

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT
BULLETIN NO. 45 OF THE ASSEMBLY
(51st SESSION) (Budget Session)

Date	Sunday, the 25 th June, 2023
Commenced at	11:42 A.M.
Adjourned at	3:10 P.M.
Total working hours	3 Hours 28 Minutes
Presided by	Raja Pervez Ashraf, Speaker, National Assembly of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
Attendance	128

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

- *Tilawat and Hadith* by Hafiz Naseem Mehmood Khalil
- *Naat* by Ali Raza Arshad
- *National anthem*

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

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

POINTS OF ORDER

	Name of Member	Brief Subject
	Syed Khursheed Ahmed Shah, Minister for Water Resources 11.52 a.m. to 11.53 a.m. (0:01) 11.59 a.m. to 12.00 noon (0:01)	Sought clarification on the pensions reforms in the Budget.
	Senator Muhammad Ishaq Dar, Minister for Finance and Revenue 11.53 a.m. to 11.56 a.m. (0:03) 11.57 a.m. to 11.59 a.m. (0:02) 12.00 p.m. to 12.01 p.m. (0:01)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Responded to the points raised by Minister for Water Resources regarding pension reforms. • Responded to the points raised by Mr. Ghous Bux Khan Maher, MNA regarding prices of fertilizers.
	Mr. Ghous Bux Khan Maher 11.56 a.m. to 11.57 a.m. (0:01)	Raised the issue of increase in the prices of urea fertilizers.
	Mr. Asad Mehmood, Minister for Communications 12.01 p.m. to 12.17 p.m. (0:16)	Issue of tax exemptions for erstwhile FATA

5.	SENATOR MUHAMMAD ISHAQ DAR , Minister for Finance and Revenue to move that a Bill to give effect to the financial proposals of the Federal Government for the year beginning on the first day of July, 2023 and to amend certain laws [The Finance	Motion was moved by Senator Muhammad Ishaq Dar, Minister for Finance and Revenue; Motion adopted Clause by clause consideration of Bill was made:- Amendments in clauses 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, Insertion of new clause 8 and amendment in the First Schedule moved
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	Bill, 2023], be taken into consideration at once.	by Senator Muhammad Ishaq Dar, Minister for Finance and Revenue, were adopted by the House.
	(Amendments entered in a separate list to be moved)	<p>Private Member's amendment for Insertion of new clause 2A moved by Moulana Abdul Akbar Chitrali, MNA, was also adopted by the House.</p> <p>The following members spoke on the amendments in the Finance Bill, 2023:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Moulana Abdul Akbar Chitrali 12.32 p.m. to 12.33 p.m. (0:01) 12.41 p.m. to 12.43 p.m. (0:02) 12.59 p.m. to 1.01 p.m. (0:02) 2. Mr. Salahuddin 12.39 p.m. to 12.41 p.m. (0:02) 3. Engr. Sabir Hussain Kaim Khani, Parliamentary Secretary for Maritime Affairs Division 12.47 p.m. to 12.48 p.m. (0:01) 4. Senator Muhammad Ishaq Dar, Minister for Finance and Revenue 12.48 p.m. to 12.49 p.m. (0:01) 1.11 p.m. to 1.12 p.m. (0:01) 5. Mr. Mohsin Dawar 1.03 p.m. to 1.06 p.m. (0:03) 6. Dr. Nisar Ahmed Cheema 1.10 p.m. to 1.11 p.m. (0:01) <p>Remaining amendments moved by Opposition members were rejected.</p>
6.	SENATOR MUHAMMAD ISHAQ DAR , Minister for Finance and Revenue to move that a Bill to give effect to the financial proposals of the Federal Government for the year beginning on the first day of July, 2023 and to amend certain laws [The Finance Bill, 2023], be passed.	Bill was passed

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	Engr. Sabir Hussain Kaim Khani, Parliamentary Secretary for Maritime Affairs Division 1.17 p.m to 1.23 p.m. (0:06) 1.24 p.m to 1.25 p.m. (0:01) 1.28 p.m to 1.29 p.m. (0:01)	Finance Division cannot reduce the budget approved by the Finance Committee under Article 88 of the constitution. Mr. Speaker directed the Member that the matter may be brought before the Finance Committee of the National Assembly.
	Senator Muhammad Ishaq Dar, Minister for Finance and Revenue 1.23 p.m. to 1.24 p.m. (0:01) 1.25 p.m. to 1.28 p.m. (0:03)	Responded to the points raised by Parliamentary Secretary for Maritime Affairs Division regarding cut on the budget of National Assembly.

SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET

7.	General discussion on Regular and Technical Supplementary Grants for the financial years 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.	Items No. 7 and 8 were clubbed together and discussed.
8.	DISCUSSION under clause (1) of Article 82 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan on the charged expenditure as shown in the Regular and	

Technical Supplementary Grants for the financial years 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.		
(i) 2021-2022		
<i>Demand Number/</i>		
<i>Appropriations</i>	<i>Service and Purpose</i>	<i>Amount (Rs.)</i>
45	Grants, Subsidies and Miscellaneous Expenditure	3,257,420,000
---	Servicing of Foreign Debt	67,849,272,000
---	Foreign Loans Repayment	239,633,700,000
---	Repayment of Short Term Foreign Credits	20,601,056,000
---	Audit	162,600,000
---	Election	3,434,310,000
TOTAL		334,938,358,000
(ii) 2022-2023		
<i>Demand Number/</i>		
<i>Appropriation</i>	<i>Service and Purpose</i>	<i>Amount (Rs.)</i>
---	Electio	20,753,380,000
TOTAL		20,753,380,000

9.	<p>DISCUSSION and voting on Regular and Technical Supplementary Grants in respect of expenditure other than charged upon the Federal consolidated fund for the financial years 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.</p>	<p>Supplementary Demands for Grants other than charged expenditure were discussed and voted upon and consequently granted by the Assembly</p>
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EXCESS DEMANDS

10.	<p>General discussion on Excess Demands for Grants and Appropriation for the financial year, 2021-22.</p>																			
11.	<p>Discussion under clause (1) of Article 82 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan on Charged Excess Expenditure for the financial year, 2021-22.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>2021-2022</u></p> <p><i>Demand Number/</i></p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;"><u>Appropriations</u></th> <th style="text-align: left;"><u>Service and Purpose</u></th> <th style="text-align: right;"><u>Amount (Rs.)</u></th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>---</td> <td>Foreign Loans Repayment</td> <td style="text-align: right;">79,443,684,614</td> </tr> <tr> <td>---</td> <td>Repayment of Short Term Foreign Credits</td> <td style="text-align: right;">685,654,519</td> </tr> <tr> <td>---</td> <td>Servicing of Domestic Debt</td> <td style="text-align: right;">100,001,980,161</td> </tr> <tr> <td>---</td> <td>Repayment of Domestic Debt</td> <td style="text-align: right;">7,112,075,910</td> </tr> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="text-align: right;">TOTAL</td> <td style="text-align: right;">187,243,395,204</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	<u>Appropriations</u>	<u>Service and Purpose</u>	<u>Amount (Rs.)</u>	---	Foreign Loans Repayment	79,443,684,614	---	Repayment of Short Term Foreign Credits	685,654,519	---	Servicing of Domestic Debt	100,001,980,161	---	Repayment of Domestic Debt	7,112,075,910	TOTAL		187,243,395,204	<p>Items No.10-12 were clubbed together and the Excess Demands for Grants in the Orders of the Day and other than Charged expenditure were discussed and voted upon and consequently granted by the Assembly.</p>
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PAPERS TO BE LAID BEFORE THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

13.	<p>Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar, Minister for Finance and Revenue to lay before the National Assembly the following papers under Article 83 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan:-</p> <p>(1) Schedule of Authorized Expenditure 2023-2024. (2) Supplementary Schedule of Authorized Expenditure 2021-22 and 2022-2023. (3) Excess Schedule of Authorized Expenditure 2021-22.</p>	Laid
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(SUPPLEMENTARY ORDERS OF THE DAY)

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

14.	<p>MR. MURTAZA JAVED ABBASI, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, to move that the Bill further to amend the Elections Act, 2017 [The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2023], as passed by the Senate, be taken into consideration at once.</p>	<p>Senator Muhammad Ishaq Dar, Minister for Finance and Revenue, moved the Motion. The following MNA discussed the Bill.</p> <p>1. Moulana Abdul Akbar Chitrali 2.30 p.m. to 2.32 p.m. (0:02)</p> <p>Motion adopted</p> <p>Clause by clause consideration of Bill was made.</p>
15.	<p>MR. MURTAZA JAVED ABBASI, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs, to move that the Bill further to amend the Elections Act, 2017 [The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2023], be passed</p>	Bill was passed

	Name of Member	Brief Subject
	<p>Senator Muhammad Ishaq Dar, Minister for Finance and Revenue 2.25 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. (0:20)</p>	<p>Expressed gratitude to the Members and officers/ staff of the National Assembly Secretariat Finance Division, FBR, and other Departments in completion and passage of the Budget 2023-24.</p>
	<p>Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister for Defence 2.46 p.m. to 2.54 p.m. (0:08)</p>	<p>This House should not support the Bill passed by the Senate regarding Chairman Senate (Salaries and Allowances), 2023 in view of financial constraints being faced by the country</p>
	<p>Mian Riaz Hussain Pirzada, Minister for Human Rights 2.55 p.m. to 3.02 p.m. (0:07)</p>	<p>Appreciated passing of the Budget 2023-24 in difficult economic conditions of the country.</p>
	<p>Syed Ghulam Mustafa Shah 3.02 p.m. to 3.04 p.m. (0:02)</p>	<p>Requested the Minister for Finance and Revenue to ensure that Honoraria may be disbursed to employees as announced.</p>
	<p>Senator Sherry Rehman, Minister for Climate Change and Environmental Coordination 3.04 p.m. to 3.09 p.m. (0:05)</p>	<p>Spoke on different issues i.e. IMF loan, climate change effects and flood relief fund.</p>

WELCOME

Mr. Speaker welcomed the group of students and faculty members from Government College Daggar Buner (KPK), and Pakistan Institute for Conflict and Security Studies (PICSS), Islamabad, who were witnessing the proceedings of the House from the DVG gallery.

At 3.10 p.m. Mr. Speaker adjourned the sitting of the Assembly to meet again on Monday, the 17th July, 2023, at 5.00 p.m.

Note:- The National Assembly was prorogued by the President on 3rd July 2023.

**Islamabad, the
25th June, 2023**

**TAHIR HUSSAIN
Secretary**