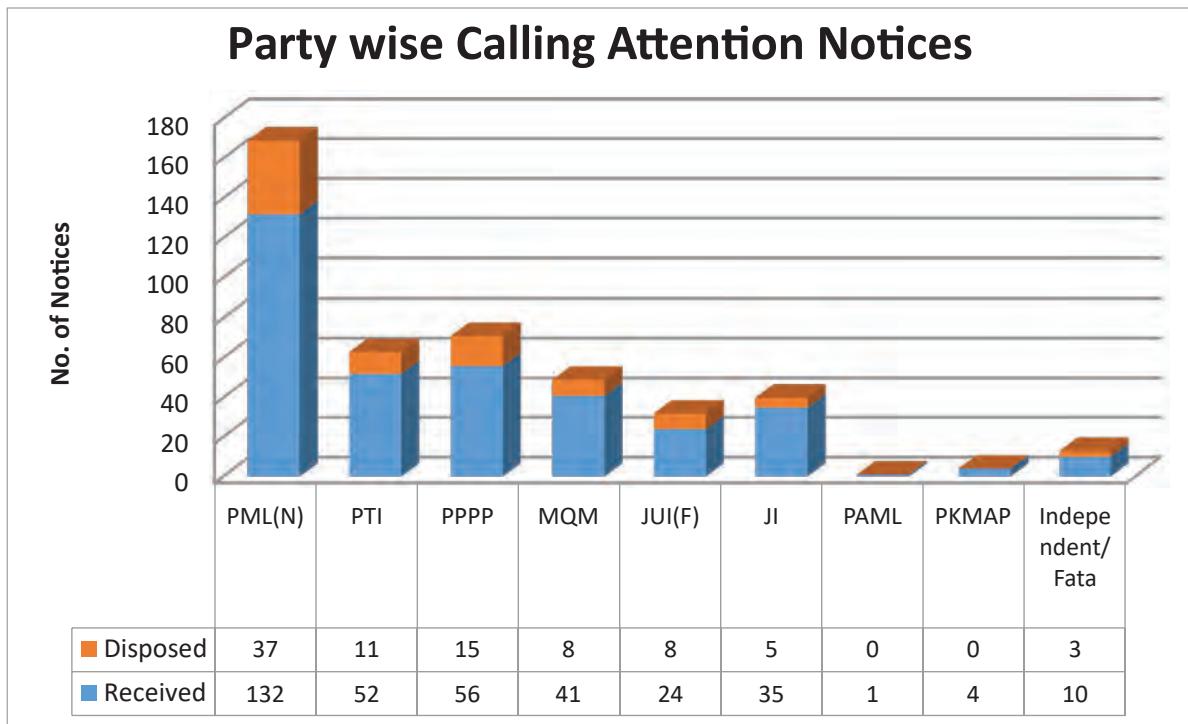
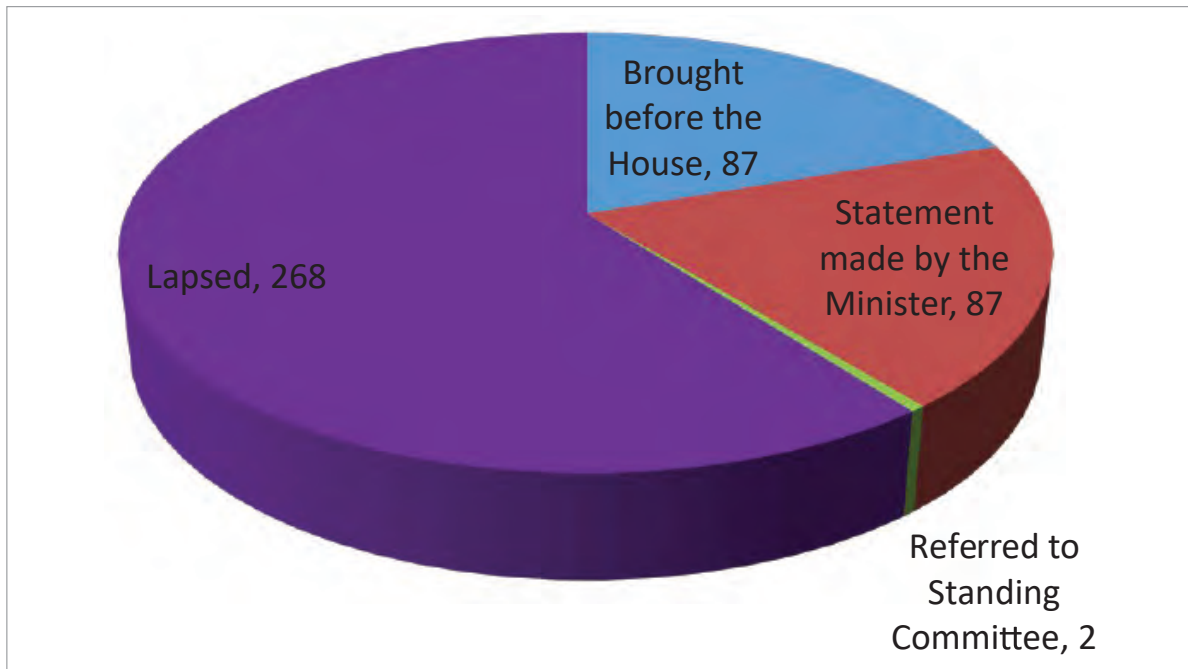
TABLE-J : LIST OF MOTION UNDER 259

Sr. No	Brief Subject	Name of the Mover	Remarks
1	This House may discuss the situation arising out of horrific terrorist attacks in Quetta causing the loss of so many precious lives and injuries to many others	Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice	Discussed
2	This House may discuss the situation arising out of the horrific terrorist attacks in Quetta causing the loss of so many precious lives and injuries to many others	Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice and Climate Change	Discussed
3	This House may discuss the situation arising out of non-fixation of minimum pension of Government servant at 50,000/- per month	Ms. Parveen Masood Bhatti, MNA	Discussed
4	This House may discuss the situation arising out of the Indian aggression on the Line of Control (LOC)	Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice and Climate Change	Discussed
5	This House may discuss the situation arising out of non-utilization of the lands of Railways in the country	Ms. Naeema Kishwer Khan, MNA	Discussed
6	This House may discuss the performance of Indus River System Authority (IRSA)	Dr. Fehmida Mirza, MNA	Not Taken

J. CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES:

The Members National Assembly submitted 355 calling attention notices (CANs) out of which 87 were brought before the House and were discussed and responded by the concerned Minister. 02 were referred to concerned Standing Committee and 268 were lapsed. PML-N legislators took the lead in holding the government accountable, sponsoring 132 calling attention notices out of which 37 were discussed in the House. Amongst the opposition PPPP legislators submitted 56 calling attention notices out of which 15 were discussed in the House.

A number of CANs dealt with governance issues such as adulteration in eatable items, demolition of slums, land grabbing and mushroom growth of illegal housing societies in Islamabad. Most of the CANs inquired regarding availability of sub-standard/spurious medicines at Medical Stores, costly lifesaving drugs, shortage of medicines and increased use of drugs in schools and colleges. CANs related to extra-judicial killings, incidents of terrorism, Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation, Government Hospital in Islamabad, issues of Federal Government Employees, occupied Kashmir, PEC, oil price hike and PEMRA were also raised in the House.



**TABLE-J: LIST OF CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES**

Sr. No	Brief Subject	Mover	Remarks
1	Unfair distribution of gunny-sacks (bardana) to the growers by the PASSCO resulting in loss of millions of rupees to them.	Chaudhary Nazeer Ahmad, MNA	Referred
2	Dilapidated condition of Jamshoro-Sehwan Sharif National Highway resulting in large number of accidents	Mr. Imran Zafar Leghari, MNA	Discussed
3	Rapid spread of vector-born disease in the country due to an infectious microbe being transmitted to the people through blood-sucking insects.	Ms. Shaista Pervaiz, MNA	Discussed
4	Pakistani expatriates stranded in Saudi Arabia whom neither salaries have been paid for the last several months nor their work permits have been renewed by the companies and failure of diplomatic Mission in Saudi Arabia to take up the issue with their companies	Mir Aamir Ali Khan Magsi, MNA	Discussed
5	Exclusion of various development schemes of FATA by the Government under Rationalization Policy	Mr. Muhammad Jamal-ud-Din, MNA	Discussed
6	Indecent advertisements on private T.V. channels despite active monitoring system of PEMRA.	Ms. Asiya Naz Tanoli, MNA	Discussed
7	Stoppage of salaries of more than 60 teachers and staff of the Federal Urdu University, Islamabad.	Sahibzada Muhammad Yaqub, MNA	Referred the CAN to the Standing Committee concerned for investigation and report
8	Non-construction of four lanes Karachi-Hyderabad Motorway as originally planned by the Government and use of sub-standard construction material therefore	Mr. Abdul Sattar Bachani, MNA	Discussed
9	Regarding destruction of property as a result of Zarb-e-Azb, Khyber-1 and Khyber-2 operation and reconstruction thereof	Alhaj Shah Jee Gul Afridi, MNA	Discussed



10	Expiry of tenure of Board of Directors of Pakistan Tobacco Board, low rates of tobacco and refusal of Tobacco Companies, including Pakistan Tobacco Company and Philip Morris International to purchase 60% tobacco from growers	Mr. Aqibullah, MNA	Referred the CAN to the Standing Committee concerned for investigation and report
11	Increasing use of tobacco particularly in youth in the country	Ms. Shaista Pervaiz, MNA	Discussed
12	Cancellation of different international routes of PIA	Shaikh Salahuddin, MNA	Discussed
13	Land grabbing of enemy property in District Tharparker, Sindh	Dr. Ramesh Kumar Vankwani, MNA	Discussed
14	Prevalent corruption in the FATA.	Mr. Qaiser Jamal, MNA	Discussed
15	Mushroom growth of illegal housing societies in Islamabad Capital Territory resulting in looting of hard – earned money of the people	Major (Retd) Tahir Iqbal, MNA	Discussed
16	Removal of top government officials from the Board of Interstate Gas Systems (Pvt.) Limited.	Syed Naveed Qamar, MNA	Discussed
17	Non-allotment of 2500 plots in the first Phase of Bhara Kahu Housing Scheme and non-issuance of schedule thereof for payment	Ms. Shakila Luqman, MNA	Discussed
18	Closure of Benazir Debit Card Centre of Benazir Income Support Programme in District Buner since June, 2014	Mr. Sher Akbar Khan, MNA	Discussed
19	Recently declared poor results of students of Intermediate classes of Government Colleges in Islamabad	Ms. Khalida Mansoor, MNA	Discussed
20	Non-payment of stipend to interns under the National Internship Programme since long	Mr. Muhammad Salman Khan Baloch, MNA	Discussed
21	Insufficient facilities in the Emergency Ward of Poly Clinic Hospital and Non-availability of medicines in the Dispensaries in Islamabad	Ms. Khalida Mansoor, MNA	Discussed
22	Poor conditions of road diversions at under-construction Karachi-Hyderabad Motorway (M-9)	Mr. Imran Zafar Leghari, MNA	Discussed
23	Facing of difficulties by the Federal Government employees in obtaining NOCs and other relevant papers of their quarters at the time of retirement	Ms. Khalida Mansoor, MNA	Discussed



24	Indian belligerent attitude on occupied Kashmir and threat of unilaterally suspending the Indus Water Treaty	Dr. Shireen Mehrunnisa Mazari, MNA	Replied
25	Malnutrition of mother and child resulting into 44% stunted children below the age of 5 years in Pakistan as reported by UNICEF	Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb, MNA	Replied
26	Pakistan's 149th position out of 188 countries in the first global assessment of countries programme towards the UN health related SDG's.	Dr. Nikhat Shakeel Khan, MNA	Replied
27	Availability of sub-standard/spurious medicines at Medical Stores in Islamabad risking the lives of the people	Ms. Khalida Mansoor, MNA	Replied
28	Government's initiative to charge the power consumers with billions of dollars in order to meet the security costs of China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC).	Dr. Nafisa Shah, MNA	Replied
29	Load-shedding of electricity for 18 to 19 hours daily since Eid-ul-Azha in districts Upper Dir, Buner, Swat and Shangla, Malakand Division	Sahibzada Tariq Ullah, MNA	Replied
30	Rampant increase in the number of hepatitis patients in Islamabad and throughout the country	Ms. Khalida Mansoor, MNA	Replied
31	Explosion in an oil tanker at Gadani ship-breaking yard resulting in loss of eighteen lives and numerous serious injuries	Dr. Nafisa Shah, MNA	Replied
32	Non-allotment of any specific space for offering prayer in the Hajj PIA flight	Ms. Naeema Kishwer Khan, MNA	Replied
33	Increasing trend of use of drugs by the students in the Government and Private Schools/Colleges in Islamabad	Ms. Asiya Naz Tanoli, MNA	Replied
34	Non-fulfillment of the constitutional role of National Economic Council to ensure balanced development across the country	Mr. Muhammad Muzammil Qureshi, MNA	Replied
35	Ever-increasing encroachment of CDA land by land grabbers	Ms. Asiya Naz Tanoli, MNA	Replied
36	Nature of current 3-TV dramas promoting the ratio of divorce in the country.	Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb, MNA	Replied
37	Baseless allegations leveled by Mr. Amir Liaqat, host of programme "Aisa Naheen Chalay Ga" on Bol TV Channel on 21-11-2016 against all party leaders including Maulana Fazal-ur-Rehman of having Flats in Nerawana, London	Ms. Naeema Kishwer Khan, MNA	Replied



38	Non-provision of facilities like tents to the poor Temporarily Dislocated Persons/Returnees of South Waziristan despite availability of funds and clear instructions of the Federal Government.	Mr. Muhammad Jamal-ud-Din, MNA	Replied
39	Charging of 7% mark up on loans by commercial banks from industrial and commercial clients and non reduction of mark up on agriculture loans though State Bank has fixed it @ 5.75%.	Rana Muhammad Hayat Khan, MNA	Replied
40	Supply of toxic milk in Islamabad	Ms. Khalida Mansoor, MNA	Replied
41	Requirement of obtaining No Objection Certificate from different departments by the employees on their retirement and the resultant delay in finalization of their pension cases	Ms. Khalida Mansoor, MNA	Replied
42	Recruitment in FATA Secretariat being made departmentally without involving National Testing Service as ordered by the Governor, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	Alhaj Shah Jee Gul Afridi	Replied
43	Non-construction of overhead bridges on Kashmir Highway, Islamabad	Ms. Khalida Mansoor, MNA	
44	Recruitment in FATA Secretariat being made departmentally without involving National Testing Service as ordered by the Governor, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	Alhaj Shah Jee Gul Afridi, MNA	Deferred
45	Non-existence of laboratories for quality control of food items in Islamabad	Ms. Khalida Mansoor, MNA	Replied
46	Poor performance of PESCO in District Dir Lower due to shortage of staff	Sahibzada Muhammad Yaqub, MNA	Replied
47	Census in Sindh where the number of Blocks has been reduced with the intention to show the rural population greater than the urban population	Mr. Sajid Ahmed, MNA	Replied
48	Delay in commencement of construction work on Gojra-Shorkot and Shorkot-Khanewal sections of the Motorway by National Highway Authority	Makhdoom Shah Mahmood, MNA	Replied
49	Non-increase in the pension, in proportion to price hike, of retired employees by the Employees Old-Age Benefits Institution	Ms. Khalida Mansoor, MNA	Replied



50	Discrimination in providing new gas connections in various constituencies	Syed Naveed Qamar, MNA	Replied
51	Non-availability of life saving drugs like Florinif tablet, Hydrocaritzan and T.B medicines in the country specially in Islamabad	Ms. Khalida Mansoor MNA	
52	Recruitment in FATA Secretariat being made departmentally without involving National Testing Service as ordered by the Governor, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	Alhaj Shah Jee Gul Afridi, MNA	Left over
53	Clinics/hospitals functioning in the rural areas of Islamabad having no basic facilities and qualified/licensed Doctors	Ms. Asiya Naz Tanoli, MNA	Replied
54	Non-increase in the salaries of Levies Forces	Mr. Junaid Akbar Engr, MNA	Replied
55	violation of the provisions of the National Highway Authority Act, 1991 to yearly hold meeting of the National Highway Council of the National Highway Authority, which has not been held since January, 2014	Mir Aijaz Hussain Jakhri, MNA	Replied
56	Merger of the Federally Administered Tribal Areas in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	Mr. Jamshaid Ahmad Dasti, MNA	Replied
57	Closure of PESCO Transformers Repair Workshop Thana Chakdra due to non-payment of bill by PESCO	Mr. Sher Akbar Khan, MNA	Replied
58	Non-upgradation of the Basic Pay Scales of 5 Senior Clerk (BS-11) and Junior Clerk (BS-9) by the Federal Government	Ms. Naeema Kishwer Khan, MNA	Replied
59	Clinics/hospitals functioning in the rural areas of Islamabad having no basic facilities and qualified/licensed Doctors	Ms. Asiya Naz Tanoli, MNA	Left over
60	Non-increase in the salaries of Levies Forces	Mr. Junaid Akbar Engr	Left over
61	Non-inclusion of a column for Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) of South Waziristan in the national census form	Mr. Muhammad Jamal-Ud-Din, MNA	Replied
62	Discrimination in providing new gas connections in various constituencies	Syed Naveed Qamar, MNA	Replied
63	Disrespectful attitude of Principal and staff of Islamabad Model Colleges especially of Sector G-6/2, Islamabad with the parents and charging of unnecessary fine from students	Ms. Khalida Mansoor, MNA	Left over



64	Unjustified charging of Pass Unregistered Gas (PUG) charges from consumers, particularly consumers of Karachi by Sui Southern Gas Company	Mr. Muhammad Muzammil Qureshi, MNA	Left over
65	Prolonged load shedding of electricity adversely affecting the domestic as well as commercial consumers and their businesses	Mr. Abdul Sattar Bachani, MNA	Left over
66	Extreme shortage of water being supplied to the residents of Islamabad	Mr. Asad Umar, MNA	Left over
67	Prolonged load shedding of electricity adversely affecting the domestic as well as commercial consumers and their businesses	Mr. Abdul Sattar Bachani, MNA	Replied
68	Extreme shortage of water being supplied to the residents of Islamabad	Mr. Asad Umar, MNA	Left over
69	Insufficient number of seats for admission of deserving students in schools in Islamabad	Ms. Nighat Parveen, MNA	
70	Sufferings of the patients due to non availability of proper medical treatment in the PIMs and exorbitant rates of medicines	Sahibzada Muhammad Yaqub, MNA	Replied
71	issuance of letter by the AGPR to the Government servants, on their retirement, to pay amounts of loans etc. even if they have not obtained any such loan	Ms. Khalida Mansoor, MNA	Replied
72	Excessive prescription and use of antibiotics which hinders the Government's efforts to eradicate diseases like tuberculosis in the country	Ms. Asiya Naz Tanoli, MNA	Replied
73	Insufficient number of seats for admission of students in the Model Schools and Colleges in the Federal Capital	Ms. Naeema Kishwer Khan, MNA	Replied
74	Non-recognition of unsung heroes of Hazara and Qalat who caused inclusion of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan in Pakistan	Ms. Khalida Mansoor, MNA	Left over
75	Non-provision of financial benefits to the Council staff of Ministries /Divisions at par with the employees of the Parliament during session days	Sheikh Rashid Ahmed, MNA	Left over

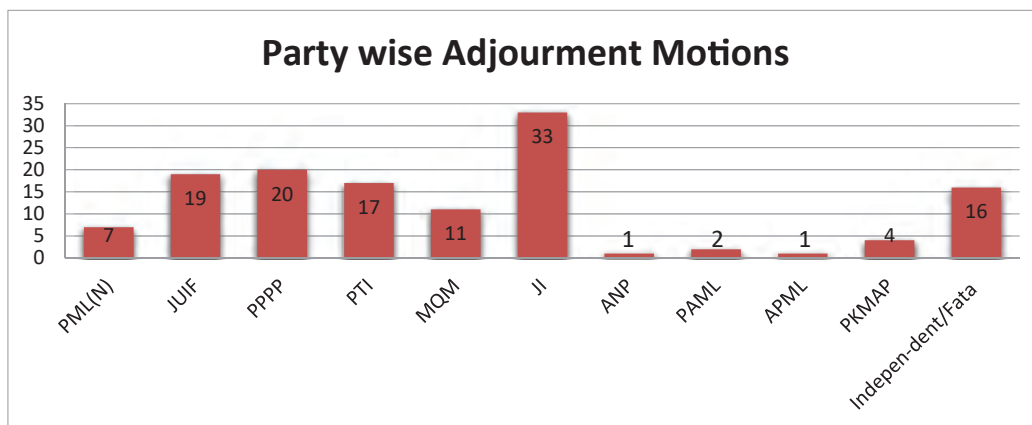
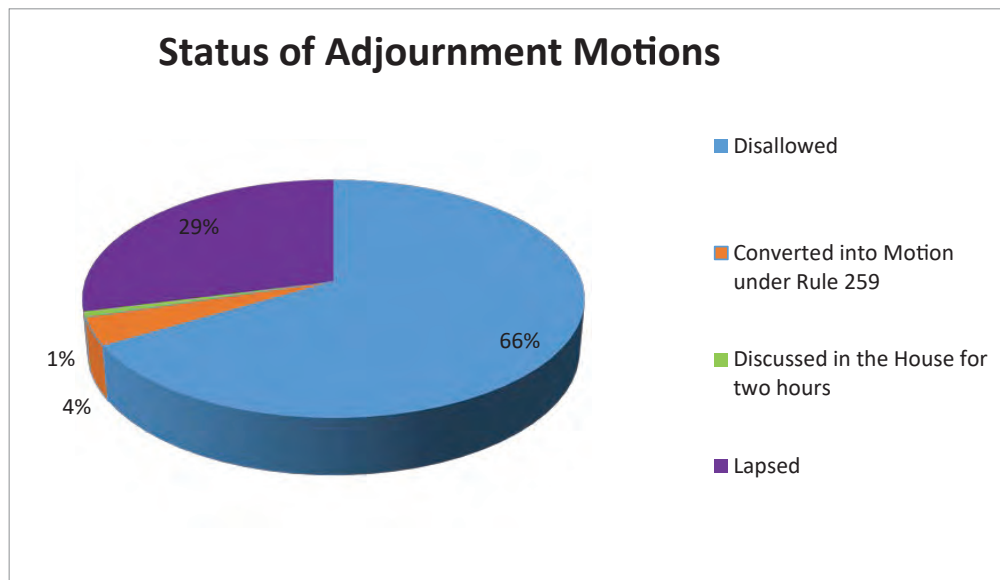
K. ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS:

The purpose of Adjournment Motion is to seek the attention of the House to an issue of public importance. The Adjournment Motion is an extraordinary procedure which, if admitted, leads to



setting aside the normal business of the House for discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance.

During the 4th Parliamentary Year, the National Assembly Secretariat received 131 adjournment motions out of which 87 were disallowed and 38 were lapsed. After proper scrutiny 05 motions were converted into Motion under rule 259 and only 01 was discussed in the House for two hours.

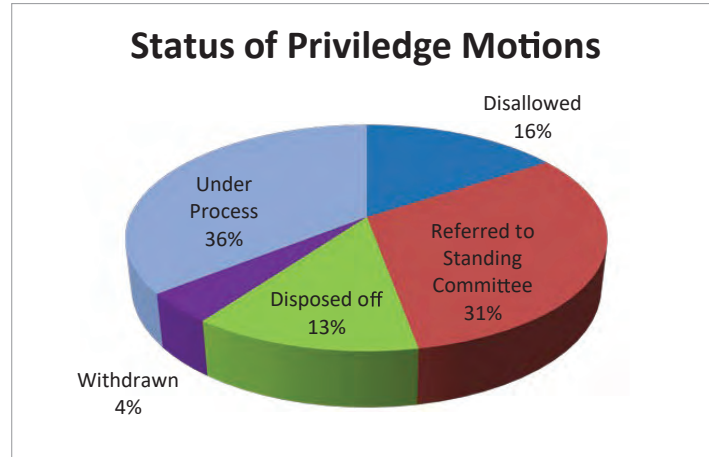


L. PRIVILEGE MOTION

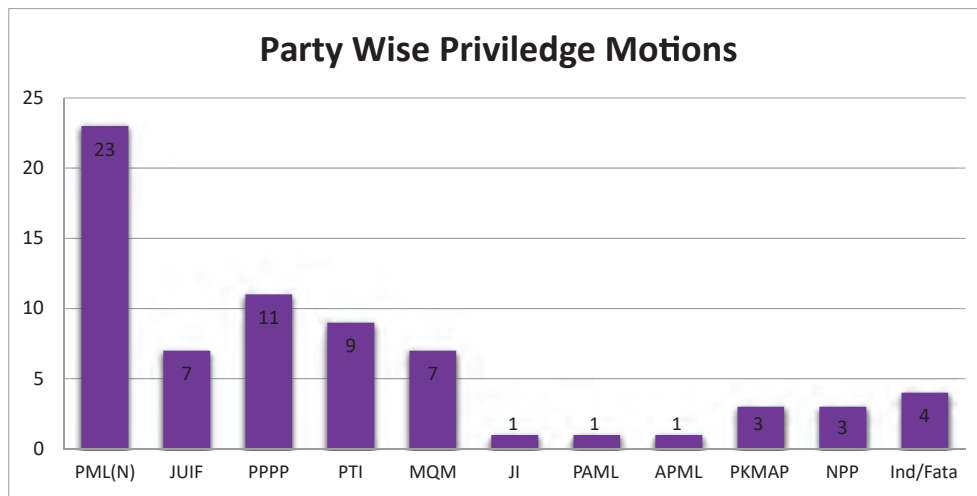
Under rule 95 of Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, a Member may move question of privilege where a Member feels that the privilege of any MNA or a Committee or himself, has been breached, he may raise a question regarding that breach of privilege with the consent of the Speaker. Privilege Motion contains certain rights and immunities enjoyed by Members of National Assembly, individually and collectively, so that they can “effectively discharge their functions”. When any of these rights and immunities are disregarded, the offence is called



a breach of privilege and is punishable under Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007.



In the 4th Parliamentary Year, the National Assembly Secretariat received 70 notices of Questions of Privilege out of which 11 were disallowed, 22 were referred to Standing Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges after through scrutiny, 03 were withdrawn, 25 are under process and 09 Questions of Privilege were disposed off by the Committee.



COMMITTEES AT WORK





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All around the world, a strong Committee system is considered as an asset in the functioning of Parliamentary democracy. An efficient and robust system of Parliamentary committees ensures proper accountability by making the policy and administrative functions of the executive more open and transparent. A well-built Committee system often gives Parliament the impetus and direction, serving as a catalyst for effective legislation in the Parliament. It also enables Parliamentarians to examine and analyze in detail the functioning of important Public institutions. This system is to ensure the transparency in Policy formation and its implementation. It enables the Parliaments and Parliamentarians to have futuristic orientation regarding public issues and country's future.

COMMITTEES IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PAKISTAN

The National Assembly of Pakistan has a strong Committee System that effectively carries out its vital role of legislation and oversight. It is the Committees where laws and policies are deliberated and scrutinized. This also provides an opportunity for Parliamentarians to formulate and implement the government's initiative for the welfare of common people. The committee system in Pakistan has evolved itself into a well functioning oversight tool in the hands of legislators. Committees are especially effective in the legislation field as they ensure that the legislation is up to the public demand and is futuristic.

The National Assembly "Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business" contains special provisions empowering the Standing Committees to examine the expenditures, administration, delegated legislations, public petitions and policies of the Ministry concerned, and its associated public bodies. In addition to two non-Ministerial Standing Committees, viz Standing Committee on Public Accounts and Committee on Government Assurances; and three Domestic Committees, namely Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, House and Library Committee and Business Advisory Committee, 31 Ministerial Standing Committees remained functional during the year . Moreover, the Assembly can constitute, in accordance with the provisions of Rule 244, Select Committees on Bills and Special Committees to carry out functions specified in the motion.

During the 14th National Assembly there were:-

31 Ministerial Standing Committees

The Standing Committees assist in the functioning of the Parliament and are one of the most important instruments of dealing with the House business. The National Assembly's Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business contains special provisions empowering the Standing Committees to examine the expenditures, administration, delegated legislations, public petitions and policies of the Ministry concerned and its associated public bodies and may forward its report of findings and recommendations to the Ministry and Ministry shall submit its reply to the Committee. According to the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly there shall be a standing committee for each Ministry of the Government. Each Committee shall deal with the subjects assigned, under the Rules for the allocation and transaction of Business of the Government to the Division or the Ministry with which it is concerned or any other matter referred to it by the Assembly.

**The National Assembly of Pakistan has the following 31 Ministerial Standing Committees:-**

1.	Cabinet Secretariat
2.	Climate Change
3.	Commerce
4.	Communication
5.	Defense
6.	Defense Production
7.	Federal Education and Professional Training
8.	Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization
9.	Foreign Affairs
10.	Housing and Works
11.	Human Rights
12.	Industries and Production
13.	Information Technology and Telecommunication
14.	Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage
15.	Inter-Provincial Coordination
16.	Interior and Narcotics Control
17.	Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit Baltistan
18.	Law and Justice
19.	National Food Security and Research
20.	National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination
21.	Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource Development
22.	Parliamentary Affairs
23.	Petroleum and Natural Resources
24.	Planning and Development
25.	Ports and Shipping
26.	Railways
27.	Religious Affairs and Inter-faith Harmony
28.	Science and Technology
29.	States and Frontier Regions
30.	Textile Industry
31.	Water and Power

In addition to Standing Committees, the National Assembly can constitute, in accordance with the provisions of Rule 244 (of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly), Select Committees on Bills and Special Committees to carry out functions specified in the motion. The National Assembly of Pakistan has one Special Committee on Kashmir.



6 Non-Ministerial Standing Committees

Other than the 31 Ministerial Standing Committees the National Assembly of Pakistan has 6 Non-Ministerial Standing committees out of which 3 deal with the affairs of the House, especially its smooth functioning namely Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, House and Library Committee and Business Advisory Committee. These Domestic Committees consider matters of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Assembly.

1.	Business Advisory Committee
2.	Finance Committee of the National Assembly Secretariat
3.	Committee on Government Assurances
4.	House and Library Committee
5.	Public Accounts Committee
6.	Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges

Other than the Standing Committees and Special Committees the Speaker National Assembly can constitute Parliamentary Committees. The Committee comprises of fifty percent Members from the Treasury Benches and fifty percent from the Opposition Parties based on their strength in the Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament), to be nominated by the respective Parliamentary Leaders (The Parliamentary Leader of a Political Party, declared as such by that Party). Currently there are 10 Parliamentary Committees in the National Assembly of Pakistan.

10 Parliamentary Committees

1.	Committee of Joint Sitting on Bills
2.	Parliamentary Committee on the Appointment of Chairperson and Members of National Commission on Human Rights
3.	Parliamentary Committee on the Appointment of Chief Election Commissioner and Members of the Election Commission of Pakistan
4.	Parliamentary Committee on the Appointment of Chairperson of the National Commission on the Status of Women
5.	Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reforms
6.	Parliamentary Committee on China-Pakistan Economic Corridor
7.	Parliamentary Committee on National Accountability Law
8.	Parliamentary Committee on National Security
9.	Leaders of the Parliamentary Leaders in the National Assembly and Senate
10.	Parliamentary Committee on Panama Papers

DETAIL OF PERFORMANCE OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES/SUB-COMMITTEES

The performance of standing committees serves as a good barometer of the performance of the House. (Statistical summary of performance of Standing Committees during the 4th Parliamentary year is displayed in the table below).³

Table L: Performance of Standing Committees

S#	Name of Committee	Election of Committee	Total No. of Meetings	Total No. of Sub-Committees Formed	Total No. of Bills referred to	Total No. of Reports finalized	Total No. of Reports presented to the Assembly
1.	Cabinet Secretariat	21-08-2013	16	04	04	01	01
2.	Commerce	21-08-2013	10	---	03	01	01
3.	Communications	21-08-2013	11	01	01	01	01
4.	Housing and Works	21-08-2013	09	---	---	---	---
5.	Information, Broadcasting and NH	21-08-2013	09	---	---	---	---
6.	Law and Justice	21-08-2013	10	---	15	22	09
7.	National Health Services, R&C	21-08-2013	09	---	05	03	---
8.	Overseas Pakistanis and HRD	21-08-2013	08	---	02	---	---
9.	Petroleum and Natural Resource	21-08-2013	08	01	---	01	01
10.	Planning, Development and Reform	21-08-2013	13	01	---	---	---
11.	Ports and Shipping	21-08-2013	08	02	---	---	---
12.	Railways	21-08-2013	09	01	---	---	---
13.	Science and Technology	21-08-2013	04	01	02	01	---
14.	Water and Power	21-08-2013	09	02	01	---	---
15.	Inter Provincial Coordination	07-03-2014	05	---	---	01 (Periodic Report)	01

³The Table covers the period from May June 1st 2016 to April 30th, 2017





16.	Textile Industry	07-03-2014	06	---	---	---	01 (Periodic Report)	01
17.	National Food Security and Research	07-11-2013	08	---	---	01	01 (Periodic Report)	01
18.	Religious Affairs and Inter Faith Harmony	05-11-2013	04	---	---	01	01 Periodic Report)	
19.	Climate change	29-04-2015	06	---	---	01	01	01
20.	Defense	21-08-2013	09	---	---	03	02	02
21.	Defense Production	21-08-2013	14	---	---	---	---	---
22.	Federal Education and Professional Training	21-08-2013	06	---	---	07	04	01
23.	Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs Statistics and Privatization	21-08-2013	20	05	---	09	05	05
24.	Industries and Production	21-08-2013	09	01	---	---	---	---
25.	Human Rights	07-01-2016	20	01	---	05	01	01
26.	Information Technology and Telecommunication	21-08-2013	05	01	---	---	---	---
27.	Interior and Narcotics Control	21-08-2013	05	02	---	23	08	---
28.	Parliamentary Affairs	21-08-2013	05	---	---	01	---	---
29.	States and Frontier Regions	21-08-2013	07	01	---	01	---	---
30.	Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit Baltistan	06-11-2013	10	---	---	---	01	01
31.	Foreign Affairs	06-12-2016	08	---	---	01	One Report in Process	One Report in Process



280 Total Number of Meetings held by the Standing Committees

During the 4th Parliamentary year of the 14th National Assembly, the Standing Committees held 280 meetings in total out of which the Standing Committee on Foreign affairs held 8 meetings whereas the standing committee on Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit Baltistan held 10 meetings. Similarly the Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs Statistics and Privatization and Standing Committee on Human Rights both held 20 meetings each. The Standing Committee on Defense and Defense Production held 09 and 14 meetings respectively. The Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research held 08 meetings and the Standing Committee on Textile Industry held 06 meetings during the aforementioned time period.

86 Total Number of Bills Referred to the Standing Committees

23 bills were referred to the Standing Committees on Interior and Narcotics Control and 09 were referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs Statistics and Privatization during the 4th Parliamentary year of the National Assembly. Whereas 07 Bills were referred to the Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional training and 01 to the Standing Committee on Climate Change.

57 Reports Finalized by the Standing Committees

During the 4th Parliamentary year of the National Assembly, 4 reports were finalized by the Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional Training. 08 reports were finalized by the Standing Committee on Interior and Narcotics Control whereas, 05 reports were finalized by the Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs Statistics and Privatization.

28 Reports Laid before the House by the Standing Committees

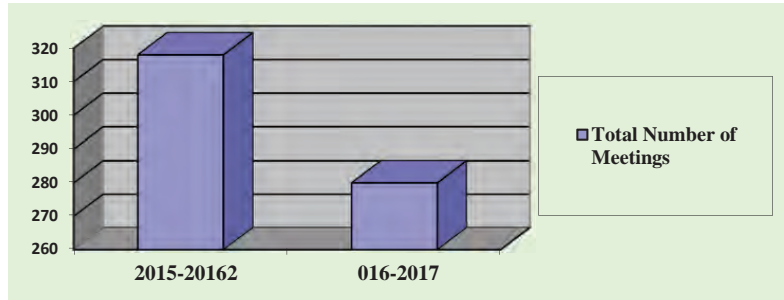
During the 4th Parliamentary year of the 14th National Assembly the Standing Committees laid 28 reports before the House out of which 05 reports were presented by the Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs Statistics and Privatization, 01 report each was laid by the Standing Committee on Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit Baltistan, Standing Committee on Textile Industry and Standing Committee on Inter Provincial Coordination respectively.



COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF PERFORMANCE OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES OVER THE YEARS

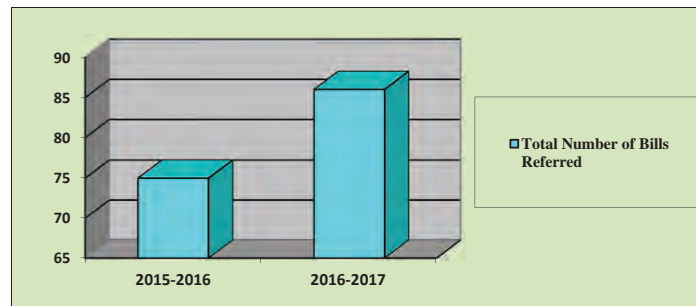
Total Number of Meetings of Standing Committees

The total numbers of meetings of Standing Committees held during 2015-16 were 318 as compared to 280 meetings held during 2016-17.



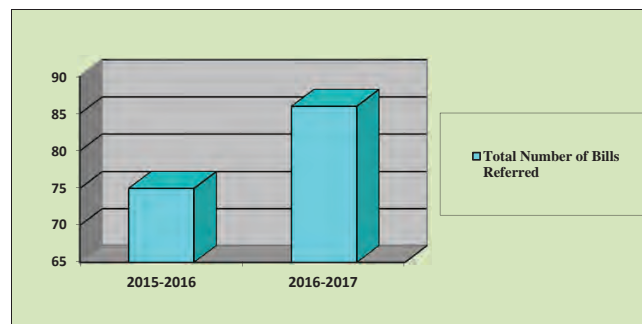
Total Number of Bills Referred to the Standing Committees

The Total Number of Bills referred to the Standing Committees during 2016-2017 were 86 which is higher than the number of Bills referred to the Standing Committees during 2015-2016 which was 75.



Total Number of Reports Finalized by the Standing Committees

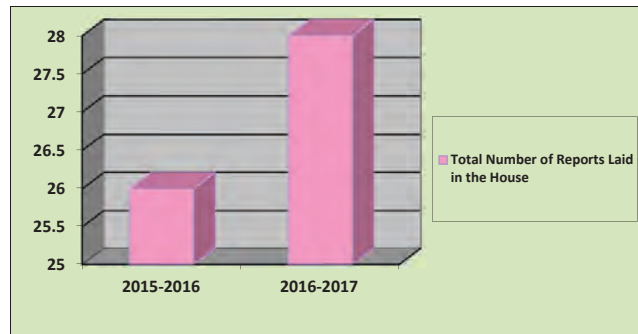
The greater effectiveness of the standing committees during the 4th Parliamentary Assembly of the 14th National Assembly can be gauged from the fact that 57 reports were finalized during June 2016 – April 2017 as compared to 35 and 19 reports in 2015-2016 and 2013-2014 respectively.





Total Number of Reports Laid in the House by the Standing Committees

The total number of reports laid in the House by the Standing Committees has surged to 28 as compared to 26 reports in 2015-2016 and 10 reports in 2013-2014.



PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

In a quest to promote inclusion and representation of the Upper House of Pakistan’s Parliament in oversight of the financial matters of the country, the Senate of Pakistan was accorded Representation in the Public Accounts Committee. Responding to Senate’s consistent demand for representation in the Public Accounts Committee, on August 1st, 2016 the National Assembly of Pakistan amended National Assembly Rules to accord representation to Six Senators from all the Federating Units. Traditionally, the Public Committee Accounts Committee of the National Assembly scrutinized the Annual Report of the Auditor General while the Senate of Pakistan had no representation in the Public Accounts Committee.

The Public Accounts Committee (PAC) performs a vital role in democratic accountability. PAC helps the Parliament to hold the Government to account for its use of public funds and resources. The PAC examines the Annual finance Accounts of the Government, the Report of the Auditor General of Pakistan. The Parliament has an effective oversight of financial expenditure through the Public Accounts Committee. It is the duty of the PAC to satisfy itself that the expenditures being spent by the Ministries, Divisions, Departments and autonomous and semi-autonomous bodies is in accordance with the sums granted by the Legislature. The PAC after examining the Appropriation Accounts and Audit Reports submits its reports, known as PAC Reports to the August House, which contains directions/recommendations of PAC and once adopted by the House it becomes a very beneficial guide for the Executive to avoid lapses while spending Public Money in the future.

The current PAC is the 14th Committee of the National Assembly of Pakistan. It was constituted by the House on 21st August, 2013 and its Chairman, Syed Khursheed Ahmed Shah (Leader of Opposition) was elected unanimously on 11th December, 2013. First meeting of PAC was held on 31st December, 2013. When the current Public Accounts Committee was made functional in December, 2013, it inherited a huge backlog of eight (08) years Audit Reports. To clear the backlog, the PAC in its meeting held on 15-01-2014 and 06-03-2014 constituted four (04) Sub-Committees including Monitoring and Implementation Committee. Finally the Public Accounts Committee succeeded to lay three PAC Reports for the years 1998-99, 2003-04, and 2007-08 and Monitoring and Implementation



Committee Report for the year 1996-97 in the House in November, 2016.

During the course of action, the PAC took briefings from the Ministries/Divisions/ Departments on important issues just like weak follow-up of Court Cases. PAC was astonished to know that an amount of Rs. 385, 830.24 Million of the exchequer is engaged due to Court Cases. The Committee thoroughly examined the issue and gave suitable directions to resolve the issue. Also, the issue of Grand Hyatt hotel remained under consideration during the 4th Parliamentary Year of the 14th National Assembly. A land measuring 13.5 Acres (108 Kanal) near Jinnah Convention Centre, Constitution Avenue was given to M/s BNP Group by the CDA on nominal Charges of Rs. 75,000/- per sq yard with total value of Rs. 4882.350 Million for construction of 5 Star Hotel. The Committee is still considering the issue on priority basis. The Committee has directed that the whole amount should be deposited in the treasury and recommended disciplinary proceeding/legal action against the persons responsible for allotting the costly land on nominal charges as per its jurisdiction.

Public Accounts Committee constituted a Sub-Committee to meet the Hon'ble Speaker and request him to play his role to strengthen the functioning of PAC, therefore, a meeting under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan was held and the way to go forward in this respect is under discussion.

78 Meetings

During the period from 1st June, 2016 to 28th April, 2017, the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) held 78 meetings in total. Out of these 33 meetings were held by the Main PAC Committee whereas, 07 meetings were held by the Sub-Committee I, 08 meetings were held by the Sub- Committee II, 19 meetings were held by the Sub- Committee III and 11 meetings were held by the Monitoring and Implementation Committee of the PAC.

55 Complaints

During the 4th Parliamentary year of the 14th National Assembly, the Office of the Chairman PAC with the help of PAC wing disposed of 55 complaints received after consultation/obtaining reports from Ministries/Divisions/Departments.

2765 Paras/Grants Examined

During the 4th Parliamentary year the PAC examined 2765 Grants and Paras. Out of which 1117 were examined by the main PAC Committee. 333 grants/paras were examined by Sub-Comm I, 235 by the Sub-Comm II, 181 by the Sub- Comm III and 899 were examined by the Monitoring and Implementation Committee.



Table M: Performance of PAC

Sl. #	Committee and Conveners	Audit Year	Number of Meetings	Grants/Paras examined
1	Main PAC (Syed Khursheed Ahmed Shah)	2013-14	33	1117
2	Sub-Committee-I (Mr. Shafqat Mahmood)	2010-11	07	333
3	Sub-Committee-II (Syed Naveed Qamar)	2002-03	8	235
4	Sub-Committee-III (Sardar Ashiq Hussain Gopang)	2009-10	19	181
5	Monitoring and Implementation Committee (Rana Afzaal Hussain)	1999-2000 2000-01 2004-05 2005-06 2006-07 2008-09	11	413 370 12 43 28 33

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON KASHMIR

The present Special Committee of the National Assembly was constituted by the National Assembly through a motion on 19th August, 2008. The Committee held its first meeting on 16th September, 2008 and unanimously elected Maulana Fazl-ur-Rahman, MNA its Chairman. The Special Committee on Kashmir during the 4th Parliamentary year of the 14th National Assembly deliberated upon the political scenario with reference to the Kashmir issue.

Highlights of the activities of the Special Committee on Kashmir during the 4th Parliamentary year are as under:-

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON KASHMIR	DATES
Chairman Kashmir Committee Called on Secretary General Organization of Islamic Countries (OIC)	10 th April 2017
Kashmir Committee urged the UN to Implement its resolution on Kashmir. The memo was presented to the Resident Representative of UN, Mr. Neil Bhune. After presenting the Memorandum the delegation emphasized the UN Representative to convey the feelings and concern of the Pakistani nation about the Indian atrocities being committed by the occupied Indian forces since last 70 years especially after the Shahadat of Burhan Muzaffar Wani. The Members also elaborated present situation of the Kashmir movement in Indian occupied Kashmir.	5 th February, 2017



A Delegation of all Parties Hurriat Conference in the leadership of Mr. Ghulam Muhammad Safi called on Chairman, Kashmir Committee in the Parliament House	3 rd January, 2017
Chairman Kashmir Committee paid tribute to the Prime Minister of Pakistan upon his effective speech for Kashmiris in the General Assembly UNO	22 nd September, 2016
Chairman Special Committee on Kashmir condemned the killing of Innocent Kashmiris in the Indian Occupied Kashmir (IOK).	12 th July, 2016

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY

Consequent upon motions adopted by the National Assembly on 21st March and the Senate on 28th March, 2017, Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq, in consultation with the Chairman Senate, constituted a 33-Member Parliamentary Committee on National Security, under Chairmanship of the Speaker National Assembly, with the following Terms of Reference:-

1. To discuss issues relating to National Security of urgent nature;
2. To periodically review, monitor and oversee implementation of the National Action Plan with a view to ensuring its expeditious implementation;
3. To monitor the process of transition from Military Courts to Civil Courts through criminal justice reforms
4. To present periodical reports of the Committee to both Houses of the Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament)

The Speaker may make changes in the composition of the Committee as and when required. The Committee may make rules to regulate its procedure. The Committee comprises of the following Members:

1. Mr. Zahid Hamid, MNA
2. Syed Naveed Qamar, MNA
3. Mr. Imran Khan, MNA
4. Dr. Muhammad Farooq Sattar, MNA
5. Maulana Fazalur Rehman, MNA
6. Mr. Ghulam Murtaza Khan Jatoy, MNA
7. Mr. Ghaus Bux Khan Mahar, MNA
8. Mr. Mahmood Khan Achakzai, MNA
9. Sahibzada Tariq Ullah, MNA
10. Haji Ghulam Ahmad Bilour, MNA
11. Ch. Pervez Elahi, MNA
12. Mr. Muhammad Ijazul Haq, MNA
13. Sardar Kamal Khan Bangulzai, MNA
14. Sheikh Rasheed Ahmed, MNA
15. Engineer Usman Khan Tarakai, MNA
16. Mr. Iftikharud Din, MNA
17. Mr. Aftab Ahmad Khan Sherpao, MNA



18. Syed Essa Nori, MNA
19. Alhaj Shah Gul Afridi, MNA
20. Senator MushahidUllah Khan
21. Senator Sherry Rehman
22. Senator Dr. Jahnzeb Jamaldini
23. Senator Hasil Khan Bizenjo
24. Senator Syed Muzaffar Hussain Shah
25. Senator Hidyat Ullah
26. Senator Muhammad Talha Mehmood
27. Senator Saeedul Hassan Mandokhail
28. Senator Sirajul Haq
29. Senator Mir Israrullah Khan Zehri
30. Senator Muhammad Usman Khan Kakar
31. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Sawati
32. Senator Ilyas Ahmed Bilour
33. Senator Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi



PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON ELECTORAL REFORMS (PCER)

Pursuant to the motions adopted by the National Assembly on 19th June, 2014 and Senate on 30th June, 2014, the Speaker National Assembly, in consultation with the Chairman Senate and Parliamentary Leaders, constituted the Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reforms (PCER) on 25th July, 2014 comprising 33 Members.

TORs of the PCER

Terms of Reference of the PCER were as follows:-

- i) The Committee shall elect its Chairman at its first meeting.
- ii) The scope of work of the Committee will include, but shall not be limited to, making recommendations in respect of electoral reforms, required to ensure free, fair and transparent elections, including adoption of the latest technology available for holding elections, along with draft legislation, including constitutional amendments, if required for this purpose.
- iii) The Speaker may replace any Member of the Committee on request of the Leader of Parliamentary party concerned.
- iv) The Committee may make rules for regulating its procedure.
- v) Quorum to constitute a sitting of the Committee shall be one fourth of its total membership.
- vi) The Committee shall present its report to the Parliament within three months from the date of the notification of the Committee.

INPUT FROM PUBLIC FOR ELECTORAL REFORMS

The PCER invited proposals for electoral reforms from civil society organizations, lawyers (including Pakistan Bar Council and Provincial Bar Councils, Supreme Court and High Courts Bar Associations) and the general public through Notice in print and electronic Media in August-September, 2014. In response, more than 1200 proposals covering more than 4000 pages were received from various Parliamentarians, CSOs, lawyers and the general public in response to the Public Notice issued by PCER.

FORMATION OF SUB-COMMITTEE

On 24th October, 2014, the Committee constituted a Sub-Committee headed by Mr. Zahid Hamid, MNA with the following Terms of Reference:-

- i) To examine and make recommendations regarding the tabulated proposals received by the Committee in respect of electoral reforms required to ensure free, fair and transparent elections including adoption of latest available technology along with draft legislation/constitutional amendments, if required.
- ii) The sub-committee shall complete its task and submit its report to the Committee as expeditiously as possible.

In addition to the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the sub-Committee considered 9 Laws relating to the elections, namely :

- i) the Electoral Rolls Act, 1974 (Act No. XXI of 1974);
- (ii) the Delimitation of Constituencies Act, 1974 (Act No. XXXIV of 1974);
- (iii) the Senate (Election) Act, 1975 (Act No. LI of 1975);



- (iv) the Representation of the People Act, 1976 (Act No. LXXXV of 1976);
- (v) the Election Commission Order, 2002 (Chief Executive's Order No.1 of 2002);
- (vi) the Conduct of General Elections Order, 2002 (Chief Executive's Order No.7 of 2002);
- (vii) the Political Parties Order, 2002(Chief Executive's Order No.18 of 2002);
- (viii) the Qualifications to Hold Office Order 2002 (Chief Executive's Order No. 19 of 2002); and
- (ix) the Allocation of Symbols Order, 2002.

One of the first decisions taken by the Sub-Committee was to recommend that the aforementioned 9 Electoral Laws may be unified into one Election Law (with corresponding rules). The fragmented system of legislation was not only inconvenient but in some cases incompatible and incomprehensible. The Sub-Committee has held eighty-seven meetings since its formation and submitted 8 Progress Reports to the PCER. On the basis of an Interim Report of the Sub-Committee, the PCER approved the draft Constitution (Twenty-Second Amendment) Bill, 2016 relating to the appointment of the Chief Election Commissioner and Members of the Election Commission and ancillary matters. After detailed deliberations, extending over about two years, the Sub-Committee on 20th December, 2016, unanimously submitted for consideration and approval of PCER the following Electoral Reforms package:

- i) Draft Elections Bill, 2017
- ii) Draft Election Rules, 2017
- iii) Draft Constitutional (Twenty-seventh Amendment) Bill.

The PCER considered the above package in its meeting on 20th December, 2016 and decided as follows :

- a) that the Draft Elections Bill, 2017 be presented to the Senate and National Assembly of Pakistan for consideration and views of the honorable parliamentarians within 30-days to the National Assembly Secretariat for the consideration of the PCER; (subsequently, the said proposals were placed before the Sub-Committee on 15th February, 2017)
- b) that the Draft Constitution (Twenty-seventh Amendment) Bill, 2017 may be finalized by the Sub-Committee by keeping in view the other proposals relating to the Constitutional provisions requiring amendments, as and when received; and
- c) that the Draft Elections Rules, 2017 may be sent to the ECP to finalize the same as per Elections Bill, 2017 for consideration and approval of the PCER.

Pursuant to the above decisions, the Second Interim Report of the PCER along with the Draft Elections Bill, 2017, was presented before the National Assembly and the Senate. The Draft Bill was also placed on the websites of both the Houses and given wide publicity. Copies of the same were made available to the concerned NGOs and other bodies. As feedback, a total of 631 comments/proposals relating to the draft Elections Bill, 2017 were received from various organizations, institutions, and political parties. On the directions of the Chairman, PCER, these comments/proposals were placed before the Sub-Committee on 15th February, 2017. Finally on 10th May, the Sub-Committee submitted the Electoral Reforms Package for approval to be submitted to both august Houses of Parliament along with the Final Report of the Committee. The Sub-Committee also submitted that the Draft Elections Bill, 2017 and the Draft Constitutions (Amendment) Bill may be recommended for enactment.

PARLIAMENTARY OUTREACH





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In 2016-17, the National Assembly continued its tradition of a robust Parliamentary diplomacy. A broad based commitment to foster regional cooperation and vibrant parliamentary engagements in the region and beyond took the 14th National Assembly to play a proactive role in various regional and international forums during its fourth year. The Members of the Assembly participated at various forums and explored shared avenues for cooperation in strengthening parliamentary democracy, promoting trade and people-to-people contacts, countering terrorism and exploring alternate renewable energy resources. Some of the major achievements of the year are as follows:

1. Dr. Fehmida Mirza, MNA was elected as a Member of the CPA International Executive Committee for a period of 3 years (2016-18)
2. The Parliament of Pakistan became the Secretariat of the CPA Asia Region for a period of 3 years (2016-18)
3. Proposed 5th CPA Asia Regional Conference to take place in October 2017 at Lahore, Pakistan.

In addition to the aforementioned achievements, National Assembly of Pakistan hosted the following international conferences:

1. 1st SAARC Young Parliamentarians Conference "Young Parliamentarians for Peace and Harmony for Development" from August 16 – 17, 2016.
2. International Parliamentarians' Seminar on Kashmir (IPSK) Islamabad – Pakistan, January 5 – 6, 2017.
3. International Conference on Role of Women Parliamentarians in strengthening Democracy and Social justice held at Islamabad, Pakistan from 12 – 15 March, 2017.

06 Incoming Parliamentary Delegations

A total of 08 Parliamentary delegations visited National Assembly of Pakistan including China, United Kingdom and European Union Parliament respectively

09 Outgoing Parliamentary delegations

A total of 09 Parliamentary delegations of Pakistan visited different countries including China, Germany, Turkey, Kuwait, Iran and Afghanistan.

23 Foreign Missions Calls-on

During the 4th Parliamentary year, 16 Ambassadors/High Commissioners called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly and discussed matters of mutual interests.

36 Meetings of Parliamentary Friendship Groups

36 Meetings of various Parliamentary Friendship Groups (PFGs) were held in the year, which were



also attended by the Islamabad based Ambassadors from respective countries.

KASHMIR ISSUE : SPEAKERS' LETTERS TO 196 PARLIAMENTS

The Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq sent letters to the Speakers of 196 Parliaments to highlight the rampant, unending and gross human rights abuse in Indian Occupied Kashmir and to garner diplomatic and political support for the freedom struggle of Kashmiri people. It must be remembered that last year the Speaker pulled back Pakistan from hosting 61st Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference as its chosen President when India agitated for extending invitation to Assembly of Indian Occupied Kashmir. The Speaker National Assembly stood firm on Pakistan's principle stance on Kashmir and highlighted that Parliament of Pakistan cannot issue an invitation to the Indian Occupied Jammu and Kashmir Assembly to attend the Conference, as it would be in violation of the UNSC Resolutions. The Speaker highlighted that Pakistan's principled stance on Kashmir was more important than hosting Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference.

TURKISH PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS TO JOINT SESSION

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan addressed joint session of Pakistan's Parliament on 17th November, 2016. He became the ninth world leader to address Pakistan's Parliament and the first foreign dignitary to address the Joint Session thrice. Previously, he addressed Joint Session of the Parliament of Pakistan in October 2009 & May 2012. He highlighted that Pakistan and Turkey are friendly nations and said both countries had strengthened bilateral ties in recent years. Extending Turkey's support for Kashmir cause, the Turkish President remarked that the "Kashmir issue holds a special place in our hearts. we are familiar with the perils the Kashmiris face".

INCOMING BILATERAL PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATIONS:

In order to portray the soft and democratic image of Pakistan, the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq has been extending invitations to his counterparts in Parliaments of different countries of the world in order to bring more and more foreign dignitaries and Parliamentary delegations for visits to Pakistan.

Table-N: Incoming Bilateral Parliamentary Delegations

1	Visit of Parliamentary delegation from Turkmenistan led by H.E. Mrs. Akja Murberdiyeva, Chairperson of Mejlis (Parliament) of Turkmenistan, August 2 – 4, 2016
2	Visit of H.E. Mr. Chynybai A. Tursunbekov, Speaker of the Jogorku Kenesh (Parliament) of Kyrgyz Republic to Pakistan from March 13-15, 2017
3	Visit of 7-member UK Parliamentary delegation to Pakistan led by Rehman Chishti, MP House of Commons, UK from April 02-08, 2017
4	Visit of the H.E. Mr. Vladimir Andreinchenko, Chairman of the House of Representatives of Belarus to Pakistan from April 10-13, 2017
5	Visit of an 8-member delegation of the European Parliament's foreign affairs committee led by Mr. David Mcallister, member of the European Parliament/ Chair of the Committee on Foreign Affairs to Pakistan from April 17-21, 2017.



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| 6 | Visit of a six member delegation led by H.E. Lu Xinshe, Member of the Central Committee of Communist Party of China and Party Secretary of Jiangxi Province to Pakistan from April 20-23, 2017. |
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VISITS OF FOREIGN DIGNITARIES

Besides the bilateral incoming visits, the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly also met with the following dignitaries from various countries during their visit to Pakistan:

Table-O: Visits of Foreign Dignitaries	
1.	Mr. Cris Stewart, US Congressman along-with H. E. Mr. David Hale US Ambassador called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 8 th August 2016.
2.	Rt. Hon. Tasnima Sheikh, MP, House of Commons, UK along-with Mr. Ali Imran, Country Representative Westminster Foundation for Democracy called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 4 th October 2016
3.	Ms. Shamshad Akhtar, UN Under-Secretary-General of the UNESCAP of the United Nations and Executive Secretary of ESCAP called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 20 th December 2016.
4.	H. E. Lt. General Sheikh Mohamed Bin Isa Bin Salman Al-Khalifa Commander of the National Guard of Bahrain Kingdom of Bahrain called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 3 rd January 2017
5.	H. E. Mr. Allauddin Boroujerdi, Chairman of the National Security and Foreign Policy Commission of Islamic Consultative Assembly of Iran called on 26 th January 2017
6.	H. E. Mr. Abdulmalik Abduljalil Almekhlafi, Deputy Prime Minister/Minister of Foreign Affairs of Yemen called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 14 th March 2017
7.	Mr. Wang Xiaochu, Chairman Foreign Relation Committee People's Republic of China called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 16 th March 2017
8.	Ms. Gerda Verburg, Global Coordinator of the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement and UN Assistant Secretary – General called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 11 th April 2017.
9.	A 7-Member delegation led by H.E. Mr. LU Xinshe, Member of the Central Committee of Communist Party of China and Party Secretary of Jiangxi Province accompanied by Chinese Ambassador in Islamabad called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 20 th April, 2017
10.	A two member Women Parliamentary delegation from Islamic Parliament of Iran Ms. Parvaneh Salashouri and Aghapor Alishshi called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 14 th March 2017
11.	An Indian Parliamentary delegation led by Mr. Shashi Tharoor, Member Lok Sabha along-with Ms. Meenakshi Lekhi, Member Lok Sabha and Mr. Swapan Dasgupta, Member Rajya Sabha called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 15 th March 2017



OUTGOING BILATERAL VISITS

As part of Pakistan's outreach to build broad-based, substantive and long-term relations at bilateral level, the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly led parliamentary delegations to 7 different countries including China, Germany, Turkey, Iran and Afghanistan. The Hon'ble Deputy Speaker also led Parliamentary delegations to China and Turkmenistan during the year 2016-17. The list of outgoing bilateral visits is as follows:

Table-P: Outgoing Bilateral Visits	
1.	Visit of Parliamentary delegation led by Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly to Federal republic of Germany from July 4 – 8, 2016
2.	Visit of Parliamentary delegation led by Hon'ble Deputy Speaker to China from July 13-18, 2016
3.	Visit of Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly to China from September 11-14, 2016
4.	Visit of Parliamentary delegation led by Hon'ble Murtaza Javed Abbasi, Deputy Speaker for participation in the 25 th anniversary of independence of Turkmenistan from October 26-28, 2016
5.	Visit of Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly to Kingdom of Bahrain on Invitation of the Speaker of Bahrain, November 07 - 09 , 2016
6.	Visit of Parliamentary delegation Led By Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly to Kuwait from November 26-27, 2016
7.	Visit of the Parliamentary delegation led By Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly to Turkey from March 26-29, 2017
8.	Visit of the Parliamentary delegation led by Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly to Iran from April 21-25, 2017
9.	Visit of the Parliamentary delegation led by Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly to Afghanistan from April 29-30, 2017.

MULTILATERAL VISITS

1. Visit of a Member to attend Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA) Standing Committee on Political Affairs held at Omman, Jordan from June 1 – 2, 2016.
2. Visit of a Member to attend 27th Commonwealth Parliamentary Seminar held at Queensland Australia from June 5 – 11, 2016.
3. Visit of 2 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend Annual Session of the Parliamentary Conference on WTO held at Geneva, Switzerland from June 13 – 14, 2016.
4. Visit of 3 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend 6th Westminster Workshop on Parliamentary Financial Oversight of aid effectiveness held at London, UK from July 4 – 7, 2016.
5. Visit of 4 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to ICT Focused Study held at Brussels from 27th June – 1st July, 2016.
6. Visit of 5 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to Study Tour to European Parliament held at Brussels from July 11 – 15, 2016.



7. Visit of 7 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend CPA Tailored Pakistan Parliament Westminster Symposia held at Westminster, London from July 11 – 15, 2016.
8. Visit of 5 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend UK House of Commons Overseas Office Programme for National Assembly Secretariat held at London from July 11 – 15, 2016.
9. Visit of 5 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation (Study visit) to the German Bundestag held at Berlin, Germany during July, 2016.
10. Visit of 2 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend APA Standing Committee on Economic and Sustainable Development held at Islamabad, Pakistan from July 26 – 27, 2016.
11. Visit of 2 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend CPA UK Asia Pacific Regional Workshop for Parliamentarians on Cyber security and Cybercrimes held at Brisbane, Australia from July 25 – 28, 2016.
12. Visit of 2 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation headed by Hon'ble Speaker to China from September 11 – 14, 2016.
13. Visit of 2 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend Inter - regional seminar on parliamentary capacity-building and the further implementation of the sustainable development goals held at Beijing, China from September 20 – 22, 2016.
14. Visit of 2 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend Meeting of APA 1st Executive Council and Standing Committee Meeting on Staff and Financial Regulations held at Phnom Penh, Cambodia from September 25 – 27, 2016.
15. Visit of 2 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation headed by Hon'ble Deputy Speaker to attend Parliamentary Session within the Framework of the WTO Public Forum 2016 held at Geneva on 27th September, 2016.
16. Visit of a Member to attend the World Bank and IMF Annual Meetings held at Washington DC, USA from October 3 – 6, 2016.
17. Visit of 6 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation headed by Hon'ble Speaker to attend 36th PUIC Executive Committee Meeting held at Ankara, Turkey from October 17 – 18, 2016.
18. Visit of 9 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation headed by Hon'ble Speaker to attend 135th IPU Assembly and its related Meetings held at Geneva, Switzerland from October 23 – 27, 2016.
19. Visit of 2 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend 8th Commonwealth Youth Parliament held at Columbia, Canada from November 6 – 10, 2016.
20. Visit of 2 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend 18th General Assembly of the Asia Pacific Parliamentarians' Conference on Environment and Development (APPCED) held at Seoul, Republic of Korea from November 10 – 12, 2016.
21. Visit of a Member to attend Parliamentary Meeting in conjunctions with the session of the United National Climate change Conference (COP22/CMP12) held at Marrakech, Morocco on 13th November, 2016.
22. Visit of 3 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend 65th Westminster Seminar on Parliamentary practice and procedure held at London, UK from November 20 – 25, 2016.
23. Visit of 3 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation headed by Hon'ble Speaker to attend Participation in Sessions of the CSTO's Parliamentary Assembly and its Council held



- at Saint Petersburg, Russia on 24th November, 2016.
24. Visit of a - Member to attend 2nd International Women and Justice Summit held at Istanbul, Turkey from November 25 – 26, 2016.
 25. Visit of 2 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation headed by Hon'ble Speaker to Kuwait from November 26 – 27, 2016.
 26. Visit of 3 - Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend 9th APA Plenary Session and other relevant meetings held at Siem Reap, Cambodia from 27th November to 2nd December, 2016.
 27. Visit of a Member to attend the Global Tax Transparency Summit at Westminster in London will be organized by Public Accounts Committees (PAC) (House of Commons) in partnership with CPA UK from December 8 – 9, 2016 at London, UK.
 28. Visit of 2-Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend 9th Session of the Consultative Assembly of Parliamentarians for the International Criminal Court and the Rule of Law and 38th Annual Forum of PGA from December 9 – 10, 2016 at Parliament of Senegal, Dakar.
 29. Visit of 4-Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend the 62nd Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference (CPC) from December 11 – 17, 2016 at London, UK.
 30. Visit of 3-Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation led by the Hon'ble Speaker Standing Committee Meeting of the Conference of Speakers and presiding officers of the Commonwealth (CSPOC) from January 11 – 12, 2017 at London, UK.
 31. Visit of 3-Member Pakistan Parliamentary to attend the 12th Session of the PUIC Conference from January 23 – 28, 2017 at Bamako, Republic of Mali.
 32. Visit of 3-Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend the Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference on the Rule of Law and Human Rights from January 24 – 26, 2017 at London, UK.
 33. Visit of 2 Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend the Annual Parliamentary Hearing at the United Nations from February 13–14, 2017 at United Nations Headquarter, New York.
 34. Visit of Director General (PR) to Bangkok from February 9 – 15, 2017 at Bangkok, Thailand
 35. Visit of a Member to attend the Parliamentary Network on the World Bank and IMF Field (PN) from February 20 – 23, 2017 at Kenya.
 36. Visit of a Member to attend the Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians Working Group from February 24 – 27, 2017 at London, UK.
 37. Visit of a Member to attend the Commonwealth Association Public Accounts Committee (CAPAC) ExCo meeting on 7th March, 2017 at London, UK.
 38. Visit of a Member to attend a meeting for the Nomination of regional representative and alternative member for CPA expert committee from March 9 – 13, 2017 at London, UK.
 39. Visit of a Member to attend The Parliamentary meeting at the 61st Session of Commission on Status of Women (CSW) from March 15 – 17, 2017 at New York, USA.
 40. Visit of 3-Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend the International Parliamentary Conference on National Security and Cyber security Day from March 27 – 31, 2017 at London, UK.
 41. Visit of a Member to attend the Global Parliamentary Conference from April 17 – 18, 2017 at Washington DC.



42. Visit of a Member to attend Meeting of APA Standing Committee on Economic and Sustainable Development Affairs from April 25 – 26, 2017 at Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain.
43. Visit of 4-Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend Regional Meeting of Young Parliamentarians of the Asia- Pacific from April 25 – 27, 2017 at Colombo, Sri Lanka.
44. Visit of a Member to attend CPA Mid-Year Meeting of the Executive Committee from April 25 – 27, 2017 at Australia.
45. Visit of 5-Member Pakistan Parliamentary Delegation to attend the CPA UK Asia-Pacific Regional Workshop on Modern Slavery from April 26 – 28, 2017 at House of Parliament, London.

FOREIGN MISSIONS' CALLS-ON

The Ambassadors of Islamabad based various foreign Missions called on the Hon'ble Speaker, National Assembly during period from June 2016 to May 2017.

Table-Q: Foreign Missions' Calls'-On

S.No.	Name of Ambassadors/ High Commissioners/Foreign VVIP Dignitaries	Date of Call on
1	H.E. Mr. S. Babur Girgin, Ambassador of Turkish Republic	26 th July 2016
2	Mr. Cris Stewart US Congressman along-with H.E. Mr. David Hale, Ambassador of USA	08 th August 2016
3	H. E. Mr. Ivan Ivanissevich Ambassador, Argentina	11 th August 2016
4	H. E. Mr. Emilian Ion Ambassador, Romania	15 th August 2016
5	H. E. Mr. Jan Fury, Ambassador of Czech Republic	03 rd October 2016
6	H. E. Mr. Andrei Ermolovich Ambassador, Republic of Belarus	31 st October 2016
7	H. E. Ms. Ingrid Johansson Ambassador of Kingdom of Sweden	13 th December 2016
8	H. E. Mr. Andrei Ermolovich Ambassador, Republic of Belarus	03 rd January 2017
9	H.E.Lt.General Sheikh Mohamed Bin Isa Bin Salman Al-Khalifa, Commander of the National Guard of Kingdom of Bahrain	03 rd January 2017
10	H.E. Mr. Allauddin Boroujerdi Chairman of the National Security and Foreign Policy Commission of Islamic Consultative Assembly of Iran	26 th January 2017
11	H.E.Mr. Ali Alizada Ambassador, Republic of Azerbaijan	02 nd February 2017
12	H. E. Mr. Sherif Shaheen Ambassador, Arab Republic of Egypt	02 nd February 2017
13	H. E. Major General ® Jayanath Lokuketagodage, High Commissioner Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka	02 nd February 2017
14	H. E. Dr. Joao Paulo Marques Sabido Cost, Charge d' Affairs for Portugal	24 th February 2017

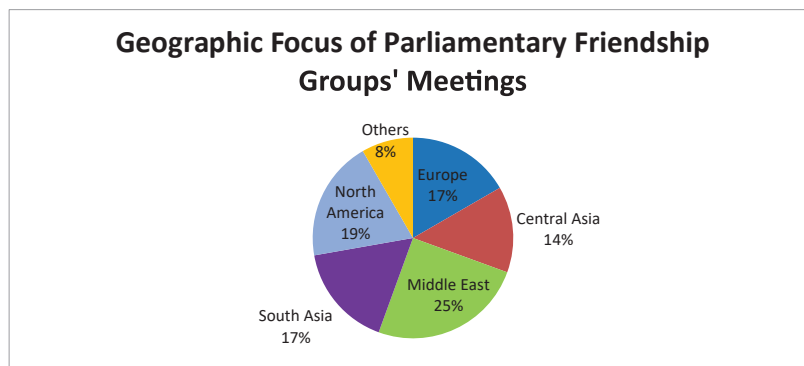


15	H. E. Mrs. Martine Dorance Ambassador, France	07 th March 2017
16	H. E. Mr. Aizaz Ahmad Chaudhry Ambassador designate, USA	08 th March 2017
17	H.E. Mr. Jean- Francois Ambassador , European Union	08 th March 2017
18	H. E. Mr. Abdulmalik Abduljalil Almekhlafi, Deputy Prime Minister/ Minister of Foreign Affairs of Yemen	14 th March 2017
19	H. E. Mr. Tarik Ahsan High Commissioner of, Bangladesh	14 th March 2017
20	Mr. Wang Xiaochu Chairman, Foreign Relation Committee People's Republic of China	16 th March 2017
21	H. E. Mr. Abdullah Marzouk Al-Zahrani, Ambassador, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	20 th March 2017
22	H. E. Mr. Vladimir Andreinchenko, Chairman, House of Representatives Republic of Belarus	10 th April 2017
23	Dr.Hazrat Omar Zakhilwal, Ambassador Extraordinary and Special Envoy of the President of Islamic Republic of Afghanistan	12 th April 2017

PARLIAMENTARY FRIENDSHIP GROUPS

Parliamentary Friendship Groups are informal associations established on reciprocal basis with 90 countries in the Parliament of Pakistan. These friendship groups meet on a regular basis to promote cooperation and foster closer ties with parliamentarians and representatives from friendly countries. Parliamentary Friendship Groups' meetings were convened regularly throughout the year 2016-17.

36 Meetings of various Parliamentary Friendship Groups (PFGs) were held in the year, which were also attended by the Islamabad based Ambassadors from respective countries. Meetings of Parliamentary Friendship Group with Canada were held seven times in the year, and a number of meetings were held with representatives of countries from Europe, Middle East, South Asia and Central Asia to reinforce and cement bilateral friendship. During the year, regular meetings of Parliamentary Friendship Groups of Afghanistan, Sri Lanka, Turkey, Tunisia and Egypt were held. A condolence reference on terror attack in Belgium was held during a meeting of Pakistan-Belgium PFG which was attended by the Belgian ambassador to Pakistan. Chief-Commissioner on Afghan refugees





in Pakistan called on members of the Pakistan-Afghanistan PFG to discuss bilateral ties and issues regarding Afghan refugees. The following chart reveals that Parliamentary Friendship Groups held meetings with countries from all regions of the world.

Table-R: Meetings of Parliamentary Friendship Groups from June, 2016 - May, 2017

S.No.	PFG	Convener	Meeting Date/ Time/ Venue	Participants		Agenda
				MNAs	Dignitaries	
June, 2016						
1	Pakistan Turkmenistan	Ms. Shakila Luqman	Thursday, 9 th June, 2016	2	Ambassador	Aftar Dinner in the honor of H.E. the Ambassador along with his spouse
2	Pakistan Afghanistan	Mr. Aftab Ahmed Khan Sherpao	Thursday, 16 th June, 2016 Com- mittee Room # 7	14	Group Mem- bers	To discuss on the matter regard- ing exchange of fire on Torkham Crossing
3	Pakistan - Egypt	Ms. Arifa Kha- lid Pervez	Friday, 17 th June, 2016, WPC	14	Director, MoFA	Briefing from MoFA
August, 2016						
4	Pakistan Turkmenistan	Ms. Shakila Luqman	Wednesday, 3 rd August, 2016 Committee Room No. 5	19	Delegation from Par- liament of Turkmenistan	Meeting of Pakistan - Turkmenistan PFG with the visiting Turkmen Par- liamentary Delegation to Pakistan
5	Pakistan -Turkey	Mr. Muhammad Pervaiz Malik	Tuesday, 9 th Au- gust, 2016, Committee Room No. 5	45	Ambassador	Meeting of Pakistan - Turkey PFG with the Ambassador of Turkey held in Parliament House to discuss Military Coup in Turkey.
6	Pakistan -Tunisia	Syed Ghazi Gulabjamal	Tuesday, 9 th August, 2016, Embassy of Tunisia	1	Ambassador	Hon. Mr. Ghazi Gulab Jamal met the Ambassador of Tunisia at the Embassy to interact with the new Ambassador



7	Pakistan -Turkey	Mr. Muhammad Pervaiz Malik	Wednesday, 10 th August, 2016, Embassy of Turkey	50	Ambassador	Turkish Ambassador invited Members of Pakistan - Turkey PFG for a reception at Turkish Embassy
September, 2016						
8	Pakistan -Turkey	Mr. Muhammad Pervaiz Malik	Tuesday, 6 th September, 2016, WPC	15	Group Briefing	Briefing to Hon'ble Mr. Muhammad Pervaiz Malik, by the DG (I&T) from MoFA
9	Pakistan - Canada	Mr. Ijazul Haq	Wednesday, 7 th September, 2017, High Commission of Canada	8	High Commissioner	Canadian High Commissioner invited the Selected Members of Pakistan - Canada PFG for Lunch at his residence.
10	Pakistan - Bulgaria	Ms. Farhana Qamar	Tuesday, 20 th September, 2016 PAECO Secretariat	2	Convener Briefing	Briefing from MoFA
11	Pakistan - Sri Lanka	Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb	Tuesday, 27 th September, 2016 Committee Room No. 7	1	Group Briefing	Briefing by the Director from the MoFA on ongoing bilateral relations between two countries.
October, 2016						
12	Pakistan - Sri Lanka	Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb	Wednesday, 5 th October, 2016 Committee Room No. 7	10	High Commissioner	Meeting of Pakistan - Sri Lanka PFG with the High Commissioner of Sri Lanka
13	Pakistan - Sweden	Mr. Muhammad Khan Daha	Wednesday, 5 th October, 2016 Committee Room No. 7	19	High Commissioner	Meeting of Pakistan - Sweden PFG with the Ambassador of Sweden held in Parliament House to discuss the bilateral relations between two countries.



14	Pakistan - Sri Lanka	Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb	Friday, 7 th October, 2016 SDGs Secretariat	2	High Commissioner MP from Sri Lankan Parliament	Hon'ble. Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb and Hon'ble. Dr. Fehmida Mirza had a meeting with H.E. the High Commissioner and Mr. Iftikhar Aziz, Chairman Sri Lanka Pakistan PFG at Parliament House.
15	Pakistan Afghanistan	Mr. Aftab Ahmed Khan Sherpao	20 th October, 2016 Committee Room # 7	10	Dr. Imran Zeb Khan, Chief Commissioner for Afghan Refugees called for briefing the Hon'ble. Members of Pakistan - Afghanistan PFG regarding the Afghan Refugees in Pakistan	
November, 2016						
16	Pakistan - Turkey	Mr. Muhammad Pervaiz Malik	Friday 11 th November, 2016, Serena Hotel	10	Ambassador	A meeting of select Member Pakistan - Turkey PFG followed by lunch by the Convener Pakistan - Turkey PFG held at Serena.
17	Pakistan - Australia	Ms. Marriyum Aurangzeb	Wednesday 23 rd November, 2016	50	High Commissioner	Reception by H.E. the Australian High Commissioner for Pakistan - Australia PFG
18	Pakistan - Egypt	Ms. Arifa Khalid Pervez	Wednesday, 23 rd November, 2016 Embassy of Egypt	1	Ambassador	Hon'ble. Ms. Arifa Khalid Pervez went to the Embassy of Egypt for welcoming the New Ambassador.
19	Pakistan - Afghanistan	Mr. Aftab Ahmed Khan Sherpao	Tuesday, 29 th November Committee Room # 7	12	Group Meeting	Convener called a meeting of Pakistan - Afghanistan PFG.
December, 2016						
20	Pakistan - Indonesia	Ms. Shazia Mubashar	Wednesday, 21 st December, 2016 WPC	1	Briefing from MoFA	Briefing by the Coordinators from PFG Cell to the newly appointed Convener regarding the objectives of PFGs.



January, 2017						
21	Pakistan - Canada	Mr. Ijazul Haq	Thursday, 19 th January, 2017, High Commission of Canada	12	High Commissioner	Canadian High Commissioner invited the Members of Pakistan - Canada PFG for the Human Rights Day celebration at the High Commission of Canada.
22	Pakistan - Canada	Mr. Ijazul Haq	Wednesday, 25 th January, 2017, WPC	2	Briefing from MoFA	Director General (CA&LA) from MoFA briefed the Hon'ble. Mr. Ijazul Haq and Ms. Romina Khurshid Alam, Coordinator, Pak - Canada PFG on Bilateral Relations between two countries.
23	Pakistan - Canada	Mr. Ijazul Haq	Wednesday, 25 th January, 2017, WPC	1	Political Secretary	Hon'ble. Ms. Romina Khurshid Alam, Coordinator Pakistan - Canada PFG had a meeting with the Political Secretary from Canadian High Commission for preplanning the formal meeting of Pakistan - Canada PFG with the High Commissioner of Canada at the Parliament House
February, 2017						
24	Pakistan - Azerbaijan	Ms. Shaza Fatima Khawaja	Wednesday, 1 st February, 2017, WPC		Ambassador	Ambassador of Azerbaijan called on Hon'ble. Ms. Shaza Fatima Khawaja along with Members of Pak - Azerbaijan PFG to discuss bilateral relations between two countries.



25	Pakistan - Canada	Mr. Ijazul Haq	Wednesday, 1 st February, 2017, WPC	1	Briefing from MoFA	DG (CA&-LA) MoFA	Director General (CA&LA) from MoFA briefed the Hon'ble. Mr. IjazulHaq and Ms. Romina KhurshidAlam, Coordinator, Pak - Canada PFG on Bilateral Relations between two countries.
26	Pakistan - Canada	Mr. Ijaz ul Haq	Thursday, 2 nd February, 2017, Committee Room No. 2	60	i) High Commissioner ii) Political Secretary iii) Political Analyst	DG (CA&-LA) MoFA	Meeting of Pakistan - Canada PFG with the High Commissioner of Canada to discuss Bilateral Relations, Human Rights and Women Empowerment.
27	Pakistan - Indonesia	Ms. Shazia Mubashar	Friday, 3 rd February, 2017 WPC	1	one on one briefing by MoFA	DG (CARs) MoFA	Briefing by the DG (CARs) from the MoFA on ongoing bilateral relations between two countries.
28	Pakistan - Belgium	Ms. Zahra Wadood Fatemi	Thursday, 16 th February, 2017 SDGs Secretariat	9	Ambassador		A meeting of Members of Pak - Belgium PFG was held on for the condolence reference on terrorist attack in Belgium. The Ambassador of Belgium attended the meeting.
March, 2017							
29	Pakistan - Kyrgyz Republic	Mr. Abdul Majeed Khan	Wednesday 8 th March, 2017, Committee Room No. 7	1	one on one briefing by MoFA	DG (CARs) MoFA	Briefing by the Director (CARs) from MoFA on the ongoing bilateral relations between two countries.
30	Pakistan - Kyrgyz Republic	Mr. Abdul Majeed Khan	Monday, 13 th March, 2017, Committee Room No. 5	12	Kyrgyz Delegation		Meeting of Pakistan - Kyrgyz Republic PFG with the Kyrgyz Parliamentary Delegation during visit of delegation to Pakistan



April, 2017

31	Pakistan - UK	Dr. Fehmida Mirza	Tuesday, 4 th April, 2017, Committee Room No. 5	27	UK Delegation	Meeting of the group held with visiting Members of UK Parliamentary Delegation. Hon'ble. Ms. Marriyum Aurangzeb chaired a meeting of Pakistan - UK PFG on behalf of Dr. Fehmida Mirza, Convener of the Group.
32	Pakistan - Tunisia	Ms. Amra Khan	Wednesday, 5 th April, 2017, Embassy of Tunisia	1	one on one meeting with the Ambassador	Hon'ble. Ms. Amra Khan met the Ambassador in capacity of being appointed as the new convener of Pakistan - Tunisia PFG.
33	Pakistan - Belarus	Nawabzada Raja Matloob Mehdi	Monday, 10 th April, 2017 Committee Room # 5	9	Belarusian Delegation	H.E. Mr. Valadimir Andreichenko, Chairman of the House of Representatives of the National Assembly of the Republic of Belarus visited Pakistan from April 10-13, 2017. Mr. Awais Leghari, Chairman, Foreign Relations Committee chaired the meeting on behalf of the Convener.
34	Pakistan - Portugal	Mr. Babar Nawaz Khan	Thursday, 20 th April, 2017, Committee Room No. 7	12	Ambassador	Pakistan -Portugal PFG met the Ambassador of Portugal in Parliament House.
35	Pakistan -Tunisia	Ms. Amra Khan	Friday, 21 st April, 2017, Committee Room No. 7	12	Ambassador	Pakistan - Tunisia PFG met the Ambassador of Tunisia in Parliament House.
36	Pakistan -Canada	Mr. Ijazul Haq	Thursday 11 May, 2017 WPC	1	Political Secretary	One on one meeting of Ms. Romina Khurshed Alam, Coordinator, Pak- Canada PFG with the Political Secretary from Canadian High Commission



DEMOCRACY MONUMENT AT PARLIAMENT HOUSE

Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq and Chairman Senate Mian Raza Rabbani inaugurated a monument in the lawn of Parliament House in remembrance of unsung and unnamed heroes of democracy. The monument is intended to acknowledge the sacrifices rendered by unnamed heroes for restoration and consolidation of democracy, rule of law and constitutionalism. The leaders of both houses decided that all visiting foreign dignitaries coming to Parliament House will first be taken to the monument and will place a wreath on it. The monument was completed in one and a half month by four artists from Lok Virsa along with Capital Development Authority staff and completed it in a month and a half.

Public Visits to the National Assembly

National Assembly of Pakistan has demonstrated a profound commitment to encourage public understanding of the parliamentary proceedings. National Assembly Secretariat encourages public visits to the National Assembly. For this purpose, a dedicated team of the National Assembly Secretariat provides the delegates enormous insights into the working of the National Assembly. The details of the visiting delegations/groups are as under:

Table-S: Public Visits to the National Assembly of Pakistan

S.#	Name of Educational Institutions	Date of Visit
1	Tech Valley School, Abbottabad	August 5, 2016
2.	Trainees from National Police Academy, Islamabad	September 1, 2016
3.	Justice Law College, Abbottabad	September 7, 2016
4.	Foreign Service Academy, Islamabad	September 29, 2016
5.	National School of Public Policy, National Management College, Lahore	October 5, 2016
6.	Navy War College, Lahore	November 7, 2016
7.	Educational Society, Karachi	November 11, 2016
8.	Farabi Higher Secondary School, Phalia	November 23, 2016
9.	Queen Mary's College, Lahore	November 24, 2016
10.	University of Engineering and Technology, Lahore	November 25, 2016
11.	Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad	November 26, 2016
12.	Gift University, Gujranwala	November 28, 2016
13.	Punjab College, Layyah	November 29, 2016
14.	Foreign Service Academy, Islamabad	November 30, 2016
15.	Lahore Chamber of Commerce, Lahore	December 20, 2016
16.	Government Sheikh Sardar Muhammad Girls Higher Secondary School, Lahore	December 21, 2016
17.	Sindh Madrasa-tul-Islam University, Karachi	January 10, 2017
18.	Securities Exchange Commission, Islamabad	January 26, 2017
19.	Government Post Graduate College, Faisalabad	January 27, 2017
20.	Member from Gilgit-Baltistan Legislative Assembly.	January 27, 2017



21.	International Islamic University, Islamabad	January 27, 2017
22.	All Pakistan Private School Management, Sialkot	January 30, 2017
23.	Joint Forces School and College, Hairpur	January 30, 2017
24.	Beacon House School System, Islamabad	January 31, 2017
25.	Government Post-Graduate College, KPK	February 19, 2017
26.	Arid Agriculture University, Rawalpindi	February 27, 2017
27.	Foreign Services Academy, Islamabad	February 27, 2017
28.	Head Start School, Islamabad	March 8, 2017
29.	Cadet College, Hassan Abdal	March 14, 2017
30.	Chief of Army Staff students, Rawalpindi	March 14, 2017
31.	Cadet College. Mastung	March 15, 2017
32.	COMSATS School, Islamabad	March 16, 2017
33.	Pakistan PAF War College, Karachi	March 27, 2017
34.	National Institute of Management, (NIM) Peshawar	April 4, 2017
35.	Command and Staff College, Quetta	April 7, 2017
36.	Islamia University, Bahawalpur	April 14, 2017
37.	Liaquat University of Medical Sciences, Jamshoro	April 14, 2017
38.	National University of Modern Languages, Islamabad	April 17, 2017
39.	Pakistan Navy School of Logistics, PNS Karsaz, Karachi	April 17, 2017
40.	Securities Exchange Commission, Islamabad	April 19, 2017
41.	Dar-e-Arqam School, Havelian	April 19, 2017
42.	National School of Public Policy, Lahore	April 26, 2017
43.	Participants of Training of Trainers (ToT) for Parliamentary Studies from 30 universities.	March 20, 2017

PARLIAMENTARY FORUMS





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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS SECRETARIAT:

On February 16th, 2016, the National Assembly of Pakistan successfully established first of its kind Secretariat on SDGs. The Secretariat acts as a center of excellence for credible, authentic, and comparable data that is critical in tracking, monitoring and evaluating social sector reforms to take informed decisions. Since its inception, the SDGs Secretariat has devised inclusive strategies to facilitate members of Parliament in parliamentary business, legislation and effective oversight of government policies with regard to SDGs.

Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Taskforce:

Since 2013 the Parliamentary Task Force on SDGs, constituted by the Hon'ble Speaker Sardar Ayaz Sadiq of the National Assembly of Pakistan has been assigned the role of overseeing the implementation of post-2015 development agenda. The principal objective of the Taskforce is to improve representation and ensure effective oversight of the executive.

The primary objective of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Taskforce is Parliamentary oversight on SDGs. The National Parliamentary Taskforce on SDGs is formulated to review the progress in respective SDGs against the set targets, milestones, challenges and lessons learnt, and to share analysis and give recommendations.

In 2014, the initiative of establishing parliamentary taskforce was replicated by the speakers of all Provincial Legislative Houses i.e. Balochistan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Punjab, Sindh, Azad Jammu and Kashmir, and Gilgit-Baltistan.

The basic purpose of SDGs taskforce is:

- I. **To promote** discussion through debates and questions in the House to obtain information, raise awareness, to hold governments to account and to draw attention to the post 2015 development agenda.
- II. **To conduct** committee hearings that investigates provincial priorities in greater depth and gives opportunities to hear testimony from independent experts and civil society representatives.
- III. **To convene** constituency meetings and public fora to establish dialogue with members of the public to inform them on the public issues and ensure that their voices are heard.
- IV. **To engage** with local and relevant authorities, civil society organizations, media and the private sector by sharing information and supporting their participation in decision making.
- V. **To provide** representation to all sectors of society by ensuring that citizens, different stakeholders and civil society groups have a voice at the national level and are able to participate in the decision making process.
- VI. **To influence** the formulation of the new development goals by engaging with the intergovernmental negotiations and policy discussion at provincial level.



Events organized by SDGs Taskforce:

1. Dr. Qamar-uz-Zaman Chaudhry, National Climate Change Expert UNDP gave a presentation on Climate Change to SDGs Taskforce members.
2. A two days National Parliamentary Meet on Malnutrition (NPMM) was organized having the slogan of "leaving no one behind" which endeavors to enable Members of Parliament in general and SDGs Taskforce in particular to make a situational analysis of the issue of malnutrition of mother and child. The Parliamentarians, experts, national and international partners highlighted the gaps, shared existing interventions and purposeful actions for improving food security and nutrition of mother and child.
3. A meeting was held of Parliamentary Task force on SDGs with GAVI International's high level mission to Pakistan on "Role of Parliamentarians as Advocates for Routine Immunization (RI) for Children" at Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary services (PIPS), Islamabad. The meeting discussed the importance of vaccines with Parliamentarians and solicited their support to call for action to strengthen Routine Immunization programs in Pakistan. The meeting discussed identifying, the key priority areas for effective Parliamentary oversight lead to meaningful legislation.

WOMEN'S PARLIAMENTARY CAUCUS

The Women's Parliamentary Caucus (WPC), since its inception in 2008, has been at the forefront of highlighting the issues confronting women at the heart of the national development agenda and taking measures to empower women by advocacy, active legislation and oversight.

WPC has been taking up gender concerns through the institutional structure of the Parliament ensuring that norms promoting women's rights and empowerment are translated into national legislations.

Legislation:

In the previous tenure of the WPC, women in the National Assembly and the Senate proposed some of the most innovative legislation including bills against sexual harassment, anti-women practices, domestic violence, and laws to promote maternal and child health.

After the smooth transition of one civilian Government to another, the trend of women activism continues and women legislators are actively engaging in the business of the House and gender-sensitive legislation on subjects ranging from violence against women, affirmative action for increased representation of women in the political landscape and decision making bodies, economic uplift and gender-equality. In this regard, pro-women legislation has been tabled in the Legislature and WPC is lobbying for their passage across party lines.

Advocacy and Oversight:

Supporting Women with Disabilities in Pakistan

In September, 2016, WPC celebrated 'Supporting Women with Disabilities in Pakistan' at Pakistan Institute of Parliamentary Services (PIPS) on 22 September 2016. The objective of the Project was to support the leadership role of Women with disabilities in Development. Special Talent Exchange Program and National Forum for Women with disabilities were involved to raise public awareness.



Human Rights Atrocities in Kashmir-Plight of Kashmiri Women:

In October, 2016, WPC arranged the interactive session with Mashal Yasin Malik regarding 'Human Rights Atrocities in Kashmir-Plight of Kashmiri Women' on 6th October at Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS).

Events at Glance:

One-Day National Consultation on the 'Implementation Issues and Challenges of Women Protection Laws in Pakistan'

On February 09, 2017, Women's Parliamentary Caucus (WPC) organized a one day National Consultation on the 'Implementation Issues and Challenges of Women Protection Laws in Pakistan', to commemorate the National Women's Day falling on February 12. The consultation was held at the Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS). Women and men parliamentarians from national level and across the four provincial assemblies and the two legislative assemblies of Azad Jammu Kashmir and Gilgit-Baltistan were invited to participate. In addition, relevant stakeholders from executive branch of the government including police, medico-legal, media, and education department were invited to share their perspectives and challenges in the implementation of these laws

International Conference on 'Role of Women Parliamentarians in Strengthening Democracy and Social Justice'

Women's Parliamentary Caucus organized an international conference on 'Role of Women Parliamentarian in Strengthening Democracy and Social Justice' on March 13 – 15, 2017 in Islamabad. The international conference aimed at providing a platform for discussing how a social contract in the societies, during crisis can be renewed and how women Parliamentarian networks can build alliances to support the oversight, legislative and representative role to achieve this.

The international conference organized by the Women Parliamentary Caucus of Pakistan included delegates from 14 countries; Maldives, Sri Lanka, Turkey, Iraq, Iran, Jordan, Australia, Romania, Kyrgyzstan, Nepal, Myanmar, Indonesia and Pakistan. The conference spanning over three (3) days, divided into five (5) plenary sessions followed by six (6) thematic debates. The sessions were designed in a manner that they addressed all relevant concerns by identifying grey areas, hurdles and recommending a way forward regarding women empowerment and their role in parliamentary functioning

YOUNG PARLIAMENTARIANS FORUM (YPF)

The Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) comprises Members of National Assembly who were below 40 years of age at the time of General Elections 2013. YPF believes that given the present turmoil in the Sub-Continent and the conflict situation all over the world, an active and meaningful involvement of parliamentarians, invoking the dictums of parliamentary diplomacy is essential for creating a harmonious and dialogue driven global society. Below is an overview of Forum's activities during the year 2016-17..



JUNE 02, 2016	
YPF VISIT TO FDI-PAKISTAN	The Members of YPF including Ms. Shaza Fatima Khawaja and Ms. Romina Khurshid Alam visited Forum for Dignity Initiatives (FDI) Pakistan to discuss issues faced by the transgender community in Pakistan. The YPF agreed to work with police and other government departments to address transgender issues on immediate basis.
JUNE 29, 2016	
CONSULTATIVE SESSION ON TRANSGENDER ISSUES HELD AT PIPS	The consultative session for the transgender issue was organized by Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) in collaboration with IP3 at Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS). The meeting was chaired by Hon'ble member Ms. Shaza Fatima Khawaja, General Secretary YPF. The participants included members from transgender community, officials from Forum for Dignity Initiatives (FDI) and Chair Of Standing Committee on Human Rights Mr. Babar.
JULY 14, 2016	
SIGNING OF MOU BETWEEN SDPI AND YPF	YPF and Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) signed MoU for promoting policy oriented research. This memorandum of understanding aims at cooperation between the Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF), National Assembly of Pakistan and SDPI, Pakistan within the mutually agreed fields.
AUGUST 10, 2016	
INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY CONFERENCE ON YOUTH, DEMOCRACY AND PAKISTAN: ROAD TO 2030 AT PIPS	In light of commitment to a common cause of youth empowerment and democratic development in Pakistan, Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) in collaboration with OXFAM celebrated International Youth Day; "Youth, Democracy and Pakistan: Road to 2030. Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq, inaugurated the Conference. Parliamentarians, academia, civil society and youth experts also participated in the conference. Opportunities and constraints for further development of Pakistan's political culture were discussed in the conference. The Forum officially launched its two-year progress report and also acknowledged 10 youth champions of Pakistan. Conference was followed by direct interaction with the youth through working sessions on youth led democracy with a focus on the role of education, entrepreneurship, peace and harmony.
AUGUST 16-17, 2016	
FIRST SAARC YOUNG PARLIAMENTARIANS CONFERENCE (SYPC) ON PEACE AND HARMONY FOR DEVELOPMENT	Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) was a partner in the First SAARC Young Parliamentarians Conference (SYPC) with National Assembly of Pakistan and the Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS). Around 50 Members of Parliament from Afghanistan, Bhutan, Bangladesh, India, Maldives, Nepal and Sri Lanka and over 30 members of the Parliament of Pakistan attended the conference. Hon'ble Speaker inaugurated the SYPC. Diverse themes such as peace and development, human rights, sustainable development, regional trade, cultural diplomacy, youth issues and social inclusion were discussed in two days conference. Initiative laid the foundations of strong inter-parliamentary linkages across South Asia to setup a network that can help develop into a continued platform, nurture regional interaction, support democratic norms and build a coalition for sustained dialogue and peaceful cooperation and also bridged the gap between the future leaders of South Asia.



OCTOBER 27, 2016	
<p>EVENT "KASHMIR BLACK DAY" ON HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN INDIAN OCCUPIED KASHMIR (IOK) WITH CENTER FOR STRATEGIC AND CONTEMPORARY RESEARCH (CSCR) AT PIPS</p>	<p>Realizing the serious human rights violations in Indian Occupied Kashmir (IOK) the Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) and Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS) in cooperation with Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) of Pakistan and Centre for Strategic and Contemporary Research (CSCR) organized a daylong conference at major cities of Pakistan including Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad and Muzaffarabad. Parliamentarians, diplomats, think tanks, civil society, and academia attended the conference. Direct representatives of Kashmiri hurriyat leaders and locals of IOK also participated in the conference. Special documentaries by MOFA and message by President AJK on human right abuses in IOK were also presented in the conference. The objective of the Conference was to show Pakistan's solidarity with Kashmir on Black day, inform youth and to get the attention of international community on human rights violations in IOK.</p>
DECEMBER 08, 2016	
<p>INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY SEMINAR WITH OXFAM AT PIPS</p>	<p>For protection and promotion of human rights Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) in collaboration with OXFAM organized a seminar to reaffirm country's commitment to national and international obligations and discuss challenges and identify way forward for the effective implementation of universal human rights standards at national level. Parliamentarians, Senators, policy makers, academia, civil society and the media participated and discussed in detail the policy and legislations concerning child rights, women rights and rights of persons with disabilities. Minister for Human Rights Mr. Kamran Michael briefed about the steps taken by the Government of Pakistan for adherence to international Human Rights. Danish representative threw light on the role of international community in overcoming challenges against human rights. Transgender community also participated in the seminar.</p>

**JANUARY 05-06, 2017****FIRST
INTERNATIONAL
PARLIAMENTARY
SEMINAR ON
KASHMIR**

An unprecedented two-day International Parliamentary Seminar on Kashmir organized by Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF), National Assembly of Pakistan under the patronage of the Hon'ble Speaker Sardar Ayaz Sadiq was held, on January 5 - 6, 2017. It was for the first time that the Parliament of Pakistan hosted an international meet to delve upon the imperative issue of right of self-determination of people of Kashmir.

The event analyzed the plight of people of Indian occupied Kashmir (IOK) and issues regarding Indian brutalities since the rise of the new wave of self-determination after the martyrdom of Burhan Wani in July 2016. Various dignitaries comprising around 20 International Member Parliaments and experts from European Parliament, UK, Canada and North America, in addition to 400 national delegates comprising Members Parliament of Pakistan, academia, social scientists, think tanks, international reporters and students, participated in the Seminar. Pakistan Institute of Parliamentary Services (PIPS), Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit-Baltistan as well as the government of Azad Jammu Kashmir were collaborating with the Parliament of Pakistan to convene this seminar on 5th and 6th of January 2017. Hon'ble Prime Minister of Pakistan Mian Mohammad Nawaz Sharif inaugurated the seminar.

The International Parliamentary Seminar provided a platform which highlighted three primary aspects of the issue; firstly, solution of Kashmir is imperative as it has become a clear issue of humanitarian crisis with thousands killed of mass blinding, mass-graves and half-widows staring in the eyes of humanity to give them their just right of freedom. Secondly, Kashmir is a disputed territory as per UNSC resolution and a nuclear flashpoint that remains to threaten peace and security of South Asia, the most populated region of the world. Finally it is totally an indigenous and peaceful struggle of people of Indian Occupied Kashmir that the world community needs to recognize and respond to their just movement of right of self-determination.

The concluding session of the International Seminar on Kashmir was addressed by Chairman Senate of Pakistan Mian Raza Rabbani.

SUPPORT TO THE HOUSE





PROJECT MANAGEMENT UNIT

The Project Management Unit was formed in July 2013 under the visionary leadership of Speaker Sardar Ayaz Sadiq. The Project Management Unit serves to streamline the donor-driven activity, negotiate meaningful work plans with optimum utilization of funds and acts as the central coordination cell for the Secretariat.

Current Staff at the Project Management Unit:

Designation	Grade	No.
Coordinator PMU	BS-20	01
Research Officers	BS-17	02
Assistant	BS-16	01
Steno typist	BS-14	01
Naib Qasid	BS-7	01
Interns	-	02

Successful Execution of YPA Program:

- The Project Management Unit successfully executed the Young Parliamentary Associates (YPA) Program. During the program, a total of 88 Young Parliamentary Associates (YPAs) served National Assembly and Senate Secretariat respectively in three batches (2013 to 2016).
- Formulated National Assembly's own successor internship program based on the YPA Model.

Internship Programs at the National Assembly Secretariat:

PMU initiated various internship programs after successful completion of the YPA Program. The main purpose of these internships is aligned with the vision of the Hon'ble Speaker regarding access of youth to the Parliament and to provide enlightenment to youth about parliamentary business. These internship programs include:

- Internship at National Assembly Secretariat under the Prime Minister Youth Training Scheme
- Internship Program for Hon'ble MNAs under the Prime Minister Youth Training Scheme (launched in January 2017)
- Voluntary Internships at National Assembly Secretariat under MoU with Universities
- Voluntary Internships at National Assembly Secretariat based on Individual Requests
- Internship of Young Parliamentary Subject Experts (YPSEs) of Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Studies (PIPS) at National Assembly Secretariat



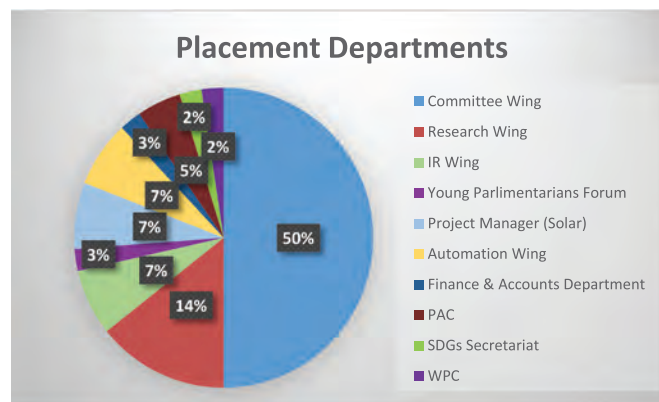
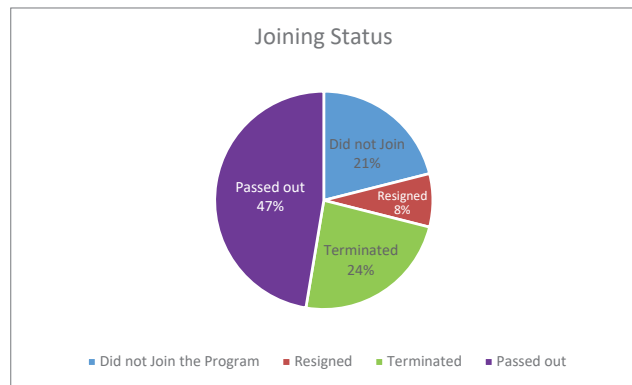
Position of interns as of 30 April 2017 stands as follows:

Table-T: National Assembly Internship Programs

Internship Program	No. of Interns Served	No. of Interns Serving
Young Parliamentary Associates	88	-
Young Parliamentary Subject Experts (YPSEs)	06	-
Voluntary Interns	30	02
Interns under Prime Minister Youth Scheme (1 st Batch and 3 rd Batch)	18	18
Interns attached with Hon'ble MNAs (2 nd Batch)	203	203

• Interns under Prime Minister Youth Scheme – 1st Batch:

The 1st batch of the interns under Prime Minister Youth Scheme placed to work at the National Assembly Secretariat has successfully completed its internship period of 1 year in April, 2017. The breakup of placement of these interns at various departments of the National Assembly Secretariat for the 4th Parliamentary year is given as follows:



• Internship Program for Hon'ble MNAs:

In pursuance of the Hon'ble Speaker's vision, in January 2017, the Project Management Unit of the National Assembly Secretariat launched an exclusive internship program, in collaboration with the



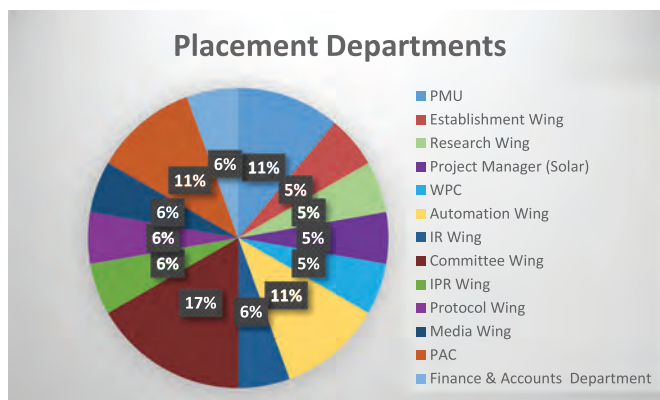
Prime Minister’s Youth Training Scheme. The aim of this program is to provide the select/successful interns with the opportunity to work with the legislators of their respective constituencies and render support to the Hon’ble Members in pursuance of their parliamentary responsibilities. Hence the program aimed at providing one intern each for the 342 Members National Assembly.

The recruitment process for this had been conducted by the Prime Minister Youth Training Scheme and appointments were made by fulfilling the criteria of a) merit and b) close proximity of the selected intern’s residence to the Hon’ble MNA’s constituency.

Currently, 198 interns are actively serving their supervising Members. Project Management Unit is working closely with the Prime Minister Office to monitor the program and with Hon’ble Members for issue resolution.

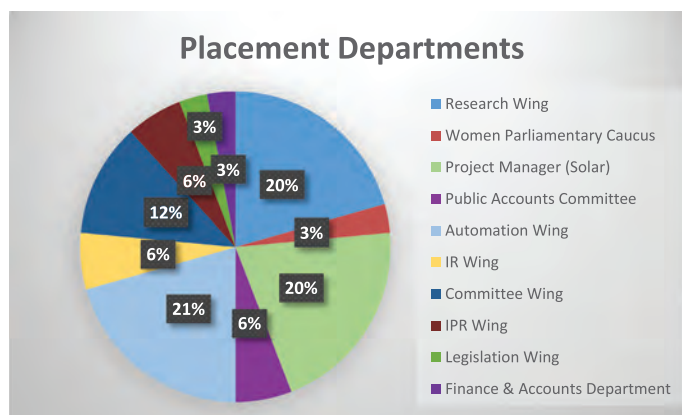
- **Interns under Prime Minister Youth Scheme - 3rd Batch**

The breakup of placement of the serving Interns under Prime Minister Youth Scheme in various departments of the National Assembly Secretariat for the current year is given below. These interns shall serve for 1 year at the Secretariat with internship period ending on February, 2018.



- **Voluntary Interns:**

The breakout of placement of the voluntary interns in various departments of the National Assembly Secretariat for the year June 2016 to April 2017 has been as follows:





Green Parliament:

- Extended support to the Green Parliament Project.
- Parliament of Pakistan is the first ever in the world to “Go Green” by shifting completely on Solar Energy.
- It is worth mentioning that Pakistan’s Parliament is also the first in the country to have been issued a “**Net-Metering**” license by NEPRA.
- With the help of ‘Net-Metering’, we are able to add the surplus production of energy to the National Grid.

National Assembly Strategic Plan (NASP):

- Supported in developing the National Assembly Strategic Plan (NASP) 2014-18 for sustained development and growth of the National Assembly.
- Provision of support in the establishment of the Strategic Plan Oversight Committee (SPOC) in implementation of NASP.

Parliamentary Studies Course:

- Assisted in launch of National Assembly’s Parliamentary Studies Curriculum.
- Parliamentary Course launched in July 2015 with the presence of 61 Universities.
- Top 25 universities of Pakistan signed a declaration to commence Parliamentary Studies Degrees and as of now 17 of them have implemented the declaration.

Support to Legislative Function:

- Supported the establishment of the Legislative Drafting Counsel (LDC), which assists Private Members in drafting Bills on various subjects of socio-economic and political significance.

Central Coordination of Donor Funded Projects – the IP3, Subai and Support to Parliament (IP5) Project:

The Project Management Unit has been closely working with **Economic Affairs Division (EAD)** and the EU delegation in Pakistan in designing and implementing the Parliamentary Projects aimed to support the democratic institutions since 2013.

- **IP3 Project:**

The Improving Parliamentary Performance in Pakistan (IP3) project was launched on June 21, 2012 and was completed by September 20, 2016 with the total budget of 5,750,450 Euros funded by the EU.

The main objective of IP3 project was to foster democratization in Pakistan by building up the capacity of elected representatives and institutions. It helped strengthen the Parliament as an institution and supported both committees and individual parliamentarians in the four main areas of work legislation, oversight, representation and budget. It also aimed at capacity building of parliamentary secretariat for improved support in dispensing their duties.

- **Subai Project / IP4 Project:**

The Subai Project worth 8.4 million euro is essentially focused on the provincial



assemblies and commenced on 01 November 2016 for a period of 03 years.

- **The ‘Support to Parliament’ Project / IP5 Project:**

The IP5 Project is an assistance package of EUR 15 Mln to the Parliament, financing decision of which is expected by May 2017 and its implementation is to start tentatively in the 4th quarter of 2017 for a duration of 3 years.

The overall objective of the IP5 programme is to support the consolidation of parliamentary democracy in Pakistan – Senate, National Assembly, 4 Provincial Assemblies and 2 Legislative Councils.

Coordination with different Development Partners:

Project Management Unit has been engaged with various local and foreign development partners on regular basis. These include:

- United Nations Development Program (UNDP)
- Westminster Foundation for Democracy (WFD)
- Democracy Reporting International (DRI)
- United Nations International Children’s Emergency Fund (UNICEF)
- World Wildlife Fund (WWF)
- UN Women
- Golden Ring Economic Forum (GREF)
- Manzil Pakistan

Support to Parliamentary Platforms:

Provided organizational supervision and support to the following parliamentary platforms:

- Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS)
- Women Parliamentary Caucus (WPC)
- Sustainable Development Goals Secretariat (SDGs Secretariat)
- Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF)

International Conferences:

PMU successfully facilitated holding of the following conferences:

- National Parliamentary Meeting on Malnutrition of Mother and Child in February 2016.
- First ever “SAARC Young Parliamentarians Conference (SYPC) on Peace and Harmony for Development” in Islamabad, Pakistan in August 2016.
- Two-Day International Parliamentary Seminar on Kashmir in January 2017.
- Three-day International Conference on “The Role of Women Parliamentarians in Strengthening Democracy and Social Justice” in March 2017.

In the coming months, PMU is planning to organize conferences on subjects pertaining Population Control and Fundamental Rights, eliminating Child Labour and countering violent extremism and terrorism.



RESEARCH CENTER

Research Directorate established in 1988 is a non-partisan segment of the National Assembly Secretariat. Research Directorate has been actively involved in the provision of multifaceted support to the National Legislature via policy analysis, anticipating legislative needs and responding to specific requests from legislators in a timely manner. The Wing has academically qualified and experienced Research Officers, who undertake timely substantive analytical research in a non-partisan way.

RESEARCH AND INFORMATION SERVICES BY RESEARCH CENTER

- Research Briefs; Background papers: Talking points for local and international events; Country Profiles; Comparative Studies; Preparation of Fact Sheets etc. for the support during Debates; formation of Questions and supplementary Question; and provision of requisite statistics and data.
- Speech writing services to the offices of the Hon'ble Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Leader of the Opposition, and Members of the National Assembly, when required.
- Assistance to the International Relations Branch (IR) Branch of the National Assembly Secretariat in relation to IPU, CPA, APA and other international Parliamentary Conferences.
- Research support to the offices of the Hon'ble Speaker and the Secretary National Assembly Secretariat.
- Preparation of Legislative Briefs on Bills and Ordinances that are to be either introduced in the National Assembly or transmitted by the Senate.
- A significant proportion of the services on offer relates to preparation of information dossiers, position papers, country papers, speeches, statements, interventions and talking points for the National Assembly delegations going abroad on good-will visits or for participating in international Parliamentary Conferences/Seminars and during bilateral engagements.
- The Research Directorate provides Technical Support to Standing Committees in terms of providing specialized research on agenda items of public importance.
- The Research Directorate also prepares Budget Brief every year covering the different aspects of the budget thereby assisting Hon'ble Members in better analyzing and reviewing of the budget documents.

RESEARCH SUPPORT TO SPEAKER'S OFFICE:

The Research Center has been working in close liaison with the Office of the Hon'ble Speaker and the Secretary National Assembly, undertaking a number of monumental tasks of national significance. Two Officers of the Research Center provide exclusive services to the Office of the Hon'ble Speaker. In addition to that, the Research Center prepared numerous assignments for the office of the Hon'ble Speaker. Some of the most prominent ones in this regard are as follows:

1. Brief on Privilege Motion on Sub-Judice Matter.
2. Speech on "Bicameralism".
3. Backgrounder on "Turkey-Netherland Diplomatic Row".
4. Backgrounder on "Recent Spate of Accusation between Turkey and Germany".



5. Brief on Panama Papers.
6. Anomalies and Corrective Measures in Electoral Reforms Draft Bill, 2017 and relevant International best practices.

PUBLICATIONS AND COMPILATIONS

1. Annual Performance Report of the National Assembly for 3rd Parliamentary Year
2. Annual Performance Report of the National Assembly for 4th Parliamentary Year
3. Compilation of Conference Report of the International Conference hosted by Women Parliamentary Caucus
4. Publication of NA Newsletter for June-Nov, 2016
5. Contributions to Participants Information Folders for International Conference on Kashmir.
6. Compiled List of Women/Minority Members of NA Since 1947.
7. Country Profiles of Parliamentary Friendship Groups
8. Bulletins and Press Release of three-day International Conference on the Role of Women Parliamentarians in Strengthening Democracy and Social Justice'.
9. Editing of PAECO Conference Report.
10. Book Review of 'The Mughal Throne'.
11. Profiles of Speakers of National Assembly (1947 till date)

RESEARCH SUPPORT TO OUTGOING AND INCOMING PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATIONS:

The Research Directorate has been regularly preparing and submitting research input in the form of research briefs, talking points, backgrounders, speeches, information dossiers and interventions for our Hon'ble Members participating in various international parliamentary events taking place inside and outside Pakistan, including the international calendared conferences like the APA, IPU, CPA, UN, WTO, SAARC, OIC, PUIC etc.

During the 4th Parliamentary Year (June 2016-May 2017) the Research Directorate has produced important Briefs, Research Papers, Speeches and Talking Points for various international events/topics such as:

A) BRIEFS FOR INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES/SEMINARS

1. **134th IPU Assembly 19-23 March, Lusaka Zambia,**
 - i) Women Political Participation and Political Empowerment
2. **135th IPU Assembly 23-27 Oct 2016, Geneva, Switzerland**
 - ii) Human Rights Abuses as Precursors of Conflict: Parliaments as early responders.
 - iii) Parliament for tomorrow.
 - iv) Role of Parliaments in countering the vulture funds for 135th IPU Assembly.
 - v) The Freedom of Women to Participate in Political Process Fully, Safely and Without Interference
 - vi) The Powers and Procedures of the Parliament for 135th IPU Assembly.



3. 136th IPU Assembly 1-5 April 2017.

- i) Empowering Girls Today to Achieve Sustainable Development Tomorrow.
- ii) Poverty Eradication and promoting prosperity in the changing world.
- iii) Methods for ensuring parliamentary oversight over the Quality of legislation.
- iv) "Is the Role of Secretary General a Political one?"

4. Briefs for Parliamentary Union of the OIC Member states (PUIC)

**a. 5th Standing Specialized Committee on Economic Affairs and Environment
25th Jan 2017.**

- i) Increasing Trade Exchange and Lowering Trade Barriers among OIC Member States.
 - ii) Confronting Unilateral and Multilateral Sanctions Affecting the People of Targeted States.
 - iii) Energizing and Supporting Economic Institutions Active in the Field of Developments in the Islamic World.
 - iv) Dealing with Foreign Debts of Islamic States.
 - v) The Economic Crisis in Chad.
 - vi) Environmental Issues and Sustainable Development.
 - vii) Combating Desertification in African Sahel States.
 - viii) Cooperation in the Field of Preserving Water Resources in States Members' Parliaments.
 - ix) Combating Sand and Dust Storms.
 - x) Enhancing Cooperation in the Field of Environment Protection and Climate Change.
 - xi) Cooperation among PUIC Member States in Science and Technology.
 - xii) International Parliamentary Cooperation in Overcoming Natural Disasters in the Framework of Extending Relief.
- b. Recent developments in the Islamic world.
 - c. The Need of Stronger PUIC for Promoting Democracy.
 - d. Enhancing the Role of Women in All Development Aspects in PUIC Member States, Including Their Participation in Decision Making Positions.
 - e. Participation of Women in the Delegations of PUIC Conferences.
 - f. The Role of Islamic Parliaments in Promoting the Basic Health among PUIC Member States.
 - g. Coordination in International and Regional Fora on Human Rights Issues Among the States of the PUIC Member Parliaments.
 - h. Brief on Current Situation in Kashmir.
 - i. Brief on Problems of Refugees and Migration in Muslim Countries (Myanmar, Afghanistan, Syria, Iraq).
 - j. Brief on Situation in Mali,
 - k. Brief on Situation in Chad
 - l. Brief on Sanctions against Muslims States
 - m. Negative Impacts of JASTA,



- n. Counter-terrorism under UN Umbrella,
- o. Refugees problem in Mali and Chad.
- p. Briefing paper on Migration and Displacement.

5. Briefs for Meetings of the Asian Parliamentary Assembly

a. **APA Standing Committee on Economic and Sustainable Development 25-26 April, 2017.**

- i) Draft resolution on financial affairs: ensuring efforts for economic growth.
- ii) Brief on Transforming APA into Asian Parliament.
- iii) Resolution on Journey towards Asia Parliament.
- iv) Resolution on Freedom of Movement.
- v) Resolution of Quest for Asian Parliament.
- vi) Resolution on Protection of Environment.
- vii) Resolution on Rule of Law and Judicial Empowerment.
- viii) Brief on Draft Resolution on Asian Integrated Energy Market.
- ix) Resolution to promote public-private partnerships in infrastructure development for sustainable development.
- x) Brief on Draft Resolution on Poverty Eradication.
- xi) Draft Resolution on Water and Sanitation in Asia for all.
- xii) The Role of APA Parliaments in Supporting the Implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals.
- xiii) Feedback/concurrence on Sub-Regional Geo-Political Groups proposed for SCCAP workings only.
- xiv) SDS and role of Parliaments in their Achievements for Regional Seminar on SDGS for Parliaments in the Asia-Pacific Region.

b. **Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA): 9th Plenary Session 1 Dec 2016.**

- i) Ensuring Efforts for Economic Growth.
- ii) Environmental Issues.
- iii) Asian Integrated Energy Market.
- iv) Poverty Eradication.
- v) Water and Sanitation.

c. **Asian Parliamentary Assembly March 14, 2017.**

- i) Review of existing regional Parliamentary Platforms.
- ii) Resolution on Social Justice and Economic Development.
- iii) Resolution on cultural property and intangible cultural heritage.
- iv) Intervention/Talking points on Asian Parliament
- v) Identification of Issues of Common Interest, Such as Poverty Alleviation, Human Rights, Environment, To Develop Consensus for Asian Parliamentary Platform.



6. **Brief for Conferences/Summits of Commonwealth Parliamentary Associations**
 - a. **The Global Tax Transparency Summit at Westminster in Partnership with CPA-UK.**
 - i) Global Tax Transparency.
 - ii) Global Action to Combat Tax Avoidance.
 - iii) Beyond BEPS: Driving Change in the World.
 - iv) Cooperation Parliamentarians and Officials: Opportunities for Multilateral and Bilateral Cooperation.
 - v) Impact of Tax Avoidance on Developing World.
 - b. **Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians Working Group Feb 24-27, 2017 UK.**
 - i) Strategies to increase female representation in Parliament and how to replicate good practices.
 - ii) How can CWP help in your region to increase the number of women in legislatures?
 - iii) Policy Priorities Do You See for Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians going forward?
 - iv) How CWP can best address the key gender priorities.
 - v) What does success look like for CWP?
 - vi) Brief on Establishing the CWP's Gender Policy Priorities and How to Achieve Them
 - c. **62nd Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Conference, Dhaka, Bangladesh:**
 - i) The Radicalization of Young People and How We are dealing with This Challenge throughout the Commonwealth.
 - ii) Public mistrust: How can Parliamentarians address this?
 - iii) The role of Parliament in the protection of Children;
 - iv) Eliminating barriers to women's leadership in politics in small branches
 - v) "Harnessing the Relevance of Commonwealth Parliamentary Partnerships in A World of Dominant Executive Governments".
 - vi) "Women on Electoral Management Bodies".
 - vii) "Enforcement of Formal and Informal Quotas".
7. Youth Radicalization in Commonwealth Countries.
8. The Role of Media in Voters Disconnect from the Parliament.
9. There is a Role for The Commonwealth in Fostering Freedom of Religion or Belief.
10. The role of the Commonwealth in supporting the outcomes of the COP21 Paris Agreement on Climate Change.
11. Is unequal wealth distribution a threat to democracy in the Commonwealth?
12. Collaborative Commonwealth: "Unity Diversity and Common Challenges".
13. Detail Regarding the Number of House Sitting Days and Breach of Privilege Cases Moved In 2016 submitted to Commonwealth Parliamentary Association.



- 14. Regional Meeting of Young Parliamentarians of Asia Pacific 25-27 April, 2017.**
- i) Engaging youth communities and religious leaders in Preventing Violent Extremism.
 - ii) What role can technology play in engaging youth and parliaments for preventing violent extremism?
 - iii) The Role of Young Parliamentarians in Changing the Gender Narratives Conducive to Violent Extremism.
 - iv) The Role of Young Parliamentarians in Advancing Inclusive and Peaceful Societies and Combating Violent Extremism.
- 15. Briefs for WTO Conferences/Seminars**
- i) Regional trade agreement vs. multi-literalism debate.
 - ii) Managing disputes over trade.
 - iii) WTO in the Age of Mega Regional Trade Agreements.
 - iv) Trade in Green Goods WTO Parliamentarian Workshop 2017.
 - v) Fisheries and Agriculture WTO Parliamentarian Workshop 2017.
 - vi) Post Nairobi Work: "Reflection on the Future of WTO".
 - vii) Enhance external transparency of WTO and hold it accountable to legislators as elected representatives of the people.
 - viii) Best Practices: "Trade Related Capacity Building".
 - ix) The Riddle of WTO Dispute Settlement System.
- 16. Global Legislative Openness Conference 18-20 May 2017.**
- i) Openness Making Use of Open Data.
 - ii) Working Collaboratively to Advance Openness for
 - iii) Openness: Building Commitment to openness.
 - iv) Envisioning a democratic renaissance.
 - v) Open budgets: role of legislatures.
- 17. Conference of INFOFORUM-UGRA in Khanty-Mansiysk city 6-7 June 2017.**
- i) Russian and world trends in the development of modern systems to prevent cyber-attacks on information resources.
 - ii) Integrated approach to construction of information security systems.
 - iii) Cloud technologies and new solutions.
 - iv) Virtualization technology.
 - v) Information security technologies for mobile platforms.
 - vi) Intelligent systems and protection of information of things and information security issues.
- 18. IMF and World Bank**
- a. Parliamentary Network on the World Bank and IMF from 20-23 February 2017.**
 - i) Parliamentary understanding of activities of IMF and World Bank at country level.
 - ii) Actions of IMF and World Bank in their respective countries.



- iii) Strengthening Accountability and Transparency in IFIs by Involving Elected Representatives in their Work.

b. Citizen Engagement for WBG and IMF Annual Meetings in Washington.

c. The World Bank and IMF Annual Meetings at Washington DC,

- (A) Healthcare System
- (B) Energy Subsidies.

19. 65th Westminster seminar.

- i) Effectiveness of Committees.
- ii) Effectiveness Committee reporting.
- iii) Legal Services and Speakers Council.
- iv) Role of Loyal Opposition in Parliament.
- v) Introduction to the Westminster System and the Role of Parliament.

20. 9th Session of the Consultative Assembly of Parliamentarians for International Criminal Court and the Rule of Law.

- i) The Nuremberg Legacy: The Kampala Amendments.
- ii) Parliamentary Contribution and Oversight to Domestic Criminalization and Adjudication of International Atrocities.

21. Global Parliamentary Conference Washington DC. 17-18 April 2017.

- i) Managing Global Catastrophic Risks.
- ii) Executive Legislative dialogue: working together for common good.
- iii) Dealing with economic and social pressures brought on by migration.

22. World E-Parliament Conference at Valparaiso, Chile:

- a. "Citizen Engagement Strategies and Social Media".
- b. "Trends in Citizen Input to the Work of Parliament"

B) BRIEFS FOR MISCELLANEOUS CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

1. Brief for Workshop on Capacity building of Parliaments of developing countries 18-30th Sep, 2016
2. Anti-Corruption and Governance.
3. Brief on Lifting barriers to women's economic empowerment for UN Women.
4. Intercultural dialogue for food security and community resilience for 4th World Forum on Intercultural Dialogue.
5. Harassment and Violence against Parliamentarians: "Means of Protection".
6. Social Impact of Climate Change: How to Effectively Deal with Gender and Other Inequalities?
7. Introduction to Campaign Planning and the Electoral Process.
8. From Ratification to Implementation: "Turning Action Plans into Achievements"
9. Climate Change Negotiations Post-Paris: "New Era, New Opportunities".
10. Preventing and Prosecuting Mass Atrocity Crime (ICC).



11. Legislative Process Pre-Legislative Scrutiny and Committee Stage Legislation.
12. 10 Years from Now How to Strengthen International and National Normative Frameworks and Work Together for A World without Impunity for Mass- Atrocity Crimes.
13. Developing and Mainstreaming Relationships – Skill Based Capacity Building.
14. Key Human Rights Issues: “Modern Slavery”.
15. Regional Cooperation and Support on Human Rights and Rule of Law.
16. Efforts and Way Forward to End Sexual Exploitation of Women and Girls in SAARC.
17. Public Office Holders and Anti-Corruption Laws of United States.
18. Intervention on Ocean Governance: “Strengthening of Peace, Maritime Security, Cooperation and Friendly Relations Among All Nations”.
19. Brief on Ocean Governance: “Strengthening of Peace, Maritime Security, Cooperation and Friendly Relations Among All Nations”.
20. Brief on Formal and Informal Mechanisms that Have Increased Female Representation in Pakistan’s Legislature.
21. Childcare and Protection in the Islamic World.
22. Combating Intolerance, Islamophobia, and Xenophobia.
23. Preventing the Exploitation of Women in Commodity Promotions.
24. Promoting the Status of Youth in the Islamic World.
25. Supporting Societal Peace in Areas Liberated from The Control of Terrorist Groups.
26. Enhancing Cooperation in the Field of Environmental Protection and Climate Change.
27. Supporting the Efforts to Establish Sustainable Dialogue Between Muslim And Western Parliaments in Order to Eliminate All Form of Intolerance Negative Stereotyping and in Stigmatization and Discrimination, Incitement to Violence and Violence Against Person Based on Religion or Belief.
28. Encouraging the Teaching of Arabic Language to Students from Non-Arabic Speaking Islamic States.
29. Women Abilities for Solving Local and Regional Problems.
30. Promotion of the Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) Initiatives.
31. Gender Equality in Nationality Laws.
32. Budgeting for National Security Procurement and Tackling Corruption.
33. Terrorism in 21st Century.
34. The National Security Strategy.
35. Holding the Government to Account.
36. Resolution on Free Flow of Information and Ideas.
37. Promoting Dialogue and Universal Values Tools to Prevent Violent Extremism.
38. Electoral Reforms Bill: “Comparative Statement and Best International Practices”.
39. Compilation of WPC Conference Report.
40. Gender Equality in Nationality Laws.
41. Tackling Corruption and Improving Governance.
42. Effective Cooperation in Combating Illicit Drug Trafficking.
43. Legal and Legislative Cooperation in Combating the Smuggling of Cultural Items in Asia.
44. Legislating for National Security.
45. Habeas Corpus Should Never Be Suspended in Cases Involving Terror Suspects.
46. Environmental Security.



47. Promoting the Financial Inclusion of Women.
48. United Kingdom Judiciary and Anti-Corruption Legal Framework.
49. Assignment on Legislative Document Management.
50. Gender Sensitive Approaches to Development.
51. Brief on Promoting Democratic Accountability of the Private Security Sector.
52. Parliamentary Contribution to Effective Cooperation with the International Criminal Court.
53. Brief on Ocean Preservation.
54. Intervention on Oceanic Preservation.
55. Women in Politics in South Asia.
56. Policy priorities for promoting Women participation in Politics in South Asia.
57. Brief on Sharing Diversity: "The 20th Anniversary of Universal Declaration on Democracy".
58. Moving towards an international Rule of law: The Universal Ratification and Implementation of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC).
59. Interventions on Ensuring Lasting Protection Against Destruction and Deterioration for The Tangible and Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.
60. Women Participation in the Politics of South Asia: Regional Perspectives and the Way For ward.
61. Brief Promote Public-Private Partnership in Infrastructure Development for Sustainable Development.
62. Empowering Women at Work.
63. Promoting Access to Financial Services and Opportunities for the Most Vulnerable Women.
64. Brief on Scrutinizing Security.
65. Fighting Inequality through Job Creation and Growth.
66. Multi-stakeholder Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation.
67. Towards Aid Transparency.
68. The Evolving Mechanism for Effective Aid Scrutiny: ICAI Case Study.
69. Violence and Intimidation of Women during Elections.
70. Panel Discussion on Comprehensive Disarmament.
71. Successful Strategies to engage men in Gender Equality.
72. Combating Terrorism under the umbrella of the UN and reconfirming the legitimate right to resist occupation and foreign aggression.
73. Entry Visa Facilitation among Muslim Countries.
74. The inalienable equal and balanced rights of all peoples to have free access and free use of modern technology for peaceful purposes.
75. Anti-Corruption Laws and their Applicability on Judiciary in Malaysia and Singapore.
76. The Climate Change Connection: "Rising Sea Levels, Acidification and other Ecosystem Changes".
77. Promoting Enhanced International Cooperation on the SDGs in particular on the financial inclusion of women as a driver of development.
78. National Security vs. Human Rights.
79. Countering Extremism and Community Cohesion.
80. Second Round of the US-Pakistan Bilateral Dialogue "Convergence aimed Divergence: Identifying Pathways to Cooperation in a Challenging Environment" "Managing Militancy: Opportunities and limits of US-Pakistan counter-terrorism Cooperation".



81. The Climate Change Connection: Rising Sea Levels, Acidification and other Ecosystem Changes.
82. Equality in Politics: Another 50 Years to Reach 50-50?
83. Equality and Diversity in Security.
84. Energy Security.
85. Partnering and Oversight of the Private Sector.
86. Building International and Regional Partnerships and Agreements.
87. Advancing Intercultural Dialogue – New Avenues for Human Security, Peace and Sustainable Development.
88. Preventing Violent Extremism: Concepts and Frameworks.
89. Undertaking Reform of Energy and Mitigating Climate Change.
90. The Global Response to Drugs: Can It Work More Effectively?
91. Women Participation in Politics and Young Women Political Empowerment
92. Comparative Brief on Harassment at Workplace Acts.
93. Trade as Vehicle of Social Progress.
94. Information on Import of Meat and Dairy Products and Its Impact on Local Product.
95. Ending Violence against Women. The Impact of Social Media in Perpetrating Violence.
96. Equal Civil and Political Rights of Women.
97. Political Violence against Women.
98. Deliberation on Ways and Means: How to Implement SDGs.
99. Deliberation on Vulnerable Situation of Women in War Zone and Considering Ways and Means for Protecting Their Rights by Member Parliaments.
100. Talking Points on Cyber Security and Initiatives Taken by International Parliament.
101. Moving Towards an International Rule of Law: The Universal Ratification of and Implementation of Rome Statute of The International Criminal Court.
102. Country Development Strategy Planning- Opportunities and Challenges for Parliaments.
103. Unlocking the Power of Data for Sustainable Development.
104. Recent Development in Parliamentary Website.
105. The Role of Parliamentarians in Implementing and Monitoring Policies Relevant to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
106. Mechanisms to Protect Women's and Girl's Fundamental Rights during War and Conflict.
107. Debate on Promoting Enhanced International Cooperation on the SDGs, In Particular or the Financial Inclusion of Women as a Driver of Development.
108. Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
109. National Governance and the Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
110. The Upcoming WDR 2017: "Governance and the Law".
111. UN-SDGs and International Development.
112. Sexual Exploitation of Women and Girls in South Asia.
113. Intervention for Session III: "Protecting and Preserving Marine Life: The Disruptive Effects of Pollution, Marine Debris and Other Waste and Opportunities for Change."
114. Brief on Countering Violent Extremism Through Girls' Education.
115. Influence of Power of Women in Politics.
116. Preventing Violent Extremism and Sustaining Peace through Civic Engagement
117. Rising Extremism, Macro-Economic Policies, and the Relevance of Gender Analysis.



118. Women with Disabilities – Issues and Challenges of their Participation for Sustainable Development.
119. National Security and Cyber Security

C) Briefs on Sustainable Development Goals for various International events

1. One Belt One Road initiatives and its implementation for SDGs.
2. Mobilizing resources for SDGs implementation in the Asia Pacific region.
3. Promoting Enhanced International Cooperation on the SDGs in particular on the financial inclusion of women as a driver of development.
4. Deliberation on Ways and Means: How to Implement SDGs.
5. The Role of Parliamentarians in Implementing and Monitoring Policies Relevant to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
6. Malnutrition of Mother and Child: "Parliamentary Initiatives on SDGs".
7. Debate on Promoting Enhanced International Cooperation on the SDGs, In Particular or the Financial Inclusion of Women as a Driver of Development.
8. UN-SDGs and International Development.
9. Drafted KPI's/Job Descriptions for Various positions in SDGs Secretariat.
10. Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
11. National Governance and the Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

D) Briefs on Various Dimensions, Best Practices and Roles of Parliament

1. Role of Media and Public Mistrust of Parliament.
2. The Role of Parliament in Preventing Outside Interference in the Internal Affairs of Sovereign States.
3. Training for Participants In, And Persons Supporting, Parliamentary Proceedings.
4. Role of Parliament in International Negotiations.
5. The Accountable Parliament: Parliamentary Ethics and Standards.
6. Party Discipline in Parliament.
7. Knowledge is Power Parliamentary Research and Information Services.
8. A Parliament for All Ensuring Equality and Good Working Environment.
9. Parliament, NGOs, CSO and Public Engagement.
10. Developing and Maintaining Relationships: "Relationship with the Executive, Parliament, Parliamentary Committees, NGOs and Civil Society".
11. The Role and Principles for Human Rights and Parliaments.
12. Human Rights Issues Facing Parliaments.
13. Sharing Best Practice - Parliamentary Human Rights Committees: "Law Making, Oversight and Scrutiny Functions".
14. Sharing Best Practice: Parliamentary Human Rights Committees: "Treaty Implementation".
15. Status of Legislation Regarding Women and Children Rights in the Parliament of Pakistan.
16. Taking Stock of Current Youth Participation in Parliaments.
17. The National Security Strategy – Role of Parliament.
18. Good Parliamentary Practices.



19. The Role of Parliamentarians in Aid Oversight.
20. Brief on Media Role in Disconnecting Voters from Parliament.
21. Human Rights Abuses as Precursors of Conflict: "Parliament as early responders."
22. Recommendations to Strengthen Parliamentary Oversight.
23. Brief on Parliamentary Oversight of Security.
24. "The Role of Parliaments in Building Cultural Bridges between Civilizations".
25. Parliament and Society.
26. Powers and Procedure of the Parliament.
27. Strengthening Democracy and the Role of Parliamentarians: Challenges and Solutions.
28. Strengthening Democracy and The Role of Parliamentarian's Challenges and Solutions.
29. Parliamentary Committees and the Importance of Scrutiny.
30. Parliamentary Ethics Trust Agenda.
31. Strengthening Democracy, the Role of Parliamentarian; Challenges and Solution.
32. Parliamentary Contribution on the 2016 UN Climate Change Conference.
33. The Role of Speaker in Ensuring Balance of Power between the Parliament and the Executive.
34. The Parliament's Role in Meeting Regional and International Challenges.
35. Openness and Transparency; Prerequisites to Parliamentary Democracy.
36. The Role of Parliamentarians in Promoting Adolescent Health and Well Being.
37. Brief on Violence against women in politics and in parliament for Parliamentary Meeting of Commission on the status of women (CSW) 16-17 March 2017.
39. Crossroads between Climate Change and Conflict and Migration: Current and Emerging Challenges for Parliamentary meeting on the occasion of UN Climate Change Conference
40. Parliamentarians and Officials-Opportunities for Bilateral and Multilateral Cooperation.
41. ICT in Parliament in Low Budgetary Environment.
42. The Implementation of Istanbul Plan of Action and Parliament.
43. Parliamentary ethics and standards.
44. Legislative process in Pakistan.
45. Role of Committee Member.
46. Giving MP voice: Private member Legislation.
47. The role of the Committee Clerk.
48. Comparative studies of supporting staff in PACs in different parliaments.
49. Brief on cyber security and Parliament of Pakistan.
50. Public Accounts Committee around the world.
51. What Does Effective Budgeting Look Like?
52. Parliament and economy.
53. Challenges to the independence of the Speaker.

E) Briefs on Regional and International Issues

1. Brief on Kashmir Issue.
2. Background of Kashmir Issue.
3. Role of Major Powers and UN in Kashmir Dispute.
4. Compilation of Articles on Kashmir Issue.
5. Ongoing Human Rights Violations in The Indian Occupied Jammu and Kashmir.
6. Situation in Palestine.



7. Making the Whole Middle East Region a Zone Free of All Weapons of Mass Destruction Especially Nuclear Weapons with No Exception.
8. Custody Problems of Muslim Migrant Families in Europe.
9. Regional Cooperation and Support on Human Rights and Rule of Law.
10. Turkish Military Coup from International Perspective.
11. Understanding Radicalization and Violent Extremism in Asia.
12. Key Drivers of Extremism in Asia.
13. Tackling Trafficking: "Asian Perspective".
14. Islamic State and Syria
15. Brief on Problems of Refugees and Migration in Muslim Countries (Myanmar, Afghanistan, Syria, Iraq).
16. Briefs on Situation in Mali,
17. Briefs on Situation in Chad
18. Brief on Sanctions against Muslims States
19. Counter-terrorism under UN Umbrella,
20. Refugees problem in Mali and Chad.
21. Briefing paper on Migration and Displacement.
22. Cooperation and Coordination among Muslim States and Communities to Protect the Sublime Values of Islam and Curb the Prevailing Phenomenon of Extremism and Violence in The Islamic World and Address their Root Causes.

EXCLUSIVE RESEARCH REQUEST BY MEMBERS:

Hon'ble Members of the National Assembly of Pakistan regularly approach the Research Directorate with research requests, and for the input that assists in the discussions and debates in the House. The series of requests usually include data, comparison, and analysis on subject such as economies, sociology, population, education, health, employment, energy, law etc. During the period, the Research Directorate has provided the Hon'ble Members support such as:

1. Research Paper on Parliamentary Privileges in India, UK, Canada and Australia.
2. Brief on Relevant Case Laws regarding Free Speech and Parliamentary Privilege in UK and India.
3. Brief on Qualifications for Prime Minister in India.
4. Compilation of articles on Dammam Workers Issue.
5. Compilation of Articles on SAARC Conference.
6. List of Legislation Passed in National Assembly on Human Rights.
7. List of past references filed in National Assembly of Pakistan.
8. Performance of NESPAK.
9. PAC staff information of different parliaments in the world.
10. Pakistan's civil and military relationship during 2016.
11. Brief on Panama Papers.
12. Challenges faced by Government during 2016.
13. Talking Points on Cultural Heritage.
14. Talking Points on Climate Change.
15. Issues and Challenges Faced by the Transgender Community.
16. Social, Political and Economic Indicators of All the Provinces of Pakistan.



17. Comparative Analysis of Provincial Budget (Estimated and Revised 2016-17).
18. Critical Analysis of Federal Budget.
19. Coalition Support Fund Its Repercussions (Islam Vs West).
20. Adjournment Motion on Quetta Carnage.
21. A Brief History of Racism in the United States.
22. Future of Coalition Support Fund to Pakistan.
23. Brief on Indus Waters Treaty 1960.
24. Information on Treaty of Gandamak.
25. Information/Brief on Aitcheson Treaties.
26. A Study on Child Labor.
27. Performance of KESC and DISCOS.
28. Performance of Private Power and Infrastructure Board.
29. Summary on Amendments in the Constitution so far.
30. Abuses of Death Penalty and Its Impact of Military Courts on Justice System of Pakistan.
31. Tailored Assignment on Budget for Member.
32. Compilation of customized Press Clippings on Budget.
33. Convergences amid Divergence: Identifying Pathways to Cooperation in a Challenging Environment (Pak-US Relations)
34. KPI's/Job Descriptions for Various positions in SDGs Secretariat.
35. Safe City Project Islamabad.
36. Allocation of Education, Agriculture and Women Empowerment in Federal Budget 2015-16.
37. Compilation of information on bonded labor in brick kilns in Pakistan.
38. Brief on Powers of Cabinet in Pakistan.
39. Pakistan Soft Image in the World.
40. Brief on Fata Reforms Committee Report.

RESEARCH SUPPORT TO COMMITTEES:

1. **Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reforms.**
 - i) Comparative analysis of the proposed amendments, the existing laws and international best practice based on the second interim report of the parliamentary committee on electoral reforms.
 - ii) Anomalies and Corrective Measures: Draft Elections Bill, 2017
2. **Parliamentary Committee on National Accountability Law.**
 - i) Anti-Corruption Laws in India.
 - ii) Anti-Corruption Laws in Sri Lanka and judiciary.
 - iii) Anti-Corruption Laws in India with the definition of Public Servant.
 - iv) Anti-Corruption Laws in Sri Lanka with the definition of Public Servants.
 - v) Application of Anti-Corruption Laws and Judiciary in New Zealand.
 - vi) Brief on Anti-Corruption Law of Singapore.
 - vii) Brief on Anti-Corruption Law of Malaysia.
 - viii) Defining Public Office Holder in Australia.
 - ix) Defining Public Office Holder in New Zealand



- x) Anti-Corruption Laws in America and their Applicability on Judiciary.

3. Research Papers for CPEC Committee.

- i) CPEC: Myth and Reality.
- ii) Social and Economic Impact of CPEC.
- iii) Role of China in CPEC.

4. Research Proposal on Bill regarding “Micro Credit Facility to Disabled Persons”.

RESEARCH SUPPORT IN BUDGET:

1. Positive Aspect of Budget 2016-17.
2. Critical Review of Budget 2016-17.
3. Budget News and Views.
4. Input for Budget Speeches (Around 40 requests).
5. Retrieval of Budget Speeches of Indian Finance Minister.
6. A Fact Sheet on the Issue of Privatization of Pakistan International Airline (PIA).
7. Panama Leaks points for Speech.
8. Resolutions/motions/Previous Bills.
9. FATA share in NFC.
10. Health, Education and Poverty alleviation in 2015-16 and 2016-17 Budget in comparison with KPK.
11. Report of the Commission for creation of new province(s) in the province of the Punjab (28th January 2013).
12. Amount of Prime Minister Farmers Relief Package.
13. Agriculture, Education and Women Empowerment in the Budget 2015-16.
14. Information on Education, Industries and Gender in Budget 2016.
15. **Statistical Summary of**
 - a. Population of Pakistan.
 - b. Unemployment ratio in Pakistan.
 - c. Defense Budget.
 - d. Inflation in Pakistan.
 - e. Poverty in Pakistan
 - f. Federal PSDP 2016-17 and Development expenditure outside PSDP.
 - g. Macroeconomic Indicators.
 - h. Fiscal Deficit.
 - i. Allocations of Budget (National Assembly, Senate, President Office, PM Office etc.).
 - j. Details of Subsidies.
 - k. Details of Internal and External Debts.
16. Performance of PML-N Government.
17. Performance of People Party Government.
18. . Security Issues in Pakistan.
19. Imports and Exports of Pakistan.
20. Compiled Budget Analysis Document.



21. Privatization in Pakistan.
22. Provinces Share in Federal Taxes/NFC.
23. Salient Feature of previous Budgets.
24. Details of Investments in Pakistan.
25. Social Protection.
26. Environmental Protection.
27. Monetary Policy.
28. Devolution process in Pakistan.
29. Medium Term Budgetary Framework (MTBF).

RESEARCH SUPPORT TO WOMEN PARLIAMENTARY CAUCUS (WPC):

1. Socio-Economic and cultural biases that put women to disadvantageous position and makes them most vulnerable to all forms of violence.
2. GBV- Special reference to the issues and challenges for Transgender in our respective societies.
3. Strategies and best practices that effectively curb Violence against Women (VAW) and Gender Based Violence (GBV).
4. Women with Disabilities – Issues and Challenges of their participation for Sustainable Development.
5. Nature and extent of inequalities that undermine social cohesion; Review of scientific and empirical evidence verses perceptions of injustice.
6. Women Parliamentarians strengthening their legislative, oversight and representative roles for contextually addressing GBV and VAW.

MISCELLANEOUS:

The Research Directorate has also been engaged in the short general assignments apart from specialized services, when needed. Some General Tasks includes:

1. Brief on Challenges of Research Center for Report on Study Tour to India by SRO.
2. Search and Retrieval of News Clips upon request by Members.
3. Compilation/Review of MNA's Social Media Accounts.
4. Proposed Outline of NA In-House Databank.
5. Briefing Paper on Women Participation in Parliament since 1947.
6. NA Newsletter.
7. TORs for Special Security Division SSD.
8. Dialogue among Civilizations.
9. Brief on human rights situation in Pakistan.
10. The Pakistan International Airlines Corporation (Amendment) Act.
11. Report on Cyber Crime Act.
12. Forward for YPF Journal.
13. The creation of international standard to measures the proficiency and quality of the performance of secretariat.
14. Youth and Government initiatives.

**MAINTENANCE OF DIGITAL BANK OF PRESS CLIPPINGS:**

The Research Centre also maintains easily retrievable Digital Databank of Press Clippings of numerous newspapers for immediate reference retrieval. The following table summarized the number of press clippings uploaded from 7 Newspapers during the 4th Parliamentary Year

S. No	June, 2016	July, 2016	Aug, 2016	Sep, 2016	Oct, 2016	Nov, 2016	Dec, 2016	Jan, 2017	Feb, 2017	Mar, 2017	April 2017
English News	749	406	521	506	437	409	471	653	699	886	925
Urdu News Items	823	460	927	929	744	753	749	1096	1151	1255	1102

LIBRARY:

Access to information is the bedrock of democracy as informed people make wise decisions. The Library of the NA Secretariat serves as a backbone of knowledge-based polity by providing reference services and impartial information to the Members of the National Assembly during proceedings of the House and during meetings of various Standing Committees. The Collection available in the Library has been cataloged and interested readers can access this catalogue through internet. A brief detail of the books purchased, added through donation, the expenditure incurred and the main subjects brought in the Library of the 14th National Assembly is given below.

Acquisition of Books, Journals and Magazines:

S.No	Description	Quantity/amount
1	Total Number of Books purchased during (1 st June 2016 to 30 th April 2017)	352
2	Books Added through Donations	217
3	Number of Newspapers Added (34 daily Newspapers) Total Issues received	11356
4	Number of Magazines Journals Added (66 magazines journals approximately) Total Issues received	3962
5	Number of books issued	1657
6	Expenditure on Purchase of books	Rs. 9,55,962/-
7	Expenditure on Purchase of Journals and Magazines	Rs.3,26,790/-

Digitization of documents:

The Library has digitized Annexure to Questions tabled in the House; the said documents are being scanned for the preservation purpose in the library. Similarly, various documents of archival nature are also digitized.

S.No	Description	Quantity/amount
1	Number of documents digitized	200

Collection of Laws:

Most important work which is being carried out by the library is to update federal Laws, Constitution



of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, and Rules of Procedure of the National Assembly of Pakistan. The library collects and maintains all Acts of Parliament, Ordinances, Presidential Orders, and Regulations etc.

S.No	Description	Quantity/amount
1	Total number of Laws updated	95

Binding Service

Binding and repairing of books is an important service of the library. Library extends its services for the branches of the Secretariat and spiral binding of Standing Committees reports.

S.No	Description	Quantity/amount
1	Total Number of Binding and Repairing of Books	450

Reference Service

Provision of Reference Service to its patrons is one of the most important works of the library. The library provides reference service during Legislation process during Sessions of the House as well as during Meetings of the Standing Committees.

S.No	Description	Quantity/amount
1	Total Number of Queries disposed off	4800

E-Files

E-Office system has been launched for the speedy correspondence of the official files. The library has implemented E-Office besides operating on the conventional system.

S.No	Description	Quantity/amount
1	Files submitted and disposed off	72



Legislative Drafting Council

Undeniably, a legislator's single most important task is to enact new laws and amend existing legislation to ensure that the legal framework contributes to a peaceful and progressive society. To address this Legislative drafting Council was established on 19th August, 2015 in the National Assembly Secretariat. The key job of the Legislative Drafting Council (LDC) is to draft the detailed form of proposed laws into the Parliamentary Legislative Bill using most suitable words, phrases and formats that would accurately reflect the intensions of the Members who seek to enact them into laws or amend existing laws. The Legislative Drafting council also reviews inputs on Legislation and Legislative amendments from stakeholders outside the Parliament such as academia, think-tanks, civil society organizations and general public.

During the 4th Parliamentary year the Legislative Drafting Council performed the following legislative tasks:-

20 Legislative Proposals were Drafted

165 Reports by the Committee wing were vetted

88 Bills referred by Legislation were vetted



Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS)

The Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services, PIPS, was formally established as an exclusive and independent, first of its kind research and capacity building facility for the parliamentarians, through an Act of Parliament. The Institute's story commenced in July 2012 with commencement of full-fledged research, legislation, capacity building and outreach services exclusively for Members of Parliament from Senate, National Assembly, four provincial assemblies as well as legislative assemblies of Gilgit Baltistan and Azad Jammu and Kashmir. Since then young dynamic PIPS team has come a long way in the able guidance of its proud Board of Governors, who provided insights in the shape of three years strategic plan followed by annual work plans of the Institute. As per the Strategic Plan of the National Assembly of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, the development of PIPS into a centre of excellence for parliamentary learning remained the focus of vision of the Hon'ble Speaker/ President PIPS Board Sardar Ayaz Sadiq throughout 2016-17 that saw PIPS evolving in a robust Institute extending its legislative, research and training facilities to all eight Houses/Assemblies.

PIPS Research on Demand Service: As per vision of the PIPS Board of Governors and approved workplan of activities 2016-17, the Institute, produced 105 research/informational papers including 27 technical papers through "PIPS technical Assistance to Standing Committees service" for individual MNAs, Senators as well as MPs working in various Standing Committees during 2016-17.

PIPS Parliamentary Research Digest: The Institute also runs an anticipated research service that provides Hon'ble MPs with articles and research-papers in anticipation on current issues. This year, 41 papers appeared in PIPS Parliamentary Research Digest that remains the most circulated parliamentary publication and is being circulated to more than 1700 MPs of National Parliament, four Provincial Assemblies as well as MLAs of AJK and Gilgit Baltistan; parliamentary functionaries, academia and think tanks.

Capacity Building Events:

The Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS), Islamabad organized 37 capacity building and training events from July 2016 to May, 2017 with total 743 participants over the span of 249 training days. PIPS conducted a workshop and a certificate course for the MNAs, committee chairpersons, officials and staff with the focus on office management, communication, leadership skills and public accounts. A workshop on Office Management for Officers of Senate of Pakistan and a training course for Clerks of Parliament were held. As per tradition orientation programme for Short Term Interns Batch II and III for the Senate were also hosted. PIPS also trained three batches consisted of 81 officials of Baluchistan Assembly on Office Management through workshops in the months of August 2016, September 2016 and March 2017. In addition, the Institute also conducted training for the Staff of Public Accounts Committee of Provincial Assembly of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

PIPS also took the initiative of organizing 1st National Workshop Parliamentary Protocol and Social Graces, Federalism and Devolution of Power after 18th Amendment, National Conference on Harmonization of Rules of Procedure Parliament and Provincial Legislature, 3rd National Management



Development Course and Expert Hearing on Draft Elections Bill. Other events include two Inter-Provincial Exchange Trips and two Orientation sessions of Prime Minister Youth Training Scheme Interns whereby PIPS faculty imparted orientation for over 300 interns being placed to serve the Members of National Assembly, Islamic Republic of Pakistan.

Legislative Services:

During 2016-17, sixty two bills were drafted by PIPS team in addition to assessment of several bills as well as drafting of numerous non-legislative business such as questions, resolutions, calling attentions notices and adjournment motions on behalf of Hon'ble MPs. Thirty legislative researches and four public hearings to gauge feedback on intended bills were also conducted for parliamentary committees of Senate and the National Assembly of Pakistan, which saw participation of MPs, experts, academia, members of civil society and stakeholders.

Publications:

PIPS has published following publications during 2016-17, that have been shared with no less than over 250 Members of Parliament and provincial assemblies within the country, over 65 international parliamentarians from EU, US, Canada, Indian Occupied Kashmir and eight SAARC countries and around 900 members of civil society including 1500 students and teachers.

- i. Handbook on Public Hearings and Parliamentary Committees on September 22, 2016.
- ii. Report on Constitutional Forums for Resolving Federal-Provincial Issues in Pakistan October 26, 2016
- iii. Information Pack on first SAARC Young Parliamentarians' Conference, SYPC, August 2016
- iv. Information Pack for International Parliamentary Seminar on Kashmir January 2017
- v. Workbook on Harmonization of Rules of Procedures March 03, 2017
- vi. Discover the Parliament of Pakistan-Youth Guide, April 10, 2017

PIPS team of Young Parliamentary Subject Experts (YPSE) also worked in close collaboration with research fraternity of the National Assembly of Pakistan for preparation of Daily Bulletin and consolidated report of International Parliamentary Women Conference held on March 13-15, 2017. The Institute team worked with Senate of Pakistan team to devise the Standard Procedures for documentation of committee reports, which helps provide easy access to researchers, journalists and academia to conduct researches on the fascinating contributions by parliamentary committees as part of the legislative, oversight, representative and policy review functions at the Parliament. Two YPSEs also conducted the entire social media campaign of the Economic Cooperation Organisation (ECO) Summit held in Islamabad in March, 2017 attended by delegates from all ECO countries.

PIPS Budget Desk: PIPS Budget Desk provided technical assistance to MPs in developing insights into budget process. It produced four budget researches for Hon'ble Parliamentarians during since July 2016. PIPS research wing receives budget related requests during the months of May-June. PIPS budget desk intends to produce 12 budget researches for Hon'ble MPs in these months. The Budget desk also intends to conduct around five pre and post budget seminars for MPs from National Parliament and provincial assemblies.



International Conferences: The Institute untiringly contributed in holding milestone parliamentary conferences in collaboration with the National Assembly of Pakistan, including the 1st SAARC Young Parliamentarians' Conference (SYPC), August 16-17, 2016 attended by 60 international delegates from 7 SAARC Member countries as well as 400 delegates from within Pakistan including think tanks, experts, peace activists, civil society, academia and students.

Moreover, as envisioned by the Hon'ble Speaker/ President PIPS BOG Sardar Ayaz Sadiq, an unprecedented International Parliamentary Seminar on Kashmir was organized at PIPS where various dignitaries comprising around 20 International Member Parliaments and experts from European Parliament, UK, Canada and North America, in addition to 500 national delegates comprising over 50 Members Parliament of Pakistan across all political parties, academia, social scientists, think tanks, international reporters and students were present.

PIPS team also supported Women Parliamentary Caucus of the National Parliament in organizing 'International Conference on the Role of Women Parliamentarians in Strengthening Democracy and Social Justice' in March 2017 that saw delegates from 13 countries as well as over 300 Members of Parliament, intelligentsia, academia and women rights activists.

Seminars and Outreach events:

PIPS conducted four seminars on matters of Parliamentary importance during July-April 2017. These include Seminar of Plight of Women in Indian Held Kashmir (Oct 6, 2016); National Round Table on Parliament-The Right Way To Rights, (Dec 01-02, 2016); Round-Table on Pakistani Constitutionalism Today And Human Rights For MPs And Parliamentary Researchers With Dr. Paula Newberg, (Dec 08, 2016); Round Table on Consolidation of Democracy, Foreign Policy and International Relations of Pakistan with Hon'ble Members of UK Parliament (April 05, 2017). The National seminar with parliamentary reporters saw participation of electronic and print media from all four provinces, Parliamentary Reporters Association in the National Parliament and its members from Federal Capital. A three day national program titled "Parliamentary Studies Program Training Of Trainers (TOT) was organized at PIPS in the backdrop of declaration signed on February 9, 2015 by Vice Chancellors of 25 universities in the guidance of Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly of Islamic Republic of Pakistan to introduce Parliamentary Studies as a new discipline in universities. 36 faculty members and academia from 22 reputed institutions from all over Pakistan, who are either working on the program or planning to introduce the parliamentary studies program in their respective institutions, attended this workshop. The occasion was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Speaker, National Assembly of Islamic Republic of Pakistan on March 20, 2017 while the Hon'ble Chairman Senate of Pakistan, Senator Mian Raza Rabbani also graced the occasion. Both the visionary leaders had interactive hour long sessions with the leading political scientists and faculty members teaching courses of parliamentary studies in respective universities.

The Institute as per tradition and approved workplan organized ten outreach events and seminars engaging around 1100 Members of Parliament with youth, civil society, parliamentary reporters and media as well as academia. As per tradition, 4th Annual Constitution day was celebrated in PIPS premises with jam packed auditorium with 130 participants on April 10, 2017 in order to instill the significance of the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan 1973 among citizens, particularly the



youth.

New Initiatives:

PIPS took many new initiatives which included working with universities to start parliamentary studies as inaugurated by Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly of Islamic Republic of Pakistan/ President PIPS Board Sardar Ayaz Sadiq in Feb, 2015. Since then no less than 17 Universities have given consent to start the said course. A joint forum of researchers Pakistan's Parliamentary Researchers Forum was set up in October, 2016, which meets on quarterly basis to share best practices and knowledge on practical aspects of research services for Members of Parliament. It recently held its second meeting in April 2017 and deliberated for organizing a National Workshop later this fall besides sharing various services and products for MPs being offered by NA, Senate and PIPS research wings.

A new tradition of Parliamentary exchanges was facilitated to Provincial Assemblies of Sindh and Balochistan in 2016. PIPS team in guidance of worthy Executive Director Mr. Zafarullah Khan, has commenced a research project namely parliament@70 to record history of parliamentary achievements since 1947.

The Institute's PRC at Parliament lodges, Islamabad, is being actively used by MPs for conducting Standing Committee meetings and allied informational services. During FY 2016-17, seventy nine Standing Committee meetings were held at PIPS-PRC. MPs visited 1049 times to PRC for availing facilities (photocopier, printer, scanner, newspaper and conference room) which included 482 visits by Hon'ble Senators and 567 by Hon'ble MNAs. The Institute has also extended its legislative and research services through its Parliamentary Resource Centres (PRCs) set up in the provincial assemblies of Balochistan, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Punjab since December 2016 and it is in process to setup its PRC in Provincial Assembly of Sindh shortly.

Two officers of the Institute were placed on international attachments in Westminster UK and House of Representatives Illinois, USA for five weeks respectively while the Executive Director also visited House of Commons UK and the Lok Sabha India to share PIPS contribution and see best practices followed by similar institutions worldwide.

PIPS team continues to serve the Parliament through its cherished values of integrity, professionalism, non-partisanship, accessibility and anticipation.



AUTOMATION CENTER:

Automation Center is providing modern and fast information to the Hon'ble Members of the National Assembly and Secretariat in discharge of their legislative duties and functions. The Automation Center is implementing applications of I.T. The performance of I.T wing for above mentioned period is as under:

1. House Business.

The business of the House is uploaded on daily basis on the National Assembly website for information of Hon'ble Members and general public i.e. (Orders of the day, Questions, House Debates, Resolutions, Bills introduced, Bills passed, reports of the standing committees, Meeting Notices).

2. Digitization of Acts of Parliament.

Automation Center has started digitizing of all Acts of Parliaments from 1947 to present. The digitization of the Acts of Parliament has been completed from 1985 to date, and remaining are under process.

Tenure	Acts of Parliament Uploaded on Website
1985-1988	47
1988-1990	13
1990-1993	60
1993-1996	54
1997-1999	51
2002-2007	38
2009-2013	93
2013 to date	98

3. New Web Portal.

The Automation Center has prepared Software Requirement Specifications (SRS) document for development of new Web Portal of National Assembly in collaboration with donor funded project. The new web portal is being tested by the IT wing and once the errors will be fixed the new web portal will be launched soon.

4. Internet Facility.

Automation Center of this Secretariat is providing Internet facility to the Hon'ble Members and all officers/ sections of this Secretariat to perform their official duties. The Automation Center has implemented a uniform policy on all computers of the officers/branches by blocking all entertainment & social media websites.

5. In House Development of Software.

Number of software has been developed in house by the IT Wing.

- i. **Committee Meetings Document Retrieval System.**
Committee Management



1. Managing term wise list of Committees and sub-Committees.
2. Committees may be defined as Standing Committees, Parliamentary Committees, Select Committees, and Special Committees etc.
3. Saving of TORs for each Committee.
4. Managing meetings against each Committee along with meeting dates, venue.

Documents

1. System has option to save documents for each committee.
2. System also has option to manage Documents Categories (Add, Edit, and Delete).
3. System allows uploading and downloading the documents in different formats (word, excel, PDF, PowerPoint, images etc.).
4. System allows defining multiple tags/keywords for each document to specify the topic of document.

Searching

- i. System allows searching of documents based on following criteria.**
 - a. Committee Name
 - b. Committee wing
 - c. Date of meeting
 - d. Concerned Ministry/Division/Department
 - e. Document Category (Notice, Minutes, Document, Presentations etc.)
 - f. Tags/keywords

- ii. Visitor's Entry Pass System for Service Branch.**

Key features are:

Issuance of Gallery cards for all type of visitors to keep the record of those visitors who attend the National Assembly Session.

- iii. Service Book Management System for F&A Branch.**

The key features of the module are:

It provides a list of employees and their service books where user can search, sort, filter or browse. Add new employee and his details. The Module provides service book entries according to template, e.g. Office orders, Medical certificate, appointment order, completion of probation, Special pay, and completion of service. Leaves of all types can be entered in the system, Service verification, promotion/Scale revise, increment in pay. System calculates the date of attaining sixty years of age, the date of attaining 25 years of service.

- 6. Short Messaging Service.**

A Web based SMS service is being managed for quick and instant delivery of information regarding NA business, Parliamentary Committee meetings, Standing Committee meetings, Parliamentary Friendship Groups etc.



7. Implementation of E-Office.

To move towards paperless environment, the Automation Center has introduced E-Office for movement of all office files electronically in all sections of the Secretariat. E-Office is presently working in parallel mode and once all sections become familiar E-office would be completely implemented. The necessary training and equipment has been provided to all relevant staff of the Secretariat for smooth implementation.

INTERPRETERS' CELL:

Interpreters routinely perform two kinds of interpretation:

- I. Simultaneous Interpretation
- II. Consecutive Interpretation

Simultaneous Interpretation:

All interpreters including the Chief Interpreter attend every single sitting of the National Assembly Sessions and Joint Sessions following a Duty Roster maintained on daily basis, simultaneously interpreting the entire proceeding of the House from Urdu into English and vice versa. During the period in question, the interpreters provided this service. Interpretation Cell also provides the simultaneous interpretation services for the meetings of the Standing Committees when there are foreign diplomats/delegates attending those meetings.

Consecutive Interpretation:

During the period reported upon, a number of foreign diplomats/dignitaries called on Maulana Fazl-ur-Rehman, the Chairman Kashmir Committee of the Parliament and held meetings with him to discuss matters of mutual interest and bilateral significance. The Interpretation Cell also facilitated the exchange of views in these meetings by providing consecutive interpretation.



Human Resource Development

Sr. #	Name of Training	Duration	Numbers of Officers / Officials
1	Two Weeks In-House "Basic Information Technology Skills for Assistants at Committee Room # 07 Parliament House.	13/6/2016 To 24/6/2016	48
2	Two Weeks In-House "Basic Information Technology Skills for Superintendents at Committee Room # 07 Parliament House.	11/7/2016 To 22/7/2016	30
3	Two Weeks In-House "Basic Information Technology Skills for Section Officers at Committee Room # 07 Parliament House.	25/7/2016 To 5/8/2016	24
4	One Week (part time) Training Course on "Disaster Management" for Officers in BS-17 to BS-19 at STI, Islamabad.	1/8/2016 To 5/8/2016	1
5	One Week (part time) Training Course on "Office Ethics and Etiquettes" at STI, Islamabad.	15/8/2016 To 19/8/2016	6
6	Two Weeks In-House "Basic Information Technology Skills for Officers in BS-17 and BS-18 at Committee Room # 07 Parliament House.	8/8/2016 To 19/8/2016	26
7	20 th Senior Management Course for Officers of BS-19 at NIM, Karachi.	15/8/2016 To 31/12/2016	1
8	22 nd Mid Career Management Course at NIM, Lahore.	22/8/2016 To 25/11/2016	1
9	One Week (part time) Training Course on "Daftary Urdu Course" for Officers in BS-17 to BS-19 at STI, Islamabad.	22/8/2016 To 26/8/2016	1
10	105 th National Management Course (NMC) for Officer in BS-20 at National Management College, Lahore.	1/8/2016 To 31/12/2016	1
11	Two Weeks (part time) Training Course on "Office Procedure" at STI Islamabad.	3/10/2016 To 14/10/2016	4
12	One Week Training Course on "Role of Information and Communication Technologies in Library Management" at AHK, National Centre for Rural Development Islamabad.	17/10/2016 To 21/10/2016	2
13	Two Weeks In-House "Basic Information Technology Skills for Officers in BS-16 to BS-19 at Committee Room # 07 Parliament House.	17/10/2016 To 28/10/2016	22
14	Two Weeks Orientation Program for newly Recruited Junior Research Officers at PIPS, Islamabad.	19/10/2016 To 1/11/2016	8
15	Parliamentary Studies Certificate Course and Parliamentary Studies Basic Course. By PIPS at Committee Room # 02 Parliament House.	28/10/2016 To 9/12/2016	24
16	Training Calender for 2 nd Quarter at PPML, Islamabad	6/12/2016 To 09/12/2016	2



17	3 rd National Management Development Course For Parliamentary Functionaries 2016. At PIPS, Islamabad.	7/11/2016 To 16/12/2016	8
18	One Month (part time) Office Automation / IT Course. At STI, Islamabad.	14/11/2016 To 9/12/2016	1
19	Three Days "Basic Office Procedure" Training Course for Junior Research Officers at Parliament House, Committee Room No. 02.	26/12/2016 To 28/12/2016	8
20	Training Calender for 2nd Quarter (MS Project) at PPML, Islamabad	28/11/2016 To 30/11/2016	2
21	One Week (part time) Training Course on "Orientation in Office Procedure" at STI, Islamabad.	12/12/2016 To 16/12/2016	1
22	One Month (part time) Training Course on "Office Automation" at STI, Islamabad.	9/1/2017 To 3/2/2017	24
23	Two Weeks (part time) Training Course On "Service Rules and Regulation" at STI, Islamabad.	2/1/2017 To 13/1/2017	12
24	Two Weeks (part time) Training Course On "Office Procedures" at STI, Islamabad.	6/2/2017 To 17/2/2017	40
25	Two Weeks (part time) Training Course On "Duties and Responsibilities of PSs and APSs" at STI, Islamabad.	3/4/2017 To 14/4/2017	24
26	23 rd Mid Career Management Course at NIM, Peshawar.	20/2/2017 To 26/5/2017	1
27	Two Weeks (part time) Training Course On "Office Procedures" at STI, Islamabad.	6/3/2017 To 17/3/2017	9
28	21 st Senior Management Course (SMC), National Institute of Management, Karachi.	6/3/2017 To 21/7/2017	1
29	Parliamentary Studies Certificate Course Module-II at PIPS, Islamabad.	13/3/2017 To 27/3/2017	13
30	One Week Course on "Business Management for Officers of Law Enforcement Agencies, at National Police Academy, Islamabad.	10/4/2017 To 14/4/2017	1

TRANSLATION WING:

Translation Branch is required to dispose of official work on daily as well as immediate basis, under the strict supervision of Chief Translator. The work received is distributed among the Senior Translators, Translators and Assistant Translators as per their capacity, checked by the Chief Translator, where required. There is huge workload of Urdu typing performed by Urdu Typists. The assignments typed in Urdu are then handed over to Comparers who are required to pay utmost attention and precision to accomplish the assignments. Detail of the overall official work received in and disposed of by the branch is given below for the months in question



Period	Jun.16	Jul.16	Aug.16	Sep.16	Oct.16	Nov.16	Dec. 16	Jan.17	Feb.17	Mar.17	Apr.17
Nature of Receipts	No. of Receipts	No. of Receipts	No. of Receipts	No. of Receipts	No. of Receipts	No. of Receipts	No. of Receipts	No. of Receipts	No. of Receipts	No. of Receipts	No. of Receipts
Questions	285	87	250	341	217	200	470	70	280	430	487
Private Members Bills	02	11	15	11	09	06	24	11	11	36	18
Resolutions	00	13	77	60	20	35	40	45	25	11	07
Committee Reports	10	02	52	17	15	13	08	9	22	32	07
Circulars	02	00	00	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	09
Communication of Notices	00	06	05	08	03	04	05	06	04	08	-
Objects and Reasons	06	00	02	02	-	02	03	04	-	02	-
Group Admitted List	00	05	11	08	09	08	09	09	05	12	09
Replies	00	00	383	334	90	200	250	200	140	367	209
Motions	00	95	50	35	45	55	25	30	40	65	-
Senate Messages	01	00	01	03	01	03	04	06	04	05	02
Orders of Day	15	00	18	9	08	10	8	10	05	13	-
Summons	02	00	01		01	02	02			01	-
Ballot Bills	00	02	01	03	02	01	02	02	01	07	03
Ballot Resolutions	00	01	01	03	02	01	02	02	01	11	04
Admitted Resolutions	01	01	02	03	02	01	02	02	01	03	01
PAC Audit Reports	00	03	01	-	-	-	-	-	10	02	-
Press Releases	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	03	03