

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT**

**BULLETIN NO. 3 OF THE ASSEMBLY**

**(4<sup>th</sup> SESSION 2024)**

<b>Date and Time</b>	Tuesday, the 23 <sup>rd</sup> April, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.
<b>Commenced at</b>	5:40 P.M.
<b>Adjourned at</b>	9:10 P.M.
<b>Total working hours</b>	3 Hours 30 Minutes
<b>Presided by</b>	1. <b>Sardar Ayaz Sadiq, Speaker</b> , National Assembly of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan. 2. <b>Syed Ghulam Mustafa Shah, Deputy Speaker</b> , National Assembly of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.
<b>Attendance</b>	217

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

<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Tilawat, Hadith and Naat</i> by Qari Muhammad Younas</li><li>• National anthem</li></ul>
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**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.
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**WELCOME**

Mr. Speaker welcomed the group of International Vloggers, from different parts of the world working to promote the soft image of Pakistan in the International arena, who were witnessing the proceedings of the House from the visitor's gallery.
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**CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE**

2.	<b>MR. ASAD ALAM NIAZI</b> <b>MIRZA IKHTIAR BAIG</b> <b>SARDAR NABIL AHMED GABOL</b> <b>MS. SHARMILA SAHIBA FARUQUI</b> <b>HASHAAM</b> to invite attention of the Minister for Energy (Power Division) to a matter of urgent public importance regarding un-scheduled load shedding and overbilling in the Karachi especially in Layari and Azam Basti by Karachi Electric Supply Company, causing grave concern amongst the public.	Attention invited by Sardar Nabil Ahmed Gabol, MNA; Sardar Awais Ahmed Khan Leghari, Minister for Energy (Power Division) made a brief statement followed by answering of questions asked by:- Sardar Nabil Ahmed Gabol; Mr. Asad Alam Niazi; Mirza Ikhtiar Baig; and Ms. Sharmila Sahiba Faruqui Hashaam, MNAs.
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**INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**

3-4	<b>MR. ASAD QAISER</b> <b>MR. SANAULLAH KHAN MASTI KHEL</b> <b>SHAHZADA MUHAMMAD GUSHTASAP</b> <b>KHAN</b> to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2024] (Amendment in Article- 175A and 215)  Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.	Deferred
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5-6	<b>DR. NAFISA SHAH</b> to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2024] (Amendment in Article- 25)  Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.	Introduced
7-8	<b>MS. SEHAR KAMRAN</b> to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Child Marriage Restraint Act, 1929 (XIX of 1929) [The Child Marriage Restraint (Amendment) Bill, 2024].  Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.	Deferred

### LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

9.	<b>NAWABZADA IFTIKHAR AHMED KHAN BABAR</b> <b>NAVEED AAMIR JEEVA</b> <b>SAHIBZADA SIBGHATULLAH</b> to move that the Bill to provide for the establishment of the Pakistan Institute of Engineering and Technology [The Pakistan Institute of Engineering and Technology Bill, 2024], as passed by the Senate, be taken into consideration.	On amendment moved by Mr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui, Minister for Science and Technology and Federal Education and Professional Training, the Bill was referred to the Standing Committee
10.	<b>NAWABZADA IFTIKHAR AHMED KHANBABAR</b> <b>NAVEED AAMIR JEEVA</b> <b>SAHIBZADA SIBGHATULLAH</b> to move that the Bill to provide for the establishment of the Pakistan Institute of Engineering and Technology [The Pakistan Institute of Engineering and Technology Bill, 2024], be passed.	

### AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES OF PROCEDURE AND CONDUCT OF BUSINESS IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, 2007

11.	<b>DR. NAFISA SHAH</b> to seek leave under sub-rule (4) of rule 293 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007 to move the following amendments in the said Rules:- <b><u>Insertion of new Rule 295 and 296.</u></b> - that in the said Rules after rule 294 the following new rules 295 and 296 shall be inserted:-  <b>"CHAPTER XXIII</b> <b>PUBLIC PETITIONS</b> <b>295. Right of petition.</b> -(1) Any citizen of Pakistan or any natural or legal person residing or having a registered office in the country shall have the right to address, individually or in association with other citizens or persons, a petition to the National Assembly on a matter which affects him, her or them directly.	The following Members spoke on the amendment:-  1. Senator Azam Nazeer Tarar, Minister for Law and Justice 6.19 p.m. to 6.20 p.m. (0:01) 6.25 p.m. to 6.26 p.m. (0:01)  2. Dr. Nafisa Shah 6.20 p.m. to 6.23 p.m. (0:03)  3. Mr. Mumtaz Mustafa 6.23 p.m. to 6.24 p.m. (0:01)  4. Mr. Gohar Ali Khan 6.24 p.m. to 6.25 p.m. (0:01)
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(2) Petitions shall be addressed to the Speaker of the National Assembly and shall be titled as "Public Petition to the National Assembly" and shall show the name, nationality and permanent address of each petitioner.

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

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

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

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

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

(8) Petitions declared inadmissible by the Committee shall be filed; the petitioner shall be informed of the decision and the reasons for it. Where possible, alternative means of redress may be recommended.

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

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

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

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

5. Ms. Shahida Akhtar Ali  
6.26 p.m. to 6.28 p.m. (0:03)

6. Mr. M. Sana Ullah Khan Mastikhel  
6.28 p.m. to 6.29 p.m. (0:01)

The Amendment was referred to the Standing Committee.

	<p>(12) Where the Committee deems it appropriate, it may refer the matter to the Ombudsman or to the relevant Government departments or Divisions for redressal.</p> <p><b>296. Examination of petitions, Redressal and Report.-</b></p> <p>(1) Admissible petitions shall be considered by the Committee where the petitioners may be invited to participate in meetings of the Committee if their petition is to be the subject of discussion, or they may ask to be present. The right to speak shall be granted to petitioners at the discretion of the Chair.</p> <p>(2) The Committee shall submit report to the Parliament. The Committee shall, in particular, inform Parliament of the measures taken by the Committee on petitions referred to them by the Parliament.</p> <p>(3) The Committee may seek opinions from other committees that have specific responsibility for the issue under consideration.</p> <p>(4) Where the report deals with, in particular, the application or interpretation of law or proposed changes to existing law, the Standing Committee responsible for the subject-matter shall be associated. If the Committee responsible does not accept such suggestions, the associated committee may table them directly in the House.</p> <p>(5) When investigating petitions, establishing facts or seeking solutions the Committee may organize fact-finding visits to the region concerned by the petition. Reports on the visit shall be drafted by their participants.</p> <p>(6) The petitioner shall be informed of the decision taken by the Committee and the reasons for the decision. When consideration of an admissible petition has been concluded, it shall be declared closed and the petitioner informed.”</p>	
12.	<b>DR. NAFISA SHAH</b> to move under sub-rule (5) of rule 293 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, that the proposed amendments be taken into consideration	
13.	<b>DR. NAFISA SHAH</b> to move that the proposed amendments in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, be adopted.	

### ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Speaker announced that members should avoid violation of rules by shaking hands with the visitors sitting in the galleries.

## RESOLUTIONS

14.	<b>SHAHZADA MUHAMMAD GUSHTASAP KHAN</b> to move the following resolution: - “This House is of the opinion that the Government should take immediate steps to establish a protectorate of Emigrants Office in District Mansehra.”	Not passed after the assurance given by the Minister for Law and Justice that Protectorate of Emigrants Office in Abbottabad will be made functional within two months.
15.	<b>SYED RAFIULLAH</b> to move the following resolution: - “This House is of the opinion that the Government should take immediate steps to ensure the payment of the minimum wages announced by the Government in the Government-run departments as well as in the private enterprises.”	Adopted

## MOTIONS UNDER RULE 259

16.	<b>SYED MUSTUFA KAMAL</b> <b>MS. AASIA ISHAQUE SIDDIQUI</b> <b>MR. HASSAAN SABIR</b> to move the following motion:- “This House may discuss the economic situation in the country.”	The following members spoke on the matter:- <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>(1) Syed Mustafa Kamal 6.58 p.m. to 7.12 p.m. (0:14)</li><li>(2) Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan 7.12 p.m. to 7.17 p.m. (0:05)</li><li>(3) Senator Muhammad Aurangzeb, Minister for Finance 7.17 p.m. to 7.27 p.m. (0:10)</li><li>(4) Mr. Omar Ayub Khan, Leader of the Opposition 7.27 p.m. to 7.40 p.m. (0:13)</li></ol>
17.	<b>SHAZIA MARRI</b> to move the following motion:- “This House may discuss the strengthening of higher education in Balochistan through Government support by establishing federal universities, especially for female students.”	The following members spoke on the matter:- <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Shazia Marri 7.40 p.m. to 7.50 p.m. (0:10) 8.38 p.m. to 8.39 p.m. (0:01)</li><li>2. Mr. Khalid Maqbool Siddiqui, Minister for Science and Technology and Federal Education and Professional Training 7.50 p.m. to 7.52 p.m. (0:02)</li></ol>

## MATTERS OTHER THAN POINTS OF ORDER

<b>18.</b>	Raising matters under Rule 18 which are not Points of Order.
	Left-over

**CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE**

19.	<p><b>MS. ZARTAJ GUL</b>  <b>RAI HASSAN NAWAZ KHAN</b>  <b>MR. SHAHID AHMED</b> to invite attention of the Minister for Water Resources to a matter of urgent public importance regarding Indian water aggression against Pakistan by developing Shahpur Kandi Barrage on Ravi River to stop water flow to Pakistan, causing grave concern amongst the public.</p>	<p>Attention invited by Ms. Zartaj Gul, MNA</p> <p>Senator Azam Nazeer Tarar, Minister for Law and Justice and Parliamentary Affairs made a brief statement followed by answering of questions asked by:-  Ms. Zartaj Gul; and  Mr. Shahid Ahmed, MNAs.</p>
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**FATEHA**

The House offered “**Fateha**” for the departed souls of:-

- i) Two innocent children martyred due to blast in South Waziristan on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> April, 2024;
- ii) People died due to heavy rains and floods in the country;
- iii) A political worker Jahanzaib died in Elections in Bajor, Khyber Pakhtukhwa; and
- iv) A political worker died in Narowal District, Punjab.

**DEPUTY SPEAKER TOOK THE CHAIR**

At 6.42 p.m. Mr. Deputy Speaker took the Chair, vacated by Mr. Speaker.

**POINTS OF ORDER**

Name of members	Brief Subject
Mr. Muhammad Iqbal 6.41 p.m. to 6.43 p.m. (0:02)	Informed the House regarding two children died due to a blast in South Waziristan and law and order situation in his constituency,
Mr. Muhammad Usman Badini 7.52 p.m. to 7.56 p.m. (0:04)	Issues of Balochistan
Haji Jamal Shah Kakar 7.56 p.m. to 7.59 p.m. (0:03)	Issues of Balochistan
Mr. Gul Asghar Khan 7.59 p.m. to 8.02 p.m. (0:03)	Acute shortage of drinking water and electricity in district Khushab.
Mir. Shabbir Ali Bijarani 8.02 p.m. to 8.05 p.m. (0:03)	Law and order situation in Shikarpur and Kashmore.
Mr. Gohar Ali Khan 8.05 p.m. to 8.07 p.m. (0:02)	Civilian’s trials in military courts.
Mr. Mian Khan 8.07 p.m. to 8.10 p.m. (0:03)	Issues of Balochistan
Mr. Mohammad Ahmed Chattha 8.10 p.m. to 8.18 p.m. (0:08)	Alleged rigging in bye-elections.
Jam Abdul Karim Bijar 8.18 p.m. to 8.21 p.m. (0:03)	Disconnection of supply of gas in Steel Town, Karachi.
Mr. Sher Afzal Khan 8.23 p.m. to 8.27 p.m. (0:04)	Iranian President’s visit.
Mr. Muhamamd Aamir Dogar 8.27 p.m. to 8.28 p.m. (0:01)	Non-availability of Ministers in the House.  <b>Mr. Deputy Speaker made observation that the availability of Minister’s will be assured by the Government from tomorrow.</b>
Ms. Shumaila Rana 8.29 p.m. to 8.31 p.m. (0:02)	Victimization of women political workers by the Police in previous Government of PTI.
Mirza Ikhtiar Baig 8.31 p.m. to 8.34 p.m. (0:03)	Problems being faced by exporters.

Mr. Nisar Ahmed 8.34 p.m. to 8.36 p.m. (0:02)	Finalization of seating plan in the House.
Mr. Pullain 8.39 p.m. to 8.41 p.m. (0:02)	Issues of Balochistan.
Mian Ghous Muhammad 8.41 p.m. to 8.45 p.m. (0:04)	Import of wheat despite of bumper crop of wheat in the country.
Ms. Sehar Kamran 8.45 p.m. to 8.47 p.m. (0:02)	Import of wheat despite of bumper crop of wheat in the country.
Ms. Rana Ansar 8.47 p.m. to 8.49 p.m. (0:02)	Unannounced load shedding of electricity and gas in Karachi and Hyderabad.
Sahibzada Sibghatullah 8.49 p.m. to 8.51 p.m. (0:02)	Delay in printing of Passport in the country.
Mr. Shahid Ahmed 8.51 p.m. to 8.54 p.m. (0:03)	Bushra Bibi may be shifted to Shaukat Khanam Hospital due to health issues.
Mr. Muhammad Shehryar Khan Mehar 8.54 p.m. to 8.56 p.m. (0:02)	Import of wheat.
Mr. Muhammad Aslam Ghumman 8.56 p.m. to 8.57 p.m. (0:01)	To investigate the matter regarding import of wheat.
Mr. Zulfiqar Ali Behan 8.57 p.m. to 8.59 p.m. (0:02)	Restoration of motorway interchange in Naushehro, Sindh
Mr. Khurram Munawar Manj 8.59 p.m. to 9.01 p.m. (0:02)	His arrest by Punjab Police in Gujrat during bye-election.
Syed Hafeezuddin 9.01 p.m. to 9.03 p.m. (0:02)	Imposition of tax on retailers.
Khawaja Muhammad Asif, Minister for Defence, Defence Production and Aviation 9.04 p.m. to 9.05 p.m. (0:01)	Assured the House that Minister for National Food Security and Research will answer the queries of the Members, tomorrow as per the directions issued by the Chair.
Mr. Adil Khan Bazai 9.05 p.m. to 9.07 p.m. (0:02)	Issues of Balochistan.
Ms. Zartaz Gul 9.07 p.m. to 9.09 p.m. (0:02)	Trial and conviction of women political workers.

At 9.10 p.m., Mr. Deputy Speaker adjourned the sitting of the Assembly, to meet again on Wednesday the 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2024 at 4.00 p.m.

**Islamabad, the  
23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2024**

**TAHIR HUSSAIN  
Secretary General**