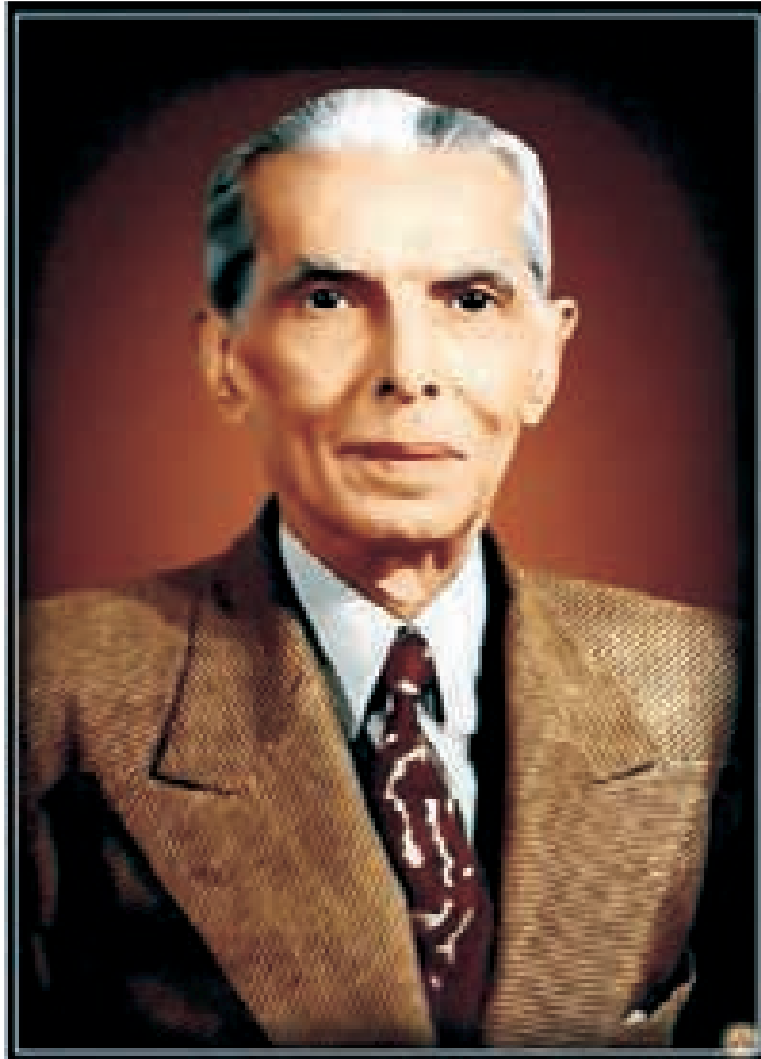




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Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah

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



Address of the Founder of Pakistan Quaid-e-Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah on 11th August, 1947 to 1st Constituent Assembly

Mr. President (Quaid-i-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah): Ladies and Gentlemen, I cordially thank you, with the utmost sincerity, for the honour you have conferred upon me — the greatest honour that it is possible for this Sovereign Assembly to confer — by electing me as your first President. I also thank those leaders who have spoken in appreciation of my services and their personal references to me. I sincerely hope that with your support and your co-operation we shall make this Constituent Assembly an example to the world. The Constituent Assembly has got two main functions to perform. The first is the very onerous and responsible task of framing our future constitution of Pakistan and the second of functioning as a full and complete Sovereign body as the Federal Legislature of Pakistan. We have to do the best we can in adopting a provisional constitution for the Federal Legislature of Pakistan. You know really that not only we ourselves are wondering but, I think, the whole world is wondering at this unprecedented cyclonic revolution which has brought about the plan of creating and establishing two independent Sovereign Dominions in this sub-continent. As it is, it has been unprecedented; there is no parallel in the history of the world. This mighty sub-continent with all kinds of inhabitants has been brought under a plan which is titanic, unknown, unparalleled. And what is very important with regards to it is that we have achieved it peacefully and by means of a revolution of the greatest possible character.

Dealing with our first function in this Assembly, I cannot make any well-considered pronouncement at this moment, but I shall say a few things as they occur to me. The first and the foremost thing that I would like to emphasise 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. The first observation that I would like to make is this. You will no doubt agree with me that the first duty of a Government is to maintain law and order, so that the life, property and religious beliefs of its subjects are fully protected by the State.

The second thing that occurs to me is this. One of the biggest curses from which India is suffering — I do not say that other countries are free from it, but, I think, our condition is much worse — is bribery and corruption. (Hear, hear.) That really is a poison. We must put that down with an iron hand and I hope that you will take adequate measures as soon as it is possible for this Assembly to do so.

Black-marketing is another curse. Well, I know that black-marketers are frequently caught and punished. According to our judicial notions sentences are passed, and sometimes fines only are imposed. Now you have to tackle this monster which today is a colossal crime against society, in our distressed conditions, when we constantly face shortage of food and or the essential



commodities of life. A citizen who does black-marketing commits, I think, a greater crime than the biggest and most grievous of crimes. These black-marketers are really knowing, intelligent and ordinarily responsible people, and when they indulge in black-marketing, I think they ought to be very severely punished, because they undermine the entire system of control and regulation of food-stuffs and essential commodities, and cause wholesale starvation and want and even death.

The next thing that strikes me is this. Here again is a legacy which has been passed on to us. Along with many other things good and bad, has arrived this great evil -the evil of nepotism and jobbery. This evil must be crushed relentlessly. I want to make it quite clear that I shall never tolerate any kind of jobbery, nepotism or any influence directly or indirectly brought to bear upon me. Wherever I find that such a practice is in vogue, or is continuing anywhere, low or high, I shall certainly not countenance it.

I know there are people who do not quite agree with the division of Indian and the partition of the Punjab and Bengal. Much has been said against it, but now that it has been accepted, it is the duty of every one of us to loyally abide by it and honourably act according to the agreement which is now final and binding on all. But you must remember, as I have said, that this mighty revolution that has taken place is unprecedented. One can quite understand the feeling that exists between the two communities wherever one community is in majority and the other is in minority. But the question is whether it was possible or practicable to act otherwise than has been done. A division had to take place. On both sides, in Hindustan and Pakistan, there are sections of people who may not agree with it, who may not like it, but in my judgment there was no other solution and I am sure future history will record its verdict in favour of it. And what is more it will be proved by actual experience as we go on that was the only solution of India's constitutional problem. Any idea of a United India could never have worked and in my judgment it would have led us to terrific disaster. May be that view is correct; may be it is not; that remains to be seen. All the same, in this division it was impossible to avoid the questions of minorities being in one Dominion or the other. Now that was unavoidable. There is no other solution. Now what shall we do? Now, if we want to make this great State of Pakistan happy and prosperous we should wholly and solely concentrate on the well-being of the people, and especially of the masses and the poor. If you will work in co-operation, forgetting the past, burying the hatchet, you are bound to succeed. If you change your past and work together in a spirit that every one of you, no matter to what community he belongs, no matter to what community he belongs, no matter what relations he had with you in the past, no matter what is his colour, caste or creed, is first, second and last a citizen of this State with equal rights, privileges and obligations there will be no end to the progress you will make.

I cannot emphasise it too much. We should begin to work in that spirit and in course of time all these angularities of the majority and minority communities — the Hindu community and the



Muslim community — because even as regards Muslims you have Pathans, Punjabis, Shias, Sunnis and so on and among the Hindus you have Brahmins, Vashnavas, Khatris, also Bengalese, Madrasis and so on — will vanish. Indeed if you ask me this has been the biggest hindrance in the way of India to attain its freedom and independence and but for this we would have been free peoples long long ago. No power can hold another nation and specially a nation of 400 millions souls in subjection; nobody could have conquered you, and even if it had happened, nobody could have continued its hold on you for any length of time but for this. (Applause) Therefore we must learn a lesson from this. You are free; you are free to go to your temples, you are free to go to your mosques or to any other places of worship in this State of Pakistan. You may belong to any religion or caste or creed — that has nothing to do with the business of the State (Hear, hear). As you know, history shows that in England conditions some time ago were much worse than those prevailing in India to-day. The Roman Catholics and the Protestants persecuted each other. Even now there are some States in existence where there are discriminations made and bars imposed against a particular class. Thank God we are not starting in those days. We are starting in the days when there is no discrimination, no distinction between one community and another, no discrimination between one caste or creed and another. We are starting with this fundamental principle that we are all citizens and equal citizens of one State. (Loud applause) The people of England in course of time had to face the realities of the situation and had to discharge the responsibilities and burdens placed upon them by the government of their country and they went through that fire step by step. Today you might say with justice that Roman Catholics and Protestants do not exist: what exists now is that every man is a citizen, an equal citizen, of Great Britain and they are all members of the nation.

Now, I think we should keep that in front of us as our ideal and you will find that in course of time Hindus would cease to be Hindus and Muslims would cease to be Muslims, not in the religious sense, because that is the personal faith of each individual, but in the political sense as citizens of the State.

Well, gentlemen, I do not wish to take up any more of your time and thank you again for the honour you have done to me. I shall always be guided by the principles of justice and fair-play without any, as is put in the political language, prejudice or ill-will, in other words partiality or favouritism. My guiding principle will be justice and complete impartiality, and I am sure that with your support and co-operation, I can look forward to Pakistan becoming one of the greatest Nations of the world. (Loud applause)



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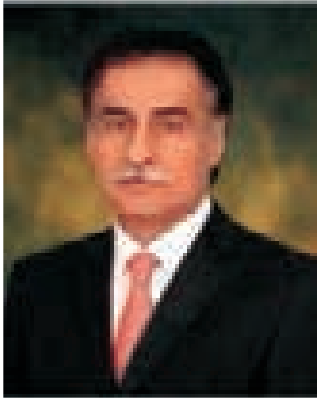
AJK	Azad Jammu & Kashmir	NGOs	Non Governmental Organizations
AML	Awami Muslim League	NPP	National Peoples Party
ANF	Anti Narcotics Force	NTS	National Testing Service
ANP	Awami National Party	OIC	Organisation of Islamic Cooperation
APA	Asian Parliamentary Assembly	PAC	Public Accounts Committee
APML	All Pakistan Muslim League	PAO	Principal Accounting Officer
BISP	Benazir Income Support Programme	PEC	Pakistan Engineering Council
CANs	Calling Attention Notices	PEMRA	Pakistan Electronic Media Regulatory Authority
CAW	Cyber Admin Wing	PESCO	Peshawar Electric Supply Company
CCTV	Closed-circuit television	PFGs	Parliamentary Friendship Groups
CDA	Capital Development Authority	PHC	Peshawar High Court
CPA	Commonwealth Parliamentary Association	PIA	Pakistan International Airlines
CSOs	Civil Society Organizations	PIMS	Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences
CSPOC	Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth	PIPS	Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services
CYP	Commonwealth Youth Parliament	PIPS-PRC	PIPS-Parliamentarians' Resource Center
DOP	Distribution of Power	PML-N	Pakistan Muslim League-Nawaz
DRI	Democracy Reporting International	PMU	Project Management Unit
EAM	Election Assessment Mission	PPC	Pakistan Peace Collective
ECP	Election Commission of Pakistan	PPP-P	Pakistan People's Party-Parliamentarians
ELR	Energy Losses Reduction	PSCC	Parliamentary Studies Certificate Course
FATA	Federally Administered Tribal Areas	PSDP	Public Sector Development Program
FDE	Federal Directorate of Education	PTA	Pakistan Telecommunication Authority
FGEHF	Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation	PTCL	Pakistan Telecommunication Company Limited
FPSC	Federal Public Service Commission	PTI	Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf
GB	Gilgit-Baltistan	PTV	Pakistan Television Corporation
GDP	Gross Domestic Product	PUG	Passing Unregistered Gas
ICT	Islamabad Capital Territory	PUIC	Parliamentary Union of Islamic Countries



IPU	Inter Parliamentary Union	RSIS	S. Rajaratnam School of International Studies
IRSA	Indus River System Authority	SAARC	South Asian Association of Regional Countries
JI	Jamaat-e-Islami	SC	Supreme Court
JUI	Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam	SDGs	Sustainable Development Goals
KE	Karachi Electric	SDPI	Sustainable Development Policy Institute
KP	Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa	SNGPL	Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited
KPI	King Prajadhikok's Institute	STEP	Special Talent Exchange Program
LDC	Legislative Drafting Council	SUN	Scaling Up Nutrition
LoC	Line of Control	TLS	Total Library Solution
MNAs	Members of National Assembly	UK	United Kingdom
MQM	Muttahida Qaumi Movement	UN	United Nations
MSEAP	Meeting of Speakers of Eurasian Countries' Parliaments	UNCIP	United Nations Commission for India and Pakistan
NAB	National Accountability Bureau	UNDP	United Nations Development Program
NACTA	National Counter Terrorism Authority	UNESCAP	United Nation Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
NADRA	National Database and Registration Authority	US	United States
NASP	National Assembly Strategic Plan	WB	Working Boundary
NBF	National Book Foundation	WFD	Westminster Democracy Foundation
NCRC	National Commission on the Rights of Child	WPC	Women's Parliamentary Caucus
NCSW	National Commission on the Status of Women	WPU	Witness Protection Unit
NEPRA	National Electric Power Regulatory Authority	WTO	World Trade Organization
NFC	National Finance Commission	YPF	Young Parliamentarians Forum



Message from the Speaker



Parliaments in democratic system of governance represent the will of the public, and all the information related to the working of Parliament belongs to the citizens. In this regard, National Assembly of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan has undertaken a number of efforts to improve information-sharing with the citizens, and the yearly reports on its performance are an extension of these efforts. Apprising citizens about developments in the National Assembly surely help in raising awareness among the public thereby promoting democratic culture.

The Performance Report of the 5th Parliamentary year of the 14th National Assembly of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, provides a review of Business of the House, Committees and the Secretariat, and also highlights landmark achievements of the National Assembly during the year 2017-18. It symbolizes the aspiration of the National Assembly to reach out to the public and bridge the gap between people and their representatives by facilitating parliamentary openness and transparency. This is the concluding year of the elected assemblies, and we are about to experience the second historic civilian to civilian transition.

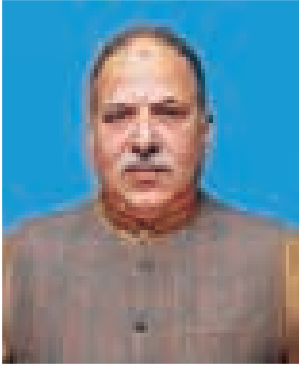
Parliamentarians in the National Assembly have continued to work in the interest of their people, by legislating on the Right of Access to Information, National Commission on the Rights of the Child, and the Witness Protection, Security and Benefit. Members' passionate participation and comprehensive deliberations on reforms in electoral system, mainstreaming FATA, and reforming the judicial system remained hallmark achievements of the year. With the historic launch of PTV Parliament, a dedicated television channel for the live proceedings of both houses of the Parliament, Standing Committees; another vista has opened to ensure connectivity between public representatives and masses.

As the custodian of the House, I have remained steadfast to foster sustained, participatory and informed engagement between citizens and their elected representatives. It is my firm belief 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 regular publication of 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 5th Parliamentary Year (June 1st 2017, May 31st, 2018) of the 14th National Assembly is a sequel to the preceding Annual Reports and constitutes a central component of the parliamentary outreach strategy of the National Assembly. During the 5th 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 sheds 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. This report has attempted to capture maximum possible aspects; however, details on the overall working of the National Assembly may be browsed at www.na.gov.pk. The Secretariat has made every effort to ensure accuracy of information and any error or omission, therefore, is not deliberate.

TAHIR HUSSAIN
SECRETARY NATIONAL ASSEMBLY



YEAR IN FOCUS

EFFECTIVE OVERSIGHT

Parliamentary oversight is one of the core democratic roles of Parliaments. During the 5th 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:

Performance of Committees at Work

All around the world, a strong Committee system is considered as an asset in the functioning of Parliamentary democracy and ensuring strong oversight mechanism. During the 5th Parliamentary year of the 14th National Assembly, the Standing Committees held 252 meetings, 56 bills were referred to the Committees, 64 reports were laid in the House and 101 reports were finalized by the Standing Committees making it the highest number of reports finalized as compared to last 4 years of the 14th National Assembly.

The Public Accounts Committee (PAC) of the National Assembly held 56 meetings which is the most number of meetings in 5th Parliamentary year as compared to the last four years to continue exercising its oversight role in financial matters.

Resolutions

The House passed a significant number of resolutions regarding issues of immediate public importance at both national and global level. The National Assembly received 966 resolutions during the 5th Parliamentary year out of which 419 were admitted, 09 were disallowed, 538 were lapsed/under process, and 28 were adopted by the House. The received Resolutions were of varied subjects including socio-economic issues faced by the Public at large, the problems of less developed areas, the menace of terrorism, handling propaganda against Balochistan wisely and vigorously at international forum, and the issues pertaining to the National Security. Recognizing the legitimacy of the indigenous struggle of the Kashmiri people for the realization of their right to self-determination, the House passed a resolution on 24th January, 2018. Moreover, in order to extend support to the Palestine cause through a resolution passed on December 7, 2017, the National Assembly unanimously and strongly condemned the United States' decision to recognize Jerusalem as the Capital of Israel.

Calling Attention Notices (CANs)

The Members of National Assembly submitted 295 Calling Attention Notices (CANs) in the 5th Parliamentary year out of which 92 were brought before the House and were discussed and responded by the concerned Ministers. Setting and continuing the culture of oversight and accountability, legislators were active in holding the government accountable. A number of CANs dealt with issues relating to governance, security, minorities, foreign policy and economy



such as extra-judicial killings, incidents of terrorism, Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation, Government Hospitals in Islamabad, Issues of Federal Government Employees, Supporting the cause the people of occupied Kashmir, Oil price hike, and Improving health and educational facilities for the masses.

PUBLIC INTEREST LEGISLATION

During the 5th Parliamentary Year of the 14th National Assembly, the House continued to demonstrate its commitment to legislate in the interest of Pakistani citizens. The House witnessed introduction of 36 Government Bills, 38 Private Members' Bills and adopted 26 resolutions. The National Assembly passed 34 Government Bills and 08 Private Member Bills. The legislation passed during the 5th Parliamentary Year includes some landmark legislation given as follows:

- ***The Right of Access to Information Act, 2017***: The Right of Access to Information Act, 2017 replaced the Freedom of Information Ordinance, 2002. It contains provisions pertaining to the proactive disclosure of information, indexation and computerization of records, the establishment of an independent, autonomous information commission, and broadening the scope of the definition of public body to include NGOs. Under this law, any Pakistani citizen can make a request for seeking information regarding public offices. Moreover, NGOs will also have to make information available about their allocated and utilized budgets, salaries, perks and privileges, etc.
- ***The Compulsory Teaching of Holy Quran Act, 2017***: This law would be applicable on all federal government-run educational institutions and private educational institutions regulated by the federal government. Only Muslim students would be taught the Holy Quran, while non-Muslim students would be given a choice of alternate subjects.
- ***The Constitution (Twenty-fourth Amendment) Act, 2017***: This law stipulates that seats in the National Assembly among the provinces, Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) and Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT) will be reallocated and constituencies will be revamped after notification of official census results. Under the amendment, 09 of Punjab's seats in the National Assembly would be taken away and redistributed among Balochistan, Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa (KPK), and ICT. KPK will get five more seats, Balochistan will get three, and ICT will have one additional seat in the Lower House of Parliament.
- ***The National Commission on the Rights of Child Act, 2017***: The Act provided for the establishment of an independent national commission to monitor protect and promote the rights of children moved by the government. The NCRC bill suggests formation of an 18-member commission to exercise its powers and perform its functions to ensure protection of the rights of children.
- ***The Elections Act, 2017***: The Elections Act consolidates 09 election laws and includes chapters on the Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP), delimitation, electoral rolls,



conduct of elections etc. The Act has given more autonomy to ECP. It also empowers the ECP to nullify results in constituencies where women turnout is equal to or less than 10%. The Act provides every citizen the right to file a complaint with the ECP on almost all aspects of an election. It is the first time that citizens of Pakistan have been offered such an opportunity.

- ***The Election Second Amendment Act, 2017:*** The Act restored the clauses pertaining to Khatm-i-Nabuwwat to their original form and make sections relating to the Ahmadi community more effective. A section of the Act says that if enrolled voters' believe in the finality of Prophethood of Muhammad (P.B.U.H) is contended, they shall have to sign a declaration reaffirming their belief, failing which their name shall be deleted from the joint electoral rolls and added to a supplementary list of voters in the same electoral area as non-Muslim.
- ***The Public Interest Disclosures Act, 2017:*** The Public Interest Disclosures Act, 2017 tackles certain contemporary issues related to modern-day economic crimes, including money-laundering, fraud, embezzlement, kickbacks, commission and other forms of corruption and corrupt practices. The bill stresses the protection of persons called whistle-blowers who have reported wrongdoings in good acts of faith should be of vital importance. Their security is integral to the fight against corruption, to promote public section integrity and accountability and to support a clean working environment. However under Section 6 of the bill, disclosure on the matters that affect sovereignty and integrity of Pakistan; the security, strategic or economic interests of the country and relations with foreign states is prohibited.
- ***The Supreme Court and High Court (Extension of Jurisdiction to Federally Administered Tribal Areas) Act, 2018:*** This Act will bring the Federally Administrated Tribal Areas (FATA) under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court (SC) and the Peshawar High Court (PHC). This will ensure dispensation of justice to the tribal people.
- ***The National Assembly Secretariat Employees Act, 2018:*** The National Assembly Secretariat Employees Act, 2018 regulates the recruitment and conditions of service of persons appointed in the National Assembly Secretariat. The said Act was a long standing constitutional requirement as prescribed in Article 87. Under the new Act, all appointments in the Secretariat in BPS-16 to 19 would be made by engaging the Federal Public Service Commission (FPSC).
- ***The Constitution (Twenty-fifth Amendment) Act, 2018:*** After passing of the constitutional amendment seeking the much-awaited merger of the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) with Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) in the National Assembly and Provincial Assembly of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, the Twenty-fifth Amendment was signed into law with the assent of President Mamnoon Hussain on 31st May, 2018.



The Act amends Article 1 of the Constitution, which defines the country's territory and mentions FATA as a separate entity along with other four provinces, and Articles 51 and 59, which specify the number of seats allocated to each of the federating units in the National and Provincial assemblies. The Act has also exclusively repealed Article 247 that places the tribal areas under the ambit of President of Pakistan. Under the new amendment, the name of FATA as a separate entity from the country's four existing provinces will be removed.

- ***Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2018:*** Pakistan made history by becoming one of only a few countries in the world to pass progressive legislation guaranteeing the fundamental rights of its trans citizens — including rights of employment, property, inheritance, to vote and to hold public office. One of the hallmarks of the Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights Act), 2018 is its culturally relevant, gender-affirming definition of trans Pakistanis based on their self-perceived identities.
- ***The Evening Courts Act, 2018:*** The National Assembly also passed the Evening Courts Act, 2017, which aims at dispensing speedy justice to the people. The bill proposes to notify some courts as evening courts to decide certain specified categories of civil and criminal cases to help clear the backlog of cases.

PRO-ACTIVE PARLIAMENTARY DIPLOMACY

- ***1st Speakers' Conference and the subsequent Meeting of the Drafting Committee:*** 1st Speakers' Conference on the Challenges of Terrorism & Inter-Regional Connectivity was held at Islamabad, Pakistan from 24-25 December 2017 on the special initiatives of Hon'ble Speaker of National Assembly of Pakistan. The participants included the Hon'ble Speaker of National Assembly of Pakistan, Speaker of Islamic Consultative Assembly of the Islamic Republic of Iran, President of Wolesi Jirga of Afghanistan, The Chairman of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation, Vice Chairman of Standing Committee of National Peoples Conference the People's Republic of China, and Speaker of the Grand National Assembly of Turkey. Theme of this conference was broad and the agenda was designed to optimally include key areas of regional security, connectivity and cooperation. Sessions of the conference were bifurcated around two main themes i.e. Terrorism and Connectivity. The participants shared their in-depth knowledge on terrorism and connectivity related issues faced by their respective countries, and proposed practical solutions to eradicate the menace of terrorism and to ensure greater regional connectivity.

The success of the Conference is depicted by the unanimous adoption of the Islamabad Declaration that demonstrates a broad ownership and commitment of the participants in taking this initiative further to next levels.



- **Indonesian President's Address to the Joint Session of Pakistan's Parliament:** Indonesian President Joko Widodo addressed joint session of Pakistan's Parliament on 26th January 2018 and became the 10th head of the state to address Pakistan's apex Constitutional forum. He was the Second President from Indonesia to address to the Parliament of Pakistan. Previously, President Sukarno had addressed the Parliament of Pakistan in 1963.

He highlighted that Pakistan and Indonesia are friendly nations and said both countries had strengthened bilateral ties in recent years. Extending Indonesia's support for Palestine cause, the Indonesian President remarked "the Muslim countries should strengthen their ties for bringing peace within the Muslim World."

Parliamentary Outreach

In 2017-18, the National Assembly of Pakistan 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 5th 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, inter regional connectivity and exploring alternate renewable energy resources. Some of the major achievements of the year (2017-18) are as follows:

- A total of 10 Parliamentary delegations visited National Assembly of Pakistan including China, Turkey, Canada, Iran, Afghanistan, France, Russia and Republic of Korea respectively
- A total of 09 Parliamentary delegations of Pakistan visited different countries including China, Germany, Turkey, Kuwait, Iran and Afghanistan.
- During the 5th Parliamentary year, a total of 24 Ambassadors/High Commissioners and other dignitaries including the prestigious meeting of Imam-i-Kaba called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly and discussed matters of mutual interests.
- 17 Meetings of various Parliamentary Friendship Groups (PFGs) were held in the year, which were also attended by the Islamabad based Ambassadors from respective countries.

Celebration of 70 years of the Parliament

Completion of 70 years of the Parliament was celebrated in a two day conference held at Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS), Islamabad in August 2017. Key note speakers of the session shared their enlightening and insightful reflections upon the history of Parliament at the event.

Commonwealth Day, 2018

Commemorating March 12, 2018 as the Commonwealth Day, the National Assembly of Pakistan, CPA-Asia Region and the Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS) organized



a Seminar on the theme "Towards a Common Future" at PIPS in Islamabad. The Speakers of the session highlighted the pertinent role of Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) in the progress of democratic institutions in Commonwealth member states. CPA's instrumental role in providing opportunity to learn from other countries' experiences in the legislative process was also discussed.

ENHANCING INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT:

- ***Establishment of Cyber Admin Wing:*** The establishment of Cyber Admin Wing is dedicated to improve the capability of this secretariat in combating the technological bottlenecks to improve the governance and management of this secretariat by inducting the latest digitized solutions. Cyber Admin Wing uses the integrated software solutions to the problems that have been faced by the different departments of this secretariat which range from the inventory management to the digitization of the House and committee proceedings. Despite being coming into existence less than six months ago, the department has been able to successfully digitize the complete Manual Inventory System into Bar Code based database of E-Inventory system. Meanwhile Cyber Admin Wing has also been successful in improving the existing security facilities of secretariat which include troubleshooting of existing CCTV system and making the network in line with our requirements.
- ***Workshop on Dos and Don'ts of Committee Meetings for the Officers of the National Assembly of Pakistan:*** A series of trainings were held for the Officers National Assembly Secretariat, on the effectiveness of parliamentary committees. The objectives of these events were to prepare the secretariat staff for the meeting before, during and after the meeting, dress code, etiquette and protocol during the meeting.
- ***Human Resource Management:*** A robust Human Resource Management Survey was conducted for the first time in the history of National Assembly in order to gauge the capacity, utility and need of each employee of the National Assembly Secretariat. As a result, a comprehensive organogram of the entire Secretariat was developed with a detailed profiling of available and required human resources of the Secretariat.

The Historic Sixth Budget (Federal Budget 2018-19): The 14th National Assembly of Islamic Republic of Pakistan becomes Pakistan's first Assembly to announce six consecutive budgets in its tenure. Its tenure is due to end in May, and the next fiscal year starts on July 1st.

PTV Parliament: Pakistan Television launched its new channel PTV Parliament on Wednesday, May 30, 2018 Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq inaugurated the trial transmission of the channel. At the occasion of the launching ceremony, he stated that the purpose of the channel is to create awareness amongst the people and generate public opinion that will help improve performance of the elected representatives. Through this channel, the people will be able to see whether or not their elected representatives are highlighting their issues, he stated.



NO	PASSED BY N.A	PASSED BY SENATE	SHORT TITLE OF THE ACT
1.	13/6/17	.....	The Finance Act, 2017
2.	1/2/2017	9/1/2017	The Illegal Dispossession Amendment Act, 2017
3.	10/3/2017	22/8/ 2017	The Post Office Amendment Act, 2017
4.	19/4/2017	25/8/2017	The Compulsory Teaching of the Holy Quran Act, 2017
5.	17/5/2017	18/4/20 17 25/8/17	The National School of Public Policy Amendment Act, 2017
6.	2/6/2017	.....	The Provincial Motor Vehicles (Amendment) Act, 2017
7.	2/6/2017	.....	The Representation of the People (Amendment) Act, 2017
8.	2/6/2017	.....	The Land Acquisition (Amendment) Act, 2017
9.	2/6/2017	.....	The Senate Secretariat Services Act, 2017
10.	2/6/2017	.....	The Witness Protection, Security and Benefit Act, 2017
11.	3/6/2017	.....	The National Counter Terrorism Authority Act, 2017
12.	1/12/17 13/9/17	15/5/2017	National Commission on the Rights of Children Act, 2017
13.	22/9/17 2/10/17	22/9/2017	The Election Act, 2017
14.	2/10/17	22/8/2017	The Right of Access to Information Act, 2017
15.	5/10/2017	10/10/2017	The Election Amendment Act, 2017
16.	17/8/2017	24 /10/2017	The Public Interest Disclosures Act, 2017
17.	16/11/2017	17/11/2017	The Election Second Amendment Act, 2017
18.	16/11/2017	19/12/2017	The Constitution Twenty fourth Amendment Act, 2017
19.	14/12/2017	Money bill	The Rulers of Acceding States (Abolition of Privy Purses and Privileges Amendment Act, 2017
20.	21/9/2017	20/12/2017	The Apprenticeship Act, 2018
21.	7/2/2017	22/1/2018	The National Commission on the Status of Women Amendment Act, 2018
22.	6/11/2017	24/1/2018	The Shaheed Zulfiqar Ali Bhutto Medical University Islamabad Amendment Act, 2018
23.	20/11/2017	25/1/2018	The Law and Justice Commission of Pakistan Amendment Act, 2018
24.	7/5/2017 17/1/2018	3/11/2017	The Marine Insurance Act, 2018
25.	20/11/2017 14/2/2018	26/1/2018	The National University of Technology Act, 2018
26.	13/2/18	19/2/2018	The National Assembly Secretariat Employees Act, 2018
27.	18/12/2017	6/3/2018	The National Skill University Act, 2017
28.	17/1/2017	7/3/2018	The Corporate Rehabilitation Act, 2018



29.	12/1/2018	13/4/2018	The Supreme Court and High Court Extension of Jurisdiction to Tribal Areas Act, 2017
30.	11/4/2018	19/12/2017	The COMSATS University Islamabad Act, 2018
31.	20/11/2017 15/3/2018	23/2/2018	The Regulation of Generation Transmission and Distribution of Electric Power Amendment Act, 2018
32.	8/5/2018	7/3/2018	The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2018
33.	8/5/2018	5/3/2018	The National Civic Education Commission Act, 2018
34.	8/5/2018	22/5/2018	The Anti-terrorism Amendment Act, 2018
35.	8/5/2018	19/2/2018	The Prevention of Cruelty to Animal Amendment Act, 2018
36.	8/5/18	30/10/2017	The Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal Amendment Act, 2018
37.	8/5/2018	20/11/2017	The Criminal Law Amendment Act, 2018
38.	14/12/2017	11/5/2018	The Women in Distress and Detention Fund Amendment Act, 2018
39.	17/1/2018	11/5/2018	The Federal Employees Benevolent Fund and Group Insurance Amendment Act, 2018
40.	14/2/2018	11/5/2018	The Islamabad Capital Territory Child Protection Act, 2018
41.	14/2/2018	11/5/2018	The Juvenile Justice System Act, 2018 (Act No. XXII of 2018)
42.	20/2/2018	11/5/2018	The Islamabad Healthcare Regulation Act, 2018
43.	20/2/2018	11/5/2018	The Health Services Academy (Restructuring) Act, 2018
44.	14/3/2018	11/5/2018	The House Building Finance Corporation (Repeal) Act, 2018
45.	14/3/2018	18/5/2018	The Establishment of the Federal Bank for Cooperatives and Regulation of Cooperative Banking (Repeal) Act, 2018
46.	13/2/2018	.....	The Criminal Laws (Amendment) Act, 2018
47.	12/4/2018	.....	The Prevention of Smuggling of Migrants Act, 2018
48.	8/5/2018	11/5/2018	The Institute of Science and Technology Bahawalpur Act, 2018
49.	18/5/2018	.....	The Finance Act, 2018
50.	12/4/2018	11/5/2018	The Institute of Art and Culture Act, 2018
51.	8/5/2018	11/5/2018	The Sir Syed-CASE (Center for Advanced Studies in Engineering) Institute of Technology, Islamabad, Act, 2018
52.	23/5/2018	1/6/2018	The Gas Infrastructure Development Cess (Amendment) Act, 2018 (Act No. XXXIII of 2018)
53.	23/5/2018	25/5/2018	The Prevention of Trafficking in Persons Act, 2018
54.	23/5/2018	25/5/2018	The Legal Practitioners and Bar Councils (Amendment) Act, 2018
55.	31/5/2018	1/6/2018	The President's Salary, Allowances and Privileges (Amendment) Act, 2018
56.	24/5/2018	25/5/2018	The Constitution (Twenty-fifth Amendment) Act, 2018

BUSINESS IN THE HOUSE





BUSINESS IN THE HOUSE

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY IN THE FIFTH PARLIAMENTARY YEAR 2017-18	
Total Acts passed	56
Resolutions Admitted	401
Resolutions Adopted	37
Private Members Bills Introduced	50
Private Members Bills passed	17
Bills introduced by Women MNAs	32
Government Bills Introduced	35
Government Bills Passed	43
Bills Passed in the Joint Sitting of Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament)	Nil
Total working Days of the National Assembly including days of Joint Sitting	148
Total actual sittings	108
Total working Hours	263 hours – 24 minutes



Landmark Legislation of the Year

THE RIGHT OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT, 2017

This Act replaces the Freedom of Information Ordinance, 2002 and contains strong provisions pertaining to the proactive disclosure of information, indexation and computerization of records, the establishment of an independent, autonomous information commission. It also broadens the scope of the definition of public body and brings NGOs within the purview of the law. In other words, apart from federal public bodies, NGOs will also have to ensure information is available about allocated and utilized budgets, salaries, perks and privileges, etc. Further, the functions and activities performed by public bodies are not only to be shared through websites, but also made available on demand.

THE COMPULSORY TEACHING OF HOLY QURAN ACT, 2017

This law would be applicable to all federal government-run educational institutions and private educational institutions regulated by the federal government. The schools of army, railways and all others educational institutions regulated by the federal government will be subject to this law and only Muslim students would be taught the Holy Quran, while non-Muslim students would be given a choice of alternate subjects. Under the new law, students would read the Holy Quran from grades one to five, and those in grades six to twelve would be taught a simple translation.

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT EMPLOYEES ACT, 2018

The National Assembly passed the National Assembly Secretariat Employees Act, 2018 to regulate the recruitment and conditions of service of persons appointed in the National Assembly Secretariat. The said Act was a long standing constitutional requirement as prescribed in Article 87. According to the Act, appointments from BPS 16 to 19 should be made in National Assembly through Federal Public Service Commission (FPSC).

THE ELECTION SECOND AMENDMENT ACT, 2017

This Act restores the clauses pertaining to Khatm-i-Nabuwat to their original form and made sections relating to the Ahmadi community more effective. Sections 7B and 7C of the Conduct of General Elections Order, 2002 were also restored to their original form through the bill. Section 7B states that the status of Ahmadis remains as stated in the Constitution, whereas Section 7C says that if enrolled voters' believe in the finality of Prophethood of Muhammad (peace be upon him), they shall have to sign a declaration reaffirming their belief, failing to which their name shall be deleted from the joint electoral rolls and added to a supplementary list of voters in the same electoral area as non-Muslim.



THE CONSTITUTION (TWENTY-FOURTH AMENDMENT) ACT, 2017

This Act amends Article 51(5) of the Constitution, which deals with the allocation of seats in the National Assembly among the four provinces, Federally-Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) and Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT). The law stipulates that these seats will be reallocated and the constituencies will be revamped once the results of population census are officially notified. As a result of the latest amendment, nine of Punjab's seats in the National Assembly would be taken away and redistributed among Balochistan, Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa, and ICT. KP will get five more seats, Balochistan will get three, and ICT will have one additional seat in the Lower House of Parliament.

THE WITNESS PROTECTION, SECURITY AND BENEFIT ACT, 2017

The Act offers six types of protections to a 'witness', which includes establishing, concealing and distancing of identity of a witness by different ways; like relocating the witness; provision of accommodation for the witness; provision of reasonable financial assistance; compensating the legal heirs of a protected witness and provision of special security arrangements for the witness. The programme is to be managed by a Witness Protection Advisory Board (WPAB), which is to be facilitated by a Witness Protection Unit (WPU) in the relevant Ministry. The bureaucratic statutory bodies have, under the law, all the authority, but the responsibility lies with the police.

THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON THE RIGHTS OF CHILD ACT, 2017

This Act provides for the establishment of an independent national commission to monitor protect and promote the rights of children moved by the government. The NCRC bill suggests formation of an 18-Member commission to exercise its powers and perform its functions to ensure protection of the rights of children. The main functions of the commission are to examine or propose legislation and administrative instruments to protect child rights, hold inquiry into violation of child rights and recommend to the relevant agency or department initiation of proceedings in such cases and to examine all factors that inhibit enjoyment of rights of child such as violence, abuse and exploitation, trafficking, torture, pornography and prostitution, and recommend remedial measures. The commission having powers of a civil court can seek report or information from the federal government, civil society organizations and autonomous bodies. The Commission will be bound to meet at least once every quarter and make decisions by majority. It will also present its annual report to the Parliament on the situation of child rights in the country and its performance.

THE ELECTIONS ACT, 2017 (ACT NO. XXXIII OF 2017)

The Act consolidates nine election laws and includes Chapters on the Election Commission of Pakistan (ECP), Delimitation, Electoral Rolls, Conduct of Elections to the Assemblies, Conduct of Elections to Reserved Seats, Conduct of Elections to the Senate, Conduct of Elections to the



Local Governments, Election Expenses, Election Disputes, Offences, Penalties and Procedure, Political Parties, and Caretaker Governments. The Act has given more autonomy to ECP. It also empowers the ECP to nullify results in constituencies where women turnout is equal to or less than 10%. The Act provides every citizen the right to file a complaint with the ECP on almost all aspects of an election. It is the first time that citizens of Pakistan have been offered such an opportunity.

THE PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURES ACT, 2017

The Public Interest Disclosures Act, 2017 tackles certain contemporary issues related to modern-day economic crimes, including money-laundering, fraud, embezzlement, kickbacks, commission and other forms of corruption and corrupt practices. The bill stresses upon the protection of persons called whistle-blowers who have reported wrongdoings in good acts of faith. Their security is integral to the fight against corruption, to promote public sector integrity and accountability and to support a clean working environment. However under section 6 of the bill, disclosure on the matters that affect sovereignty and integrity of Pakistan; the security, strategic or economic interests of the country and relations with foreign states is prohibited.

THE SUPREME COURT AND HIGH COURT (EXTENSION OF JURISDICTION TO FEDERALLY ADMINISTERED TRIBAL AREAS) ACT, 2018

This Act will bring the Federally Administrated Tribal Areas (FATA) under the jurisdiction of the Supreme Court (SC) and the Peshawar High Court (PHC). This will ensure dispensation of justice to the tribal people.

THE CONSTITUTION (TWENTY-FIFTH AMENDMENT) ACT, 2018

After passing of the constitutional amendment seeking the much-awaited merger of the Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) with Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP) in the National Assembly and Provincial Assembly of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, the Twenty-fifth Amendment was signed into law with the assent of President Mamnoon Hussain on 31st May, 2018.

The Act amends Article 1 of the Constitution, which defines the country's territory and mentions FATA as a separate entity along with other four provinces, and Articles 51 and 59, which specify the number of seats allocated to each of the federating units in the National and Provincial assemblies. The Act has also exclusively repealed Article 247 that places the tribal areas under the ambit of President of Pakistan. Under the new amendment, the name of FATA as a separate entity from the country's four existing provinces will be removed.

TRANSGENDER PERSONS (PROTECTION OF RIGHTS) ACT, 2018

Pakistan made history by becoming one of only a few countries in the world to pass progressive legislation guaranteeing the fundamental rights of its trans citizens — including rights of employment, property, inheritance, to vote and to hold public office. One of the hallmarks of



the Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act, 2018 is its culturally relevant, gender-affirming definition of trans Pakistanis based on their self-perceived identities. Syed Naveed Qamar of Pakistan People's Party (PPP) piloted the bill to provide protection, relief and rehabilitation of rights to transgender persons. This is a watershed for the khwajasira and wider trans community, and a moment for all Pakistanis to reflect on.

THE EVENING COURTS ACT, 2018

The National Assembly also passed the Evening Courts Act, 2017 bill, which aims at dispensing speedy justice to the people. The Act proposes to notify some courts as evening courts to decide certain specified categories of civil and criminal cases to help clear the backlog of cases.

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 to take 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.

Parliamentary Questions are one of the important procedural devices that empower Members of Parliament to elicit 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 51 Question Hours were held during the 5th Parliamentary Year. The Members asked 6816 questions out of which 29 were admitted and 1598 were answered, 258 were disallowed and 1589 were processed but lapsed, 30 were deferred, 3200 were lapsed and 112 were withdrawn. The government failed to submit replies to half of the admitted questions. Moreover, less than one fourth of the starred questions were orally responded to on floor of the House.

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 5th year, the National Assembly received 6028 Starred questions out of which Pakistan Muslim League (N) submitted 1893 starred questions, Pakistan Peoples Party Parliamentarians submitted 1333, Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaaf submitted 750,



Muttahida Qaumi Movement submitted 682, Jamaat-e-Islami submitted 758, Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam (F) 403, Independent submitted 47 while Awami Muslim League Pakistan and NPP remained silent for the whole Parliamentary year.

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

An Unstarred Question is so named because it does not carry an asterisk mark. Answers to such questions, unlike a Starred Question, are not given orally, but in a written form. Unstarred questions are answered in detail by the concerned division/department/ministry and thereto are laid on the Table of the House. During the 5th Parliamentary year the National Assembly Secretariat received 783 Unstarred Questions out of which Pakistan Muslim League (N) submitted 287 starred questions, Pakistan Peoples Party Parliamentarians submitted 62, Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaaf submitted 194, Muttahida Qaumi Movement submitted 119, Jamaat-e-Islami submitted 45, Jamiat Ulema-e-Islam (F) 51, Awami Muslim League Pakistan submitted 01, Independents submitted 8 and NP submitted 01.

STATEMENT OF QUESTIONS FOR THE LAST FIVE PARLIAMENTARY YEARS (JUNE 2013 TO MAY 2018)

Year	Received	Admitted	Answered	Admitted but Lapsed	Disallowed	Processed but Lapsed
1 st	8792	6183	2703	3102	1071	1538
2 nd	6225	3608	1722	2726	411	2205
3 rd	8012	3798	2432	1372	403	3822
4 th	7723	3697	1825	1568	251	3854
5 th	6816	3202	1421	1617	254	3271
Total	37568	20488	10103	10385	2390	14690

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:

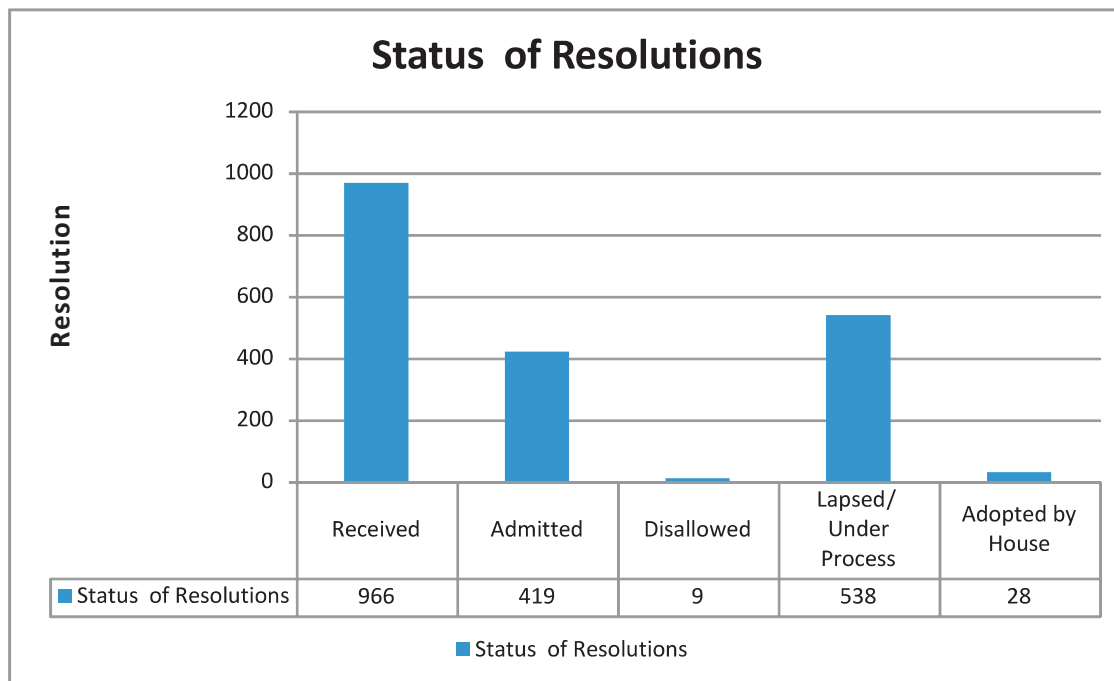
- of declaration of opinion; or
- of a recommendation; or
- so as to record either approval or disapproval by the House of an act or policy of Government; or
- convey a message; or



- commend, urge or request an action; or
- call attention to a matter or situation for consideration by government; or
- in such other form as the Speaker may consider appropriate.

The Rules of Procedures and Conduct of business in the National Assembly 2007, described Resolution in Rule 157 “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 or criticize 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 recommendation.

The National Assembly received 966 resolutions during the 5th Parliamentary year. Out of which 419 were admitted, 09 were disallowed, 538 were lapsed/under process, 28 were adopted by the House.





These received Resolutions 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 the smaller provinces were raised through these resolutions.

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 to condemn the recent atrocities perpetrated on innocent Kashmiris by Indian Security forces in Indian Occupied Jammu and Kashmir, including brutal killings of more than 20 persons, indiscriminate shooting and beating causing injuries to over 100 persons, gross human rights violations and restrictions on the freedom of expression including mass and social media in the Indian Occupied Kashmir.

The National Assembly passed resolution over the sad demise of brave lady Ms. Asma Jahangir and termed it a great national loss to specially the suppressed segments of society. Ms. Asma Jahangir remained defender of the human and women rights, rights of religious minorities and children in Pakistan. The resolution says that Ms. Asma was a brave lady, who not only motivated other females to stand up for their rights but also helped them break the shackles of society's conservative minds.

Similarly, a number of Resolutions were tabled in the House regarding terrorism acts. Among those a significant Resolution was regarding recommending the government to ensure that no nationality or ethnicity was stereotyped as terrorist or evil. Likewise the House also condemned the United States' decision to recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel and to move its embassy to Jerusalem. The resolution termed it a direct attack on the Muslim Ummah at a time when the Middle East is already beset with wars and conflicts. The resolution termed US move as a violation of international law, several resolutions of United Nations Security Council over the matter, and Global consensus on how to resolve the Palestine conflict and demanded the United States to immediately take back its decision.

Date	Resolution #	Resolution Title
April 11, 2018	Res#199	The National Assembly of Pakistan strongly condemns the recent atrocities perpetrated on innocent Kashmiris by Indian Security Forces in Indian Occupied Jammu and Kashmir
April 10, 2018	Res#198	The House is deeply grieved over the demise of Veteran law maker, committed Political Worker and colleague Muhammad Ayaz Soomro
February 20, 2018	Res#197	The Govt. should control the price of life saving medicines



February 20, 2018	Res#196	The Govt. should control Tubercle Bacillus, Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome and Hepatitis in the country
February 15, 2018	Res#195	The Govt. should ensure that no nationality or cultural identity is specifically linked to terrorism
February 13, 2018	Res#194	The Govt. should take steps to reduce the prices of Petroleum products in the country
February 13, 2018	Res#193	The Govt. should take steps to promote religious harmony in the country
February 13, 2018	Res#192	The Govt. should take steps to allocate land for a graveyard in rural area of NA-48, Islamabad
February 12, 2018	Res#191	The House Recognizes Asma Jahangir's Services for Rule of Law, Democracy and Constitutionalism
January 24, 2018	Res#190	The House Passes a Resolution in the favour of right of self-determination of the people of Occupied Kashmir
January 18, 2018	Res#189	The House strongly condemns using the words "Laanti" and "Hazar bar Laanat" for the Parliament by Chairman Tehrik-e-Insaf Imran Khan and Sh. Rasheed Ahmed while addressing to a Procession in Lahore
December 7, 2017	Res#188	The National Assembly Unanimously and Strongly Condemns the United States Decision to Recognize Jerusalem as the Capital of Israel
October 10, 2017	Res#187	The Government should take steps to deal with propaganda against Balochistan
October 10, 2017	Res#186	The Government should establish Baba Guru Nanak Sahib International University at Nankana Sahib
October 10, 2017	Res#185	The Government should take measures to reduce indirect taxation
October 9, 2017	Res#184	The National Assembly appreciates the Services of Universal Postal Union and Pakistan Post on World Post Day



September 20, 2017	Res#183	The National Assembly re-affirms the Charter of the United Nations
September 19, 2017	Res#182	The Government should take steps to control the manufacturing of spurious drugs
September 19, 2017	Res#181	The Government should take steps to do away with load shedding of gas
September 19, 2017	Res#180	The Government should take steps to set up more hospitals
September 19, 2017	Res#179	The Government should take steps to construct new small dams
September 19, 2017	Res#178	The Government should take steps to restore the educational increments
August 30, 2017	Res#177	The National Assembly of Pakistan Unanimously rejects the unacceptable targeting of Pakistan by US President Donald Trump
August 29, 2017	Res#176	The House expresses deep grief on the sad demise of Late Mr. Gulzar Khan, MNA
August 22, 2017	Res#175	The House strongly recommends that all concerned who took part in finalization of the Election Bill, 2017 should be given Presidential Award
August 17, 2017	Res#174	Resolution on Passing Away of Dr. Ruth Katherine Pfau
June 8, 2017	Res#173	The National Assembly of Pakistan strongly condemns terror attacks on the Parliament of Islamic Republic of Iran and mausoleum of Ayatollah Khomeini
June 8, 2017	Res#172	The National Assembly of Pakistan expresses its deep concern over recent developments in relations involving brotherly Muslim States in Gulf region
May 16, 2017	Res#171	The National Assembly condemns the brutal murder of 14 Laborers in Baluchistan
May 15, 2017	Res#170	The House condemns the suicidal attack on Deputy Chairman Senate and JUI's General Secretary.



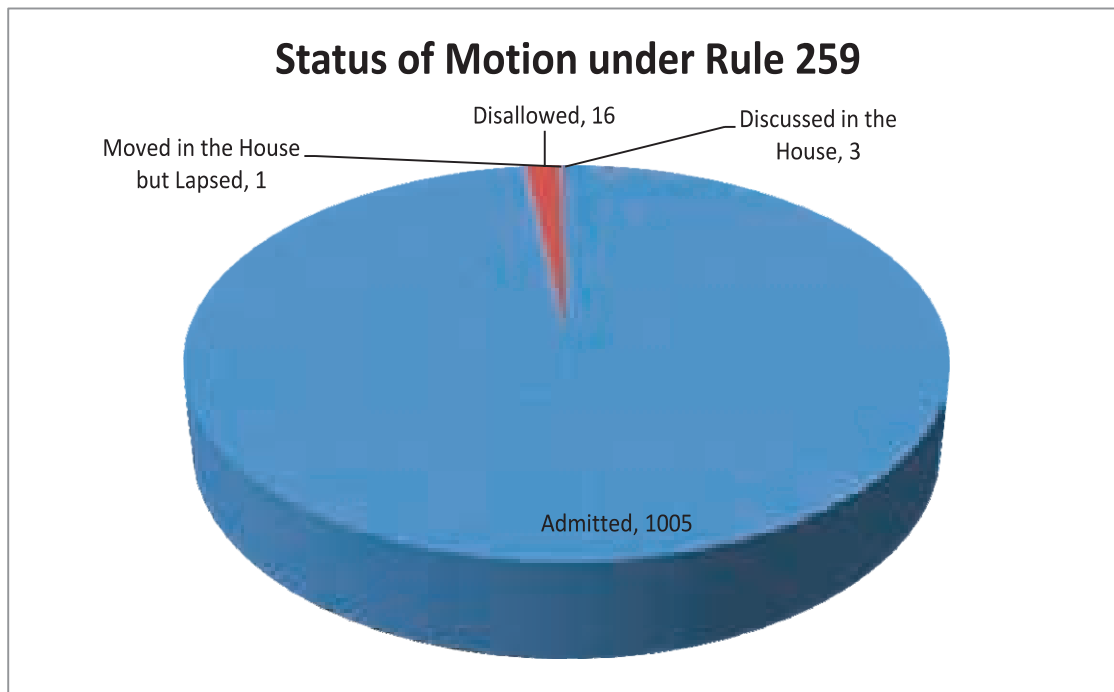
Motions

During the 5th parliamentary year of the present Government, 295 notices of Calling Attention, 92 notices of Adjournment Motions, 35 notices of Questions of Privilege, and 1024 notices of Motions under rule 259 were received. 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 1024 motions under Rule 259 out of which 16 were disallowed, 1005 were admitted but lapsed, 01 was moved in the House but lapsed, 03 were discussed in the House.



Different matters were discussed through Motion under Rule 259 during the 5th Parliamentary Year in the National Assembly.

Under Motion 259, 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 contest of border tensions and closure of Pak-Afghan border and deliberated upon the overall security and law & order situation in the country.

**LIST OF MOTION UNDER 259 WHICH WERE DISCUSSED IN THE HOUSE DURING THE 5TH PARLIAMENTARY YEAR**

Sr. No	Brief Subject	Name of the Mover	Remarks
1.	This House may discuss the steps being taken by the Government to confer awards on the heroes who have made sacrifices for the creation of Pakistan.	MR. SHER AKBAR KHAN to move the following motion	Leftover
2.	This House may discuss the problems being faced by the Government employees in allotment of government accommodations in Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT).	MS. PARVEEN MASOOD BHATTI	Leftover
3.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of increase in the number of children out of schools all over the country.	MS. NAFEESA INAYATULLAH KHAN KHATTAK	Leftover
4.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of non-establishment of NADRA centre at each district of Karachi.	DR. NIKHAT SHAKEEL KHAN	Leftover
5.	This House may discuss the performance of National Testing Service (NTS).	MS. NAEEMA KISHWER KHAN	Leftover
6.	This House may discuss the environmental pollution in the country.	MS. BELUM HASNAIN	Leftover
7.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of non-setting up of new car manufacturing companies in the country.	MS. PARVEEN MASOOD BHATTI	Leftover
8.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of wastage of precious water resources in the country.	MS. NAEEMA KISHWER KHAN	Leftover
9.	This House may discuss the adverse effects on health due to no availability of clean drinking water in the Islamabad Capital Territory.	SHAIKH ROHALE ASGHAR	Leftover
10.	This House may discuss the problems being faced by the Government employees in allotment of Government accommodations in Islamabad Capital Territory.	MS. NIGHAT PARVEEN MIR	Leftover



11.	This House may discuss the steps being taken to increase water reservoirs in the country.	MS.PARVEEN MASOOD BHATTI	Leftover
12.	This House may discuss the steps being taken by the Government to reform the legal aid system in the country.	MS. NIGHAT PARVEEN MIR	Leftover
13.	This House may discuss the performance of National Testing Service (NTS).	SAHIBZADA MUHAMMAD YAQUB SAHIBZADA TARIQ ULLAH MS. AISHA SYED	Leftover
14.	This House may discuss the deteriorating state of economy.	MS. SHAHIDA REHMANI	Leftover
15.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of the cutting of trees for widening of roads in Islamabad.	MS. NAEEMA KISHWER KHAN	Leftover
16.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of low profit rate on National Saving Schemes.	SHEIKH ROHALE ASGHAR	Leftover
17.	This House may discuss the steps being taken by the Government to control drugs mafias in the Federal Government Educational Institutions.	MS. BELUM HASNAIN	Leftover
18.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of price-hike in the country.	SAHIBZADA MUHAMMAD YAQUB SAHIBZADA TARIQ ULLAH MS. AISHA SYED	Leftover
19.	This House may discuss the steps being taken by the Government to bring legislation to check the abuse of women/children in the country.	MS. ASIYA NASIR	Leftover
20.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of delay in the delivery of electricity bills by PESCO.	MS. ASIYA NAZ TANOLI	Leftover
21.	This House may discuss the problems of Government employees.	SAHIBZADA TARIQ ULLAH SAHIBZADA MUHAMMAD YAQUB MR. SHER AKBAR KHAN MS. AISHA SYED	Leftover
22.	This House may discuss the performance of NEPRA with particular reference to its	MR. MUHAMMAD MUZAMMIL QURESHI	Leftover



	failure to make Karachi Electric (KE) accountable to enhance its generation capacity as per original agreement regarding overbilling and irrational increase in the prices of electricity.		
23.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of increasing population in the country.	MS. SAJIDA BEGUM	Leftover
24.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of rape and brutal murder of a seven year old girl Zaineb in Kasur.	MIAN RIAZ HUSSAIN PIRZADA, MINISTER FOR INTER- PROVINCIAL COORDINATION	Discussed
25.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of non starting of a train from Havelian to Lahore in the early hours of the day.	MS. ASIYA NAZ TANOLI	Leftover
26.	This House may discuss the difficulties being faced by the Umrah pilgrims.	MS. NAEEMA KISHWER KHAN	Leftover
27.	This House may discuss the performance of Federal Government Hospitals in Islamabad.	SAHIBZADA TARIQ ULLAH SAHIBZADA MUHAMMAD YAQUB MR. SHER AKBAR KHAN MS. AISHA SYED	Leftover
28.	This House may discuss the performance of Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation with regard to poor execution of housing, schemes, launched by FGEHF in recent years.	MR. MUHAMMAD MUZAMMIL QURESHI	Leftover
29.	This House may discuss the performance of Capital Development Authority (CDA).	MS. KHALIDA MANSOOR	Leftover
30.	This House may discuss the steps being taken by the Government to reform the legal aid system in the country.	SHEIKH ROHALE ASGHAR	Leftover
31.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of overbilling to the consumers particularly to the consumers of Karachi by the Sui Southern Gas Company (SSGC) under the head PUG charges.	MR. MUHAMMAD MUZAMMIL QURESHI	Leftover

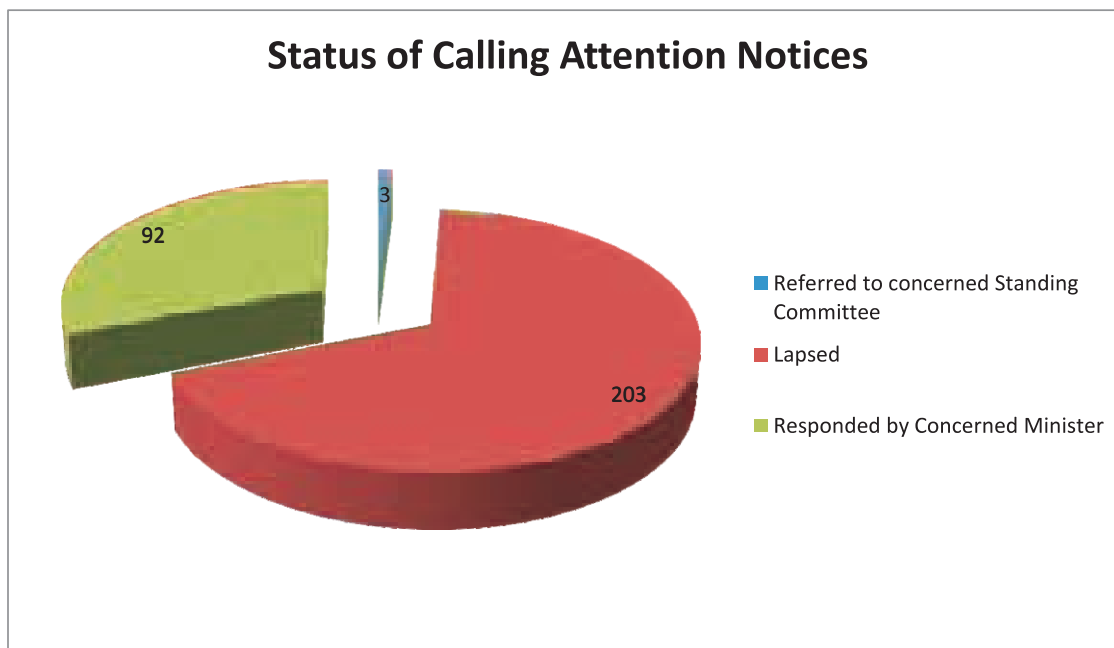


32.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of spurious medicines and quacks in the country.	MS. NAEEMA KISHWER KHAN	Leftover
33.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of the increasing population in the country.	MS. TAHIRA AURANGZEB	Leftover
34.	This House may discuss the steps being taken by the Government to establish a Military Cadet College for Girls at district level in the country.	MS. ASIYA NAZ TANOLI	Leftover
35.	This House may discuss the National Health Vision of the Government.	MS. SHAHIDA REHMANI	Leftover
36.	This House may discuss the steps being taken by the Government to reform the legal aid system in the country.	MS. PARVEEN MASOOD BHATTI	Leftover
37.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of smoke emitting from factories and vehicles in Islamabad Capital Territory.	MS. BELUM HASNAIN	Leftover
38.	This House may discuss the exorbitant increase in the cost of construction of New Islamabad Airport.	MS. SAJIDA BEGUM	Leftover
39.	This House may discuss the problems being faced by the Government employees in allotment of government accommodations in Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT).	SHEIKH ROHALE ASGHAR	Leftover
40.	This House may discuss the atrocities being committed against Rohingya Muslims in Myanmar.	MR. ZAHID HAMID, Minister for Law and Justice	Discussed
41.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of excessive billing of electricity.	MR. SHER AKBAR KHAN	Replied
42.	This House may discuss the situation arising out of President Donald Trump's statement regarding U.S. policy in Afghanistan.	MR. ZAHID HAMID, Minister for Law and Justice	Discussed



Calling Attention Notices

The Members of National Assembly submitted 295 calling attention notices (CANs) in the fifth parliamentary year out of which 92 were brought before the House and were discussed and responded by the concerned Minister. Whereas, 03 were referred to the concerned Standing Committee and 203 were lapsed.



PML-N legislators were most active 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.



**LIST OF CALLING ATTENTION NOTICES WHICH WERE
REPLIED/REFERRED/DISCUSSED IN THE HOUSE DURING
5TH PARLIAMENTARY YEAR**

Sr. No	Brief Subject	Name of the Mover	Remarks
1	To invite attention of the Minister for Information, Broadcasting, National History and Literary Heritage to a matter of urgent public importance regarding non-payment of pension, commutations, gratuities, G.P Funds and post retirement benefits to nearly three hundred employees who have retired from PTV, causing grave concern amongst the public	ENGINEER ALI MUHAMMAD KHAN ADVOCATE SYED ALI RAZA ABIDI SAHIBZADA TARIQ ULLAH MS. SHAGUFTA JUMANI	Leftover
2	To invite attention of the Minister for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination to a matter of urgent public importance regarding 47% population of Pakistan which has not been immunized according to Pakistan's Health and Demographic Survey 2013, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. ZAHRA WADOOD FATEMI MS. SABIHA NAZIR MS. NAEEMA KISHWER KHAN MS. ASIYA NAZ TANOLI	Leftover
3	To invite attention of the Minister-in-charge of the Cabinet Secretariat to a matter of urgent public importance regarding failure of NEPRA to make Karachi Electric accountable, particularly for unprecedented load shedding in Karachi, causing grave concern amongst the public	SHEIKH SALAHUDDIN DR. NIKHAT SHAKEEL KHAN MR. ABDUL WASEEM S.A. IQBAL QUADRI MR. MUHAMMAD KAMAL	Discussed
4	To invite attention of the Minister for Capital Administration and Development Division to a matter of urgent public importance regarding delay in the payment of compensation and allotment of plots to the effectees/land owners in Islamabad, including Sector E- 12, Islamabad, causing grave concern amongst the public.	CH. ABID RAZA MS. SHAMAS-UN-NISA SARDAR MUMTAZ KHAN MALIK IBRAR AHMAD	Deferred
5	To invite attention of the Minister-in-charge of the Cabinet Secretariat to a	MR. MUHAMMAD MUZAMMIL QURESHI	Leftover



	matter of urgent public importance regarding failure of NEPRA to make Karachi Electricity accountable, particularly for unprecedented load shedding in Karachi, causing grave concern amongst the public.	SHEIKH SALAHUDDIN DR. NIKHAT SHAKEEL KHAN MR. MEHBOOB ALAM MR. ABDUL WASEEM	
6	To invite attention of the Minister for Capital Administration and Development Division to a matter of urgent public importance regarding refusal to give admission to children living in the neighbourhood of schools in Islamabad, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. KHALIDA MANSOOR MS. ZEB JAFFAR MS. ASIYA NAZ TANOLI	Deferred
7	To invite attention of the Minister for Energy to a matter of urgent public importance regarding non-provision of new Gas connections to the consumers of Sindh province, causing grave concern amongst the public.	DR. AZRA FAZAL PECHUHO MIR AIJAZ HUSSAIN JAKHRANI SYED GHULAM MUSTAFA SHAH MR. ABDUL SATTAR BACHANI MR. NAZIR AHMED BUGHIO	Discussed
8	To invite attention of the Minister for Interior to a matter of urgent public importance regarding one-wheeling by the youngsters in the Federal Capital resulting into casualties, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. PARVEEN MASOOD BHATTI MS. SHAHNAZ SALEEM MRS. SEEMA MOHIUDDIN JAMEELI MS. SHAZIA MUBASHAR	Discussed
9	To invite attention of the Minister for Postal Services to a matter of urgent public importance regarding advertisements placed for Private Public Partnership with frantic timelines to hastily privatize huge Government assets, causing grave concern amongst the public.	DR. ARIF ALVI DR. SHIREEN MEHRUNNISA MAZARI MS. MUNAZA HASSAN MR. LAL CHAND MALHI MS. SAJIDA BEGUM	Discussed
10	To invite attention of the Minister for Communications to a matter of urgent public importance regarding increase in road accidents on National Highways due to rash and negligent driving of Dumpers Trucks resulting into loss of precious human lives, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. KHALIDA MANSOOR SYED IFTIKHAR-UL-HASSAN	Discussed



11	To invite attention of the Minister for Water Resources to a matter of urgent public importance regarding non-compliance of the Water Accord 1991, causing grave concern amongst the public.	NAWAB MUHAMMAD YUSUF TALPUR SHAZIA MARRI SYED GHULAM MUSTAFA SHAH SYED NAVEED QAMAR MR. ABDUL SATTAR BACHANI	Discussed
12	To invite attention of the Minister for Parliamentary Affairs to a matter of urgent public importance regarding de-limitation of constituencies in the country, causing grave concern amongst the public.	SHEIKH SALAHUDDIN S.A. IQBAL QUADRI MR. MUHAMMAD MUZAMMIL QURESHI MR. ABDUL WASEEM DR. NIKHAT SHAKEEL KHAN	Leftover
13	To invite attention of the Minister for Interior to a matter of urgent public importance regarding continued humiliation of Pashtoons of Pakistan at the hands of law enforcing agencies on one pretext or the other, thus treating them as hardcore criminals in simple civil litigations and disputes, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MR. SHEHRYAR AFRIDI ENGINEER USMAN KHAN TARAKAI DR. IMRAN KHATTAK ENGINEER ALI MUHAMMAD KHAN ADVOCATE MR. ASAD UMAR	Discussed
14	To invite attention of the Minister for Foreign Affairs to a matter of urgent public importance regarding negligence and inefficiency of Pakistan Embassy in Saudi Arabia resulting into languishing of thousands of Pakistanis in prisons and executions of dozens of them over there for five years, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MR. MAHMOOD KHAN ACHAKZAI MS. NASEEMA HAFEEZ PANEZAI MR. ABDUL QAHAR KHAN WADAN	Discussed
15	To invite attention of the Minister for Energy to a matter of urgent public importance regarding shortage of transformers, poles and electric meters with PESCO, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MR. JUNAID AKBAR	Leftover
16	To invite attention of the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs to a matter of urgent public importance regarding inadequate laws for recovery of	RANA MUHAMMAD HAYAT KHAN	Discussed



	loans from the defaulters including waived off loans by the Government, causing grave concern amongst the public.		
17	To invite attention of the Minister for Energy to a matter of urgent public importance regarding substantial increase in prices of petroleum products, causing grave concern amongst the public.	SYED NAVEED QAMAR DR. NAFISA SHAH SHAZIA MARRI MIR AIJAZ HUSSAIN JAKHRANI SYED GHULAM MUSTAFA SHAH	Discussed
18	To invite attention of the Minister for Federal Education and Professional Trainings to a matter of urgent public importance regarding inordinate delay in the establishment of first Women University in Islamabad, causing grave concern amongst the public	MS. ASIYA NAZ TANOLI MS. NIGHAT PARVEEN MIR	Discussed
19	To invite attention of the Minister for Capital Administration and Development Division to a matter of urgent public importance regarding expansion of Islamabad due to opening of new Sectors by the Capital Development Authority (CDA) and housing societies, causing grave concern amongst the public	MS. KHALIDA MANSOOR SYED IFTIKHAR-UL-HASSAN MS. SHAKILA LUQMAN MS. ZEB JAFFAR	Discussed
20	To invite attention of the Minister for Privatization to a matter of urgent public importance regarding proposed privatization of national carrier (PIA) approved by the Prime Minister, causing grave concern amongst the public.	SYED NAVEED QAMAR SHAZIA MARRI DR. NAFISA SHAH MIR AIJAZ HUSSAIN JAKHRANI MR. IMRAN ZAFAR LEGHARI	Discussed
21	To invite attention of the Minister for Energy to a matter of urgent public importance regarding loss of more than 15 billion units of electricity by public-sector power generation companies during the last two years as revealed by NEPRA, causing grave concern amongst the public	SHAIKH SALAHUDDIN S. A. IQBAL QUADRI MR. MEHBOOB ALAM DR. NIKHAT SHAKEEL KHAN SYED ALI RAZA ABIDI	Discussed
22	To invite attention of the Minister for States and Frontier Regions to a matter of urgent public importance regarding non-payment of salaries to Lady Health	ALHAJ SHAH JEE GUL AFRIDI MR. SAJID HUSSAIN TURI MR. BILAL REHMAN SYED GHAZI GHULAB JAMAL	Discussed



	Workers in the FATA for the last nine months and non regularization/extension of their services, causing grave concern amongst the public		
23	To invite attention of the Minister for Industries and Production to a matter of urgent public importance regarding mal-practices in the Utility Stores due to non-automation of the Utility Stores Corporation (USC) network in the country, causing grave concern amongst the public.	SYED IMRAN AHMAD SHAH	Deferred
24	To invite attention of the Minister for Interior to a matter of urgent public importance regarding portrayal of peaceful pashtoons as terrorist in a recent mock anti-terrorist operation exercise in Multan; thus, defaming them, causing grave concern amongst the public	MR. SHEHRYAR AFRIDI MR. ASAD UMAR MALIK MUHAMMAD AMIR DOGAR MS. MUNAZA HASSAN ENGR. HAMID-UL-HAQ KHALIL	Discussed
25	To invite attention of the Minister for Capital Administration and Development Division to a matter of urgent public importance regarding dilapidated condition of houses in Sectors G-6, G-7 and F-6, Islamabad due to non-maintenance thereof, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. KHALIDA MANSOOR MS. SHAKILA LUQMAN MS. ZEB JAFFAR	Discussed
26	To invite attention of the Minister for Energy to a matter of urgent public importance regarding non-establishment of Regional Sub Office of Sui Northern Gas Pipelines Limited (SNGPL) in Nankana Sahib, causing grave concern amongst the public.	DR. SHEZRA MANSAB ALI KHAN MS. KHALIDA MANSOOR MS. ARIFA KHALID PARVEZ SHEIKH FAYYAZ UD DIN	Discussed
27	To invite attention of Minister for Finance, Revenue and Economics Affairs to a matter of urgent public importance regarding huge disparity in disbursement of farm loans between the Punjab and rest of the country, causing grave concern amongst the public.	SYED NAVEED QAMAR SYED GHULAM MUSTAFA SHAH DR. AZRA FAZAL PECHUHO MR. ABDUL SATTAR BACHANI MAKHDOOM SAEED UZ ZAMAN	Discussed



28	To invite attention of the Minister for Religious Affairs and Inter Faith Harmony to a matter of urgent public importance regarding imposition of condition of biometric for Umra Visas by the Government of Saudi Arabia and no action taken by the Government in that regard, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. NAEEMA KISHWER KHAN MS. ZAHRA WADOOD FATEMI MS. SURRIYA ASGHAR MS. KIRAN HAIDER	Discussed
29	To invite attention of the Minister for Energy to a matter of urgent public importance regarding irregularities in the distribution and installation of gas meters in Malakand Division including district Dir Lower, causing grave concern amongst the public.	SAHIBZADA MUHAMMAD YAQUB MS. AISHA SYED	Discussed
30	To invite attention of the Minister for Capital Administration and Development Division to a matter of urgent public importance regarding non-development of Sectors I-12 and D-13 Islamabad, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. KHALIDA MANSOOR MS. SHAKILA LUQMAN MS. ZEB JAFFAR MS. NIGHAT PARVEEN MIR	Discussed
31	To invite attention of the Minister for Foreign Affairs to a matter of urgent public importance regarding depicting Gilgit Baltistan as part of India instead of Pakistan in all internationally recognized maps available for the higher research students, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MR. SHEHRYAR AFRIDI DR. SHIREEN MEHRUNNISA MAZARI ENGINEER USMAN KHAN TARAKAI MALIK MUHAMMAD AMIR DOGAR MS. SAJIDA BEGUM	Discussed
32	To invite attention of the Minister for Interior to a matter of urgent public importance regarding non-supply of clean drinking water to the residents of Islamabad, especially in Sector I-10, G-6 and G-7, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. KHALIDA MANSOOR MS. SHAKILA LUQMAN MS. ZEB JAFFAR	Discussed
33	To invite attention of the Minister for Science and Technology to a matter of urgent public importance regarding inaccessibility of potable water to 80%	DR. NIKHAT SHAKEEL KHAN SHEIKH SALAHUDDIN MS. KISHWER ZEHRA MR. SAJID AHMED MR. ABDUL	Discussed



	population in the country, causing grave concern amongst the public.	WASEEM	
34	To invite attention of the Minister for States and Frontier Regions to a matter of urgent public importance regarding increasing incidents of land-mines explosion in South Waziristan Agency resulting into deaths of hundreds of innocent tribal people including children and security personnel, causing grave concern amongst the public	MR. MUHAMMAD JAMAL-UD-DIN MAULANA MUHAMMAD GOHAR SHAH MS. SHAHIDA AKHTAR ALI MS. ASIYA NASIR MS. NAEEMA KISHWER KHAN	Discussed
35	To invite attention of the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs to a matter of urgent public importance regarding difficult procedure and non-inclusion of poor and deserving women in the survey under Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP), causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. ASIYA NAZ TANOLI MS. SURRIYA ASGHAR MS. ZEB JAFFAR MS. NIGHAT PARVEEN MIR	Discussed
36	To invite attention of the Minister for Capital Administration and Development Division to a matter of urgent public importance regarding non-regularization of the teachers and non-teaching staff working under the Federal Directorate of Education (FDE), Islamabad, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MR. SHEHRYAR AFRIDI MS. NAFEESA INAYATULLAH KHAN KHATTAK DR. ARIF ALVI MS. MUNAZA HASSAN DR. SHIREEN MEHRUNNISA MAZARI	Discussed
37	To invite attention of the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs to a matter of urgent public importance regarding termination of the services of employees of Habib Bank Limited by giving them pre-mature retirement without their consent, causing grave concern amongst the public.	SHEIKH SALAHUDDIN S.A. IQBAL QUADRI MR. IQBAL MUHAMMAD ALI KHAN DR. NIKHAT SHAKEEL KHAN DR. FOUZIA HAMEED	Discussed
38	To invite attention of the Minister for Communications to a matter of urgent public importance regarding bursting of tyres due to cat's eyes/rumble strips made of steel instead of plastic in Islamabad,	MS. AMRA KHAN MS. SABIHA NAZIR MS. SURRIYA ASGHAR	Discussed



	National highways and Motorways, causing grave concern amongst the public.		
39	To invite attention of the Minister for Energy to a matter of urgent public importance regarding recent increase in the prices of petroleum products, causing grave concern amongst the public.	SYED NAVEED QAMAR DR. NAFISA SHAH SHAZIA MARRI MIR AIJAZ HUSSAIN JAKHRANI SYED GHULAM MUSTAFA SHAH	Discussed
40	To invite attention of the Minister for Religious Affairs and Interfaith Harmony to a matter of urgent public importance regarding imposition of condition of biometric identification for the Umra pilgrims by the Government of Saudi Arabia and no action by the Government in this regard, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. NAEEMA KISHWER KHAN MS. ZAHRA WADOOD FATEMI MS. SURRIYA ASGHAR MS. KIRAN HAIDER	Leftover
41	To invite attention of the Minister for Energy to a matter of urgent public importance regarding non-compliance of the Petroleum Production and Exploration Policy, 2012 of the Federal Government by the companies carrying out exploration/production operations at the Oil and Gas Fields in District Sanghar resulting into non-execution of social welfare programs and employment of non-locals, causing grave concern amongst the public.	SHAZIA MARRI MR. MUHAMMAD JAMAL-UD-DIN MS. NAEEMA KISHWER KHAN MS. SHAHIDA AKHTAR ALI	Leftover
42	To invite attention of the Minister for Energy to a matter of urgent public importance regarding low gas pressure in the Province of Balochistan especially in Quetta, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MR. ABDUL QAHR KHAN WADAN MS. NASEEMA HAFEEZ PANEZAI	Discussed
43	To invite attention of the Minister for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination to a matter of urgent public importance regarding excessive use of antibiotic and uncontrolled sale of the same by the Medical stores, thus posing	MS. KHALIDA MANSOOR MS. ASIYA NAZ TANOLI MS. ZEB JAFFAR	Discussed



	serious threats to public health, causing grave concern amongst the public.		
44	To invite attention of the Minister for Communications to a matter of urgent public importance regarding no commencement of work on Malakand tunnel, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MR. JUNAID AKBAR MR. SALIM REHMAN MS. SAJIDA BEGUM MR. SHER AKBAR KHAN	Dropped
45	To invite attention of the Minister for National Food Security and Research to a matter of urgent public importance regarding rapid increase in the prices of fertilizers, causing grave concern amongst the public.	SYED GHULAM MUSTAFA SHAH NAWAB MUHAMMAD YUSUF TALPUR SHAZIA MARRI MEHAR ISHTIAQ AHMAD CHAUDHARY MAHMOOD BASHIR VIRK	Discussed
46	To invite attention of the Minister for Energy to a matter of urgent public importance regarding recent increase in the prices of petroleum products, causing grave concern amongst the public.	SHEIKH SALAHUDDIN MR. ABDUL WASEEM S.A. IQBAL QUADRI MR. IQBAL MUHAMMAD ALI KHAN MR. SAJID AHMED	Discussed
47	To invite attention of the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs to a matter of urgent public importance regarding expected abolition of import duty on maize by the Government, causing grave concern amongst the public.	RANA MUHAMMAD HAYAT KHAN MR. RASHEED AHMED KHAN SHEIKH FAYYAZ-UD-DIN	Discussed
48	To invite attention of the Minister for Housing and Works to a matter of urgent public importance regarding non-allotment and delivery of Government residential accommodations to the employees of National Assembly and Senate Secretariats and their removal even from already allotted accommodation, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. SHAKILA LUQMAN MS. ZEB JAFFAR	Discussed
49	To invite attention of the Minister for States and Frontier Regions to a matter of urgent public importance regarding non implementation on the recommendations of FATA Reforms Committee to merge FATA in province of the Khyber	SAHIBZADA TARIQ ULLAH MS. AISHA SYED SAHIBZADA MUHAMMAD YAQUB MR. SHER AKBAR KHAN	Leftover



	Pakhtunkhwa, causing grave concern amongst the public		
50	To invite attention of the Minister for Housing and Works to a matter of urgent public importance regarding non-allotment and delivery of Government residential accommodations to the employees of National Assembly and Senate Secretariats and their removal even from already allotted accommodation, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. SHAKILA LUQMAN MS. ZEB JAFFAR	Discussed
51	To invite attention of the Minister for Human Rights to a matter of urgent public importance regarding cases of human rights abuse, especially against women during the recent weeks in the country, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. NAEEMA KISHWER KHAN MS. ALIYA KAMRAN MS. ASIYA NASIR MS. SHAHIDA AKHTAR ALI MS. ZAHRA WADOOD FATEMI	Discussed
52	To invite attention of the Minister for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination to a matter of urgent public importance regarding delay in the commencement of NTS entry test for admission in medical and dental institutions for 2017-18, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MR. MUHAMMAD MUZAMMIL QURESHI DR. NIKHAT SHAKEEL KHAN MS. SAMAN SULTANA JAFRI SHEIKH SALAHUDDIN KHAWAJA SOHAIL MANSOOR	Leftover
53	To invite attention of the Minister for Water Resources to a matter of urgent public importance regarding 36% (5.9 MAF) shortage of water as announced by the Technical Committee of Indus River System Authority (IRSA), causing grave concern amongst the public	NAWAB MUHAMMAD YUSUF TALPUR SHAZIA MARRI SYED NAVEED QAMAR DR. AZRA FAZAL PECHUHO MR. ABDUL SATTAR BACHANI	Discussed
54	To invite attention of the Minister for Energy to a matter of urgent public importance regarding non release of funds of Energy Losses Reduction (ELR) and Distribution of Power (DOP) to the PESCO, Peshawar, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MR. SHER AKBAR KHAN SAHIBZADA MUHAMMAD YAQUB MR. AQIBULLAH KHAN MR. NASIR KHAN KHATTAK MS. SAJIDA BEGUM	Discussed



55	To invite attention of the Minister for Interior to a matter of urgent public importance regarding cutting of 30-40 years old trees to widen the roads in Islamabad, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. NAEEMA KISHWER KHAN MS. SURRIYA ASGHAR MS. ZAHRA WADOOD FATEMI MS. KIRAN HAIDER	Discussed
56	To invite attention of the Minister for Energy to a matter of urgent public importance regarding gas load-shedding in Sectors G- 6/1-2 and G-7/2-4, Islamabad, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. KHALIDA MANSOOR	Discussed
57	To invite attention of the Minister-In-Charge of Cabinet Secretariat to a matter of urgent public importance regarding decision of government to close Pakistan International Airline flight operations to USA from January 2018, causing grave concern amongst the public.	DR. NAFISA SHAH SYED NAVEED QAMAR SHAZIA MARRI SYED GHULAM MUSTAFA SHAH MIR AIJAZ HUSSAIN JAKHRANI	Discussed
58	To invite attention of the Minister for Interior to a matter of urgent public importance regarding non maintenance of filtration plants in Islamabad particularly in Sectors F-5/1 and F-6/1 resulting in unhygienic water, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. KHALIDA MANSOOR MS. SHAHNAZ SALEEM	Deferred
59	To invite attention of the Minister for Capital Administration and Development to a matter of urgent public importance regarding strike by para-medical staff of Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences (PIMS) resulting in the sufferings of the people, causing grave concern amongst the public	SYED IMRAN AHMAD SHAH	Discussed
60	To invite attention of the Minister for National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination to a matter of urgent public importance regarding steep rise in the cases of breast cancer in the country, causing grave concern amongst the public	DR.FEHMIDA MIRZA DR. SHIREEN MEHRUNNISA MAZARI DR. FOUZIA HAMEED MS. ASIYA NASIR MS. TAHIRA AURANGZEB	Discussed



61	To invite attention of the Minister for Aviation to a matter of urgent public importance regarding missing aircraft of Pakistan International Airline used in a film made in Malta wherein the struggle of Palestinians was negatively portrayed, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS.ALIYA KAMRAN MS SHAHIDA AKHTAR ALI MS. ASIYA NASIR MS. NAEEMA KISHWER KHAN	Discussed
62	To invite attention of the Minister for Energy to matter of urgent public importance regarding unjustified over billing discouraging the people to install meter and pay bill, causing grave concern amongst the public	MR. SAJID NAWAZ ENGINEER ALI MUHAMMAD KHAN ADVOCATE SAHIBZADA TARIQ ULLAH SHAZIA MARRI MR. SHEHRYAR AFRIDI	Discussed
63	To invite attention of the Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training to a matter of urgent public importance regarding delay in the construction of Baba Guru Nanak International University at Nankana Sahib despite inclusion of the project in the PSDP 2017-18, causing grave concern amongst the public.	DR. SHEZRA MANSAB ALI KHAN KHARAL MS. ZAHRA WADOOD FATEMI MS. SABIHA NAZIR BEGUM TAHIRA BUKHARI MS. AMRA KHAN	Discussed
64	To invite attention of the Minister-in-Charge of Cabinet Secretariat to a matter of urgent public importance regarding increase in the prices of Petroleum products by Rs. 4/- per litre, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MR. ABDUL WASEEM SHAIKH SALAHUDDIN S.A. IQBAL QUADRI MR. MUHAMMAD MUZAMMIL QURESHI DR. NIKHAT SHAKEEL KHAN	Discussed
65	To invite attention of the Minister for Capital Administration and Development to a matter of urgent public importance regarding non-availability of Headmasters/Vice Principals (BS-18) in 25 Islamabad Model Schools for Boys (I-X) Federal Directorate of Education despite availability of Deputy Headmasters (BS-17) fulfilling the prescribed criteria for promotion, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. KHALIDA MANSOOR MS. SURRIYA ASGHAR MS. ASIYA NAZ TANOLI MS. PARVEEN MASOOD BHATTI	Discussed



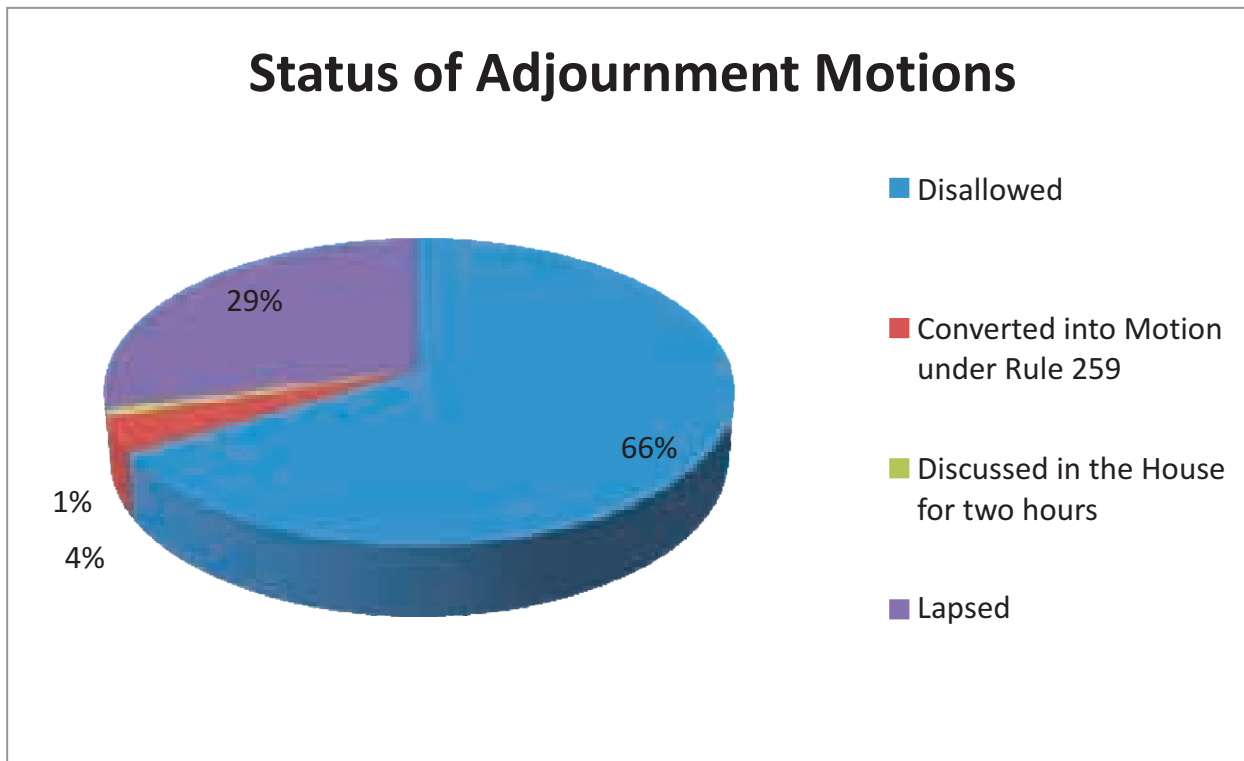
66	To invite attention of the Minister for Housing and Works to a matter of urgent public importance regarding not carrying out survey/commencement of development work on Phase-I of BharaKahu Housing project by Housing Foundation despite issuance of consent letters to the members and payment of installments, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. KHALIDA MANSOOR MS. SURRIYA ASGHAR MS. NIGHAT PARVEEN MIR	Discussed
67	To invite attention of the Minister-in-Charge of Cabinet Secretariat to a matter of urgent public importance regarding proposal to increase the electricity tariff by Rs. 3.90 per unit, causing grave concern amongst the public.	DR. NAFISA SHAH SYED NAVEED QAMAR SHAZIA MARRI MIR AIJAZ HUSSAIN JAKHRANI MR. IMRAN ZAFAR LEGHARI	Discussed
68	To invite attention of the Minister-in-Charge of Cabinet Secretariat to a matter of urgent public importance regarding closure of internet service in districts Killa Abdullah, (Chaman), Pishin, Kech, Panjgur, Dalbadin and Kharan, Balochistan, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MS. NASEEMA HAFEEZ PANEZAI MR. ABDUL QA HAR KHAN WADAN SAYED ESSA NORI SARDAR KAMAL KHAN BANGULZAI ENGINEER MOHAMMAD USMAN BADINI	Discussed
69	To invite attention of the Minister for Interior to a matter of urgent public importance regarding Mr. Zahoor Shah, sepoy of Frontier Constabulary, Balochistan (Special Operations Wing) who has been missing from Chaman Border Post since 15th June, 2016 is reportedly in the custody of Afghan Army in Afghanistan, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MR. SHEHRYAR AFRIDI MS. MUNAZA HASSAN MS. NAFEESA INYATULLAH KHAN KHATTAK MR. AQUIBULLAH	Discussed
70	To invite attention of the Minister for Foreign Affairs to a matter of urgent public importance regarding display of anti Pakistan posters, particularly with regard to Balochistan in Geneva, Switzerland, causing grave concern amongst the public	MS. NAEEMA KISHWER KHAN MS. ASIYA NASIR ENGINEER MOHAMMAD USMAN BADINI SARDAR KAMAL KHAN BANGULZAI MR. KHALID HUSSAIN MAGSI	Discussed



71	To invite attention of the Minister for Energy (Power) to a matter of urgent public importance regarding absence of pictorial meter reading and service of overbilling to the consumers of electricity for Feeders of Warask-I, II, Gull Bela, Nagman and Haryana in Peshawar, causing grave concern amongst the public.	MR. SAJID NAWAZ MR. SAJID AHMED MR. AQUIBULLAH MR. QAISER JAMAL DR. SHIREEN MEHRUNNISA MAZARI	Discussed
72	To invite attention of the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization to a matter of urgent public importance regarding charging of 16.50 % mark up by Zarai Taraqati Bank Limited from the farmers whereas the State Bank of Pakistan provides loans to the industrialists @ 5.75 % mark up, causing grave concern amongst the public.	RANA MUHAMMAD HAYAT KHAN MR. RASHEED AHMAD KHAN SARDAR MANSAB ALI DOGAR	Discussed

Adjournment Motions

The purpose of adjournment motion is to seek the attention of the House to an issue of public importance having serious consequences to an extent which affect a country.



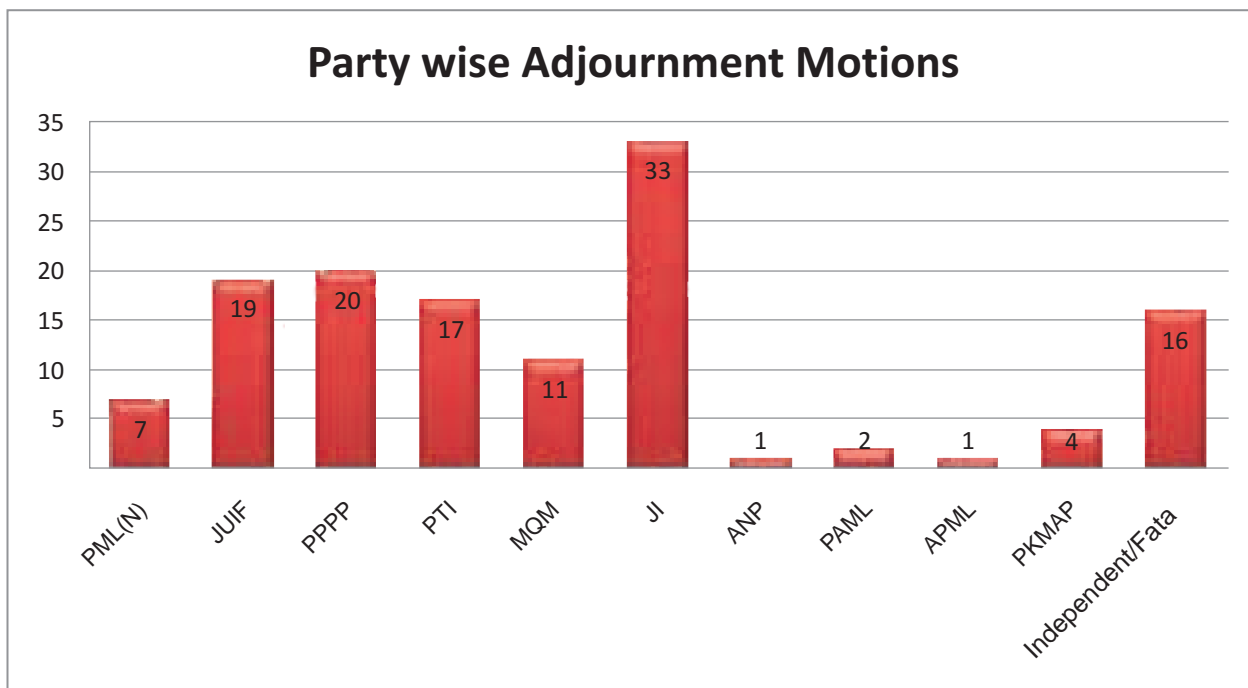


Sometimes, due to the gravity of an issue, Members cannot wait to adopt normal procedure for admission of the notice and bring the matter before the House. Therefore, members interrupt the normal business of the House and bring the issue before the House. The adjournment motion is thus an extraordinary 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 5th Parliamentary Year, the National Assembly Secretariat received 92 adjournment motions out of which 56 were disallowed and 24 were lapsed. After proper scrutiny 08 motions were converted into Motion under rule 259 and only 01 was withdrawn.

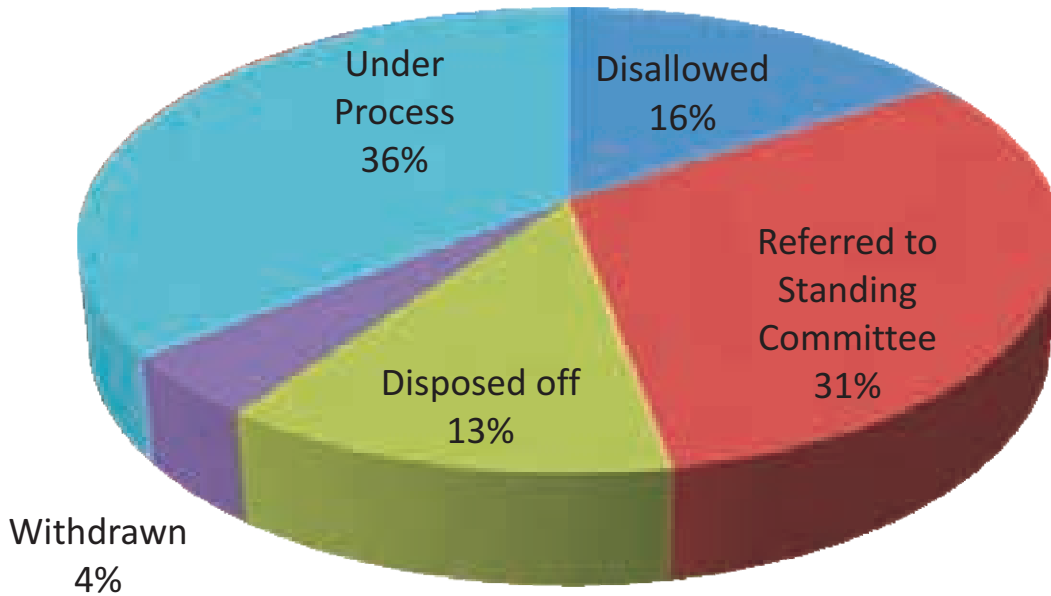
PARTY WISE ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS

Detail of party wise Adjournment Motions is listed as under:-





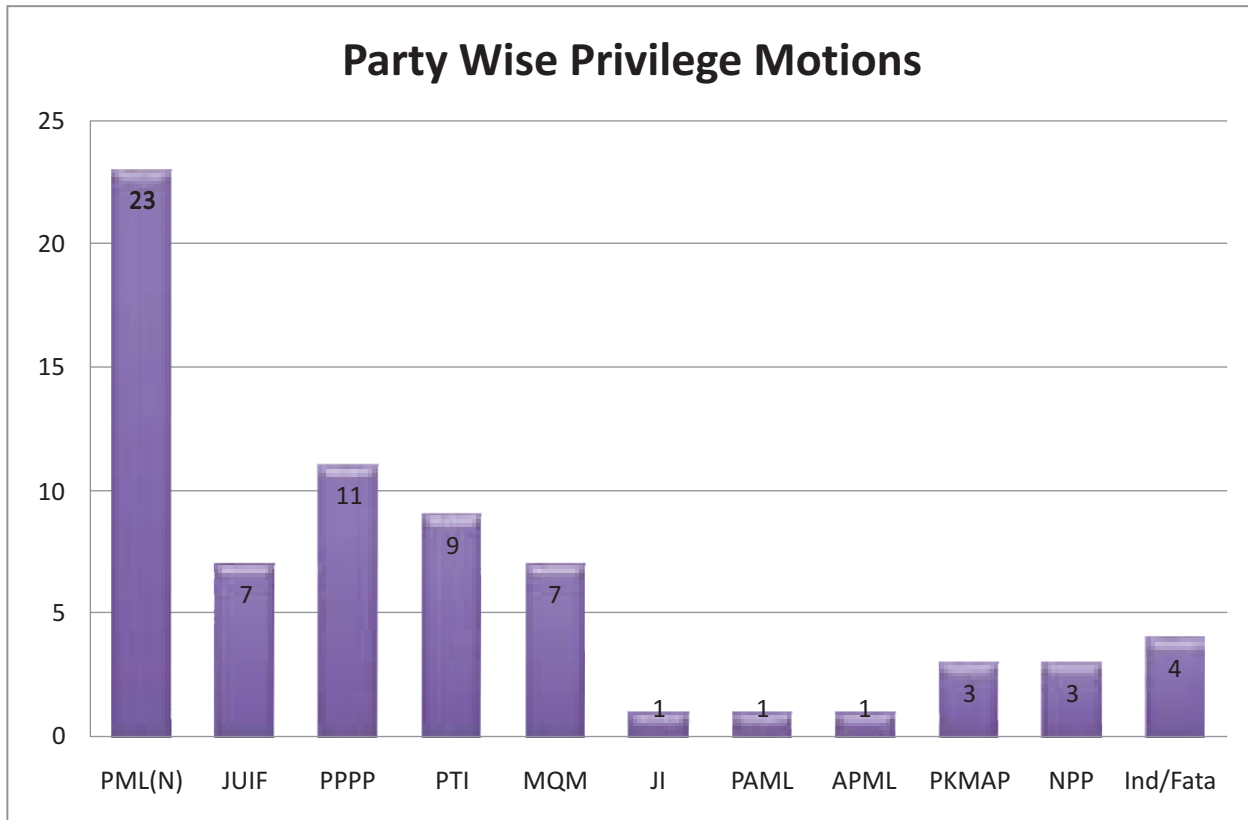
Status of Privilege Motions



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 is 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 5th Parliamentary Year, the National Assembly Secretariat received 35 notice of Questions of Privilege out of which 07 were disallowed, 07 were referred to Standing Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges after thorough scrutiny, 01 was withdrawn, 18 are under process and 02 Questions of Privilege were disposed off by the Honorable Speaker of the National Assembly.



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 provides 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 transparency in Policy formation and its implementation. It enables the Parliaments and Parliamentarians to have futuristic orientation regarding public issues and the 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 in which 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. 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:-

34 Ministerial Standing Committees

The Standing Committees assist in the functioning of the Parliament and are one of the most important instruments to deal 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 any other matter referred to it by the Assembly.

The National Assembly of Pakistan has the following 34 Ministerial Standing Committees:-

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



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 the following 3 Special Committees.

3 Special Committees

1.	Special Committee on Kashmir
2.	Special Committee on Child Abuse
3.	Special Committee on the Delimitation of Constituencies

Other than the 34 Ministerial Standing Committees the National Assembly of Pakistan has 6 Non-Ministerial Standing Committees out of which 3 are Domestic Committees, 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.

6 Non-Ministerial Standing Committees

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

In addition to Standing Committees, 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.



01 Select Committee

1.	Facts Finding Committee
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Other than the Standing Committees and Special Committees the Honourable 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 09 Parliamentary Committees in the National Assembly of Pakistan.

09 Parliamentary Committees

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



Detail of Performance of the Standing Committees/Sub-Committees From 1st June, 2017 to 31st May, 2018

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 5th Parliamentary year is displayed in the table below).

S#	Name of Committee	Chairperson	Election of Committee	Meetings Held	Bills/Matters Referred	No. of Sub-Committees
1.	Cabinet Secretariat	Rana M. Hayat Khan	07-03-2014	15	12	03
2.	Climate Change	Malik Muhammad Uzair Khan	29-04-2015	07	-	01
3.	Commerce and Textile	Siraj M. Khan	19-12-2013	11	-	02
4.	Communication	M. Muzammil Qureshi	06-01-2014	20	-	01
5.	Defence	Shaikh Rohale Asghar	22-09-2013	08	01	-
6.	Defence Production	Sohail Mansoor Khawaja	22-08-2013	11	-	-
7.	Energy	Ch. Bilal Ahmed Virk	05-11-2013	11	03	-
8.	Federal Education and Professional Training	Col. (Retd) Amirullah Marwat	22-08-2013	09	03	-
9.	Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization	Qaiser Ahmad Sheikh	22-08-2013	16	11	02
10.	Foreign Affairs	Makhdum Khusró Bakhtyar (28-09-2017 to 09-04-2018)	-	06	01	02
11.	Housing and Works	Mian Abdul Mannan	21-09-2017	09	01	01
12.	Human Rights	Babar Nawaz Khan	-	18	03	02
13.	Industries and Production	Mr. Asad Umar	22-08-2013	10	-	02
14.	Information Technology and Communication	Capt (R) Muhammad Safdar	-	05	-	01



15.	Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage	Aslam Bodla	21-08-2013	08	02	01
16.	Inter Provincial Coordination	Abdul Qahar Khan Wadan	-	06	-	01
17.	Interior	Rana Shamim Ahmed Khan	-	09	16	02
18.	Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit Baltistan	Malik Ibrar Ahmed	-	12	-	01
19.	Law and Justice	Chaudhary Muhammad Ashraf	25-01-2008	08	15	-
20.	Maritime Affairs	Syed Ghulam Mustafa Shah	09-12-2013	05	01	-
21.	Narcotics Control	Khawaja Ghulam Rasool Koreja	11-10-2017	03	-	-
22.	National Food Security and Research	Malik Shakir Bashir Awan	-	07	-	-
23.	National Health Services, Regulation and Coordination	Doctor Hafeez Ur Rehman Khan Drishak	21-08-2013	07	03	-
24.	Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource Development	Mir Amir Ali Khan Magsi	19-12-2013	07	-	02
25.	Parliamentary Affairs	Dr. Shezra Mansab Ali Khan Kharal	20-09-2017	07	01	-
26.	Planning Development and Reform	Abdul Majeed Khan Khanan Khail	08-11-2013	14	-	02
27.	Postal Services	Syed Iftikhar Ul Hasan	11-10-2017	05	-	01
28.	Privatization	Syed Imran Ahmad Shah	10-10-2017	06	-	-
29.	Railways	Syed Naveed Qamar	06-12-2013	05	-	02
30.	Religious Affairs and Inter-Faith Harmony	Ms. Shagufta Jumani	21-09-2017	09	01 (Lapsed)	01
31.	Science and Technology	Tariq Bashir Cheema	10-12-2013	07	03	01
32.	States and Frontier Regions	Muhammad Jamal ud Din	22-08-2013	06	02	-
33.	Statistics	Dr. Ramesh Kumar Vankwani	10-10-2017	05	02	-
34.	Water Resources	Khalid Hussain Magsi	21-09-2017	02	-	-



294 Meetings held by the Standing Committees

During the 5th Parliamentary year of the 14th National Assembly, the Standing Committees held 294 meetings in total out of which the Standing Committee on Foreign affairs held 06 meetings whereas the Standing Committee on Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit Baltistan held 12 meetings. Similarly the Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs Statistics and Privatization held 16 meetings. The Standing Committee on Defense and Defense Production held 08 and 11 meetings respectively. The Standing Committee on National Food Security and Research held 07 meetings and the Standing Committee on communication held 20 meetings during the aforementioned time period.

81 Bills Referred to the Standing Committees

During the 5th Parliamentary year of the 14th National Assembly, 16 bills were referred to the Standing Committees on Interior. 11 bills were referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs, Statistics and Privatization. Whereas 03 Bills were referred to the Standing Committee on Federal Education and Professional training and 03 to the Standing Committee on Human Rights.

31 Sub-Committees were formed

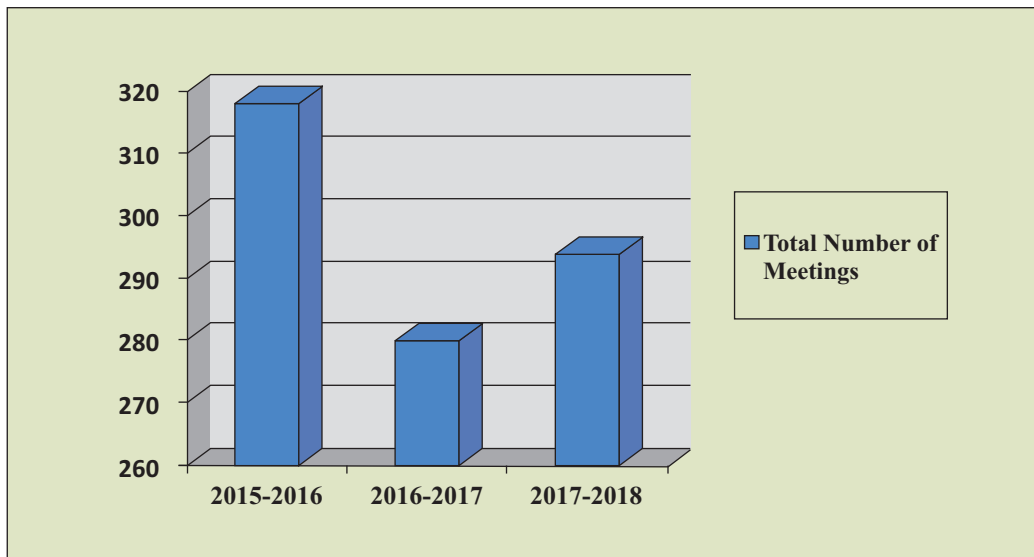
During the 5th Parliamentary year of the 14th National Assembly the Standing Committees formed 31 Sub-Committees. 02 sub committees were formed by the Standing Committee on Human Rights, 02 by the Standing Committee on Industries and Production. 03 Sub Committees were formed by the Standing Committee on Cabinet Secretariat.



COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF PERFORMANCE OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES OVER THE YEARS

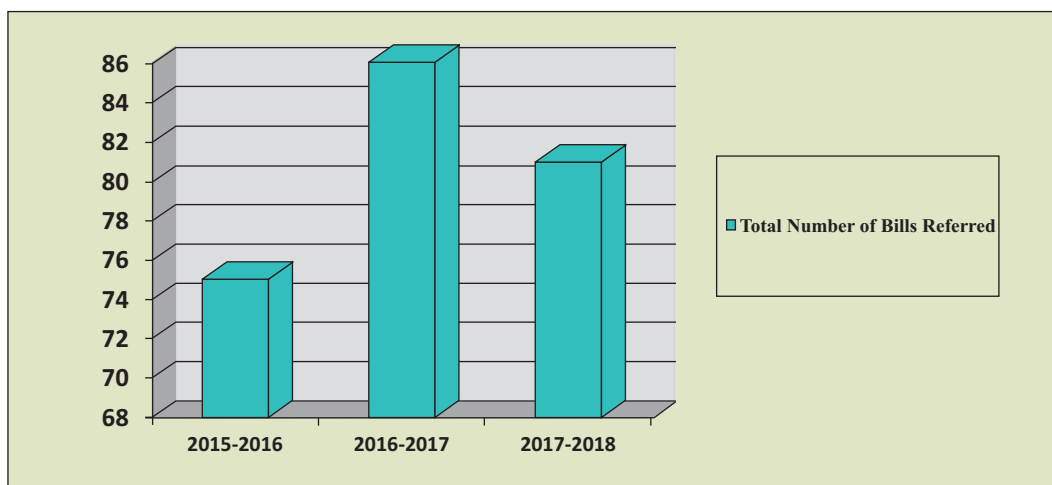
Total Number of Meetings of Standing Committees

The total numbers of meetings of Standing Committees held during 2015-16 were 318 as compared to 280 meetings held during 2016-17. Whereas, the Total Number of Meetings held in 2017-2018 is 294



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. Whereas, in 2017-18 the total number of bills referred to Standing Committees is 81.





The Council of Chairmen

According to the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007; there shall be a Council of Chairmen consisting of the Chairmen of the Standing Committees headed by the Speaker to consider and coordinate in the matters relating to the standing committees.

THE COUNCIL OF CHAIRMEN HELD ON 16TH DECEMBER, 2015 (SOME OF THE IMPORTANT INITIATIVES ARE AS UNDER)

S. No.	Decisions	Status / Compliance
1)	That the Chairman/Convener of each Committee/Sub-Committee shall in writing, be informed by each Secretary Committee about all pending Bills and Matters referred to each Committee, on monthly basis;	Only 03 Government Bills, 20 Private Members Bills, 20 other matters mostly Question of Privileges 226 Assurances needed to be disposed off. A circular dated 02-03-2016, with reference to the CoC decision was also circulated. That helped in clearing the backlog which had been 110 pending Bills/Matters on 16-12-2015.
2)	That each Ministry concerned and Ministry of Law and Justice shall promptly process and submit reply regarding all matters, particularly the Bills, forwarded by the Standing Committees;	The Compliance from the concerned ministries has not been forthcoming, but the response of the Ministry of Law and Justice has been appreciable. A Bill (Indus Rivers System Authority (Amendment) Bill, 2017) referred on 01-02-2017 still lies with the Ministry of Water Resources.
3)	That, without any exception, each Secretary Committee shall himself include chronologically all pending Bills and matters, if any, referred to a Committee as Agenda Item No.1 of the Notice of each meeting thereof and shall only inform the Chairman about the contents of Agenda Item No.1, accordingly;	Compliance is being ensured except a couple of time when the Chairman does not wish to include the pending business as agenda item. However, it is a remarkable achievement that only there (3) Government Bills two of which have recently been referred are left. Out of seven hundred fifty three (753) assurances only 216 are left. This was also appreciated in the House as well.
4)	That a Chairman of a Standing Committee may not be appointed as Convener of its Sub-Committee;	Since the amendment in the rule 224 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007 has been made, the Honourable Chairmen has been conscious of this and the direction of CoC is fully implemented.



5)	That a Sub-Committee shall finalize its assignment by submitting its report before thirty days;	As per Rule 224 of the Rules of Procedures and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007 all Sub-Committees stand dissolved after the expiry of 30 days, except in two or three cases in which the competent authority allowed to complete the report after the expiry of thirty days.
6)	That necessary capacity building courses for the staff of the Committees Wing shall be arranged to improve their Minutes and Report writing skills;	Different courses besides the mandatory courses have been devised for the capacity building of the staff and officers.
7)	<p>That the website-links of the Committees shall further be improved so that the following information may be uploaded with the permission of the Committee to enhance the transparency and accountability levels by informing the public at large about the parliamentary performance of the Committees:</p> <p>a. Research materials, not forming part of a Report to be presented to the Assembly, relating to matters within the competence of a Committee;</p> <p>b. Relevant Profiles and Photographs;</p> <p>c. The report of a Committee on a matter or Bill which has already been presented to the Assembly;</p> <p>d. The periodical reports of a Committee which have already been presented to the Assembly;</p> <p>e. The special report of a Committee which has already been presented to the Assembly;</p>	<p>As detailed below:</p> <p>On the Committee page, a new tab of “Research Material” has been created. i.e. http://www.na.gov.pk/en/committee-reports.php.</p> <p>Composition of all types of Committees with photograph of Hon. Members and their profile are available on Committee page i.e. http://www.na.gov.pk/en/cmen.php?type=1</p> <p>The Committee Report page has been improved to provide each Committee Report, Periodical Report and Special Committee Report by selecting relevant “Committee name” and “Report Type”</p> <p>As mentioned above at (c).</p> <p>As mentioned above at (c).</p>



	f. All details relating to composition, terms of reference, schedule of meetings and dates of reports of all the Sub-Committees appointed by the Standing Committees, respectively.	The detail composition of all Committees is already present on website. Whereas the notices of sub-Committee meetings are uploaded in PDF format having detail of meeting schedule and composition.
8)	That, subject to codal formalities, gradually social media shall also be used through live streaming for dissemination of parliamentary information to improve the public perception of the working of the Assembly and its Committees;	The National Assembly Social Media Account on Face book, Twitter and Instagram has been created and being uploaded regularly by Media Wing of the Secretariat providing relevant information along with pictures about working of the Assembly and Committees.

Speakers’ Conference

The Hounourable Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq, inaugurated the 17th Conference of Speakers held in Islamabad on 13th April, 2014.

The Speakers, during the course of deliberations, reviewed the decision taken in 16th Speakers Conference held in Lahore besides deliberating upon issues concerning legislation, working of committees and other administrative issues of their respective Houses and promotion of healthy Parliamentary traditions in the country.

COMPLIANCE STATUS OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS/DECISION OF THE 17TH SPEAKERS’ CONFERENCE

S. No.	Agenda Item	Decision	Action Taken by	Status/Remarks
1.	Placing of Speakers of Provincial Assemblies in the Warrant of Precedence after the Chief Ministers and Deputy Speakers and Leaders of Opposition of Provincial Assemblies at par with the Provincial Ministers.	The Conference decided that all the Secretaries of the Assemblies could coordinate and send sufficient justifications to this Secretariat. Thereafter the Summary could be initiated.	All Provincial/ Legislative Assemblies of Pakistan	Agenda item 1(a), 1(b) and 6 clubbed together. Different summaries had been sent to Hon. Prime Minister for approval. Last summary in this regard has been sent on 26-01-2018.
	Establishment of Enterprise Information Integration System. Modernization of Information Service of the Parliamentary Libraries.	A technical committee to be constituted to make viable recommendations in the matter.	DG(IT) National Assembly Secretariat	A report was submitted by DG (IT) on 24-02-2016. Summary was sent on June 6, 2016.



	Any other item with the permission of Chair. a) Framing of Laws under article 87 of the Constitution to regulate the recruitment and conditions of service of the staff of the Assembly Secretariat.	The Conference decided to constitute a Committee of the Secretaries of all the Assemblies headed by Secretary Senate.	Secretary, Senate Secretariat. A Special Committee was constituted then under the Special Secretary (Admin), National Assembly Secretariat.	The Senate Secretariat Services Act, 2017 (Act No.XXII of 2017) and National Assembly Secretariat Employees Act, 2018 (Act No. VII of 2018) are in force.
2.	Observance of timings fixed for the Sittings of the Assembly.	The Conference recommended that the Presiding Officers should endeavour to commence the proceedings at the schedule time which alone would compel all the concerned to be punctual.	All Provincial/ Legislative Assemblies of Pakistan.	Disposed off.
3.	Civil Servants' Status of the Employees of Parliament and Assemblies.	It was decided that the subject matter would be taken up at both Federal as well as Provincial levels by the National and Provincial Assemblies.	Establishment Division.	National Assembly Secretariat Employees Act, 2018 has been in force since 27 th February, 2018.
4.	No implementation of PAC directives.	The Conference recommended that the Public Accounts Committee should develop a mechanism of implementation including constitution of its sub-committees for implementation and constant follow up.	Secretariats of Provincial legislative Assemblies.	The Provincial/ Legislative Assemblies have agreed in principle and have started implementing it in letter and spirit.
5.	Amendment in PIPS Act.	The Conference decided that the subject matter may be included in the Agenda of next meeting of the Board of Governors of the PIPS.	Pakistan Institute of Parliamentary Services (PIPS).	The PIPS has apprised vide their letter 18-04-2016 that the recommendations/decision will be placed before the Board of Governors of PIPS as and when the same are received from the Ministry of Law.



Public Accounts Committee (PAC)



PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE IN THE 5th PARLIAMENTARY YEAR

The Public Accounts Committee (PAC) is one of the most efficient and active Committees of the National Assembly. PAC signifies one of the essential constituents of Parliamentary domain, which is the accountability of public money. The examination of Auditor General's Reports of the Ministries, Divisions, Corporations, Autonomous and Semi-Autonomous bodies, is one of the main functions of the PAC.

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 and the committee became functional in December, 2013. The PAC inherited a huge backlog of eight (08) years Audit



Reports. To clear the backlog, the PAC in its meeting held on 15.01.2014 constituted three (03) Sub-Committees and Monitoring and Implementation Committee on 6th March, 2014. During the 4th Parliamentary year, the PAC has successfully laid three PAC Reports for the years 1998-99, 2003-04, 2007-08 and Monitoring and Implementation Report for the year 1996-97 before the House on 21st November, 2016. Two PAC reports for the year 2002-03 and 2009-10 have also been finalized and will be laid before the House in near future. During the period of current PAC, four Audit Reports for the years, 2013-14, 2014-15, 2015-16, and 2016-17 were referred to PAC for scrutiny. The PAC in its meeting held on 10th August, 2017 decided to take up latest Audit Report while the rest of the Audit Reports were referred to the Sub-Committees already constituted in addition to the Audit Reports already under consideration of the relevant Sub-Committees.

The current PAC has been further strengthened by including six (6) Senators in the Composition of the PAC. The numerical strength of members now rose to 30 including Minister for Finance, Revenue & Economic Affairs as Ex-Officio Member.

106 Meetings

During the 5th Parliamentary Year of the 14th National Assembly, the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) held 106 meetings in total. Out of these 59 meetings were held by the Main PAC Committee whereas, 10 meetings were held by the Sub-Committee I, 15 meetings were held by the Sub-Committee II, 09 meetings were held by the Sub-Committee III and 11 meetings were held by the Monitoring and Implementation Committee of the PAC. 02 meetings were held by the Sub-Committee of PAC.

2794 Paras/Grants Examined

During the 5th Parliamentary year the PAC examined 2794 Grants and Paras. Out of which 1041 were examined by the main PAC Committee. 288 grants/paras were examined by Sub-Committee I, 491 by the Sub-Committee II, 389 by the Sub-Committee III and 525 were examined by the Monitoring and Implementation Committee. Whereas, 60 paras/grants were examined by the PAC Sub-Committee.



PERFORMANCE OF THE PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE AND ITS SUB-COMMITTEES

FROM JUNE 2017- MAY 2018

Sl. #	Committee and Conveners	Audit Year	Number of Meetings	Grants/Paras examined
1	Main PAC (Syed Khursheed Ahmed Shah)	2013-14, 2016-17	59	1041
2	Sub-Committee-I (Mr. Shafqat Mahmood)	2010-11	10	288
3	Sub-Committee-II (Syed Naveed Qamar)	2003-04, 2014-15	15	491
4	Sub-Committee-III (Sardar Ashiq Hussain Gopang)	2009-10, 2012-13	09	389
5	Monitoring and Implementation Committee (Rana Afzaal Hussain)	1999-2000 2000-01 2004-05 2005-06 2006-07 2008-09	11	525
6	Sub-Committee Ms. Shaida Akhtar Ali	Left over Grants/Paras of AR-2013-14	02	60

PERFORMANCE OF PAC AND ITS SUB-COMMITTEES DURING THE PERIOD OF 5th Parliamentary Year (JUNE, 2017 TO APRIL, 2018).

- i) Issue of Royal Palm Golf Club was discussed at length by the Committee. The Committee directed the PAO to conduct an internal inquiry and also directed the NAB to complete the inquiry within one month.

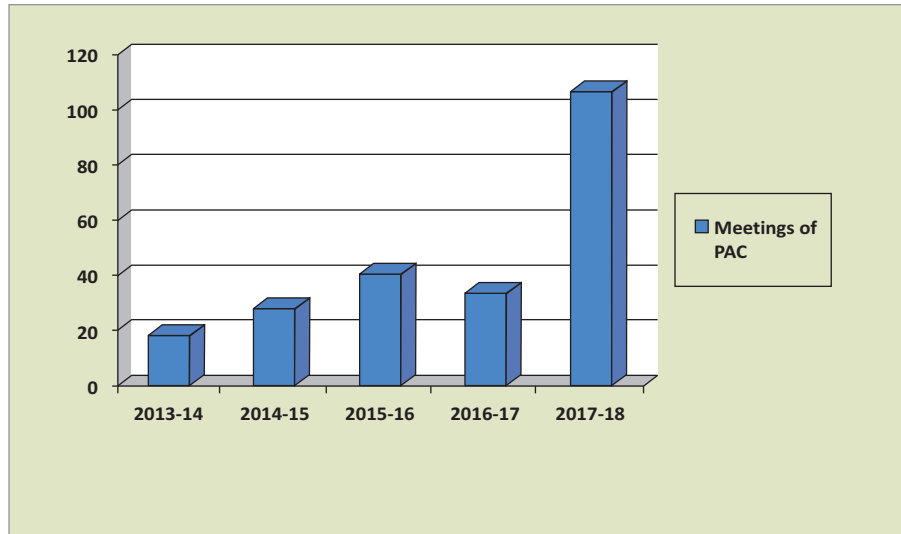


- ii)** During briefing by Ministry of Information Technology on the performance of PTA, PAO was directed to submit report on the privatization of PTCL and to ensure recovery of Rs.800 Million from Itesalat. Dispute of pension / retirement benefits of employees was also discussed.
- iii)** A briefing on overall losses/theft in the Power Sector was given by Power Division. The Committee directed that accumulation of circular debt will not be tolerated and directed Cabinet Division to bring it into the notice of Cabinet.
- iv)** Briefing by Ministry of Planning Development & Reform and Finance Division regarding the PSDP Projects. The Committee directed that no project should be approved unless it has 25% funds of the total allocation.
- v)** The PAC paid a visit to the Office of the Auditor General of Pakistan and got briefing on the overall performance and functions of the Auditor General Office. The Committee appreciated the changes made to make the organization compatible with changed scenario and urged continuity of the democratic system for more stable and effective institutions.
- vi)** The PAC acknowledged the services rendered by the National Book Foundation and directed to expand its branched / outlets in every University and also directed the Finance Division to allocate / release funds to NBF to expand the shops/ outlets at public places and universities. A detailed briefing was given on the issue of privatization / restructuring of Pakistan Post. The Committee put forward reservations over the involvement of a foreign firm which will share most of the profit. The Committee urged to ensure transparency and encourage the local companies to participate in the said process.
- vii)** On request of Honorable Chairman, PAC, the Honorable Speaker National Assembly, Sardar Ayaz Sadiq also participated in the meeting of PAC held on 05.10.2017 and appreciated the focused concentration and hard work of Members of PAC under the leadership of Syed Khursheed Ahmed Shah. He congratulated the PAC on clearing heavy backlog of Audit Reports and further reassured his cooperation to strengthen the PAC.
- viii)** During the period of current PAC (2017-18), 171 audit paras were referred to NAB for further investigation. While briefing to PAC, the Chairman NAB informed that priority is given to PAC directives and investigation is under process.



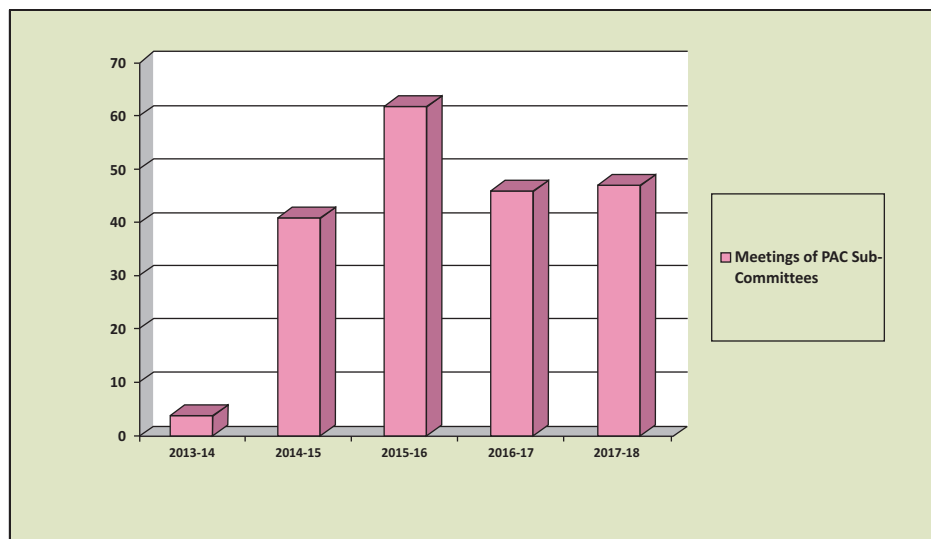
Total Meetings of the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) in the Last 05 Years (2013-2018)

The main PAC held 18 meetings in the first Parliamentary year and 28 meetings in the 2nd Parliamentary year. The 5th Parliamentary year had the most number of meetings which is 106 (2017-18).



Total Meetings of Sub-Committees of Public Accounts Committee (PAC) in the Last 05 Years (2013-2018)

The Sub-Committees of PAC held 41 meetings in the 2nd Parliamentary year (2014-15), 62 meetings in the 3rd Parliamentary year and 47 meetings in the 5th Parliamentary year (2017-18).





RECOVERY STATEMENT DURING THE PERIOD OF CURRENT PAC FROM DECEMBER, 2013 TO OCTOBER, 2017.

SR. NO.	YEARS	RECOVERY (RS. IN MILLIONS)
1.	December, 2013 to June 2014	48,717.62
2.	July 2014 to June 2015	39,065.81
3.	July 2015 to June 2016	75,822.19
4.	July 2016 to June 2017	70,928.69
5.	July 2017 to October 2017	78,048.50
	Total in Million	312,582.81

Special Committee on Kashmir

The present Special Committee on Kashmir 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.





1. Kashmir Committee is monitoring Human rights violations and atrocities being committed by the Indian forces in the occupied Jammu & Kashmir in line with the TORs approved by the National Assembly on 15-08-2013 and is raising those issues at all necessary forums as and when they arise. It is increasing awareness within as well as outside the Country about the Kashmir issue. It is mobilizing world's opinion in support of the cause of determination to the people of Jammu and Kashmir as well as the principle stand of Pakistan. It is providing political, moral and diplomatic support to the people of Jammu and Kashmir in their just struggle for their right of self determination in accordance with the U.N resolutions. It is also making efforts to monitor and improve the performance of other organizations working on Kashmir and providing them guidance whenever required by them.
2. Similarly, Kashmir Committee is propagating Kashmir cause on National and International level with full National spirit and dedication. In this connection, Chairman Kashmir Committee is actively pursuing the cause of Kashmir according to the UN resolution. Besides the Committee meetings two mega events observing **“Black Day” on 27th October 2017 & “Kashmir Solidarity Day” on 5th February, 2018** were celebrated with full zeal and zest.
3. In the 8th meeting of Special Committee of the National Assembly on Kashmir, held on 23rd January, 2018 in Parliament House, Islamabad, the Chairman expressed his views about Kashmir issue and Pakistan's principle stance on Kashmir, which was also demonstrated throughout the world on different occasions by Pakistani community.
4. Indian forces frequently commit cease fire violations along the Line of Control (LoC) and Working Boundary (WB). Besides deaths and injuries, it creates an environment of terror which has disturbed their day to day social and economic life. India has withdrawn its civilian population 5 km behind the LoC/WB while, on the Pakistan side, civilian population touches the very zero point at LoC/WB. Resultantly, it is the Pakistan civilian population which suffers the most in cross border firing. Foreign Minister has written a letter to the UN to deter Indian forces from firing on the civilian population. Moreover, every time the cross border violation occurs, Indian High Commissioner is called in Foreign Office where the violation is seriously agitated and registered through diplomatic connection. Every time, the Indian side replies cross border fire is aimed at checking the infiltration, which is not true. As per Indian Foreign Office's own website, infiltration has considerably reduced in the last years.
5. Foreign Office has been approaching the HR Council, Geneva, on the Kashmir issue. Security Council is often reminded of its responsibilities in terms of the UN Resolutions on Kashmir. It was also pointed out that world's dim reaction to the Indian atrocities further emboldens it.
6. The issue is highlighted at the forum of OIC as well. Almost 5 resolutions have been passed by OIC in this regard. OIC sent its Fact Finding Mission to India and Pakistan. It was extended every help by Pakistan to inspect the affected areas along the LoC/WB. They met



the peoples who told their sufferings to the Mission in detail. On the other side, India did not allow the Mission to visit occupied Kashmir.

7. In view of its global stature, US is frequently approached to play its role in the settlement of the issue. In recent visit to Pakistan, US Deputy Secretary, Alice G. Wells was also briefed about the untold miseries of the Kashmiris. She was made to realize that US's inconsiderate stand, on the issue, has made India a wild elephant.
8. The Chair also expressed that World Powers, particularly US, are controlling the whole of world affairs. During 1948-49, when UN passed Resolutions, regarding plebiscite in Kashmir, Pakistan was in US Group. After the disintegration of USSR, world has become unipolar. We are required to convince the World Powers and US for the settlement of Kashmir issue in accordance with the aspirations of the Kashmiris. It is miserable that Pakistan emphasizes the Kashmir Issue but lacks Kashmir policy without which the Kashmir Committee can achieve nothing. The Chair shared the Resolution, regarding the Kashmir Solidarity Day, with the Committee which was approved it for presentation in the House.
9. Ministry of Kashmir Affairs & Gilgit Baltistan will formulate a Kashmir policy, in consultation with ISI, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Kashmiri Leadership, for the consistent pursuance by the Kashmir Committee. PEMRA will ensure proper coverage of the all activities, related to the Kashmir Solidarity Day 5th February, 2018, on all private TV channels to show Solidarity with the struggle of the Kashmiris against the India atrocities in line with the national spirit and traditional zeal and fervor. Malik Shakir Bashir Awan and Mr. Abdul Waseem, MNAs presented the memorandum, on Kashmir Solidarity Day to Mr. Neil Buhne, Resident Representative, United Nation Organization, Islamabad and also addressed a press conference after the meeting.
10. The Committee on the occasion of Solidarity day deeply expressed Solidarity with the Kashmiri people and the leadership, engaged in just struggle for noble cause of freedom from occupation of Indian forces in occupied Kashmir. It presented tribute to the martyrs who sacrificed their lives for the inalienable right to their self determination from the clutches of Indian army. It reaffirmed that elections held in Jammu & Kashmir are not substitute to the plebiscite under U.N auspices in accordance with the U.N Security Council and UNCIP resolutions. It urged the International community to take effective steps for safeguarding the human right of the Kashmiri people including their right to self determination and stressed the importance of sustained International engagement to facilitate to just and peaceful solution of Jammu and Kashmir dispute. It also called upon the United Nation to enforce implementation to relevant U.N resolutions promising the right to self determination to the people of Jammu & Kashmir.
11. Kashmir dispute is a very complex longstanding issue, therefore, the proceeding of the Kashmir Committee are always held in camera in order to let the Members to express their views without hesitation and confidently. The achievements and targets of the Kashmir issue are intangible which cannot be interpreted in figures. However, it is assured, the funds allocated will be spent very carefully in order to get maximum benefit for promoting the Kashmir cause in the best public interest.

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The 14th National Assembly in its 5th Parliamentary year continued its momentum to promote parliamentary engagements unprecedentedly. A broad-based commitment to foster 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 parliamentary forums during year 2017-2018. The representatives of the National Assembly played extraordinary role to augment soft image of Pakistan around the world. The Members of National Assembly exchanged views on countering terrorism, promotion of education trade and exploring alternate renewable energy resources. The International Relations Wing in the National Assembly facilitated Members of the Assembly for ensuring their participation in various parliamentary forums and also explored avenues for cooperation in strengthening parliamentary democracy and people-to-people contacts.

Some of the highlights 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 (November, 2016 – December, 2019)
2. The Parliament of Pakistan became the Secretariat of the CPA Asia Region for a period of 3 years (November, 2016 – December 2019).
3. First Speakers' Conference of Afghanistan, China, Iran, Pakistan, Russian Federation and Turkey to address the challenges of Terrorism & Inter – Regional Connectivity, Islamabad – Pakistan, December 24 – 25, 2017.
4. Meeting of the "Drafting Committee" to finalize Charter and Rules of the Speakers Conference of Afghanistan, China, Iran, Pakistan, Russian Federation and Turkey (May 5th 2018 – May 8th 2018).

Incoming Bilateral Parliamentary Delegations

The National Assembly of Pakistan hosted a total of five Parliamentary delegations including delegations from Republic of Korea, Russian Federation, France and Canada, respectively.

Outgoing Bilateral Parliamentary Delegations

A total of three Parliamentary delegations of Pakistan visited different countries including Japan, Turkey and Belgium.



Foreign Missions Calls – on

During the 5th Parliamentary year, a total of 34 Ambassadors / High Commissioners and other dignitaries including the Imam of Kaaba Dr. Saleh bin Muhammad Al-Talib met the Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan.

Meetings of Parliamentary Friendship Groups

17 Meetings of various Parliamentary Friendship Groups (PFGs) were held in the year, which were also attended by the Islamabad based Ambassadors from respective countries.

Participation in Multilateral Conferences

The delegations of the National Assembly Pakistan participated in 30 multilateral events held during the year and successfully projected Pakistan's stance on various important issues of national and global interest.

IMPORTANT CONFERENCES ORGANIZED BY THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

1st Speakers' Conference

1st Speakers' Conference on the Challenges of Terrorism & Inter-Regional Connectivity was held at Islamabad, Pakistan from 24 – 25 December 2017 on the special initiative of the Hon'ble Speaker of National Assembly of Pakistan. The Event was a historic occasion for the National Assembly when the parliamentary heads and representatives of our six nations i.e. Islamic Republic of Afghanistan, People's Democratic Republic of China, Islamic Republic of Iran, Islamic Republic of Pakistan, Russian Federation and Republic of Turkey gathered for the first time in Islamabad to reaffirm their commitment to shared peace and prosperity and to forge new grounds of mutual cooperation. The participating countries agreed that the peace, dialogue and interdependence are key precursors of a prospering society upon which rests the whole paradigm of sustainable development of our coming generations. A milestone achievement of the event was that for the first time in history, the Russian Federation stood by Pakistan's stance on Kashmir and the Conference unanimously agreed that the issue of Jammu & Kashmir was required to be solved as per the Resolutions of the United Nations Security Council and according to the will and aspirations of the Kashmiri People.

Meeting of the "Drafting Committee" to finalize Charter and Rules of the Speakers Conference of Afghanistan, China, Iran, Pakistan, Russian Federation and Turkey (May 6th 2018 – May 9th 2018)

In order to streamline the future endeavors of the Speakers' Conference, the National Assembly of Pakistan successfully organized the "Drafting Committee" meeting to discuss and finalize the Charter and Rules so that the Speakers' forum may be institutionalized for ensuring regular



contacts between the member Parliaments. At the conclusion of the meeting, the participating countries unanimously agreed on the draft of the Charter and Rules of the Speakers' conference which will be signed during the second Speakers' conference proposed to be held in Tehran, Islamic Republic of Iran.

INDONESIAN PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS TO THE JOINT SESSION OF PAKISTAN'S PARLIAMENT

Indonesian President Joko Widodo addressed the Joint Session of Pakistan's Parliament on 26th January 2018 and became the 10th Head of the State to address Pakistan's apex Constitutional forum. He was the Second President from Indonesia to address the Parliament of Pakistan. Previously, President Soekarno had addressed the Parliament of Pakistan in 1963.

In his address to the joint session of the Majlis-e-Shoora, he highlighted that Pakistan and Indonesia are friendly nations and said both countries had strengthened bilateral ties in recent years. Extending Indonesia's support for Palestine and Kashmir cause, the Indonesian President remarked that the Muslim countries should strengthen their ties for bringing peace within the Muslim world.

Kashmir Issue:

The issue of Jammu and Kashmir has always dominated the course of the Pakistan's foreign policy and the National Assembly of Pakistan also keeps it on the priority list and always highlights the issue at an appropriate level both at bilateral as well as multilateral parliamentary forums. The Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan had sent letters to his counterparts in the 196 countries of the world during 4th Parliamentary year of the 14th Assembly. In order to bring attention of the world community atrocities committed by India, the Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan once again wrote letters to his counterparts around the world and a DVD containing data with pictures and recordings of the sentiments of those blinded as irrefutable evidence was also shared along-with letter. The Speaker National Assembly urged his colleagues for intervention of their respective parliaments to ensure immediate halt to the Kashmiris' bloodshed by the Indian forces.

Incoming Bilateral Visits:

The parliamentary diplomacy plays pivotal role in the development of relations and furthering the policies of any country. The National Assembly of Pakistan also carries this tradition by maintaining its bilateral relations with the countries in the region and beyond. The objectives of visits are to encounter with other parliamentarians for a broader political representation.

In this respect, National Assembly of Pakistan hosted a total of five Parliamentary delegations during the period from June 2017 to May 2018. It included a delegation led by H.E. Mr. Chung Sye-Kyun, Speaker of the National Assembly of Republic of Korea from August 6-9, 2017. Couple of parliamentary delegations from the State Duma of the Russian Federation led by H.E. Mr.



Leonid Slutsky, Chairman of the State Duma Committee on International Affairs of the Russian Federation on November 06, 2017 and H.E. Mr. V.I. Piskarev, Chairman of the State Duma Committee on Security and Counter Corruption from December 12-13-2017. The visits from the Russian Federation paved the way for the first ever visit by the Chairman of the State Duma of the Russian Federation for participation in the first Speakers Conference in the last week of the December 2017.

The members of France-Pakistan PFG led by Mr. Jean-Bernard Sempastous, President of France-Pakistan Friendship Group visited Pakistan from December 11-13-2017, at the invitation of Mr. Sardar Ayaz Sadiq, Speaker of the National Assembly of Pakistan. It was first visit to Pakistan by a delegation of French National Assembly in last ten years. The visit has strengthened the bilateral parliamentary ties between two friendly countries. The National Assembly received another delegation of Commonwealth Parliamentary Association of the Parliament of Canada from March 30 to April 08, 2018. The delegation led by Ms. Yasmin Ratansi provided momentum to the efforts aimed at forging greater cooperation in all areas of mutual interest, including trade and promotion of people-to-people contact between Pakistan and Canada.

Visits of the Foreign Dignitaries:

Besides above bilateral parliamentary visits, following foreign dignitaries from various countries also called on the Honorable Speaker National Assembly during their visits to Pakistan:-

- Mr. Lord Malcolm Gray Bruce, a British Liberal Democrat called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 7th October 2017.
- H. E. Mr. Stanislaw Karczewski, Marshal (Chairman) of the Senate of the Republic of Poland visited Pakistan along-with his delegation on the invitation of the Chairman Senate of Pakistan. The Polish dignitaries called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 7th November 2017.
- Mr. Mark Field, MP, Minister of State for Asia and the Pacific of the United Kingdom called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 8th November 2018 during his visit to Pakistan.
- Lord Nazir Ahmed, Member, House of Lords of the UK called on the Speaker National Assembly on 12th February 2018.
- Participants of the "2018 Course for Senior Officials" of the Federal Academy of Security Policy of Germany visited Pakistan as part of their course program and called on the Honorable Speaker National Assembly on 13th February 2018.
- The Imam of Kaaba Dr. Saleh bin Muhammad Al-Talib met the Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan on 12th March 2018 during his visit to Pakistan.



- A Group of twenty one mid-career level Foreign Diplomats from various friendly countries visited Parliament House and called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 12th March 2018.
- H. E. Dr. Mohammad Javad Zarif, Foreign Minister Islamic Republic of Iran called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 12th March 2018 during his visit to Pakistan.
- Mr. Markus Potzel, Special Representative of Germany for Pakistan and Afghanistan called on the Hon'ble Speaker National Assembly on 29th April 2018 during his visit to Pakistan.

Outgoing Bilateral Visits:

In order to establish regular interactions between political and parliamentary leadership, the Speaker National Assembly led parliamentary delegation to many countries during the tenure of the 14th National Assembly. These visits proved instrumental in building bridges of understanding, cooperation and friendship. In continuation of such efforts, the Honorable Speaker National Assembly visited Japan from June 28 to July 01, 2018.

The members of Pak-Turkey Parliamentary Friendship Group led by Convener Muhammad Pervaiz Malik visited Turkey from October 26 to November 02, 2017. Similarly, members of Pak-EU PFG led by Convener of the Group, Engineer Khurram Dastagir Khan, Defence Minister visited Brussels from January 22-25, 2018 on recommendation of the Pakistan's Mission in Belgium. The visit was aimed at to present Pakistan's position and legislative steps taken by Pakistan, especially for the promotion of human rights.

Participation in Multilateral Forums

The parliamentary diplomacy at multilateral fronts also constitutes as important feature in modern history. The Parliaments of the world consider participation in the global, regional and international parliamentary bodies as necessary for the coordination and sharing best practices. The National Assembly of Pakistan is having membership at various multilateral parliamentary forums. These forums provide opportunities to the parliamentarians for exchanging views and start political dialogue on various issues ranging from but not limited to legislation, oversight to issues of climate change and gender equality.

The parliamentary delegations from National Assembly of Pakistan regularly participate in the various events on diverse topics through platform of Inter-parliamentary Union, Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, Parliamentary Union of OIC Member States, Association of SAARC Speakers and Parliamentarians, Meeting of the Speakers of Eurasian countries to name few. The Members of the National Assembly have been elected as the member of executives committees of different forums. The parliamentarians utilize such forums for presenting Pakistan's stance on various issues and also bring the attention of international community on the issue of Jammu and Kashmir.



DETAILED ACCOUNT OF IMPORTANT MULTILATERAL MEETINGS ATTENDED BY MNAs DURING 5th PARLIAMENTARY YEAR

1. A Member of National Assembly attended CPA – UK Election Assessment Mission (EAM) to UK for General Election in UK from 3 – 10 June, 2017.
2. Visit of a Member to attend Review of Pakistan’s Report on the International Covenant on Economic Social and Cultural Rights at Geneva, Switzerland, from 12 – 13 June, 2017.
3. Visit of 5 – Member Parliamentary Delegation headed by the Honourable Speaker to attend the 2nd Meeting of Speakers of Eurasian Countries’ Parliaments (MSEAP) at Seoul, Republic of Korea.
4. Visit of a Member to attend the Review of Pakistan’s Initial Report on the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights at Geneva, Switzerland from 11 – 12 July, 2017.
5. Visit of 4 – Member Parliamentary Delegation headed by the Honourable Speaker to London, UK from 5 – 20 July, 2017.
6. Visit of 2 – Member Parliamentary Delegation to attend World Parliamentary Forum on Sustainable Development at Bali, Indonesia, from 6 – 7 September, 2017.
7. Visit of an officer to attend Democracy UK – Global Values in an Uncertain World & 25th Anniversary of the Westminster Foundation for Democracy at UK from 10 – 15 September, 2017.
8. Visit of 2 – Member Parliamentary Delegation headed by the Honourable Speaker to London, UK from 16 – 19 September, 2017.
9. Visit of a Member to attend the Parliamentary Session within the Framework of the WTO Public Forum 2017 at Geneva, Switzerland, on 26th September, 2017.
10. Visit of 4 – Member Parliamentary Delegation to attend the 8th Conference of the Association of SAARC Speakers and Parliamentarians at Colombo, Sri Lanka from 3 – 6 October, 2017.
11. Visit of 2 – Member Parliamentary Delegation to attend the 38th PUIC Meeting of the PUIC Executive Committee at Tehran, Iran, from 7 – 8 October, 2017.
12. Visit of 8 – Member Parliamentary Delegation to attend the 137th IPU Assembly and its related meetings at St. Petersburg, Russian Federation from 12 – 20 October, 2017.
13. Visit of 2 – Member Parliamentary Delegation to attend the 2017 CPA Australia and Pacific Regional Conference & Hot Topic Seminar at Sydney, Australia from 23 – 27 October, 2017.



14. Visit of 3 – Member Parliamentary Delegation to attend the 63rd Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference at Dhaka, Bangladesh from 1 – 8 November, 2017.
15. Visit of a Member to attend the Seminar on the Mediterranean and Middle East Special Group at Rome, Italy from 23 – 24 November, 2017.
16. Visit of 2 – Member Parliamentary Delegation to attend the Women Political Leaders Annual Global Summit at Reykjavik, Iceland from 28 – 30 November, 2017.
17. Visit of 2 – Member Parliamentary Delegation headed by the Honourable Speaker to attend the International Parliamentary Conference on “Parliamentarians against narcotics” held under the Auspices of the United Nations Organization at Moscow, Russian Federation from 3 – 5 December, 2017.
18. Visit of a Member to attend the Buenos Aires Session of the Parliamentary Conference on the WTO at Buenos Aires, Argentina from 9 – 10 December, 2017.
19. Visit of a Member to attend CPA UK will be hosting a Legislative Drafting Seminar as a part of Modern Slavery Project at Westminster, UK from 10 – 14 December, 2017.
20. Visit of 4 – Member Parliamentary Delegation headed by the Honourable Speaker to attend the 24th Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth (CSPOC) at Victoria, Seychelles from 8 – 11 January, 2018.
21. Visit of 7 – Member Parliamentary Delegation headed by the honourable Speaker to attend the 13th PUIC Conference & other related meetings at Tehran, Iran from 13 – 17 January, 2018.
22. Visit of a Member to attend the Parliamentary hearing at the United Nations Headquarter, New York from 20 – 23 February, 2018.
23. Visit of an Officer to attend the 9th Commonwealth Youth Parliament (CYP) at Jersey, Islands from 25th February to 1st March, 2018.
24. Visit of 3 – Member Parliamentary Delegation to attend the Commonwealth Parliamentarians Forum at London, UK from 26th February to 1st March, 2018.
25. Visit of a Member to attend the Parliamentary Meeting during the 62nd Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) and its side line event at UN Headquarter, New York from 12 – 14 March, 2018.
26. Visit of a Member to attend the election of the president of Russian Federation as foreign observers at Moscow, Russian Federation on 18th March, 2018.



27. Visit of an Officer to attend the meeting between the Westminster foundation for democracy and the project management unit in the National Assembly Secretariat at London, UK from 19 – 23 March, 2018.
28. Visit of 2 – Member Parliamentary Delegation to attend the Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting at Mauritius from 20 – 24 March, 2018.
29. Visit of 8 – Member Parliamentary Delegation headed by the Honourable Speaker to attend the 138th IPU Assembly and its related meetings at Geneva, Switzerland from 24 – 28 March, 2018.
30. Visit of a Member to attend RSIS-WTO Parliamentarian Workshop on International Trade at Singapore from 7-9 May 2018.

Meetings of the Representatives of Foreign Missions

The International Relations wing of the National Assembly also arranged following meetings of the representatives of Islamabad based Foreign Missions with the Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan:-

1.	H. E. Ms. Margaret Adamson High Commissioner of Australia	8 th June 2017
2.	H. E. Mrs. Khadija Mohamed Almahzoumi Ambassador Federal Republic of Somalia	8 th June 2017
3.	Mr. Nicola GOIA Ambassador of Romania	8 th June 2017
4.	Mr. Thomas Drew British High Commissioner	26 th July 2017
5.	H. E. Mr. Saqr Bin Mubarak Al-Mansouri Ambassador of State of Qatar	17 th August 2017
6.	H. E. Mr. Nawaf Saeed Al-Malkiy Ambassador Kingdom of Saudi Arabia	15 th September 2017
7.	H. E. Mr. Sun Weidong Ambassador People's Republic of China	21 st September 2017
8.	H. E. Mr. Jean-Francois Cautain Ambassador of European Union to Pakistan	21 st September 2017
9.	H. E. Andrei Ermolovich Ambassador of Belarus	23 rd October 2017



10.	H. E. Mr. Mehdi Hanardoost Ambassador Islamic Republic of Iran	24 th October 2017
11.	H.E. Mr. Ali Alizada, Ambassador Republic of Azerbaijan	24 th October 2017
12.	H.E. Mr. Alexey Y. Dedov, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Russian Federation	2 nd November 2017
13.	H. E. Mr. Perry John Calderwood High Commissioner of Canada	17 th November 2017
14.	H. E. Ms. Margaret Adamson High Commissioner of Australia	17 th November 2017
15.	H. E. Mr. Marc Barety Ambassador of France	29 th November 2017
16.	Mr. Hamad Obaid Ibrahim Salem Al-Zaabi, Ambassador of UAE	29 th November 2017
17.	Mr. Tageldin Elhadi Eltahir Ambassador Republic of Sudan	29 th November 2017
18.	H. E. Al Sheikh Mohammed Omar Ahmed Al Marhoon Ambassador Sultanate of Oman	21 st December 2017
19.	H.E. Mr. Hamad Obaid Ibrahim Salem Al-Zaabi, Ambassador United Arab Emirates (UAE)	12 th January 2018
20.	H.E. Mr. Yao Jing, Ambassador The People's Republic of China	23 rd January 2018
21.	Mr. Martin Kobler, Ambassador Federal Republic of Germany	February 13, 2018
22.	Mr. Ihsan Mustafa Yurdakul Ambassador of Turkey	February 14, 2018
23.	H. E. Mr. Sakib Foric, Ambassador Bosnia and Herzegovina	February 19, 2018
24.	Mr. Takashi Kuria, Ambassador of Japan	May 10, 2018
25.	H.E. Mr. Jean-Francois Cautain, Ambassador of the European Union to Pakistan	May 14, 2018



Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq during a meeting with Russian Parliamentary delegation led by Chairman of the State Duma of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federal Mr. Vyacheslav V. Volodin in Islamabad on 24.12.2017



Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq during a meeting with Chinese Parliamentary delegation led by Vice-Chairman of the Standing Committee of the National People's Congress Mr. Zhang Ping in Islamabad on 24.12.2017



Sardar Ayaz Sadiq, Speaker National Assembly in a meeting with Iranian Foreign Minister Mr. Mohammad Javad Zarif in Tehran on 23-4-2017.



President of the Republic of Indonesia H.E. Mr. Joko Widodo with Prime Minister of Pakistan Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi, Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq and Chairman Senate Mian Raza Rabbani, before addressing the Joint Session of the Parliament on 23-4-2017.



Activities of the Parliamentary Friendship Groups:

The growing number of visits and meetings of the Parliamentary Friendship Groups is another area where parliaments are expanding their activities. The National Assembly of Pakistan has been arranging meetings and visits of various friendship groups. In the 5th year of the 14th National Assembly, a total of 17 meetings of the friendship groups, one incoming and couple of outgoing visits of the friendship groups have been arranged. These activities enabled Parliamentarians to establish dialogue as well as to provide platform for exchange of experiences. The conveners of PFGs led the delegations and activities of their respective Groups. The delegation to Turkey was led by its Convener and then Minister for Commerce, Mr. Pervaiz Malik whereas the delegation to Brussels was led by Engr. Khurram Dastagir, then Minister of Defence.

Meetings of Parliamentary Friendship Groups from June, 2017 - May, 2018

The meetings of Parliamentary Friendship Group with Turkey were held 5 times in the year and a number of meetings of other groups were also held with representatives of countries from Europe, Western Asia, North Asia and Northern America to reinforce and cement bilateral friendship. The PFG Cell of the International Relations Wing coordinated for successful arrangement of the activities of the Parliamentary Friendship Groups.

Following are the details of the meetings of PFGs:

S. No.	PFG	Convener	Meeting Date/ Time/ Venue	Participants			Agenda
				MNAs	Dignitaries	Ministry	
September, 2017							
1	Pakistan - Bulgaria	Ms. Farhana Qamar	20th Sep. 2017, Women's Parliamentary Caucus (WPC)	7	Ambassador		Hon. Convener met H.E. the Ambassador in connection to the visit of Pak -Bulgaria PFG to Bulgaria.
October, 2017							
2	Pakistan - Turkey	Mr. Muhammad Pervaiz Malik	3rd October, 2017, Embassy of Turkey	1	Ambassador		Hon. Convener met H.E. the Ambassador in connection to finalize the dates of the visit of Pak - Turkey PFG to Turkey
3	Pakistan - Turkey	Mr. Muhammad Pervaiz Malik	9th October, 2017	2	GM Turkish Airline		Meeting with the GM Turkish Airline for the Air-Tickets of the delegation.



4	Pakistan - Turkey	Mr. Muhammad Pervaiz Malik	13th October 2017, Ministry of Commerce	1	Ambassador		Hon. Convener called H.E. the Ambassador at Ministry of Commerce to discuss regarding the Pak - Turkey PFG visit to Turkey.
5	Pakistan - Bulgaria	Ms. Farhana Qamar	6th October, 2017 at 1400 hours at Islamabad Club	7	Ambassador		Meeting of Convener with H.E. the Ambassador at Islamabad Club.
6	Pakistan - Turkey	Mr. Muhammad Pervaiz Malik	23rd October, 2017, Chamber of the Minister for Commerce	1	DHM		DHM called on the Hon. Convener to finalize the Program of the visit of Pakistan - Turkey PFG to Turkey.
7	Pakistan - Turkey	Mr. Muhammad Pervaiz Malik	24th October, 2017, Chamber of the Minister for Commerce	1	DHM		Meeting with DHM at the Embassy for finalizing the Visas of the Accompanying Persons.
November, 2017							
8	Pakistan - Bulgaria	Ms. Farhana Qamar	3rd November, 2017, Banquet Hall, 2nd Floor, Parliament House, Islamabad	10	Ambassador		Meeting of Convener Pakistan-Bulgaria Parliamentary Friendship Group with H.E. Mr. Roumen Pirontche, Ambassador of Bulgaria in Islamabad.
9	Pakistan -EU	Khurram Dastagir Khan	7th November, 2017, Women Parliamentary Caucus	9	MPs European Parliament		Hon. Members met the European Parliament's Delegation at Women's Parliamentary Caucus.
10	Pakistan - Italy	Ms. Asiya Nasir	9th November, 2017, Embassy of Italy	8	Ambassador		H.E. the Ambassador invited the selected Members of the Pak - Italy PFG on a Lunch at the Embassy.
December, 2017							
11	Pakistan - France	Mr. Muhammad Junaid Anwaar Chaudhry	11th December, 2017 Committee Room No. 5	13	French Delegation		Meeting of Pak - France PFG with the French Parliamentary Delegation.



12	Pakistan - Russia	Ms. Marvi Memon	12th December, 2017, Committee Room No. 5	9	Russian Delegation		Meeting of Pak - Russia PFG with the Russian Parliamentary Delegation.
13	Pakistan – EU	Engr. Khurram Dastagir Khan	20th December, 2017, SDGs Secretariat	7	Meeting with the Group Members		Hon. Convener called the Group meeting for finalizing the visit of Pak - EU PFG to Belgium on the invitation of EU Parliament.
February, 2018							
14	Pakistan – Germany	Syed Ghulam Mustafa Shah	13th February, 2018, Committee Room No. 5	6	German Delegation		Meeting of Pak - Germany PFG with the German Parliamentary Delegation.
March, 2018							
15	Pakistan – Czech Republic	Mr. Malik Muhammad Uzair Khan	13th March, 2018, Women's Parliamentary Caucus	1	Czech Republic Delegation		Hon. Convener met the Deputy Foreign Minister of Czech Republic along-with a delegation on 13th March 2018 at Women's Parliamentary Caucus, Parliament House, Islamabad.
April, 2018							
16	Pakistan – Canada	Mr. Ijaz ul Haq	4th April, 2018, Committee Room No. 5	7	Canadian Delegation		Meeting of Pak - Canada PFG with the Canadian Parliamentary Delegation.
17	Pakistan – Canada	Mr. Ijaz ul Haq	6th April, 2018, Islamabad Club	7	Canadian Delegation		Dinner Hosted by Hon. Convener in honour of the Canadian Parliamentary Delegation.



**DETAILS OF THE UNIVERSITIES, COLLEGES, INSTITUTES AND SCHOOLS THAT
VISITED PARLIAMENT HOUSE FROM
MAY 2017 TO APRIL 2018**

S.#	NAME OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS	DATE OF VISIT
1	Tech Valley School, Abbottabad	02.05.2017
2	Government Post Graduate College, Faisalabad	04.05.2017
3	Member from Gilgit-Baltistan Legislative Assembly	10.05.2017
4	International Islamic University, Islamabad	12.05.2017
5	All Pakistan Private School Management, Sialkot	15.05.2017
6	Joint Forces School College, Haripur	19.05.2017
7	Beacon House School System, Islamabad	24.05.2017
8	Government Post-Graduate College, KPK	29.05.2017
9	Arid Agriculture University, Rawalpindi	31.05.2017
10	Department of Media Studies, Islamia University Bahawalpur	06.06.2017
11	Liaquat University of Medical & Health Sciences, Jamshoro (Sindh)	09.06.2017
12	National University of Modern Language, Islamabad	13.06.2017
13	PN School of Logistics, PNS Karsaz, Karachi	16.06.2017
14	Dar-e-Arqam School, I-8 Campus, Islamabad	20.06.2017
15	Justice Law College, Abbottabad	22.06.2017
16	University of Peshawar	04.07.2017
17	Islamia University, Bahawalpur	07.07.2017
18	Press Club Dighri, Sindh	10.07.2017
19	Government Post-Graduate College, Abbottabad	14.07.2017
20	Pak-Turk International School and College, Islamabad	18.07.2017
21	The Millennium University College, Islamabad	25.07.2017
22	The King Projadhipok's Institute delegation Cambodia	28.07.2017
23	University of Sargodha	03.08.2017
24	Shariah & Law Islamia College, Peshawar	08.08.2017
25	International Islamic University, Islamabad	15.08.2017
26	Media Delegation from Afghanistan	22.08.2017
27	Pak – Turk International School & College Islamabad	15.09.2017
28	Pakistan Scouts Cadet College, Mansehra	18.09.2017



29	National University of Modern Languages, Islamabad	19.09.2017
30	All Pakistan Private School Management, Sialkot	19.09.2017
31	Foreign Service Academy Islamabad	18.10.2017
32	Balochistan Residential College, Khuzdar	20.10.2017
33	PAF Finishing School for Women, Islamabad	24.10.2017
34	Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore	03.11.2017
35	Pakistan Navy War College, Lahore	06.11.2017
36	Beacon House School System, F-11/4, Islamabad	08.11.2017
37	Beacon House School System, Margalla Campus, Islamabad	13.11.2017
38	Foreign Service Academy, Islamabad	15.11.2017
39	Gift University, Gujranwala	17.11.2017
40	Members of Women Parliamentary Caucus of KPK	30.11.2017
41	Cadet College, Killa Saifullah	07.12.2017
42	Pakistan Scouts Cadet College, Mansehra	11.12.2017
43	The University of Lahore, Lahore	13.12.2017
44	Islamabad Model College for Girls, G-10/2, Islamabad	15.12.2017
45	Government Postgraduate College, Timergara Dir, KPK	18.12.2017
46	International Islamic University, Islamabad	20.12.2017
47	The Fazlehaq College, Mardan	27.12.2017
48	Iqra School & College, Peshawar City	29.12.2017
49	Pakistan Institute of Parliamentary Services, Islamabad	12.01.2018
50	Sindh Madressatul Islam University, Karachi	18.01.2018
51	Islamia College, Peshawar	22.01.2018
52	Global System of Integrated Studies School & College, Islamabad	25.01.2018
53	Pak – Turk International School & College Islamabad	14.02.2018
54	Westminster International School, Rawalpindi	15.02.2018
55	Lahore Grammar School, Gujrat	18.02.2018
56	Educational Services, Beaconhouse School System, Jhelum	24.02.2018
57	University of Gujrat, Sialkot Sub-Campus	12.03.2018
58	Command and Staff College, Quetta	06.04.2018
59	AllamaIqbal Law College, Sialkot	10.04.2018
60	Lahore University of Management Sciences(LUMS) Lahore	11.04.2018
61	Abdul Wali Khan University, Mardan	11.04.2018



PTV Parliament



Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq inaugurating the Launching Ceremony of PTV Parliament at Islamabad on 30-05-2018.

Pakistan Television launched its new channel PTV Parliament on Wednesday, May 30, 2018.

Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq inaugurated the trial transmission of the channel by pressing a button at a ceremony held in Islamabad.

Speaking on the occasion, the Speaker said that the doors of the parliament were opened to everybody over the last five years in order to create awareness amongst the people about the functions of the Parliament. He added that students from schools, colleges and universities were invited to witness the proceedings of the Parliament.

The hon'ble Speaker mentioned at the occasion of the launching ceremony that the idea behind the launch of parliament channel is also to create awareness amongst the people and generate public opinion that will help improve performance of the elected representatives. Through this channel, the people will be able to see whether or not their elected representatives are highlighting their issues, he stated.

The Speaker appreciated the Information Minister and Information Secretary Ahmad Nawaz Sukhera for their efforts behind the launch of the parliamentary channel.



Minister for Information and Broadcasting Marriyum Aurangzeb in her remarks said that the new channel will not only broadcast the proceedings of the Parliament but also those of the standing committees. She said the content to be generated under the guidance of Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services will also be broadcast on the channel.

The Information Secretary described the launch of the Parliamentary channel as a step towards further strengthening democratic traditions in the country.



Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq addressing the Launching Ceremony of PTV Parliament at Islamabad on 30-05-2018.



Group Photo of Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq after the Launching Ceremony of PTV Parliament at Islamabad on 30-05-2018.

PARLIAMENTARY FORUMS



National Convention to Reflect on the Legislative, Representative and Oversight Role of Women Parliamentarians

28 March, 2018





PARLIAMENTARY FORUMS

Women 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. WPC has been 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. In the 5th Parliamentary Year, the WPC continued to engage with Parliamentarians, NGOs and Civil Society to champion the cause of women empowerment.

Events at a Glance:

Meeting to discuss Federal Disability Act

A meeting of the Secretary Women Parliamentary Caucus and members with Representatives of Ministry of Human Rights and STEP was held on 4th August, 2017 for discussion on Federal Disability Act in Pakistan.

Roundtable Conference with Special Talent Exchange Program (STEP)

On 20th September, 2017, a roundtable conference was held to discuss the participation of women with disabilities in electoral and political process.

7th Leadership Conference of Persons with Disabilities 2017

7th Leadership Conference of Persons with Disabilities was held from 26-27th September, 2017 to promote the leadership of persons with disabilities in order to achieve Inclusive Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and to accelerate the momentum of enacting Pakistan Disability Act.

Launching of 'Gender Action Manifesto'

A meeting was held on 13th October, 2017 to share presentation on Gender Action Manifesto findings by Ms Jacqueline Wilk, HBS which was followed by detailed discussion and sharing of points of view by members of all Political parties about their respective manifestos.

WPC-Bedari Joint Dialogue on the Status of Women Laws in Pakistan

A dialogue/consultation was held with Bedari at PIPS on 14th October, 2017 to discuss status of women laws in Pakistan.



Film Festival Opening Event

Film Festival Opening Event was held on 23rd November, 2017 in the Embassy of Switzerland.

KPK Caucus Members' Visit

The members of KPK Caucus visited Women Parliamentary Caucus on 30th November, 2017.

Seminar on National Voters Day

A seminar on National Voters Day was held on 7th December, 2017 at PIPS.

Dialogue between Parliamentarians and Civil Society Members on the Status of Women Protection Laws

A dialogue between Parliamentarians and Civil Society Members on the Status of Women Protection Laws was held on 11th December, 2017.

Khadija-tul-Kubra Awards

In an award distribution ceremony on 20th March, 2018, WPC presented awards to the women who have done some prominent work for women with disabilities.

National Convention, 2018

A National convention was held in Islamabad on 28th March, 2018 to reflect on the legislative, representative and Oversight role of Women Parliamentarians.

Canadian Parliamentarians' Visit

Canadian Parliamentarians visited Women Parliamentary Caucus on 4th April, 2018 to discuss the mutual interests in respect of gender issues.

Young Parliamentarians Forum

The Young Parliamentarians Forum is a platform consisting of 80 young parliamentarians who were under the age of 40 at the time of election 2013. The forum has taken upon itself to undertake activities that aim at achieving the national goals and have relevance to the international community. YPF believes that given the present turmoil in the Sub-Continent and the conflict ridden situation all over the world, an active and meaningful involvement of Young 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 performance from June 01, 2017 to April, 2018.



Events at Glance:

YPF Meeting with British High Commission Political Secretary on 28th May, 2017

British High Commission's Political Secretary, Mr. William Middleton organized an iftar party in honour of Young Parliamentarians on 28th May, 2017. A number of Young Parliamentarians attended the event. During iftar party, General Secretary Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) Hon. MNA Ms. Shaza Fatima Khawaja highlighted Forum's initiatives. Political Secretary admired Forum's working and vision. He also expressed willingness on the part of British High Commission to join hands with Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) for future projects and other events.

Parliamentary Dialogue on Youth Building Peace at PIPS on 8th August 2017

In accordance with International Youth Day, a Parliamentary Dialogue on "Youth Building Peace" was organized by Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) at Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services on Tuesday August 8, 2017. The event was organized to conduct a valuable debate & engage youth on opportunities in peace building initiatives. The event was well attended by youth belonging to different universities of Islamabad as well as the Interns of National Assembly of Pakistan & Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services. The inaugural session of the event "Parliamentary Narrative for Peace: Offering Better Pakistan for Youth" was addressed by Honorable Members of National Assembly Shaza Fatima Khwaja & Malik Mohammad Uzair Khan. Executive Director PIPS Zafarullah Khan shared his opening remarks and highlighted the role youth can play in building a narrative of peace & development. The session was moderated by Honorable Member National Assembly Romina Khurshid Alam who also highlighted the importance of the endeavors of youth for achieving prosperity.

The second debate titled "Peace Possible: Parliamentary initiatives" was addressed by Honorable Senator Farhatullah Babar & National Coordinator NACTA Irfan Ghani. While contemplating on Parliamentary initiatives, Senator Farhatullah Babar stressed upon the role youth should play by questioning from executives & legislators. The debate was moderated by worthy Executive Director PIPS Zafarullah Khan.

The remaining sessions of the event were "Peace Building through Inclusive Development", "Creating Employment & Entrepreneurship" & "Inter-faith Harmony & Culture to Promote Tolerance." Honorable Senator Osman Saifullah, Ayesha Raza Farooq, Members National Assembly Shehryar Khan Afridi & Romina Khurshid Alam were among the key note speakers of the sessions. The event was formally concluded by the moderators including Zafarullah Khan (ED PIPS), Rashid Mafzool Zaka (Director Research & IT PIPS) and Member National Assembly Romina Khurshid Alam. At the end, a Resolution was declared by Honorable Member National Assembly & General Secretary YPF Shaza Fatima Khwaja which concluded the day's proceedings.



YPF Meeting with British High Commission Political Secretary on 21st February, 2018

British High Commission's Political Secretary, Mr. William Middleton organized a spring reception in honor of Young Parliamentarians at British High Commission on February 21st, 2018. The topic under discussion was "Youth Engagement in politics" among the Young Parliamentarians and political counselor.

YPF celebrated International Day of Forest on 21st March 2018

Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) organized an event at Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services on 21st March, 2018 in collaboration with Garana group of companies, Green Pakistan Program, International Union of Conservation of Nature, Association of Overseas Pakistanis and Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI) on International Day of Forest. 'Promoting Urban Forestry to Ensure Cities Sustainable and Livable Environment' was the main theme of the event. Parliamentary Secretary on Climate Change and Media Coordinator Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) briefed about the steps taken by the government at both federal and provincial levels. Valuable discussion was made on the importance of forests and ways to increase plantation for creating awareness among masses. The participants included parliamentarians, government officials, NGO sector, academia and students.

Parliamentary Committee on China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC)

TORs and Composition of Committee

In pursuance of motions adopted by National Assembly on 24th June, 2015, and the Senate on 10th July, honourable Chairman Senate and Leaders of Parliamentary Parties, constituted Parliamentary Committee on China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC), having representation from both Houses of the Parliament. The Committee was notified on the 8th September 2015. The Committee consisted of 22 members of the Parliament, out of which seven members were from the Senate including Minister for Planning, Development and Reforms as ex-officio Member.

The Parliamentary Committee is above any party, province, individual or even government. It embodies the hopes and aspirations of the people of Pakistan in their efforts to seek a better future through CPEC.

The main role of Parliamentary Committee is of an oversight body, to monitor the implementation of the CPEC projects and to make recommendations for speedy and timely implementation.



Functions of the Committee

The Committee:

- a. will perform function of oversight of CPEC projects to ensure implementation of consensus reached at the All Parties Conference (APC) meeting held on 28th May, 2015;
- b. will monitor the implementation of the projects and make recommendations for speedy and timely implementation of the projects;
- c. may take suggestions for improvements that may result in cost and time reduction, as well as, provision of better services to the public; and
- d. will endeavor to promote consensus and support for CPEC in the Federation.

Meetings of the Committee

The first meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC was held in the Parliament House on 15th September 2015, regarding the election of Chairman. Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed was unanimously elected as the Chairman of the Committee. The Committee had held 23 meetings so far since its formation resulting in various recommendations and overseeing the work progress of CPEC. Meetings of the Committee are shown in following table.

1 st	The first meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding the 'election of Chairman' was held at Parliament House, Islamabad on 15 th September, 2015.
2 nd	Second Meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding framing the rules of procedure & proposing work plan for the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC was held in the Parliament House, at Constitution Room, Islamabad on 8 th October, 2015.
3 rd	Third meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC for seeking the briefing from NHA over the work on North South Motorway was held in the Parliament House, at Constitution Room, Islamabad on 26 th October, 2015.
4 th	The Fourth meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding the progress of energy projects under CPEC and the land acquisition for Suki-Kinari Hydro Power Project was held at Parliament House, Islamabad on 18 th November, 2015.
5 th	Fifth meeting of the parliamentary committee on CPEC regarding the visit of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC to Gwadar Port to inspect western route was held from 28 to 29th November, 2015 at the conference room of Pearl Continental, Gwadar, Baluchistan.



6 th	Sixth Meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding the provision of the briefing of Parliamentary Committee's recent visit to Gwadar and the inspection of Western Route of the Corridor to Mr. Sun Weidong, Ambassador of China was held at the Embassy of People's Republic of China on 2 nd December, 2015.
7 th	Seventh meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding the briefing to be given by Secretary, Ministry of Planning, Development, and Reform over the meeting of Joint Cooperation Committee (JCC), which was apex decision making body on CPEC between Pakistan and China, was held at Parliament House, Islamabad on 14 th December, 2015.
8 th	Eighth meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding the briefing to be given by Mr. Ahsan Iqbal, Minister for Planning, Development & Reform about CPEC and its projects was held at Parliament House, Islamabad on 14 th January, 2016.
9 th	Ninth meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding Port Qasim Coal-fired Power Project was held at the Port Qasim, Sindh from 28 th to 29 th January, 2015.
10 th	Tenth meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding the establishment of a port at KetiBundar as a special terminal for the export of coal which would be mined at Thar as well as a rail link and Special Economic Zone to support the proposed port was held at Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS), Islamabad on 19 th February, 2016.
11 th	Eleventh meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding the briefing to be given by Minister for Energy KPK, and the other representative of KPK Government over the presentation of the perspective of KPK regarding energy projects was held at Parliament House, Islamabad on 21 st March, 2016.
12 th	Twelfth meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding the briefing to be given by Acting Ambassador of China, Mr. Zhao Lijian, on CPEC projects and extending an invitation to the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC to visit China was held at Parliament House, Islamabad on 4 th May, 2016.
13 th	Thirteenth meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding the briefing of Mr. Ahsan Iqbal, Minister for Planning, Development & Reform to the Committee about the details of the upcoming visit of the Committee to China where the Committee will have a look at the Special Economic Zones (SEZs), Industrial Parks and learn more about the Chinese point of view on CPEC and its pattern of economic development was held at Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS), Islamabad on 16 th May, 2016.



14 th	Fourteenth meeting of Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding briefing by the Chairman of the Committee on their visit to China was held on 20 th July, 2016.
15 th	Fifteenth meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding briefing by Mr. Ahsan Iqbal Minister for Planning, Development and Reform, about the progress of CPEC projects was held at Parliament House, Islamabad on 12 th August, 2016.
16 th	Sixteenth meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding the meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC with Chief Minister, Gilgit-Baltistan and taking a tour of Karakoram Highway was held in Gilgit-Baltistan from 30 th to 31 st August, 2016.
17 th	Seventeenth meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding the presentation by Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed about the report of the Parliamentary Committee's visit to Gilgit-Baltistan was held at Parliament House, Islamabad on 26 th September, 2016.
18 th	Eighteenth meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding a detailed and comprehensive briefing from Minister for Planning and Development, Ahsan Iqbal, over informing the Committee about the upcoming meeting with Joint Coordination Committee (JCC), was held at Parliament House Islamabad, on the 26 th October, 2016.
19 th	Nineteenth meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding Committee's participation in International Maritime Conference on Gwadar Port was held at Gwadar, Baluchistan from 13 th to 14 th December, 2016.
20 th	Twentieth meeting of Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding the briefing of Chairman, Parliamentary Committee on CPEC to the participants about the meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC held at Gwadar and the briefing of Minister for Planning, Development and Reform to the committee about the importance of 6 th meeting of Joint Cooperation Committee, which took place at Beijing, China was held at Parliament House, Islamabad on 16 th January, 2017.
21 st	The 21 st meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding the briefing of Secretary Defence and concerned Senior Officers to the Committee about Special Security Division and the Maritime Security Force along with the briefing of D.I.G Security, National Highway Authority, about the existing CPEC projects and security deployment and informing about the working and coordination with other law enforcement agencies at provincial and district levels was held at Parliament House, Islamabad on 20 th February, 2017.
22 nd	The 22 nd meeting of Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding the briefing of Minister for Planning, Development and Reform to the Committee about the overall



	projects of CPEC up to 2030 with time-line of their completion along with the briefing of Additional Secretary, Ministry of Water and Power and MD, National Transmission and Dispatch Company (NTDC) about the future projects under CPEC regarding transmission of power to different parts of country, and performance of Peshawar Electric Supply Company (PESCO) was held at Parliament House, Islamabad on 21 st March, 2017.
23 rd	The 23 rd meeting of Parliamentary Committee on CPEC regarding the briefing by the Ministry of Water and Planning about the latest progress with time line of all power projects under CPEC particularly Wind power was held at Parliament House, Islamabad on 25 th May, 2017.

Belt & Road Initiative: Historic Summit in Beijing (May 14-15, 2017)

The Belt & Road Initiative (BRI) announced by President Xi Jinping in 2013 has finally been institutionalized and globalized following the rather unique and unprecedented summit in Beijing on May 14-15, 2017. This summit had 29 Heads of State and Government and various world leaders from all parts of the globe: Asia, Africa, Middle East, Latin America, Europe, etc. plus 1500 representatives from 130 countries. Heads of the global organizations like the United Nations, IMF, World Bank, UNESCO, ILO and the World Tourism Organization were also present. The Belt & Road Initiative is probably the single most important diplomatic and developmental initiative in 21st century connecting over 65 countries which comprises 70% of the world’s population, over 55% of the global GDP and 25% of the world’s trade. Pakistan had one of the largest and most representative delegations to the BRI summit which included Federal Ministers and Chief Ministers of the four provinces. The Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee on CPEC was invited directly by the hosts. The BRI summit will now be held bi-annually and the next BRI summit is scheduled for 2019.

Sustainable Development Goals Secretariat



The post 2013 has been an exemplary era for Pakistan when talking about international development commitments called the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). A major credit for this goes to the vision and leadership of Mr. Sardar Ayaz Sadiq, Honorable Speaker of the National Assembly of Pakistan, who brought a phenomenal change and inspired the world by integrating the SDGs with the strategic framework of the National Assembly, resulting in Pakistan’s Parliament to be first in the democratic world, generating all its energy needs from

Solar Power and also providing surplus energy for the national grid.

He recognized the power of the Parliament in the process of development and the need of oversight on the International targets. Therefore in 2014, under the convener-ship of the



Honorable Minister of State for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage, Ms. Marriyum Aurangzeb, he organized the SDGs Taskforce of MNAs.

The parliamentary taskforce started its business by organizing an effective Parliamentary conference on MDGs in June 2014 by bringing together a broad spectrum of stakeholders. The timing of the conference, intentionally, coinciding with the transitioning framework from MDGs to SDGs where countries documented their various successes and priorities for setting new goals. For the first time in history, the Parliament of Pakistan broke away from relinquishing the development agenda to third party agencies such as donors, civil society and executives, to regulating through monitoring and evaluating the development goals that have been committed by Pakistan to the UN in particular but more importantly to provide a better quality of life to people.

The Inauguration of the Secretariat

The vacuum in processing the output from the parliamentary taskforce on SDGs was later identified which was the absence of a platform where all the established goals and valuable insights from the taskforces could be assembled, analyzed and communicated with the Parliament, Provincial Assemblies and key stakeholders such as civil society, development partners, experts and media. The National Assembly's Project Management Unit played a dynamic role in this regard and worked parallel with the taskforces and also engaged partners in assisting the parliamentarians for informed policy making, oversight and evidence based legislation.

On February 16, 2017, The Honorable Speaker of the National Assembly of Pakistan Mr. Sardar Ayaz Sadiq established an extraordinary benchmark for the international community by inaugurating the first of its kind, state of the art SDGs Secretariat at the National Assembly of Pakistan. The SDGs Secretariat's commencement and inauguration featured malnutrition as an epidemic to such unmitigated proportions that it warranted to be declared as a national emergency. SDGs Secretariat has, in collaboration with key stakeholders, developed a structured framework articulating annual target, focused work plans with clear goals and accountabilities focusing on priorities such as Health, Education, Climate Change, Human Rights, and Routine immunization. With the passage of time the list is sure to grow.

Objective of the Secretariat

The Secretariat aims to serve as a data hub, effectively and efficiently highlight challenges, share successes and lessons thereby constituting the unprecedented, 133 members Parliamentary Task Force with robust representation from Parliament and all Provincial Assemblies of Pakistan, GB and AJK, on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), who have volunteered to be the custodians of the international development agenda and aim to achieve the 2030 targets promising to work for global peace and prosperity.



All-Party and Provincial Representation

Another important step was to develop Parliamentary Task forces in all provinces, driving ownership of the development targets from all Provincial Assemblies including Gilgit Baltistan (GB) and Azad Jammu Kashmir (AJK). This task was made particularly important through the introduction of the 18th Amendment to the constitution of Pakistan in 2010 that devolved almost all apparatus of Government such as education, health, climate change and the development sector from a federal mandate to the independent provinces. In order to enhance representation, an all-party approach, complete regional representation, gender balance and minority representation of Parliamentarians, the SDGs Secretariat has efficiently added memberships at the Federal and Provincial SDGs Taskforces. Currently the Provincial Task forces are made of 134 members including Federal (43), Punjab (30), Sindh (10), Balochistan (20), Khyber Pukhtunkhwa (20), Gilgit Baltistan (06) and Azad Jammu & Kashmir (05).

Technical Assistance for Oversight

In order to technically equip parliamentarians in their role, the Parliamentary SDGs Secretariat assists Members in providing an enabling environment for evidence-based legislation, representation and effective oversight. The Secretariat acts as a center of excellence for credible, authentic, and comparable data, and has supported in tracking, monitoring and evaluating social sector reforms critical for informed decision-making by elected representatives.

Constituency Engagement-Score Card

The strategic intent is to develop comparable scorecards for each priority in order to evaluate and monitor the overall development framework of Pakistan. The scorecards will also provide the Parliamentarians with a detailed development profile of their constituency in relation to the various SDGs, enabling them to formulate and push for effective and informed legislation and oversight.

Smart Strategy

During the establishment phase of the Secretariat, a process of strategizing an annual plan based on the SDGs and targets prioritized by the SDGs Taskforce members was initiated. This required rounds of consultation with the Project Management Unit (PMU) and members of the SDGs Taskforce. The convener SDGs Taskforce, Ms. Marriyum Aurangzeb, directly oversaw the process of development of the strategy. The process was followed by issue-specific work-plans based on SDG targets identified by the Taskforce. Under this strategy, evidence based legislation has been ensured through technical assistance to legislators to oversee SDGs indicators, and awareness raising/consultations with Parliamentary SDGs Secretariat members/Provincial SDGs Taskforces. Evidence-based priority areas have been selected using 'Data-Capacity-baseline-representation-analysis-comparison' and the Multi-dimensional



Poverty Index at the District level and incorporated into the strategy that envisages effective oversight through interventions in parliamentary business, integration of SDGs in the 'Order of the Day' and Standing Committees at the National Assembly.

Archiving of existing Legislation and Identification of Gaps

Through the enabling environment provided by the SDGs Secretariat, legislative analysis & gap identification as well as community engagement and mobilization at constituency level has been possible.

The existing legislation related to SDGs is archived at the Secretariat in order to develop a Gap-Analysis so that un-attended areas can be prioritized in the policy making.

Development Partners and Think Tanks

The Secretariat aims to promote Parliamentary Outreach to Development Partners, Civil Society Stakeholders, Think Tanks, Experts and Academia in order to ensure an all-inclusive and consolidated approach towards the achievement of SDGs targets. The Parliament and the civil society are collaborating to cope with the challenges such as malnutrition and health issues. The secretariat has signed agreements with development partners and other world bodies in the areas of malnutrition, clean drinking water, health, education, climate change, and waste management and the Parliamentarians are actively pursuing for SDGs. Under LOAs and defined work plans the Secretariat is working with these partners to support and equip the taskforce members with most recent data and information.

SDGs Outreach and Media Engagement

A communication & outreach component has been embedded in the SDGs Strategy. Further, the Secretariat has designed a quarterly SDGs Secretariat magazine to showcase ideas and activities of Members of Parliament from the Federal and Provincial levels. Through an active social media plan success stories and ideas are also constantly shared. The SDGs Secretariat would soon be launching its website having pages of the provinces as well to highlight their activities and performance.

There is also a need for creating awareness concerning social and development programs in the field of SDGs and media has an important role to play in this regard. Therefore, trainings have begun to equip the reporters with the understanding of the development agenda. Under the leadership of the Honorable Minister of State for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage and the Convener of the SDGs Secretariat Ms. Marriyum Aurangzeb, Pakistan Television will soon be engaged to increase awareness about the activities and performance of the elected legislatures with SDGs in particular.

The formation of the Secretariat is reflective of Pakistan's endeavor for equitable and just development of all its citizens. Through the Parliamentary SDGs Secretariat, public representatives have come together to show their commitment for human development, while



institutional strengthening has remained the paramount feature of the incumbent Parliament. The most defined goals and strategy development has been based on National Assembly Strategic Plan objectives.

Dev Watch – First SDGs Magazine of the Parliamentarians

The Parliamentary SDGs Secretariat has developed the first quarterly magazine of the National and Provincial Members of the Parliament, showcasing their ideas, initiatives and achievements in Sustainable Development Goals. It highlights SDGs data, Taskforce Parliamentary business, Constituency actions, participation in international and national conferences and events. Each issue will be themed on a different SDGs target having most relevance to Pakistan.

SUCCESSFUL PARLIAMENTARY INTERVENTIONS & ENGAGEMENTS ON SDGs 2017 -2018

1. Parliamentary Sustainable Development Goals Secretariat, National Assembly of Pakistan signed **Memorandum of Understanding with Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI)** on 25th May, 2018 at the National Assembly of Pakistan the strengthening of Parliamentary Business and oversight on SDGs through research assistance and provision of credible data. The MOU was signed by Honorable Speaker National Assembly Sardar Ayaz Sadiq and Executive Director SDPI Dr. Abid Qaiyum Suleri.
2. Parliamentary Taskforce meeting was held on May 8, 2018 where experts from UNICEF presented **Public sector WASH budget and expenditure – equity analysis** and ISAPS presented data and **importance of equity lens on Education financing**.
3. **3 -day Inter-Parliamentary Exchange on SDGs** was organized by the Parliamentary SDGs Secretariat and Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services in collaboration Tabeer-CPID a project of British High Commission during February 26 - February 28, 2018.
4. National and Provincial SDGs Taskforce members participated in a **Roundtable Session on Policy Implications of Climate Change Impacts in South Asia**, organized by International Centre for Integrated Mountain Development (ICIMOD) on **February 28, 2018**.
5. Taskforce meeting on **scorecards for routine immunization** was held on March 14, 2018 where Dr. Afshan Najafi, focal person at IVAC/ Johns Hopkins University for Routine Immunization scorecards and Huma Khawar from Gavi presented the RI scorecards. Taskforce members gave their feedback and discussions focused on reducing the number of Unimmunized children in Pakistan.
6. Honorable Convener SDGs Taskforce, Marriyum Aurangzeb chaired the opening session of **Child protection case management and referral system in Pakistan**



organized by the Social Welfare Department and Child Protection Commission in Balochistan in collaboration with DFID and UNICEF held on March 13, 2018.

7. Honorable Convener SDGs Taskforce Marriyum Aurangzeb met the Country representative UNICEF Pakistan to discuss **UReport** and approval of the mobile application and messages. They also discussed how child protection can be improved in the Country.
8. **3-day SDGs conference for the Gilgit Baltistan Legislative Assembly Members** was organized during January 10, 2018 –January 12, 2018 **where discussion focused on WASH, Education and Immunization scenario in Pakistan and the Role of the SDGs Secretariat.**
9. The Convener SDGs Taskforce Marriyum Aurangzeb met the UNICEF team and Members from the Ministry of Climate Change to discuss ways to conduct the **Legislative Gap Analysis on SDGs** and proposed necessary legislations.
10. Parliamentary SDGs Taskforce participated in The **Global Hand-washing Day (GWD)**, advocacy event in Islamabad on November 14, 2017. The SDGs Parliamentary Taskforce subcommittee on Water and Sanitation took charge of oversight on indicators across the country to initiate debate in the House.
11. A 2 -day National Roundtable Conference was organized in Islamabad on the 2nd and 3rd of November 2017 by the SDGs Secretariat and PIPS to discuss the initiative, progress and challenges of the Sustainable Development Goals. The meeting was attended by National and Provincial Taskforce members.
12. **Successfully using Evaluations in Policy-Making** - On 10th October, 2017, The SDGs Taskforce had an orientation meeting with UNICEF Experts regarding the role of Monitoring and Evaluation in Policy-Making.
13. **MOU signing with LEAD Pakistan** - On 14th September, 2017, the Parliamentary SDGs Secretariat and LEAD Pakistan signed a Memorandum of Understanding in Islamabad to provide data and technical assistance to Parliamentarians and Staff in connection with Sustainable Development Goals.
14. **SDG 3 (Good Health)** - On 17th May, 2017 PITB team was invited by the SDG Secretariat to present an Overview of SDG 3 (Good Health) and the Role of Parliamentary oversight and evidence based legislation for Routine Immunization.
15. **Letter of Agreement signed with UNICEF Pakistan** - LOA was signed with UNICEF Pakistan on 8th March 2017 to support the Parliamentary SDGs Secretariat in Nutrition, Routine Immunization, and Water, Sanitation & Hygiene (WASH) goals. Under the agreement, UNICEF would ensure the provision of technical assistance and IT support for the Secretariat through multiple interventions.

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Project Management Unit

The Project Management Unit was formed in July 2013 under the visionary leadership of Speaker National Assembly, 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. The PMU is responsible to:

- manage various internship programs undertaken in the Secretariat
- involve in strategic planning of the National Assembly Secretariat
- streamline the donor-driven activity/projects
- coordinate with development partners
- support parliamentary platforms
- facilitate in international conferences

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-4	01

1) Internship Programs at the National Assembly Secretariat:

The main purpose of these internships is aligned with the Vision of the Honourable Speaker regarding access of youth to the Parliament and to provide enlightenment to youth about parliamentary business.

PMU initiated various internship programs after successful completion of the YPA Program. These programs include:

- Internship at National Assembly Secretariat under the Prime Minister Youth Training Scheme



- Internship Program for Honorable MNAs under the Prime Minister Youth Training Scheme (launched in January 2017 and completed in February 2018)
- Voluntary Internships at National Assembly Secretariat under MoU with Universities
- Voluntary Internships at National Assembly Secretariat based on Individual Requests
- Position of these interns stands as follows:

Internship Program	No. of Interns Served	No. of Interns Serving
Young Parliamentary Associates	88	-
Young Parliamentary Subject Experts (YPSEs)	06	-
Voluntary Interns	120	15
Interns under Prime Minister Youth Scheme (1 st Batch)	20	01
Interns attached with Honorable MNAs under PMYTS (2 nd Batch)	230	13
Interns under Prime Minister Youth Scheme (3 rd Batch)	17	01

- **Successful Execution of YPA Program:**

- Provision of 88 Young Parliamentary Associates (YPAs) to the National Assembly Secretariat in three batches (2013 to 2016).
- Formulated National Assembly's own successor internship program based on the YPA Model.

- **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 successfully completed their internship period of 1 year in April, 2017. A total of 20 interns were placed in this batch, out of which 18 completed their 1 year internship period.



- **Internship Program for Honorable MNAs:**

In pursuance of the Honorable 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 Honorable 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 Honorable MNA's constituency.

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

The breakout 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. A total of 20 interns were placed with the National Assembly under this batch. These interns served for 1 year at the Secretariat with internship period ending in February, 2018.

- **Voluntary Interns:**

For the period 2017-18, a total of over 100 interns have completed their voluntary internship at the National Assembly Secretariat. Currently, 15 interns are serving while many requests for internships keep pouring in and are under process.

2) Green Parliament:

- Extended support in 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.

3) National Assembly Strategic Plan (NASP):

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



4) 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 22 of them have implemented the declaration.

5) Support to Legislative Function:

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

6) 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 at supporting 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 i.e. 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 Euros is essentially focused on the provincial assemblies which commenced on 1st November, 2016 for a period of 03 years.

- **The 'Support to Parliament' Project / IP5 Project:**

The IP5 Project is an assistance package of 15 million Euros to the Parliament. Financing decision of which is expected by the end of 2018 and its implementation is to start tentatively in late 2018 or early 2019. 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.



7) 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
- Manzil Pakistan

In addition, National Assembly signed MoUs with Manzil Pakistan and Kinnaird College for Women and PMU facilitated and coordinated the same.

8) Support to Parliamentary Platforms:

Provided organizational supervision and support to the following parliamentary platforms:

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

9) 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 & Social Justice" in March 2017.
- First Speakers' Conference on "Challenges of Terrorism and Regional Connectivity" in December, 2017.

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

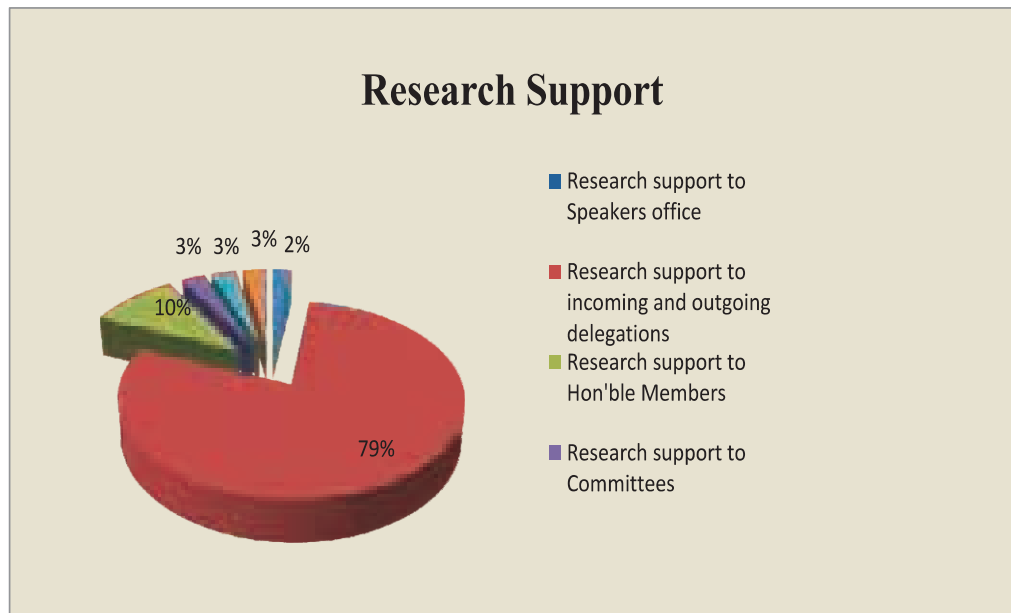


Research Center

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 Research Center 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 office of the Hon'ble Speaker, Deputy Speaker, Leader of the Opposition, and Members of the National Assembly, when required.
- Assistance to the International Relations (IR) Directorate of the National Assembly Secretariat in relation to IPU, CPA, APA and other international Parliamentary Conferences.
- Research support to the office 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 offered pertains 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 different aspects of the budget thereby assisting Hon'ble Members in better analyzing and reviewing 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 for undertaking a number of monumental tasks of National and International significance. Two Officers of the Research Center provide exclusive services to the Office of the Hon'ble Speaker. In addition to this, the Research Center prepares numerous assignments for the office of the Hon'ble Speaker. Some of the most prominent ones in this regard during the 5th Parliamentary year of the 14th National Assembly are as follows:

1. The Role of Pakistan in Regional Connectivity through CPEC
2. Information about Census in Pakistan
3. Overview of the Economy
4. Diary of the Events of 1st Speakers' Conference
5. 1st Speakers' Conference Bulletin
6. Members Directory
7. Compilation of First Speakers' Conference report on "The Challenges of Terrorism and Inter-Regional Connectivity"
8. Compilation and Publication of First Speakers' Conference complete News Directory



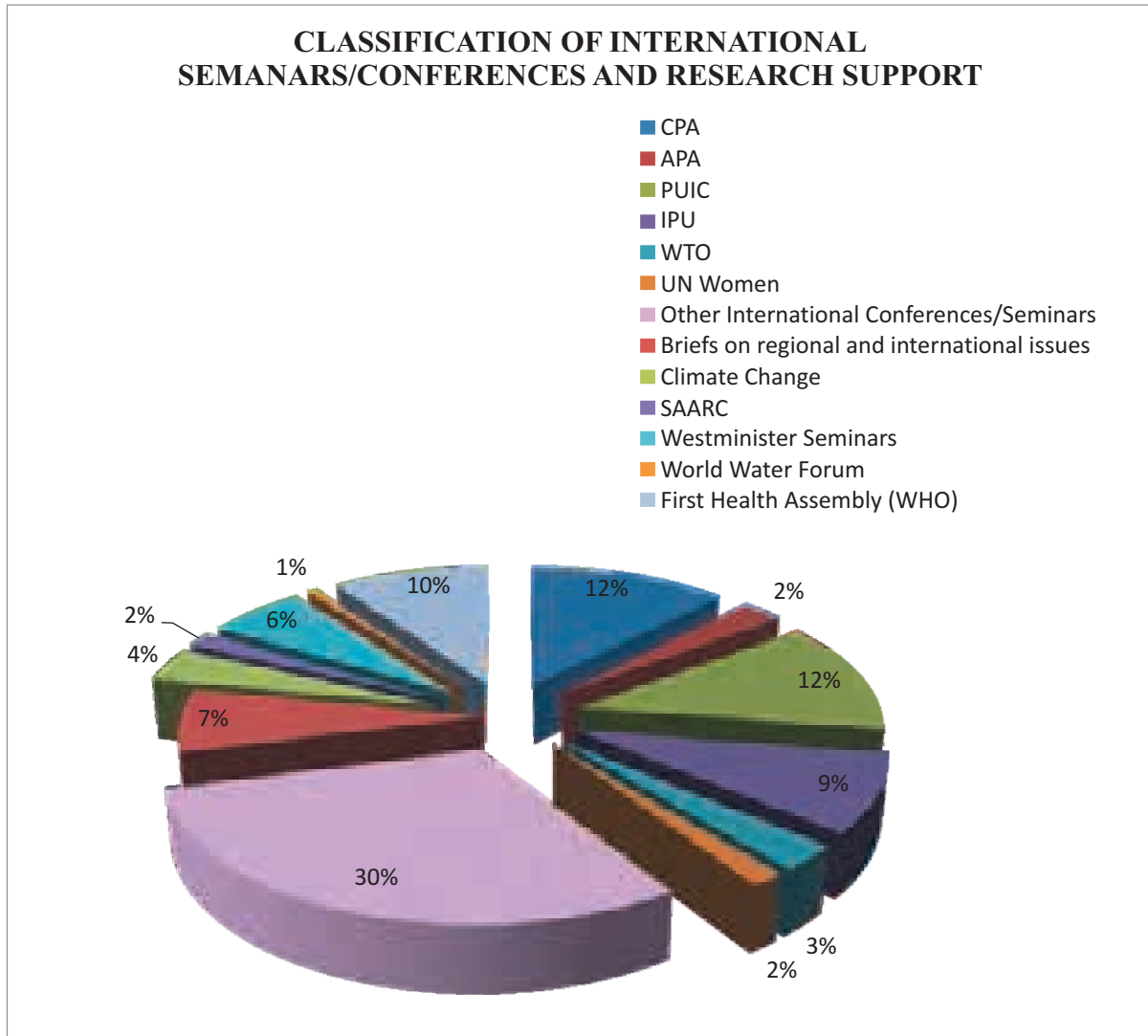
PUBLICATIONS AND COMPILATIONS

1. Annual Performance Report of the National Assembly for the 4th Parliamentary Year of the 14th National Assembly
2. Compilation of Conference Report of the First Speakers' Conference in Islamabad
3. Profiles of Hon'ble Speakers National Assembly
4. Profiles of Leaders of Opposition, National Assembly
5. 1st Speakers' Diary of Events
6. 1st Speakers' Conference Handbook
7. Book Review of "I Am Malala by Malala Yousafzai"
8. Profiles of Women Members of National Assembly (1947 till date)
9. Compilation of Women Parliamentary Caucus (WPC) Conference Report
10. Two Bills were drafted by the Research Wing in October, 2017

RESEARCH SUPPORT TO OUTGOING AND INCOMING PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATIONS

The Research Center 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 Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA), the Inter Parliamentary Union (IPU), Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA), United Nations (UN), UN Women, World Trade Organization (WTO), South Asian Association of Regional Countries (SAARC), Organization of Islamic Countries (OIC), Parliamentary Union of Islamic Countries (PUIC) etc.

The classification of research support provided for these International Conferences and Seminars by the Research Center during the 5th Parliamentary year of the 14th National Assembly is elaborated in the chart given below:-



Detail of important Briefs, Research Papers, Speeches and Talking Points for various international events/topics provided by the Research Center during the 5th Parliamentary year is as under:-

1. 138th IPU Assembly 24 - 28 Mar 2018 - Geneva, Switzerland

- i) Strengthening The Global Regime For Migrants and Refugees: The Need for Evidence-Based Policy
- ii) Sustaining Peace as a Vehicle for Achieving Sustainable Development
- iii) Engaging The Private Sector in Implementing the SDGs, Especially on Renewable Energy
- iv) Judicial Scrutiny over Internal Parliamentary Affairs



- v) The Relationship between Parliament and Government (With Informal Discussion Groups)
- vi) Participation of Society In The Innovation Process In Parliaments
- vii) Judicial Scrutiny over Internal Parliamentary Affairs
- viii) Refugee Protection and State Asylum System
- ix) Implementation of the Nuclear Weapons Ban Treaty

2. 13th Session of the PUIC Conference Held at Tehran on 16-01-2018

- i) Al-Quds Al Sharif, Palestinian Cause and the Occupied Territories in Syria and Lebanon.
- ii) Role of Islamic Parliaments in Confronting Zionist Israeli Plans Concerning Jewishness of Zionist entity (Israel) and Judaization of Al-Quds.
- iii) Occupied Arab Territories in Syria and Lebanon
- iv) Combating Terrorism in all its Forms and Manifestations
- v) Situation in Republic of Iraq
- vi) Situation in Republic of Sudan
- vii) Humanitarian Situation in Syria
- viii) Situation in Republic of Somalia
- ix) Situation in Afghanistan
- x) Consideration of the Situation in Republic of Mali and its Effect on Neighboring States
- xi) Consideration of Security Situation and the Situation of Refugees and Returnees in Republic of Chad
- xii) Conflict Resolution Mechanisms

3. CPA February 2018

- i) Global challenges: What Are the Big Challenges Facing the Commonwealth Countries
- ii) Global Migration Crises and Role of Parliament



- iii) What is the Role of Parliamentarians in Addressing these Challenges? How Can We Support Them?
- iv) CPA - How Can Commonwealth Parliamentarians More Effectively Hold Governments to Account in Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
- v) Towards A Global Compact For Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration: A Parliamentary Perspective
- vi) Commonwealth Collaboration: What is the Scope to Share Insights about 'What Works' at National Level, to Scale Ideas and Initiatives, and Collaborate for Sustainable Development?
- vii) Judiciary and Investigative Resources

4. 13th Session Of PUIC 13-17 January, 2018

- i) Encouraging the Teaching of Arabic Language Students from Non-Arabic Speaking Islamic State
- ii) Protecting the Al-Aqsa Mosque against Zionist Israeli Threats
- iii) Protection of Holy Places in Muslim States
- iv) Following Up the Protection of the Islamic Cultural Heritage, Religious and Endowment Institutions in Non-Muslim Countries
- v) Progress Made in Finalizing the Basic Project of the OIC Center For Police Cooperation and Coordination
- vi) Rejection of all Types of Sanctions Imposed on Any Muslim Country
- vii) Possible Negative Impacts of JASTA
- viii) The Inalienable Equal and Balanced Rights of All People to Have Free Access and Free Use of Modern Technology for Peaceful Purposes.
- ix) Making the Whole Middle East Regime a Zone Free of All Weapons of Mass Destruction Especially Nuclear Weapons With No Exception
- x) Situation in Republic of Iraq
- xi) Situation in Republic of Sudan
- xii) Humanitarian situation in Syria



- xiii) Situation in Republic of Somalia
- xiv) Situation in Afghanistan
- xv) Consideration of the Situation in Republic of Mali and its Effects on Neighboring States
- xvi) Combating Intolerance, Islamophobia and Xenophobia
- xvii) Increasing Trade Exchange And Lowering Trade Barriers Among OIC Member States
- xviii) Confronting Unilateral and Multilateral Sanctions Affecting the People of Targeted States
- xix) Energizing and Supporting Economic Institutions Active in the Field of Development in the Islamic World
- xx) Dealing with Foreign Debts of Islamic States
- xxi) Environmental Issues and Sustainable Development
- xxii) Combating Desertification Particularly in African Sahel States
- xxiii) Cooperation in the Field Of Preserving of Water Resources in States Member Parliaments
- xxiv) Combating Sand and Dust Storms
- xxv) Commission of the Chad Lake Basin

5. CPA Parliamentarians Forum 26th February-1st March 2018 UK London

- i) Renewal, Reforms and Innovation
- ii) What Should the Future Parliamentarian Look Like?
- iii) Pro Active Parliament: Bolstering Self-Development
- iv) Consideration of Proposal for Debate on The Role of Parliament in Ending Discrimination Based on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identifying and Ensuring Respect for the Human Rights of LGBT Persons
- v) The Future of Parliament and Welfare of Common People
- vi) The Parliament and Empowerment of Common People
- vii) Establishing the Common Wealth Parliaments Gender Policy Priorities



- viii) What are the current challenges that are faced in Pakistan that may have resonance to some of your counterparts from across the commonwealth?

6. UN Commission on the Status Of Women March 2018 - New York

- i) Amplifying the Voices of Rural Women and Girls
- ii) Women Empowerment and Education
- iii) Gainful Employment and Women Status in Society
- iv) Addressing Discrimination Against Rural Women and Girls
- v) Mitigating the Impact of Climate Change on Rural Women and Girls

7. 4th Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians Canada

“Young Parliamentarians: Drivers of Inclusion”

8. Asian Parliamentary Assembly (Cyprus 26 June 2018)

- i) Draft Resolution on Asian Integrated Markets
- ii) Draft Resolution on Environmental Issues
- iii) Draft Resolution on Financial Affairs Ensuring Efforts for Economic Growth
- iv) Draft Resolution on Poverty Eradication
- v) Draft Resolution on Water and Sanitation in Asia for All
- vi) Draft Resolution on The Role of APA Parliaments in Supporting the Implementation of SDGs

9. Climate Change

- i) Responding to Climate Change – Actions of Legislators to Achieve the SDGs
- ii) Climate Change, International Commitments and Requirements for National Legislators
- iii) Mitigating the Impact of Climate Change on Rural Women and Girls
- iv) The Climate Change Debate: Challenge for Commonwealth
- v) Parliamentary Contribution to the 2017 UN Climate Change Conference
- vi) SDGs and Climate Change



- vii) Climate Change Negotiations Post-Paris: New Era, New Opportunities
- viii) SAARC Parliamentarians' Role in Preserving Cultural and Archeological Heritage in South
- ix) Social Impact of Climate Change: How to Effectively Deal with Gender and Other Inequalities?
- x) Enhancing Cooperation in the Field of Environmental Protection and Climate Change.
- xi) The Climate Change Connection: Rising Sea Levels, Acidification and Other Ecosystem Changes
- xii) Undertaking Reform of Energy and Mitigating Climate Change
- xiii) The Role for Commonwealth Parliaments As Partners and Collaborators in Meeting The Global Challenge of Climate Change

10. RSIS- WTO PARLIAMENTARIAN WORKSHOP (SINGAPURE 7-9 MAY 2018)

- i) Session III: The Current Political Context and its Impact on International Trade and WTO
- ii) Session IV: Agricultural and Fisheries
- iii) Session V: Trade In "Green" Goods
- iv) Session VI: How Can Some WTO Rules Help Economics and Trade in Asia Pacific? The TFA, ITA and e-Commerce
- v) Session VII: Economies in Asia Pacific

11. The Extraordinary Open-Ended Meeting of the PUIC Standing Committee. (Tehran 28th April 2018)

- i) The Current Situation In Palestine

12. First Speakers' Conference Of Afghanistan, China, Iran, Pakistan, Russian Federation And Turkey to Address the Challenges of Terrorism and Inter-Regional Connectivity (Islamabad 23-26 December 2017)

- i) Final Report of the Conference



13. The 8th World Water Forum (Brazil 18-23 March 2018)

- i) Sharing Water
- ii) The Role Of Parliament and the Rights to Water

14. Parliamentary Meeting During The 62nd Session of the Commission on the Status of Women(CSW) (New York 13 March 2018)

- i) Making it Safe for Women in Politics: Seeking Institutional Solutions
- ii) Gender and Youth Quotas: Complementary Or in Competition

15. Parliamentary Hearing at the United Nations (New York 22-23 February 2018)

- i) Migration Today: Main Facts, Agreed Principles and Gaps
- ii) National Policies and Local Responses: Best Practices and the Need For Coordination
- iii) Addressing Large Movements: Domestic Initiative and International Cooperation
- iv) Social Cohesion and Integration of Migrants
- v) Realizing the Human Rights of all Migrants: A Whole-Of-Government Approach
- vi) From Irregular to Regular Status: Common Principle and Best Practices
- vii) The Political and Social Participation of Migrants and Decision-Making
- viii) The Global Compact For Migration (GCM) and Follow-Up: The Role of Parliaments

16. Commonwealth Parliamentarians Forum (London 26 Feb- 1 March 2018)

- i) Global Challenges
- ii) Commonwealth Collaboration
- iii) Role of Parliamentarians
- iv) A More Sustainable Future
- v) A Fairer Future
- vi) A More Secure Future



- vii) A More Prosperous Future
- viii) Other Cross-Cutting Themes

17. CPA UK Legislative Drafting Seminar –London 11-15 December,2017

- i) Legislating on Modern Slavery /Human Trafficking to Commonwealth Legislatures
- ii) National and International Benefits of Introducing the Legislation Against Modern Slavery

18. The Buenos Aires Session of the Parliamentary Conference on the WTO at Buenos Aires ,Argentina From 9-10 December,2017

- i) E-Commerce and Internationalization of SMEs
- ii) The Role of Multilateralism in the Times of Rising Protectionism

19. The international Parliamentary Conference to be held under the auspices of the United Nations in Moscow on December 4,2017

- i) Parliamentary Dimension of International Anti –Drug Cooperation
- ii) Fighting against Illegal Drug Trafficking
- iii) Studying Operational Experience on Rehabilitation and Promotion of a Healthy Life style

20. The Seminar on the Mediterranean and Middle East Special Group in the context of NATO Parliamentary Assembly from 23-24 November, 2017

- i) Brief Regarding the Crisis Involving the Mediterranean Countries
- ii) Stabilization of the Sahel area
- iii) Conflict in Syria and Iraq
- iv) Jihadist Terrorist Threat
- v) The Radicalization in Europe

21. The Women Political Leaders Annual Global Summit from 28-30 November 2017 At Reykjavik ,Iceland

- i) How Women Leaders Change the World
- ii) A Change Global Order? Rethinking Policies of Place



- iii) A Woman's Place in Politics
- iv) Sustainability First- Living Today as if it Were Tomorrow
- v) Labour Market Inclusion –Powered by Digital
- vi) All You Need Is STEM
- vii) Rape: A Weapon of War
- viii) Motherhood Has No Borders
- ix) Make Trade Not War
- x) Healthy Women Healthy Economies
- xi) Bold Social Policies
- xii) Roots Of Power; Property Rights
- xiii) Social Media Training

22. 2nd Executive Council meeting and the 10th APA plenary session scheduled to be held from 20-25 November 2017 at Istanbul Grand National Assembly Of turkey

- i) Sustaining Peace and Development in Asia
- ii) National and International Benefits of Introducing the Legislation Against Modern Slavery

23. 2nd Meeting of Speakers of Eurasian Countries Parliaments to be held from 26-28 June ,2017 at Seoul Republic of Korea

- i) Promotion of Inter-Parliamentary Cooperation for Common Prosperity in The Eurasian Region

24. The 4th Global Conference Of Young Parliamentarians in Ottawa, Canada From 17-18 November 2017

- i) Youth Political Participation
- ii) Migration and Social Integration
- iii) Inclusive Growth



25. The Westminster Seminar On Parliamentary Practice And Procedure, London 13-17 Nov 2017

- i) The Westminster System: A Comparative Study
- ii) Learning to be Effective in Parliament
- iii) 21st Century Parliaments
- iv) Pressure on Parliamentarians
- v) Role of the Clerk
- vi) Parliamentary Practice and Ethics
- vii) Neutrality
- viii) The Role of The Speaker and How to Engage With Speaker
- ix) Parliamentary Business
- x) Role of the Clerk Providing Procedural Advices
- xi) Overview of the Legislative Process
- xii) Holding The Prime Minister Accountable
- xiii) Behavior and Etiquette in Parliament
- xiv) Responsive Parliament
- xv) Representative Parliament
- xvi) Evidence Based Policy Making
- xvii) How To Deal with Media
- xviii) Chamber Debate: Religious Tolerance, Freedom of Religion
- xix) Engaging Civil Society As Parliamentarians

26. 63rd Commonwealth Parliamentarians Conference, Dhaka –Bangladesh 1-8 November, 2017

- i) Democracy Must Deliver
- ii) The Role of Parliamentarians in Building Stronger Ties Within The Commonwealth
- iii) Giving Voice to the Youth
- iv) Sustainable Development Goals



- v) Critical Mass: Small Jurisdiction and Big Problems
- vi) CPA Benchmark for Democratic Legislature
- vii) The Climate Change Debate: A Challenge For Commonwealth Nations
- viii) What Factors Fuel the Rise of Different Kinds of Nationalism

27. 137th IPU Assembly 14-18 October 2017 At ST. Petersburg, Russian Federation

- i) Public Participation and Communication
- ii) Promotion of Cultural Pluralism and Peace Through Interfaith and Inter Ethnic Dialogue
- iii) Refugee Protection
- iv) Ending Statelessness
- v) International Humanitarian Law
- vi) Forty Years Since The Adoption of the Additional Protocol to the Geneva Conventions: How Does the Law Still Protect in Contemporary War?
- vii) The Involvement and Active Commitment of Parliament in Maintaining International Security and Peace Through Support for a Political Situation
- viii) Coordination of Efforts of Parliamentarians in Fighting International Terrorism
- ix) Elections
- x) Time Management
- xi) Citizen Participation in the Legislative Process
- xii) Extensive Use of Information Technology in Parliamentary Debates
- xiii) Parliamentary Grouping
- xiv) Citizen Participation in the Legislative Process
- xv) Extensive Use of Information Technology in Parliament
- xvi) Management of Speaking Time in Parliamentary Debates
- xvii) The Opposition
- xviii) The Role and Working of Parliaments in Crisis Situation



28. The 8th Conference of the Association of SAARC Speakers and Parliamentarians to be Held from 4-6 October, 2017 Colombo, Srilanka

- i) Association Of SAARC Speakers and Parliamentarians
- ii) Promoting Parliamentary Diplomacy and Open Parliament
- iii) SAARC Parliamentarians' Role in Preserving Cultural and Archeological Heritage in South Asian Region
- iv) Support Women to Upheaval Themselves from Poverty and Build Better Futures for their Communities
- v) Countering Violent Extremism Among Youth to Prevent Terrorism and Empowering Youth to Combat Human Trafficking, Modern Slavery, and Illegal Trafficking in Drugs

29. CPA-UK Common Wealth Symposium On Trade And Prosperity 11-14 September 2017, London

- i) Increase Understanding of the Key Areas of Work Undertaken By WTO
- ii) Analyze the Argument Around "The Commonwealth Advantage"
- iii) Inclusive Trade Deals
- iv) Rights of Individuals in the Context of Trade Agreements
- v) Awareness of Gender Issues in the Context of Trade Agreements

30. Parliamentary Session Within the Framework of the WTO Public Forum at WTO Geneva, Switzerland On 26th September, 2017

- i) Trade: Behind the Headlines
- ii) Making Trade Fair: The Contribution of Parliaments

31. World Parliamentary Forum on Sustainable Development at Bali from 6-7 September 2017

- i) Achieving the 2030 Agenda of SDGs
- ii) Promoting Inclusive and Equitable Development
- iii) Ending Violence, Sustaining Peace
- iv) SDGs and Climate Action



32. Seventy – First Health Assembly Scheduled to be Held from 21 – 26 May, 2018 at Geneva, Switzerland.

- i) Addressing the global shortage of, and access to, medicine and vaccines
- ii) Polio transition and port-certification
- iii) Health environment and climate change
- iv) Global strategy and plan of action on public health, innovation and intellectual property
- v) Preparation for the third High-level meeting of the General Assembly on the Preparation and Control of Non-communicable Diseases, to be held in 2018.
- vi) Preparation for a high-level meeting of the General Assembly on ending tuberculosis
- vii) Global strategy for Women’s Children’s and Adolescents’ Health (2016-2030) sexual and reproductive health, Interpersonal violence, and early childhood employment.
- viii) Improving access to assistive technology
- ix) Maternal, infant and young child nutrition
- x) Pandemic influenza Preparedness Framework for the sharing of influenza viruses and access to vaccines and other benefits
- xi) Rheumatic fever and rheumatic heart disease.
- xii) Eradication of poliomyelitis
- xiii) Health conditions in the occupied Palestinian territory, including East Jerusalem, and in the occupied Syrian Golan.

Communicable Diseases

1. Global health sector strategies on HIV, viral hepatitis and sexually transmitted infections, for the period 2016-2021
2. Eradication of dracunculiasis
3. Elimination of schistosomiasis

Non Communicable Diseases

4. Public health dimension of the world drug problem



5. Global burden of epilepsy and the need for coordinated action at the country level to address its health, social and public knowledge implications Comprehensive Mental Health Action Plan 2013-2020
6. Comprehensive and coordination efforts for the management of autism spectrum disorders

Promoting health through the life course

7. Global strategy and action plan on aging and health 2016- 2020: towards a world in which everyone can live a long and healthy life.

Health Systems

8. Promoting the health of refugees and migrants
9. Strengthening integrated, people –centered health services
10. Promoting innovation and access to quality, safe efficacious and affordable medicines for children
11. Sustainable health financing structures and universal coverage
12. Availability, safety and quality of blood products
13. Human organ and tissue transplantation
14. WHO strategy on research for health
15. Workers’ health: Global plan of action

Health Emergencies programme

16. Smallpox eradication: destruction if variola virus stocks

Corporate services / enabling functions

17. Multilingualism implementation of action plan

Briefs for Miscellaneous Conferences and Seminars

1. Brief on Lifting Barriers to Women’s Economic Empowerment for Women
2. Parliamentary Ethics and Standards
3. Behavior and Etiquette in Parliament
4. Fighting Against Illegal Drug Trafficking on “Parliamentarians Against Narcotics”



5. Intercultural Dialogue for Food Security and Community Resilience for 4th World Forum on Intercultural Dialogue
6. Exploring Parliamentary Cooperation for Peace, Connectivity and Prosperity
7. Regional Connectivity and Regional Security
8. From Ratification to Implementation: Turning Action Plans into Achievements
9. Preventing and Prosecuting Mass Atrocity Crime (ICC)
10. Legislative Process Pre-Legislative Scrutiny and Committee Stage Legislation
11. 10 Years from Now: How to Strengthen International and National Normative Frameworks and Work Together for A World Without Impunity for Mass- Atrocity Crimes
12. Developing and Mainstreaming Relationships – Skill Based Capacity Building
13. Key Human Rights Issues: Modern Slavery
14. Regional Cooperation and Support on Human Rights and Rule Of Law
15. Efforts and Way Forward to End Sexual Exploitation of Women and Girls in SAARC.
16. Public Office Holders and Anti-Corruption Laws of United States
17. Intervention on Ocean Governance: Strengthening of Peace, Maritime Security, Cooperation and Friendly Relations Among All Nations
18. Brief on Ocean Governance: Strengthening of Peace, Maritime Security, Cooperation and Friendly Relations Among All Nations
19. Brief on Formal and Informal Mechanisms That Have Increased Female Representation in Pakistan’s Legislature
20. Childcare and Protection in the Islamic World
21. Combating Intolerance, Islamophobia, and Xenophobia
22. Preventing the Exploitation of Women in Commodity Promotions
23. Promoting the Status of Youth in the Islamic World
24. Supporting Societal Peace in Areas Liberated from the Control of Terrorist Groups
25. 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



26. Encouraging the Teaching of Arabic Language to Students from Non-Arabic Speaking Islamic States
27. Women Abilities for Solving Local and Regional Problems
28. Promotion of the Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC) Initiatives
29. Gender Equality in Nationality Laws
30. Budgeting for National Security Procurement and Tackling Corruption.
31. Terrorism in 21st Century
32. The National Security Strategy
33. Holding the Government to Account
34. Resolution on Free Flow of Information and Ideas
35. Promoting Dialogue and Universal Values Tools to Prevent Violent Extremism
36. Electoral Reforms Bill: Comparative Statement and Best International Practices
37. Gender Equality in Nationality Laws
38. Tackling Corruption and Improving Governance
39. Effective Cooperation in Combating Illicit Drug Trafficking
40. Legal and Legislative Cooperation in Combating the Smuggling of Cultural Items in Asia
41. Legislating for National Security.
42. Habeas Corpus Should Never Be Suspended in Cases Involving Terror Suspects.
43. Environmental Security.
44. Promoting the Financial Inclusion of Women.
45. United Kingdom Judiciary and Anti-Corruption Legal Framework.
46. Assignment on Legislative Document Management.
47. Gender Sensitive Approaches to Development.
48. Brief on Promoting Democratic Accountability of the Private Security Sector.
49. Parliamentary Contribution to Effective Cooperation with the International Criminal Court.
50. Brief on Ocean Preservation.



51. Intervention on Oceanic Preservation.
52. Women in Politics in South Asia.
53. Policy Priorities for Promoting Women Participation in Politics in South Asia.
54. Sharing Diversity: The 20th Anniversary of Universal Declaration on Democracy
55. Moving towards an International Rule of law: The Universal Ratification and Implementation of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court (ICC)
56. Interventions on Ensuring Lasting Protection Against Destruction and Deterioration for The Tangible and Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity
57. Women Participation in the Politics of South Asia: Regional Perspectives and the Way Forward
58. Promote Public-Private Partnership in Infrastructure Development for Sustainable Development.
59. Empowering Women at Work
60. Promoting Access to Financial Services and Opportunities for the Most Vulnerable Women
61. Scrutinizing Security
62. Fighting Inequality through Job Creation and Growth
63. Multi-stakeholder Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation
64. Towards Aid Transparency
65. The Evolving Mechanism for Effective Aid Scrutiny: ICAI Case Study
66. Violence and Intimidation of Women during Elections
67. Panel Discussion on Comprehensive Disarmament
68. Successful Strategies to engage men in Gender Equality
69. Combating Terrorism under the umbrella of the UN and reconfirming the legitimate right to resist occupation and foreign aggression
70. Entry Visa Facilitation among Muslim Countries
71. The inalienable equal and balanced rights of all peoples to have free access and free use of modern technology for peaceful purposes
72. Anti-Corruption Laws and their Applicability on Judiciary in Malaysia and Singapore



73. Promoting Enhanced International Cooperation on the SDGs in particular on the financial inclusion of women as a driver of development
74. National Security vs. Human Rights
75. Countering Extremism and Community Cohesion
76. Second Round of the US-Pakistan Bilateral Dialogue “Convergence aimed Divergence: Identifying Pathways to Cooperation in a Challenging Environment”
77. Managing Militancy: Opportunities and limits of US-Pakistan counter-terrorism Cooperation
78. Equality in Politics: Another 50 Years to Reach 50-50?
79. Equality and Diversity in Security
80. Energy Security
81. Partnering and Oversight of the Private Sector
82. Building International and Regional Partnerships and Agreements
83. Advancing Intercultural Dialogue – New Avenues for Human Security, Peace and Sustainable Development
84. Preventing Violent Extremism: Concepts and Frameworks
85. The Global Response to Drugs: Can It Work More Effectively?
86. Women Participation in Politics and Young Women Political Empowerment
87. Comparative Brief on Harassment at Workplace Acts
88. Trade as Vehicle of Social Progress
89. Information on Import of Meat and Dairy Products and Its Impact on Local Products
90. Ending Violence against Women. The Impact of Social Media in Perpetrating Violence
91. Equal Civil and Political Rights of Women
92. Political Violence against Women
93. Deliberation on Ways and Means: How to Implement SDGs
94. Deliberation on Vulnerable Situation of Women in War Zone and Considering Ways and Means for Protecting Their Rights by Member Parliaments
95. Marking the fifth anniversary of the plan of Action for Gender Sensitive Parliament



Briefs on Regional and International Issues

1. Syria Issue
2. NFC and Present Government's Efforts in this regard
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. The Problems of Refugees and Migration in Muslim Countries (Myanmar, Afghanistan, Syria, Iraq)
16. Situation in Mali
17. Situation in Chad
18. Sanctions against Muslims States
19. Counter-Terrorism under UN Umbrella
20. Refugees' Problems in Syria
21. Migration and Displacement in Pakistan

EXCLUSIVE RESEARCH REQUESTS BY MEMBERS:

Hon'ble Members of the National Assembly of Pakistan regularly approach the Research Directorate with research requests for authentic data and information covering various subjects



and for input that assists in discussions and debates in the House. The series of requests usually include data comparison, and analysis on subjects such as economy, sociology, population, education, health, employment, energy, law etc. During the period, the Research Directorate has supported the Hon'ble Members on various subjects such as:

Exclusive Research Requests by Honorable Members

1. Education Profile of Pakistan
2. Foreign Relations and Foreign Policy of Pakistan
3. Economy of Pakistan
4. Water and power issue
5. Agriculture
6. World affairs
7. Investment in Real Estate Sector of UAE by Pakistani Investors
8. Speech on Relations between USA and Pakistan, Economic Challenges, Trade and Investment
9. Complete Biographical and Political History of Sardar Farooq Ahmed Leghari (Late)
10. Poverty Reduction Strategy of the present Government
11. Pakistan's efforts for achieving SDGs in Pakistan
12. The Reason of Increasing Child Abuse Cases in Pakistan
13. Profiles of Women Parliamentarians
14. Details Regarding Female Members in Standing Committees
15. Powers and Functions of NEPRA
16. Achievements of the BISP
17. FATA Reforms in Pakistan
18. Budget Deficit and Government Responsibility
19. Booklet on Leaders of Opposition in the National Assembly
20. Booklet on Deputy Speakers' Profiles
21. Power and Functions of Speaker in Parliament of India
22. Power and functions of Speaker in Parliament of Bangladesh



23. Power and functions of Speaker in the National Assembly of Pakistan
24. PSDP at National and Federal level and Water Development Projects in Baluchistan
25. Clashes between Executive and Judiciary in USA and Australia
26. Research Paper on Parliamentary Privileges in India, UK, Canada and Australia
27. Brief on Relevant Case Laws regarding Free Speech and Parliamentary Privilege in UK and India
28. Brief on Qualifications for Prime Minister in India
29. Adjournment Motion on Quetta Carnage
30. A Brief History of Racism in the United States
31. Future of Coalition Support Fund to Pakistan
32. Brief on Water Policy
33. Information on Treaty of Gandamak
34. Information/Brief on Aitchison's Treaties
35. Child abuse
36. Brief on Powers of Cabinet in Pakistan
37. Pakistan's Soft Image in the World
38. Brief on Fata Reforms Committee Report
39. The Status of Education in FATA
40. The Status of Education in Baluchistan

Research Support to Committees:

1. Comparison Chart Regarding GDP Growth Rate in South Asia
2. Rules and Regulations of Fifteen Countries Pertaining to the Privileges of the Members of Parliament
3. Power and Functions of National Assembly of Pakistan
4. Power and Functions of Provincial Assembly of Pakistan
5. Power and Functions of the National Assemblies of UK,USA, Australia, Bangladesh, and India
6. Names and Dates of tenures of Chairmen Senate



7. Rules of Procedures and Privileges Comparison
8. Brief Regarding Health Care System in the World
9. Election Reforms Bills and International Best Practices
10. Concept of Privilege in the UK House of Commons
11. The Real Estate issue in the UAE

Research Support in Budget 2018-2019:

1. Critical Analysis of Budget 2018-19 with respect to its Impact on Common Citizen
2. Speech on Positive Aspects of Budget 2018-19
3. Provision of Basic Social Indicators as per Economic Survey 2018-2019
4. Provision of Data regarding Government Schemes for Uplifting of Women
5. Comparison of 2017-2018 Imports and Export targets to 2018-2019
6. Preparation of Brief for Reason Behind Unchanged Literacy Rate
7. Provision of Data on Internal and External Debt of Pakistan
8. Comparative Analysis of Agriculture Budgets 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018
9. Current Issues in Agriculture Sector and Recommendations for Budgetary Allocations
10. Critical analysis of Budget 2018-19
11. Positive Aspects of the Budget 2018-2019

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 5th Parliamentary Year:-

S. No.	June, 2017	July, 2017	August, 2017	Sept, 2017	Oct, 2017	Nov, 2017	Dec, 2017	Jan, 2018	Feb, 2018	March, 2018	April, 2018
English News	397	693	941	430	709	586	333	596	418	359	360
Urdu News	874	780	461	303	608	612	572	791	728	689	671



Legislative Drafting Council

Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament), being the principle Legislative Institution of the country, was incomplete without the establishment of Legislative Drafting Council. For the professional discharge of legislative functions, the Hon. Speaker took the initiative of establishing the Legislative Drafting Council in the National Assembly Secretariat. The Legislative Drafting Council started proper functioning after the induction of Legal Experts through a fair and transparent recommendation of the Federal Public Service Commission. Currently, the Legislative Drafting Council is working under the overall supervision of the Special Secretary National Assembly Secretariat and headed by a Draftsman (BS-19). In addition to that, one Deputy Draftsman (BS-18) and three Assistant Draftsmen (BS-17) have been appointed in the Legislative Drafting Council since January, 2017. The officers of Legislative Drafting Council are rendering their invaluable services and performing the following functions in the National Assembly:

1. Working as Secretary Standing Committees
2. Drafting and Vetting of Legislative Bills (Private Members' & Govt. Bills)
3. Vetting of Reports and Periodical Reports of the Committees
4. Vetting of draft Bills passed/approved by the Committees for the Legislative process
5. Vetting of the lists of Questions before their presentation during the Session of National Assembly
6. All other Assignments/Special Tasks assigned by the Hon. Speaker

Brief description of Legislative Functions performed by the Legislative Drafting Council during the 5th Parliamentary Year is as under:

Sr.#	Subject	Nos.
1.	Legislative Proposals Drafted by Legislative Drafting Council	35
2.	Bills vetted by Legislative Drafting Council	159
3.	Reports and Periodical Reports of the Committee vetted by Legislative Drafting Council	115
4.	Special Tasks	25



Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services

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 on December 15, 2008. The establishment of the PIPS through unanimous support of the Parliament reflected the will and vision of not only the National Assembly and Senate, but also of the Provincial Houses of Punjab, Sindh, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, and Balochistan, who are all represented through their Speakers in the PIPS Board of Governors. The Board of Governors, chaired by Chairman Senate or Speaker National Assembly by three-year rotation, has the overall control of the Institute and it guides its functioning. Executive Director is the chief executive of the institute and works under the control of the Board.

The Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services envisions establishing an appropriate forum to equip parliamentarians with cutting-edge strategies and tools to perform their representative, legislative and oversight functions effectively and efficiently. PIPS endeavors to provide high-quality, accurate and result-oriented services to the elected members and staff of the Legislatures, to promote parliamentary excellence in Pakistan.





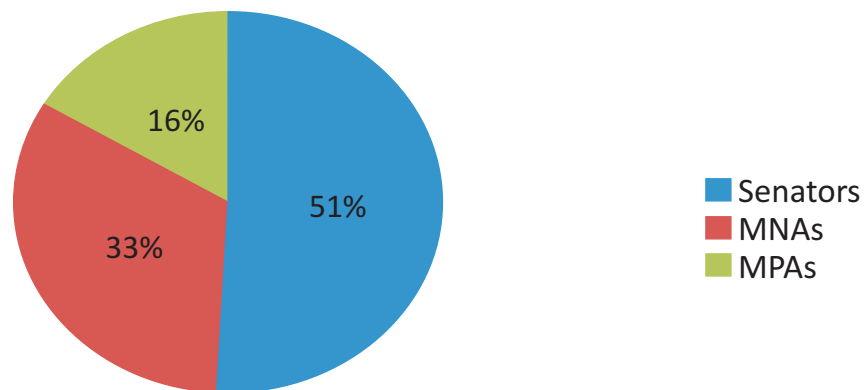
A. RESEARCH AND LEGISLATIVE SERVICES:

I. Research and Analysis Services

1. RESEARCH ON REQUEST SERVICE FOR MPs:

As per approved work plan 2017-18, PIPS Research Wing conducted 66 researches for Honourable MPs as part of PIPS exclusive service of Research on Demand. This includes 46 exclusive researches conducted for individual Members of Parliament through PIPS Research on Demand Service. In addition, 13 papers were prepared as part of PIPS Technical Assistance to Committees’ Service. It also includes two technical papers for International 1st Speakers Conference: The Challenges of Terrorism and Inter-Regional Connectivity. 51% of the total papers were conducted for Senators, while 33% and 16% were prepared for Honorable MNAs and MPAs respectively. Out of these requests, 29% were received from males and 71% from females. Since its inception, the Institute has produced 543 papers for Honourable MPs.

Figure 1.1 a PIPS Research Papers for MPs in terms of House



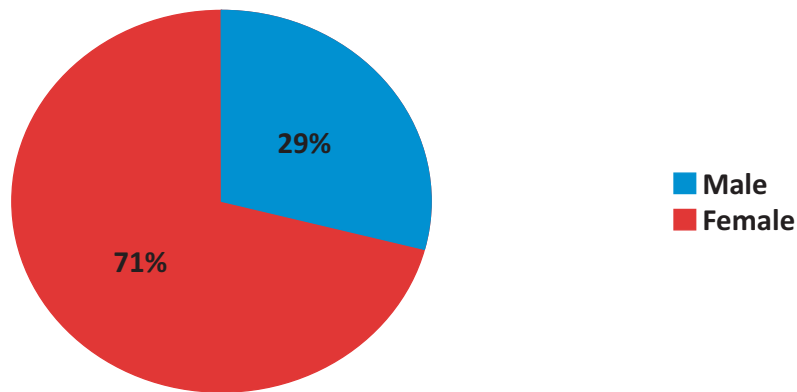
2. TECHNICAL REPORTS FOR COMMITTEES:

The Institute commenced its “Technical Assistance Service” in 2015 for providing detailed reports on specific subjects/areas to Standing Committees and Parliamentary bodies. During July-March 2017-18, it has prepared 13 technical papers for various standing committees and parliamentary bodies such as SDGs Secretariat, National Assembly and Standing Committee on Climate Change of the National Assembly. It includes a brief on Interconnectivity for Regional



Development for International 1st Speakers Conference on the Challenges of Terrorism and Inter-Regional Connectivity prepared on the direction of Honorable Sardar Ayaz Sadiq Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan. PIPS is also assisting in preparation of Preliminary Assessment Report- Members Capacity Building Program, Provincial Assembly of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. This preliminary report is based on three study visits by the MPAs to the UK House of Commons, Scottish and Tynwald Parliaments and their remarks about what they found most absorbing during the visits. The report encapsulates what the MPAs witnessed in terms of three basic functions of law-making, oversight, and representation, and how the best practices can be replicated in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Assembly.

**Figure 1.1 a PIPS Research Papers for MPs
(Gender-wise)**



3. MONTHLY RESEARCH DIGEST: PIPS Monthly Research Digest is circulated to 2000 readers including 1174 Members of National Parliament, Provincial Assemblies and Secretariat Officials, Academia and CSOs. The Monthly Research Digest issues of July-March 2017-18 covered thirty two (32) topics on current national and international issues. Since 2014, a total of 177 articles have been published in PIPS Research Digest.

4. PUBLICATIONS

- a. **Parliamentary Research: Theory and Practice:** The participants’ booklet defines the rationale and role of parliamentary research services and is aimed at equipping researchers of the National Parliament and the Provincial Assemblies about basic concepts and principles of Parliamentary Research.
- b. **Selected Speeches of Members of Constituent/National Assembly Volume 1 (1947-1958):** First Publication of Project Parliament@70 which includes 46 historic speeches of Members of Parliament.



- c. **Implementation of the 18th Constitutional Amendment, Briefing Paper on Regulatory Authorities (December 2017):** A customized research paper on an imperative topic aimed at enhancing the readers' understanding vis-à-vis the post 18th amendment role and supervision of the regulatory authorities.
 - d. **Consultative Report on National Action Plan, Business and Human Rights (December 2017)**
 - e. **UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights Urdu Version (March 2018)**
 - f. **Youth Guide, 5th Edition (April 2017)**
5. **SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS: Research wing organized eight (10) Round Tables and Seminars for Honorable MPs on matters of Parliamentary Significance.** The events were attended by 567 Parliamentarians and Parliamentary functionaries as well as CSOs.
 6. **PIPS Research wing coordinates to commence PARLIAMENTARY STUDIES PROGRAMME in 21 universities** as per vision of the Honourable Speaker Sardar Ayaz Sadiq. PIPS faculty in an in-depth interview provided detailed overview of working of the Parliament to four graduates from Department of Political Science, Kinnaird College Lahore who are conducting thesis/ dissertations in Parliamentary Studies.
 7. **PIPS OUTREACH PARLIAMENTARY EDUCATION PROGRAMME with Youth, Women and Civil Society:** Under the PIPS Outreach Parliamentary Education Programme, 9 events were organized which were attended by 607 students, women and members of CSOs to highlight various themes such as Constitution, Peace building through Parliament, Youth Policies, etc. It is noteworthy that PIPS has reached out to more than 10,000 school, college and university students, CSOs, local government representatives and women through 2 hour sessions conducted by PIPS in-house faculty including the worthy Executive Director, DG (Research and Legislation), DD Research, and Research Officers since 2012. PIPS has published 6 editions of its Youth Guide that has been disseminated among over 5000 members of civil society.
 8. **DATABASE:**
PIPS database has a collection of 6125 articles. Newspaper articles indexed during July-March 2017-18 are 2975.
 9. **PROJECT PARLIAMENT AT 70:** PIPS Research Wing manages the project Parliament at 70. First publication of the project has been published.



10. PIPS signs MoU with Tabeer-Consolidating Democracy in Pakistan
11. PIPS signs historic MoU with King Prajadhipok's Institute (KPI) Thailand
12. PIPS recognized as center of excellence for MPs in a study conducted by King Prajadhipok's Institute (KPI) Thailand
13. PIPS-PRCs: PIPS satellite offices established in Provincial Assemblies of Parliament Lodges, Balochistan, Punjab and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa actively contributing towards capacity building, research and legislative services:
 - I. **PRC Parliament Lodges:**
 - i. 435 Honorable MPs visited PRC out of which 301 were males and 134 were females.
 - ii. PRC conference hall was utilized to convene 48 Standing Committee meetings, 6 party meetings and 1 book launch.
 - II. **PRC-Provincial Assembly of Balochistan**
 - a. The office received requests from Honorable MPAs for preparation of 06 research papers and 03 bills.
 - b. The office was also used to convene 06 meetings of Standing Committees and Special committees including Health, Agriculture, S&GAD etc.
 - III. **PRC-Provincial Assembly of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa**

The office received 6 requests for bill drafting, modification and amendments.
 - IV. **PRC- Provincial Assembly of Punjab**
 - a. PIPS-PRC received requests for preparation of 22 resolutions, 04 amendments in existing legislations, one question, one calling attention notice, 07 adjournment motions and one research paper.
 - b. The office assisted Assembly Secretariat for preparing legislative analytical briefs of 18 legislations.
 - c. Assisting in editing and proofreading of new legislations, Official Magazine.
 - d. Assisting SDGs Secretariat on behalf of PIPS.



14. RESEARCH FACULTY: Research Wing Officers serve as faculty in various workshops and Seminars.

15. WEBSITE: Interactive website hits by 35,659 unique visitors while the number of website visitors has reached to 49,214

16. LIBRARY:

- a. Added 98 new books,
- b. Subscribed 12 periodicals and 07 newspapers
- c. Subscribed Pakistan Law Site and HEC digital library

ii. LEGISLATIVE AND NON LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

The Institute also caters for drafting of legislative and non-legislative services to Members of Parliament in addition to conducting legislative research on bills under consideration or old laws to improve them to customized reality of the day. The legislative and non-legislative services performed during July 2017 – April 2018 are as under:

1. Bills Drafted:

Sr. No.	Bill Title	Drafted for	Nature	Dated
01	Islamabad Food Authority Bill, 2017: A Bill to provide for safety and standards of foods and to establish the Islamabad Food Authority.	Senate	New Bill drafted	4 July 2017
		Chaudhary Tanvir Khan		
02	Punjab Environmental Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2017: A Bill to compel every factory to install treatment plants for the proper treatment of dangerous waste before its discharge into the water resources of the Province.	PA Punjab	Amendment	11 July 2017
		Mr. Asif Mehmood		
03	Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal (Amendment) Bill, 2017 A Bill to empower Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal to establish rehabilitation centers for the disabled children; and to provide rehabilitation services such as physical, occupational and speech therapy to the children suffering from cerebral palsy in order to improve their quality of life.	Senate	Amendment	11 July 2017
		Dr. Karim Ahmed Khawaja		
04	Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Bill, 2017: A Bill to provide for the protection of rights of transgender persons and their welfare.	Senate	New Bill drafted	11 July 2017
		Dr. Karim Ahmed Khawaja		



05	Protection against Harassment of Women at the Workplace (Amendment) Bill, 2017 A Bill further to amend the Protection against Harassment of Women at the Workplace Act, 2010 for restricting late sitting of women employees at workplace.	National Assembly	Amendment	25 July 2017
		Ms. Naeema Kishwar Khan		
06	Prohibition on Private Moon Sighting Committees Bill, 2017 A Bill to curb private moon sighting committees in the province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.	KP Assembly	New Bill drafted	26 July 2017
		Ms. Sobia Shahid		
07	Premarital Blood Screening (Family Laws Amendment) Bill, 2017 A Bill to make pre-marital blood screening tests compulsory for controlling blood transfusion diseases.	PA Punjab	Amendment	26 July 2017
		Mian Khurram Jahangir Wattoo		
08	Recommendations on Election Bill, 2017 A Bill to further amend the Election Bill, 2017.	Senate	New Bill drafted	12 September 2017
		Senator Muhammad Mohsin Khan Leghari		
09	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Local Government (Amendment) Bill, 2017 A Bill to further amend the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Local Government Act, 2013 to make the registration of births, deaths, marriages and divorce compulsory.	KP Assembly	Amendment	20 September 2017
		Ms. Uzma Khan		
10	Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017 (Right to Health) A Bill further to amend the Constitution to make right to health a fundamental right for citizens of Pakistan.	Senate	Amendment	18 October 2017
		Dr. Karim Ahmed Khawaja		
11	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Land Revenue (Amendment) Bill, 2017: A Bill further to amend the West Pakistan Land Revenue Act, 1967 for ensuring share of women co-owners of the inherited property.	KP Assembly	Amendment	18 October 2017
		Ms. Rashda Riffat		
12	Punjab Protection Against Harassment of Women (Amendment) Bill, 2017 A bill to include the enforcement of harassment law to the educational institutions in the province of Punjab.	PA Punjab	Amendment	31 October 2017
		Mrs. Gulnaz Shahzadi		
13	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Fair Representation of Women Bill, 2017 A Bill to amend certain laws of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa for the purpose of ensuring fair representation of women in decision-making bodies and their empowerment.	KP Assembly	New Bill drafted	8 November 2017
		Ms. Meraj Humayun		
14	Regulation of Public Gatherings Bill, 2017 A Bill to maintain public order during the public gatherings and for matters connected therewith.	National Assembly	New Bill drafted	17 November 2017
		Mr. Shehryar Khan Afridi		



15	Criminal Law (Amendment) Bill, 2017 A Bill to increase age of abducted child to deal with matters relating to child abduction.	Senate	Amendment	7 Decemb er 2017
		Senator Sehar Kamran		
16	Petroleum (Amendment) Bill, 2017 A Bill to enhance penalties on violations of the Act.	Senate	Amendment	7 Decemb er 2017
		Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan		
17	Islamabad Civic Education Commission Bill, 2017 A Bill to establish National Civic Education Commission for civic and parliamentary education.	Senate	New Bill drafted	20 Decemb er 2017
		Senator Sehar Kamran		
18	Wild Birds and Animals Protection (Amendment) Bill, 2018 A bill to enhance penalties provided in the Wild Birds and Animals Protection Act, 1912	Senate	Amendment	2 January 2018
		Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja		
19	Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill, 2018 A bill to enhance penalties provided in the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1890	Senate	Amendment	2 January 2018
		Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja		
20	Islamabad Wildlife (Protection, Preservation, Conservation and Management) (Amendment) Bill, 2018 A bill to enhance penalties provided in the Islamabad Wildlife (Protection, Preservation, Conservation and Management) Ordinance, 1979	Senate	Amendment	8 January 2018
		Senator Sehar Kamran		
21	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill, 2018 A bill to enhance penalties provided in the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act, 1890	KP Assembly	Amendment	11 January 2018
		Ms. Uzma Khan		
22	Factories (Amendment) Bill, 2018 A bill to enhance penalties provided in the Factories Act, 1934.	National Assembly	Amendment	19 Februar y 2018
		Mrs. Zahra Wadood Fatemi		
23	Global Change Impact Studies Centre (Amendment) Bill, 2018 A bill to amend the Global Change Impact Studies Centre Act, 2013 for making it a vibrant body.	National Assembly	Amendment	5 March 2018
		Malik Muhammad Uzair Khan		
24	Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2018 (Constituencies)	National Assembly	Amendment	15 March 2018
		Ms. Kishwer Zehra		
25	Criminal Law (Amendment) Bill, 2018	Senate	Amendment	3 April 2018
		Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan		



2. Assessment of Laws:

Sr. No.	Bill Title	For	Dated
01	Assessment of Draft Miscarriage of Justice (Compensation) Bill, 2017	Senate	18 July 2017
		Senator Azam Khan Swati	
02	Assessment of Draft Islamabad Gun and Country Club (Administration and Management) Bill, 2017	Senate	18 July 2017
		Senator Azam Khan Swati	
03	Assessment of Draft West Pakistan Pure Food (Amendment) Bill, 2017	Senate	20 July 2017
		Senator Azam Khan Swati	
04	Assessment of Draft Elections Bill, 2017	National Assembly	24 July 2017
05	Assessment of Draft Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Bill, 2017	National Assembly Ms. Naeema Kishwar Khan	25 July 2017
06	Assessment of Draft Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Criminal Law (Amendment) Bill, 2017	National Assembly	2 August 2017
		Ms. Naeema Kishwar Khan	

3. Collection of Laws:

As per guidance and direction by the PIPS Board of Governors, the Institute launched a six month project on data collection of all federal laws enforced in the country. Accordingly and as provided in the Section 4(b) and 4(g) of the 2008 Act of the Institute, the PIPS team collected a total of 724 Federal laws, which include 203 colonial and 521 post independence laws.

2. Non-legislative Business:

The Legislation Wing also provided support to the Parliament and to the Provincial Legislatures in the area of non-legislative business. During this period, the Wing drafted several resolutions, calling attention notices, adjournment motions and questions for the Honorable Parliamentarians. Details of which are as following:

Sr. No.	Title	Nature	Drafted for	Dated
01	Resolution for installation of electronic stability control in vehicles	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	6 July 2017
			Mrs. Gulnaz Shah Zadi	



02	Resolution for curbing drug use in educational institutions of Punjab	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	1 August 2017
			Mr. Khurrum Jahangir Wattoo	
03	Resolution on Civic Education	Resolution	Senate	11 August 2017
			Senator Sehar Kamran	
04	Resolution on Transgender Rights	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	22 August 2017
			Mr. Khurrum Jahangir Wattoo	
05	Resolution on increase in number of women employees in intelligence agencies	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	13 September 2017
			Ms. Freeha Fatima	
06	Resolution on increase in number of women employees in Punjab police	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	13 September 2017
			Ms. Freeha Fatima	
07	Resolution on taking measures to curb women involvement in terrorism	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	13 September 2017
			Ms. Freeha Fatima	
08	Resolution on increase in number of women in judicial service of Punjab	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	13 September 2017
			Ms. Freeha Fatima	
09	Resolution on improving girls education in Punjab	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	14 September 2017
			Ms. Freeha Fatima	
10	Resolution on minority representation in services	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	14 September 2017
			Ms. Freeha Fatima	
11	Resolution on taking action against fund collection for banned organizations	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	14 September 2017
			Ms. Freeha Fatima	
12	Resolution on inclusion of Chairperson NCSW in NACTA BoG	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	14 September 2017
			Ms. Freeha Fatima	
13	Resolution on merger of Punjab Fire Brigade into Rescue 1122	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	14 September 2017
			Ms. Freeha Fatima	
14	Resolution for provision of CNIC to women in rural areas	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	15 September 2017
			Ms. Freeha Fatima	
15	Resolution for recruitment of female officials in ANF	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	15 September 2017
			Ms. Freeha Fatima	
16	Resolution on controlling ISIS activities in education institutions	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	15 September 2017
			Ms. Freeha Fatima	



17	Resolution on controlling misuse of loud speakers	Resolution	Punjab Assembly Ms. Freeha Fatima	15 September 2017
18	Resolution on girls madrassah education reforms	Resolution	Punjab Assembly Ms. Freeha Fatima	15 September 2017
19	Resolution on implementation of National Action Plan	Resolution	Punjab Assembly Ms. Freeha Fatima	15 September 2017
20	Resolution on restriction of extremist speeches	Resolution	Punjab Assembly Ms. Freeha Fatima	15 September 2017
21	Resolution on Drug rehabilitation centers	Resolution	Punjab Assembly Ms. Freeha Fatima	4 October 2017
22	Resolution on increase of female workers in emergency services	Resolution	Punjab Assembly Ms. Freeha Fatima	4 October 2017
23	Resolution on waiving off bills of domestic electricity connection holders of remote areas	Resolution	National Assembly Mr. Sajid Nawaz Khan	4 October 2017
24	Resolution on political struggle	Resolution	Senate Senator Sehar Kamran	27 November 2017
25	Motion under Rule 123	Motion	National Assembly Ms. Romina Khursheed Alam, MNA	28 November 2017
26	Petition Afro-Asian Ocean	Petition	Parliamentarians of Afro-Asian Nations Senator Sehar Kamran	20 November 2017
27	Resolution on Kachi Abadis	Resolution	Punjab Assembly Mrs. Shunila Ruth	15 December 2017
28	Calling Attention Notice on sacked employees of SNGPL	Calling Attention Notice	National Assembly Mr. Shehryar Khan Afridi	19 December 2017
29	Petition to Standing Committees on sacked employees of SNGPL	Petition	National Assembly Mr. Shehryar Khan Afridi	19 December 2017
30	Resolution on implementation of animal and bird rights laws in Pakistan	Resolution	Senate Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja	2 January 2018
31	Motion 218 - Animal and Bird Protection	Motion	Senate Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja	2 January 2018



32	Resolution on Quranic verses in newspapers	Resolution	Senate	3 January 2018
			Senator Chaudhary Tanvir Khan	
33	Calling Attention Notice - Illegal hunting	Calling Attention Notice	Senate	4 January 2018
			Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja	
34	Adjournment Motion under Rule 86 - Illegal hunting	Adjournment Motion	Senate	4 January 2018
			Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja	
35	Resolution on Organic Farming	Resolution	Senate	8 January 2018
			Senator Sehar Kamran	
36	Adjournment Motion for protection, preservation and promotion of Kalash	Adjournment Motion	Senate	8 January 2018
			Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja	
37	Resolution on Child molestation and murder	Resolution	Senate	11 January 2018
			Senator Sehar Kamran	
38	Calling Attention Notice - Child molestation and murder	Calling Attention Notice	Senate	11 January 2018
			Senator Sehar Kamran	
39	Adjournment Motion under Rule 109	Adjournment Motion	National Assembly	22 January 2018
			Ms. Farhana Qamar, MNA	
40	Resolution on Child Rape and Murder	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	22 January 2018
			Mr. Khurram Jahangir Wattoo	
41	Resolution on Child Rape and Murder	Resolution	Balochistan Assembly	22 January 2018
			Ms. Yasmin Lehri	
42	Resolution on reserving place for graveyards	Resolution	Balochistan Assembly	23 January 2018
			Ms. Yasmin Lehri	
43	Resolution for Ban on Jawar import	Resolution	Punjab Assembly	25 January 2018
			Mr. Khurram Jahangir Wattoo	
44	Resolution on Child Protection in Balochistan	Resolution	Balochistan Assembly	29 January 2018
			Ms. Yasmin Lehri, MPA	



45	Resolution for National Survey on Violence against Women and Girls	Resolution	Senate	7 February 2018
			Senator Sehar Kamran	
46	Adjournment Motion to discuss crypto currency regulation	Adjournment Motion	Punjab Assembly	16 February 2018
			Rana Munawar Hussain, MPA	
47	Resolution on participatory role of women in KP	Resolution	KP Assembly	1 March 2018
			Ms. Meraj Hamayun Khan, MPA	

3. Public Hearing, Seminar and Legal Socialization:

Sr. No.	Title	Held
01	Legal Socialization Seminar on Elections Act, 2017	October 2017
02	Knowledge sharing session on Post Legislative Scrutiny and Delegated Legislation	December 2017
03	Round Table Discussion on Resolution No. 371	January 2018

4. Legislative Briefs, Papers and Reports:

Sr. No.	Title	Conducted for	Dated
01	Brief on Transgender Persons' Rights Bills	Senate	22 August 2017
		Senator Karim Khawaja	
02	Brief on Provincial Representation in Public Corporations	Senate	24 August 2017
		Senator Karim Khawaja	
03	A Comparative Study on the Legal Framework Dealing With the Financing of Political Parties	National Assembly	31 August 2017
		Mr. Muhammad Tallal Chaudry	
04	Report on role of Parliaments of big democracies in ratifying treaties	Senate	11 September 2017
		Senator Karim Khawaja	
05	Talking points on Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal (Amendment) Bill, 2017	Senate	14 September 2017
		Senator Karim Khawaja	
06	Talking points on Motion under rule 218 - 1991 verdict of the Shariat Appellate Court, which has made Article 253 redundant	Senate	23 October 2017
		Senator Karim Khawaja	
07	List of Federal and Provincial laws on the rights of child	Provincial Assembly of Balochistan	27 October 2017
		Ms. Yasmeen Lehri	



08	Talking Points on Legislative Initiatives Vis-À-Vis Violence against Women	Honourable Speaker, Balochistan Assembly	11 December 2017
09	Pre-Legislation Research on Organic Farming	Senate Senator Sehar Kamran	8 January 2018
10	Brief on Resolution on Child Rape	Senate Senator Sehar Kamran	22 January 2018
11	Legislative Brief on Islamabad Wildlife (Protection, Preservation, Conservation and Management) Bill, 2018	Senate Senator Sehar Kamran	22 January 2018
12	Legislative Brief on Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (Amendment) Bill, 2018	Senate Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja	22 January 2018
13	Brief on Adjournment Motion - Illegal Hunting in violation of Wildlife Laws	Senate Senator Karim Ahmed Khawaja	25 January 2018
14	Brief for Resolution on Organic Farming in Pakistan	Senate Senator Sehar Kamran	8 February 2018
15	Brief on Adjournment Motion on nefarious campaign against integrity of Pakistan	Senate Senator Sehar Kamran	9 February 2018
16	Brief on Resolution on National Survey on Violence against Women and Girls	Senate Senator Sehar Kamran	12 February 2018
17	Brief on Motion under Rule 218 - Child abduction, rape and murder cases	Senate Senator Sehar Kamran	12 February 2018
18	Legislative Brief on National Civic Education Commission Bill, 2017	Senate Senator Sehar Kamran	19 February 2018
19	Legal Research on Anti Human Trafficking Laws in Pakistan	National Assembly Ms. Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak	20 February 2018
20	Legislative Brief on Drug Regulatory Authority of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2018	National Assembly Ms. Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak	28 February 2018
21	Brief on Adjournment Motion on Crypto currency	Punjab Assembly	1 March 2018
22	Land purchase by foreigners in Pakistan	Punjab Assembly	5 March 2018



B. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

i. PIPS Capacity Building/Training Services

As per the approved work plan 2017-18, the Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services has organized robust series of capacity building and training events from July 2017- April 2018 for Members of Parliament, their functionaries and stakeholders from civil society. A brief description of PIPS professional development conducted is presented as under:

1. **Parliamentary Studies Certificate Course (PSCC) for the Officers of the National Assembly of Pakistan:** PSCC is a mandatory training course according to the service rules of the National Assembly of Pakistan. It is a pre-requisite for the officers currently working in grade 17 to attend and qualify in this course, before being considered for promotion to grade 18. Spread over a period of 4 taught weeks, it requires a multidimensional assessment of participants on core parliamentary disciplines. Accordingly, it has been split into two modules. Detail is as under:
 - a. **Module-I, July 04 – August 30, 2017:** PIPS organized Parliamentary Studies Certificate Course - Module I for the 2nd batch of Officers from the National Assembly of Pakistan from July 04- August 25, 2017 at PIPS. 16 Officers from the Secretariat and 2 from PIPS attended the course. The course covered the core knowledge areas related to the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan and Rules of Procedure of the National Assembly of Pakistan.
 - b. **Module-II, August 15 – August 30, 2017:** The second module of the Parliamentary Studies Certificate Course was conducted from August 15 till 30, 2017. Under this course, various topics were covered relating to Parliamentary performance, including Good governance, Presentation skills, Time Management; Team building & Interpersonal skills, Governance and Public Policy and Effective Communication Skills.
 - c. **Certificate Distribution Ceremony Parliamentary Studies Certificate Course – Batch 2 September 21, 2017:** On successful completion of Parliamentary Studies Certificate Course a “Certificate Distribution Ceremony” was held on Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. Participants expressed their satisfaction and showed gratitude for providing the conducive learning environment. At the end of the ceremony, the Executive Director PIPS, Mr. Zafarullah Khan and the course facilitator, Mr. Muhammad Mushtaq, Joint Secretary National Assembly, distributed certificates of achievement and souvenirs amongst the graduating officers.
2. **Orientation for NIP Interns, Senate of Pakistan, July 04-05, 2017:** The Institute conducted an orientation session for the eighty (80) interns of the Senate of Pakistan from July 04-05, 2017. The event included sessions on the Constitution of



Pakistan as a social contract between citizens and State, working of the Parliament of Pakistan and inter-parliamentary relations.

3. **Fundamentals of Effective Communication:** PIPS arranged a series of workshops on fundamentals of Communication Skills for the officers of provincial secretariats to enable them to excel in parliamentary communication. Spanning over five days, the event covered Effective Writing, Comprehension and Executive summary writing skills. All taught concepts were followed by practicum sessions whereby participants worked in groups and practiced their acquired skills. The Institute conducted these workshops in the following secretariats in the given sequence:
 - a. The Provincial Assembly of Balochistan, Quetta, July 10-14, 2017, attended by 20 Officers.
 - b. The Provincial Assembly of the Punjab, Lahore, July 17-21, 2017, attended by 20 Officers.
 - c. The Provincial Assembly of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar, July 24-28, 2017, attended by 20 Officers.
 - d. The Provincial Assembly of Balochistan (Batch II), Quetta, July 31-August 04, 2017, attended by 20 Officers
4. **Orientation Programme for the Short-term Interns of the National Assembly of Pakistan, July 19-August 18, 2017:** An orientation training for the interns hailing from various universities of Rawalpindi and Islamabad, spending six months in National Assembly and assigned to various committees, was held at the Institute from July 19-August 18, 2017. The orientation session was graced by the young parliamentarian, Ms. Shaza Fatima Khawaja, who addressed the burning questions of the youth regarding the democratic set up of Pakistan. The Institute further provided orientation on the Constitution of Pakistan and Rules of Procedure in the National Assembly of Pakistan for 46 interns. Mr. Qamar Sohail Lodhi, Special Secretary National Assembly and Mr. Mushtaq Ahmed, Additional Secretary National Assembly were the main facilitators.
5. **Legislative Drafting Course for the Officers of National Parliament, September 11-October 13, 2017:** The Institute conducted a month long course on Legislative Drafting for the officers of National Parliament from September 11-October 13, 2017. During the course, Law making process being followed for Government and Private members Bills was discussed at length, including Government's Rules of Business and Legislation, Fundamentals of legislative drafting and Monitoring & evaluation process. Mr. Mohsin Abbas, Sheikh Sarfaraz, and Mr. Kashi-ur Rehman from Ministry of Law facilitated the sessions.



- 6. Leadership Excellence in Parliamentary Committees for the Honourable Chairpersons/Members of the Provincial Assembly of Balochistan (September 25-26, 2017):** PIPS in collaboration with the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) organized a program for the Honourable Chairpersons and Officers of the Provincial Assembly of Balochistan on Parliamentary Committees from September 25-26, 2017. The objective of the event was to share best parliamentary practices on Committees' system and to create awareness about the challenges faced by political leadership in the changing political landscape.
- 7. Inter-Parliamentary Exchange Trip for Human Rights and Parliamentary Reforms, September 25-26, 2017:** An Inter-Parliamentary visit of the members of National Assembly, Senate and three Provincial Assemblies to the Provincial Assembly of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa was organized from September 25-26, 2017. The visit included sessions on Human Rights Legislation, e-Parliament and the role of women in legislation in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 8. Legal Socialization Seminar on Elections Act 2017:** PIPS organized a series of Legal Socialization Seminars on "Elections Act, 2017 - Towards a transparent Electoral Process in Pakistan", at PIPS campus Islamabad and provincial Assemblies of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Balochistan. The event was attended by honorable members, representatives of civil society organizations, reporters/ journalists and students of eminent universities. The participants were familiarized with the salient features of the Elections Act, 2017, Conduct of elections, resolving election disputes and civil society perspective on Elections Act, 2017. To present the Election commission perspective, a session on Challenges and Opportunities of implementing Elections Act, 2017 was also conducted. At the end of the event, the floor was opened for questions and answers. The seminars were conducted in the following sequence:

 - a) Legal Socialization Seminar on Elections Act, 2017, Islamabad, October 16, 2017
 - b) Legal Socialization Seminar on Elections Act, 2017, Provincial Assembly of Balochistan Quetta, October 28, 2017
 - c) Legal Socialization Seminar on Elections Act, 2017, Provincial Assembly of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar, October 31, 2017
- 9. Orientation Programme for the Short Term Interns Senate of Pakistan – Batch IV October 02-11, 2017:** The short term interns' induction in the Senate of Pakistan is a cherished dream of the former Honourable Chairman Senate of Pakistan, Mian Raza Rabbani with a view to enhance the Parliament's outreach. Eight-day orientation training for the fourth batch of short term interns of the Senate of Pakistan about the working of Senate was conducted



from October 02-11, 2017 to enable the participants to assist the honorable Senators and Secretariat Leadership.

- 10. Inter Parliamentary Exchange Visit to the National Parliament, November 13-14, 2017:** Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS) in collaboration with Democracy Reporting International (DRI) organized an Inter Parliamentary Exchange Visit for the Honourable Members of the four Provincial Assemblies to the National Parliament from November 13-14, 2017. Honourable Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak, MNA/Member Board of Governors PIPS, chaired the inauguration session; Mr. Zafarullah Khan, ED PIPS and Mr. Hassan Mirbahar, Country representative DRI welcomed the honorable guests. Prominent Human rights advocate, Mr. Afrasiab Khattak highlighted the human rights as guaranteed by the Constitution of Pakistan while Mr. Amjad Nazeer shed light on the status of human rights in Pakistan. An absorbing session on Resolving political disputes: Role of CCI was conducted by Mr. Zafarullah Khan, Executive Director PIPS. Sessions on Strategic challenges and Pakistan's social and economic indicators were also part of the event.
- 11. Workshop on Dos and Don'ts of Committee Meetings for the Officers of the National Assembly of Pakistan, December 27, 2017 -Jan.17, 2018:** A series of trainings were held for the officers of National Assembly Secretariat on the effectiveness of parliamentary committees from December 27, 2017 -Jan.17, 2018. The event covered the topics of preparation for the meeting before, during and after the meeting, and dress code, etiquette and protocol during the meeting.
- 12. Knowledge Sharing Session on Post Legislative Scrutiny and Delegated Legislation, 18 December 2017:** PIPS in collaboration with the Westminster Democracy Foundation (WFD) organized a Knowledge Sharing Session on the concept of Post Legislative Scrutiny and Delegated Legislation on 18 December, 2017 at PIPS, Islamabad. Honourable Senator Taj Haider, Chairman Senate Committee on Delegated Legislation, was the chief guest; Mr. Franklin De Vrieze, Senior Governance Adviser WFD, and Mr. David Thirlby, Senior Programme Manager, Asia Programme WFD, facilitated the understanding of the concept and discussion amongst the participants from National Parliament and PIPS.
- 13. 4th National Management Development Course (1st Nov to 15th Dec, 2017):** Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services commenced the 4th National Management Development Course, for the officers in grade 17 and 18, working in the Secretariats of National Parliament and Provincial Assemblies. The program was inaugurated by honorable Senator Mr. Farhatullah Babar,



who emphasized upon the Officers to build their capacities as ambassadors of Parliament and to live up to the challenges posed to democracy. Spanning over a period of seven weeks, the event covered many topics concerning the Constitution of Pakistan, Managing Legislative and Non-Legislative Business, Rules of Procedure, Personal Grooming, Parliamentary Research, Parliamentary Communication, Service Rules, Positive thinking, Leadership Skills etc.

- 14. Mandatory Training Course on Parliamentary Protocol and Social Graces, November 20-December 15, 2017:** Parliamentary Protocol and Social Graces is another mandatory training course according to the service rules of the National Assembly of Pakistan. The Officers working in the Protocol Wing are required to attend and qualify in this course, before being considered for promotion to the next grade. Spreading over a period of 4 taught weeks, it requires assessment of participants in the knowledge areas pertaining to “Protocol and Social Graces”, required in interaction with dignitaries and international parliamentary delegations visiting National Parliament.
- 15. Orientation Training for Interns, Jan. 17 – Jan. 23, 2018:** As part of the PIPS Outreach Program, a 7-day Orientation Training for Interns was held from 15th to 23rd January, 2018. The participants included more than 20 young and vibrant students from different universities of Rawalpindi and Islamabad. The prime objective of the program was to equip the participants with the knowledge about the working of the Parliament in a series of various interactive sessions including constitution of Pakistan, Rules of procedure, Research tools and Parliamentary research.
- 16. Parliamentary Studies Basic Course - Batch 2:** PSBC is a mandatory training course according to the service rules of the National Assembly of Pakistan. It is a pre-requisite for the officers currently working in grade 16 to attend and qualify in this course, before being considered for promotion to grade 17. The Course for the second batch of the National Assembly Secretariat officers commenced on January 22, 2018. It was split into two modules:
 - a) **Module I, January 22 – March 05, 2018:** Module 1 covered detailed sessions on the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan and Rules of Procedure of the National Assembly of Pakistan. National Assembly, Mr. Mohammad Mushtaq (Additional Secretary) and Mr. Qamar Sohail Lodhi (Special Secretary) from the Secretariat of National Assembly were faculty members for module 1.
 - b) **Module II, March 06-22, 2018:** Module II of the Parliamentary Studies Basic Course was conducted from March 06 till March 22, 2018. The



topics covered in Module II were Parliamentary Communication, Personal Excellence, Presentation and Supervisory skills. The participants were assigned to various group activities in all the sessions where they could apply the disseminated knowledge.

17. **Orientation Workshop for Honourable Members and Officers of Legislative Assembly of Gilgit Baltistan, January 22-26, 2018:** On the initiative of the honorable Speaker Gilgit Baltistan Legislative Assembly, Mr. Fida Muhammad Nashad, the Institute conducted a five day orientation workshop for the members and officers of the Assembly. The orientation mainly focused the new amended Rules of Procedure of GB Assembly, Governance Order GB, Financial Rules and Committee system at the Assembly.
18. **Workshop for the Committee Staff of Provincial Assembly of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, February 07-09, 2018:** In collaboration with UNDP, the Institute organized and successfully conducted three day interactive workshop for the officers of Provincial Assembly of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. This three day workshop covered the minutes writing techniques including practicum on minutes writing, legislative assessment of bills, role of secretary committee and handling difficult situations during committee meetings.
19. **Training Workshop Public Accounts Committee (PAC) for the officers of Provincial Assembly of Balochistan, Quetta, February 20-22, 2018:** PIPS started a series of workshops on PAC for the officers of Provincial Assemblies to equip the staff on the working of the committee. Such a workshop was conducted for the PAC staff of Provincial Assembly of Balochistan in Quetta from February 20-22, 2018. The workshop covered the process cycle of the PAC meeting, agenda setting, minutes writing, presenting PAC to media and PAC-AGP relations and coordination. Seventeen officers and officials of the PAC staff attended the workshop.
20. **Inter-Parliamentary Dialogue on Sustainable Development Goals, the “Role of Parliamentarians in the Oversight of the Sustainable Development Goals”, February 26-28, 2018:** In collaboration with Taber Pakistan, PIPS conducted an Inter Parliamentary dialogue on the oversight of Sustainable Development Goals by the Parliamentarians. A panel discussion on Provincial progress of oversight of SDGs was conducted followed by a visit to the Parliament. An absorbing session on role of SDG task force in ensuring strategic goals was conducted followed by group exercises. To strengthen the coordination of National Assembly Task force and Provincial Task force, a brain storming session was steered where ideas were discussed and recommendations were forwarded.



- 21. Training Workshop Public Accounts Committee (PAC) for the Officers of Provincial Assembly of the Punjab, Lahore, on February 27-March 01, 2018:** In continuation of its series of workshops for Provincial Assemblies, PIPS conducted a workshop on PAC for the officers of Provincial Assembly of the Punjab in Lahore from February 27 till March 01, 2018. The workshop covered the process cycle of the PAC meeting, agenda setting, minutes writing, presenting PAC to media and PAC-AGP relations and coordination. At the end a practicum session was also conducted. Twenty officers and officials of the PAC staff attended the workshop.
- 22. National Capacity Building Workshop on Counter Terrorism: Strategic Communication and Media Management, February 19-20, 2018:** The Institute in collaboration with Pakistan Peace Collective (PPC) organized a two-day National Capacity Building Workshop on Counter Terrorism: Strategic Communication and Media Management on February 19-20, 2018. The participants of the workshop included honorable members from the Senate, National Assembly, four Provincial Assemblies and Legislative Assemblies of Gilgit-Baltistan and Azad Jammu and Kashmir. The workshop comprised of Lectures from prominent scholars as well as mock sessions on real life role plays requiring honorable members to come up with a narrative. Workshop helped the Parliamentarians in devising a holistic narrative while responding to media on challenging situations.
- 23. Total Library Solution: Using KOHA and D-Space for the Officers of the National Assembly of Pakistan, February 21-March 22, 2018:** PIPS in continuation of its efforts to develop the professional skills of Secretariat Officers, organized a month long course on Total Library Solutions and D-space. The course covered topics related to KOHA and D-Space including introduction to Information technology, Automation, LAMP, KOHA Installation and Configuration, KOHA support and other related topics. The participants were provided hands on experience over these topics so that they could implement it in their respective secretariat.
- 24. Capacity Building Workshop for the Committee Staff of Provincial Assembly of Balochistan, March 05-06, 2018:** In collaboration with UNDP, the Institute organized and conducted two day interactive workshop for the staff of Provincial Assembly of Balochistan. The workshop covered the minutes writing techniques including practicum on minutes writing, role of secretary committees and handling difficult situations during committee meetings as well as best practices of committee meetings and minutes writing.
- 25. National Workshop on Legislative Drafting, March 28-30, 2018:** In collaboration with Manzil Pakistan, a research based think tank, PIPS organized a three day national workshop on legislative drafting for the officers



of National Parliament, Provincial Assemblies of the Punjab, Sindh, Balochistan and Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Legislative Assembly of Gilgit Baltistan. The workshop mainly focused on drafting instructional manual that Manzil Pakistan has compiled which covered citation rules, appropriate vocabulary and language and usage of capital words and punctuation. Other topics included contemporary practices of legislative drafting by David Thirdly and guidelines for Legislative Drafting by Sheikh Sarfaraz from Ministry of Law.

ii. IT Services at PIPS

PIPS is the state of art and premium institute for assisting legislatures and to improve their capacity. Information technology is the key department and need of every organization in this modern era of communication and computing. Social media and up-to-date web portal is also important part of information technology in this electronic era of socialization and outreach. PIPS' building was designed with modern technologies and was linked to modern facilities to provide support to legislatures. Like other modern organizations, Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services is also depending on Information Technology Infrastructure tools and devices for daily activities like mailing, drafting, noting, social media, voice and data communication, security, management, BMS, light controlling, attendance, event support etc. PIPS IT wing gave support to more than three hundred meetings/events of Senate and National Assembly committees, which were held in PIPS Parliamentarians' Resource Center Parliament lodges hall. IT wing also supported more than one hundred and fifty seminars, workshops, conferences of Parliamentarians and functionaries in PIPS main office. IT wing also arranged basic IT courses for Parliamentarians and functionaries and participated as facilitators. Technically, IT wing commenced Huawei Fusion compute in 2015, the idea was to cater more servers in a single rack to overcome the issue of power backup, cooling, cutting the cost of new hardware purchasing and better utilization of already installed resources. Through fusion compute, security is enhanced and the availability of system is ensured. Working in the integrated environment of virtualization is a tricky task. Managing the storage pool, network DVS and processing need care and calculation to configure and troubleshoot. An automated backup schedule is also defined for backup of servers and data for any unusual situations. PIPS email system is hosted and maintained locally, cuts the cost incurred by outsourcing and enhances security. Kaspersky Antivirus server was configured for updating and scanning user computers for viruses, worms, Trojans etc. PIPS IT Wing also configured various servers i.e. ERP server, Antivirus server, Cache server, File server, MRBS server, KOHA server, PIPSKM Server.

3. PIPS INTERACTIVE WEBSITE

PIPS has an interactive user friendly website with many new features incorporated such as Login for individuals MPs, e-Learning System, Research and Legislation requisition Services and social networking. It also contains PIPS Publications, PIPS Parliamentary Research Digest as well as Library Services for its users. The current website is dynamic, database driven scalable, Search optimized content enabled, having Parliamentarians/members driven content



submission and retrieval system. PIPS website is actively used by visitors from within country as well as US, UK, France, Finland, China, Germany, Canada, India and numerous other states. PIPS IT Wing designed a new web portal in 2016 with a modern user interface to better reflect the activities of Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services. The portal is continuously updated according to the data generated by the concerned wings. Following are the statistics of www.pips.gov.pk from (2014- April 2018): 142,620 unique users visited the PIPS website around the world. They viewed 871,595 pages, 1651,058 hits with 1430 GB data fetching of data from PIPS website. PIPS' social media pages on forums like Facebook and Twitter are also updated regularly.

Unique visitors	Number of visits	Pages	Hits	Bandwidth
142,260	97,773	871,595	1,651,058	1429.94 GB

IT wing is also ensuring the security of the institution's network by deploying Advanced Security Appliances with Kaspersky antivirus. Wireless SSIDs are being managed and MAC filtering is used to prevent unauthorized access. IT Wing is managing the AVAYA G450 Linux based gateway for internal and external voice communication. Video conferencing at five locations is installed for visual communication. In 2017 the bandwidth of internet connection was upgraded from 4 Mbps to 12 Mbps to cater to the daily traffic load particularly during events.

Information Technology (IT) Wing

The IT wing of the National Assembly Secretariat is making persistent efforts under the dynamic leadership of Honourable Speaker to introduce new technologies in its working to achieve improved transparency and efficiency. Automation Center is providing modern and fast information to the Hon. Members of the National Assembly and Secretariat staff in discharge of their legislative duties and functions.

2. House Business

The business of the House is uploaded on daily basis on the National Assembly website for information of Honorable 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 etc). The website of the National Assembly is rich in content and highly accessed by the general public.

3. 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 1972 to date. These Acts of the



Parliament have been uploaded on the National Assembly website for information of Hon. Members and public.

4. Internet Facility

Automation Center is providing Internet facility to the Hon. Members and all officers/ sections of the Secretariat to perform their official duties. The Automation Center has implemented a uniform policy to block access to entertainment websites on office computers.

5. In House Development of Software

A Number of software have been developed in-house by the IT Wing.

i. *Total Library Solution for National Assembly Library*

National Assembly Library is using KOHA Software for indexing and searching of books. The Automation Center has indigenously upgraded to newer version of KOHA to Total Library Solution (TLS). The data has been transferred to the new TLS. The Hon. Members and employees' record has also been updated as patrons for issuance of books to Hon. Members and employees of the Secretariat.

ii. *Computerization of Service book record of staff of the Secretariat*

It provides a list of employees and their service books where user can search, sort, filter or browse, add new employee and his details. It 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 for calculation of leaves, Service verification, promotion/Scale revision, and increment in pay. System also calculates the date of attaining sixty years of age and attaining 25 years of service of all Secretariat staff.

6. E-mail Facility

An official Email facility has been provided to the Hon. Members of National Assembly, staff and branches of this Secretariat for official electronic communication.

7. Short Messaging Service

A Web based SMS service is being managed for quick & instant delivery of information regarding National Assembly business, Committee meetings, and Parliamentary Friendship Groups etc. to the Hon. Members and Officers of the Secretariat.

8. Official Cards

I.T. Wing also prepares official cards for Hon. Members of the National Assembly, Former/ Ex Members of the National Assembly, Staff of the National Assembly Secretariat and retired Employees of National Assembly Secretariat.



Cyber Admin Wing

Cyber Admin Wing (CAW) is the true manifestation of the vision, dedication and strategic planning of Honourable Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan, Sardar Ayaz Sadiq. It is a result of his untiring efforts and focus on the steps to incorporate the rapidly growing technological advancements in the Secretariat to improve its services for the honorable members. The establishment of CAW under the supervision of Additional Secretary (Admin) is dedicated to improve the capability of National Assembly Secretariat in combating the technological bottlenecks which are impeding the governance and management of the secretariat by following the latest digitized solutions. CAW uses the integrated software solutions to the problems that have been faced by the different departments of the Secretariat which range from the inventory management to the digitization of the House and committee proceedings. Some of the important achievements of the CAW are given below:

1. E-Inventory:

It has been a great success of the CAW that Manual Inventory System of the Secretariat has been successfully converted into Bar Code based database where Bar Code Stickers have already been placed on the whole Secretariat's inventory thus automating the existing manual inventory.

2. CCTV and Surveillance:

It is another achievement of this newly formulated wing that despite being established less than six months ago, it has been tirelessly working day and night to improve existing security facilities of this secretariat. CAW has performed the troubleshooting of the existing CCTV system and made the network functional as per requirement. Moreover, survey has been conducted to replace the ages old security gadgets with latest systems so as to fully secure the secretariat in the face of existing security situation.

Meanwhile, with the forward thinking mindset, CAW has completed the planning to extend this facility to Parliament Lodges and Parking area of the Parliament House in order to increase the security umbrella as per existing security environment.

3. E-Committee:

Another project which was the brainchild of the hardworking staff of National Assembly is to automate the functioning of the National Assembly's Committees and making the proceedings of committees more secure through additional digitized security. To achieve this objective, e-Committee system has been developed and rigorous testing is being carried out to iron out its lacunas. The success of this system will provide valuable information to the Cyber Admin Wing which in turn will use these findings to successfully execute the long delayed next step of digitization of the House businesses



i.e. e-Parliament. Cyber Admin Wing is utilizing its abilities to orient the Secretariat along latest Information Technology lines so that the staff will become more efficient in serving the honorable members with better optimization in today's fast changing socio-political environment.

Human Resource Development Branch

The progress of the Human Resource Development Branch of the National Assembly Secretariat is given below:

Sr. #	Name of Training	Duration	Numbers of Officers / Officials	Institution
1.	Parliamentary Studies Certificate Course	04-07-2017 To 31-07-2017	13	PIPS, Islamabad.
2.	Two Week (part time) Training Course on "Service Rules & Regulations"	18-09-2017 To 29-09-2017	10	STI, Islamabad.
3.	Two Week (part time) Training Course on "Duties & Responsibilities of APS & PS."	09-10-2017 To 20-10-2017	12	STI, Islamabad
4.	Two Week (part time) Training Course on "MS Office 2013-16."	09-10-2017 To 20-10-2017	12	STI, Islamabad.
5.	Knowledge Sharing National Workshop on Parliamentary Research.	11-10-2017 To 13-10-2017	5	PIPS, Islamabad.
6.	Seminar on Kashmir Today and Tomorrow	18-10-2017	1	Institute of Policy Studies.
7.	Legislative Drafting Course	11-09-2017 To 24-10-2017	12	PIPS, Islamabad.
8.	One Week (part time) Training Course on "Service Rules & Laws"	13-11-2017 To 17-11-2017	7	STI, Islamabad.
9.	Two Week (part time) Training Course on "Office Procedures"	13-11-2017 To 24-11-2017	8	STI, Islamabad.
10.	Fourth National Management Development Course 2017	01-11-2017 To 15-12-2017	4	PIPS, Islamabad.



11.	Training Course on Parliamentary Protocol and Social Graces.	20-11-2017 To 15-12-2017	11	PIPS, Islamabad.
12.	Training Capacity Building of Staff Posted in Transport Cell, Toyota Motors, Islamabad.	30-10-2017 To 10-11-2017	2	Toyota Motors Islamabad.
13.	22 nd Senior Management Course	25-09-2017 To 12-01-2018	2	NIM, Karachi
14.	One Month English Typewriting Course	20-11-2017 To 15-12-2017	9	STI, Islamabad.
15.	Two Week (part time) Training Course on Service Rules & Regulations	18-12-2017 To 29-12-2017	7	STI, Islamabad.
16.	One Week (part time) Training Course on Orientation in Office Procedures	11-12-2017 To 15-12-2017	5	STI, Islamabad.
17.	Four Month English Shorthand Theory Course	01-01-2018 To 27-04-2018	2	STI, Islamabad.
18.	One Month (part time) Office Automation (English Typewriting) Course	08-01-2018 To 02-02-2018	5	STI, Islamabad.
19.	Two Weeks (part time) Training Course on Service Rules & Regulations.	01-01-2018 To 12-01-2018	3	STI, Islamabad.
20.	One Week (part time) Training Course on Promotion Policy and Rules	08-01-2018 To 12-01-2018	6	STI, Islamabad.
21.	Two Week (part time) Training Course on Microsoft Office 2013/2016	15-01-2018 To 26-01-2018	6	STI, Islamabad.
22.	One Week (part time) Training Course on "Improving Personal Effectiveness"	22-01-2018 To 26-01-2018	1	STI, Islamabad.
23.	Course on Leadership Development	29-01-2018 To 02-02-2018	1	NPA, Islamabad.
24.	Four Days Training Course on Primavera (project management Software)	06-02-2018 To 09-02-2018	1	PPMI, Islamabad.
25.	Human Resource Management in Public Sector	20-02-2018 To 23-02-2018	1	PPMI, Islamabad.



26.	Financial Management Procedure Policies in Public Sector	06-03-2018 To 09-03-2018	1	PPMI, Islamabad.
27.	Parliamentary Studies Basic Course Module-I	22-01-2018 To 02-03-2018	19	PIPS, Islamabad.
28.	On Job Training Course for Officers / Officials of the Secretariat	01-11-2017 To Till date	616	Committee Room # 02 National Assembly
29.	Parliamentary Studies Basic Course Module-II	06-03-2018 To 22-03-2018	19	PIPS, Islamabad.
30.	National Workshop on Legislative Drafting	28-03-2018 To 30-03-2018	12	PIPS, Islamabad.
31.	1 st Workshop on “Emerging Issues, Challenges & Opportunities in Rural Economy of Pakistan”	19-03-2018	2	Centre for Rural Economy
32.	Two Week (part time) Training Course on “Duties & Responsibilities of APS”	02-04-2018 To 13-04-2018	6	STI, Islamabad.
33.	Three Day Training Workshop for Capacity Building of Law Librarians	04-04-2018 To 06-04-2018	1	Federal Judicial Academy

Translation Branch

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 Urdu Typed assignments are then handed over to Comparers who are required to pay utmost attention and precision to accomplish the assignments.

Performance of the fifth parliamentary year (1st June, 2017 to 31st May, 2018) is detailed below:-

Contents	Quantity (No.)
Questions	4682
Private Members Bills	179
Resolutions	406



Committee Reports	193
Circulars	28
Communication of Notices	70
Objects & Reasons	22
Group Admitted List	106
Replies	3398
Motions	395
Cut Motions	1800
Senate Messages	74
Senate Recommendations Documents	04
Orders of Day	81
Summons	15
Ballot Bills	24
Ballot Resolutions	24
Admitted Resolutions	30
Miscellaneous Papers/Documents/Debates	450 pages

Library

The Library of this Secretariat is engaged in the intellectual process to transform information into knowledge and knowledge into wisdom by assembling and preserving universal collection of human knowledge available and making its resources more accessible and useful to Members of Parliament. The Library provides information and reference services to MNAs, staff of this Secretariat during proceedings of the House and Meetings of the various Standing Committees. The Library keeps its trove of knowledge by adding new books each year on subjects e.g. Islam, Philosophy, Political Science, Foreign Relations, Economics, Constitution and Law, History and Biography etc. One significant activity is to keep up to date record of the federal statutes. These laws are updated on regular basis as and when amended by the legislatures. The Library played a pivotal role in assisting the Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reforms during its marathon meetings to consider the Electoral Reforms Bill. A Brief detail of the books purchased, added through donation and reference services provided during the fifth parliamentary year of the 14th National Assembly is given below.



Acquisition of Books, Journals and Magazines:

S. No.	Description	Quantity/amount
1.	Books Added	200
2.	Number of Newspapers Added (34 daily Newspapers) Total Issues received	9267
3.	Number of Magazine Journals Added (66 magazine journals approximately) Total Issues received	771
4.	Number of books issued	2197

Digitization of documents:

The Library has digitized Annexure to Questions tabled in the House; the said documents are being scanned for 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	60

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	1548

Reference Service:

Provision of Reference Service to its patrons is one of the most important works of the library. The library provides reference service for Legislative 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	4300

**Submission of Files:**

S. No.	Description	Quantity/amount
1.	File submitted and disposed off	65

Interpretation Cell

Interpretation Cell is a permanent and regular facility in the National Assembly Secretariat. Its main purpose is to interpret every single sitting of the National Assembly Sessions and the Joint Sessions of the Parliament. The duty of Interpretation Cell is performed there and then and nothing is left pending and the essential data in case of interpreters, remains exactly the same as, in case of National Assembly Sessions and Joint Sessions. The Interpreters perform their duties simultaneously by interpreting the entire proceedings of the House from Urdu to English and vice versa. Interpretation Cell also provides interpretation facilities to the meetings of the Standing Committees and during the individual calls-on of the foreign diplomats.



**Farewell Group Photo of 14th National Assembly
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