

## NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

**“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”**

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

**Thursday, the 12th December, 2013**

*(Originally Starred Question Nos. 76, 130, 161, 20 and 52 were set down for answer during the 6th Session)*

76. **\*Sheikh Rashid Ahmed:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) the total number of mobile phone consumers in the country at present;*
- (b) the total amount of the revenue collected by the Government as tax during the year 2012-13?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) The total number of Mobile phone subscribers in the country upto June 2013 was 128,254,895.

(b) Tax Collection is domain of Federal Board of Revenue (FBR).

130. **\*Mir Aamir Ali Khan Magsi:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether it is a fact that most of industrial waste in the country is being disposed of in the rivers since long, if so, the steps being taken to control the same;*

- (b) *the total number of waste water treatment plants installed in Sindh Province to control the said waste during the last five years till date; and*
- (c) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to install such plants in the country in the near future; if so, the locations thereof?*

Reply not received.

161. **\*Sajid Ahmed:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to refer to Starred Question No.47 replied on 16-8-2013 and to state:*

- (a) *the location-wise national and international operational airports in Azad Jammu and Kashmir and Gilgit-Baltistan at present; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to upgrade any such airport; if so, when it will be implemented alongwith the details thereof?*

Reply not received.

20. **\*Shazia Mari:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that ban has been imposed on U-tube since long;*
- (b) *if so, the reasons thereof?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) The ban on You-Tube was imposed on September 18, 2012 by Ministry of Information Technology (MoIT), Federal Government of Pakistan.

(b) The ban was imposed after the launch of a blasphemous video “Innocence of Muslims”. Ministry of IT has tried to negotiate with the You-Tube/Google to remove this particular video along with other blasphemous content from their traffic entering Pakistan; however Google did not accept MoIT’s request.

52. **\*Maulana Muhammad Gohar Shah:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the loss of life and property occurred generally in the country and particularly in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa during the recent floods 2013;*
- (b) *the steps taken by the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) for the rehabilitation of the victims of said flood; and*
- (c) *the details of the functions alongwith the jurisdiction of NDMA at present?*

Reply not received.

@199. **\*Zaib Jaffar:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that 20,000 women and children died during the pregnancy and child birth in the Federal Government hospitals during the last five years till date;*
- (b) *if so, the steps being taken by the Government to control the same?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) Total number of deaths of females due to child-birth relates causes are as under:—

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@ Transferred from National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination.

Year	PIMS	FGSH	Total
2009	12	79	91
2010	10	101	111
2011	26	174	200
2012	13	210	223
2013 Till date	39	208	247
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>772</b>	<b>872</b>

(b) All necessary steps are already being taken including:

- Highest % allocation of beds to Maternal and Child Health Services *i.e.* around 55%
- Round the clock labour room services with all material arranged free of cost for all.
- Regular antenatal clinics
- Health education
- Early detection of high risk pregnancies and early plans of interventions
- Immunization against neonatal tetanus

248. **\*Dr. Shireen Mehrunnisa Mazari:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the night packages offered by mobile companies have been stopped; if so, since when alongwith the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to allow the said companies to continue the night packages?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) Cellular Mobile Operates (CMOs) offer different kinds of packages for the general public. Mostly these packages are offered for day time and night time. During the night the availability of network is usually more as compared to day. Therefore, in order to gain maximum, CMOs offer more attractive packages during the night. These include both voice as well as data packages. However, it was observed that among the offered night packages, CMOs have included chat packages which are objectionable. PTA also received a number of complaints from various quarters including Human Rights Cell of Supreme Court of Pakistan, Standing Committee of the Parliament, Consumers, Senators, and MNAs, on such objectionable packages.

PTA then directed all the CMOs on 14th November, 2012 to stop all such objectionable packages. However, CMOs challenged the PTA's directive in Islamabad High Court (IHC).

The CMOs initially challenged PTA's directives in IHC, and then they withdrew the case themselves. Later they again filed an appeal in IHC which was dismissed. The CMOs, filed a case in Supreme Court of Pakistan, which remanded the case back to IHC. Presently the case is with IHC.

(b) PTA has directed the CMOs to stop those packages which are against the norms of social structure and moral values of the society. All other packages are currently in place. There is no proposal under consideration by the Government/PTA to stop those packages which are as per the norms of the society and which benefit common people.

249. **\*Dr. Shireen Mehrunnisa Mazari:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the Managing Director alongwith two officials of PIA were sent to Turkey earlier in September, 2013; and*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the revival of earlier attempt to sell off the lucrative routes of PIA to Turkish airlines is again being considered; if so, the reasons thereof?*

Reply not received.

250. **\*Dr. Raja Aamer Zaman:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the construction of a tunnel from Islamabad to Haripur was planned and approved by the ECNEC previously; if so, the present status thereof; and*
- (b) *whether any funds have been reserved for the said tunnel during the current financial year; if not, the reasons thereof; and*
- (c) *the steps being taken to construct the said tunnel at the earliest?*

Transferred to the Communications Division for answer on Next Rota Day.

251. **\*Dr. Raja Aamer Zaman:**

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the steps being taken to revamp Pakistan Television particularly PTV News Channel to make it more credible; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration to constitute a Parliamentary Committee or an independent board of non partisan experts in this regard; if so, when it will be implemented?*

**Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid):** (a) PTVC is pursuing a policy of modernization and revamping of its production and broadcasting infrastructure on perpetual and continuous basis. Currently, PTVC has employed latest electronic cameras equipped with Internet based live broadcast system. PTV's News rooms have been transformed into paperless environment and control rooms in tapeless conditions. PTVC has converted its operation on full automation with indigenously developed system software. Moreover, new equipment is being introduced to replace the older one.

PTV follows the policy of ‘truth with responsibility’ and only gives authenticated and verified news and views to its audiences. Moreover PTV’s editorial policy ensures diversity of opinions to enrich viewer’s experience.

(b) The Media Commission constituted by the Supreme Court in its report submitted to the Supreme Court of Pakistan on June 10, 2013 while evaluating performance of Public Sector Media Corporations has recommended reconstitution of their Board of Directors. M / o IB & NH is currently reviewing the composition of existing Board of Directors and is contemplating the expansion to bring in diversity of views by incorporating representatives from the social sectors like sociologists, historians, psychologists, anthropologists, legislators and media practitioners to make these boards more broad based and effective. The Government believes that such a step would help infuse practices of good governance as well as re-orientate them to educate, entertain and, inform the end users in a constructive manner.

252. **\*Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the details of liabilities of the Pakistan Railways at present;*
- (b) *the date on which the assets and liabilities of Pakistan Railways were evaluated lastly; and*
- (c) *the steps being taken by the Government to discharge the said liabilities?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** (a) The details of assets and liabilities are compiled after closing of annual accounts on 30th June of each year. Therefore, the detail of liabilities of the Pakistan Railways under various categories on 30th June, 2013 is as under:—

Sr No.	Particulars	Amount (Rs. in Billion)
1.	G.P.F	5.611
2.	Staff Benefit Fund	0.008
3.	Foreign Loans	27.198

Sr No.	Particulars	Amount (Rs. in Billion)
4.	Overdraft from SBP	39.949
5.	Securities & Deposits	5.659
6.	Unpaid cheques on 30th June, 2013	0.092
<b>Total Liabilities</b>		<b>78.517</b>

(b) The assets and liabilities appearing in the balance sheet are recorded on historical basis *i.e* cost at the time of acquisition of assets. However, these have never been re-evaluated. Under the project “Financial Information and Management Information System, financed by the World Bank through a grant, consultants have prepared a Manual for Re-evaluation is stuck-up due to winding up of the project by the World Bank. It has been decided to finance the project through PSDP. Accordingly, the formulation of a PC-I is underway.

(c) The clearance of liabilities is a continuous process. The liabilities appearing in balance sheet is the net result of clearance of old liabilities and addition of fresh ones. So far as current liabilities of Pakistan Railways are concerned, it is stated that the efforts are underway to clear the same by utilizing the available resources over the system.

253. **\*Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the role of NDMA to control the natural disasters in the country?*

Reply not received.

254. **\*Dr. Azra Fazal Pechuho:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

(a) *the total amount disbursed to women beneficiaries under Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP) from June to September 2013;*

- (b) *the total number of women who are receiving money under the BISP; and*
- (c) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to continue the other programs under BISP including Waseela-e-Haq and Waseela-e-Taleem?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) Total amount disbursed in the month June, 2013 is Rs. 11,970,735,000. Further, no disbursement was made to the BISP beneficiaries during July-September, 2013.

(b) Currently, 4,069,882 beneficiary women are receiving their cash grants under the BISP.

(c) BISP has not received any instruction from the Government in this regard.

255. **\*Dr. Azra Fazal Pechuho:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state whether the matter of privatization of the shares of PIA is to be brought in the Council of Common Interest; if so, when it will be implemented?*

Reply not received.

256. **\*Dr. Arif Alvi:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that irregularities/mismanagement/corruption have been found in the Benazir Income Support Program (BISP) as reported in the last Audit Report of the Auditor General of Pakistan and the Federal Directorate of Audit;*
- (b) *the present status of the Health Insurance Scheme of Rs.3 billion awarded by BISP to State Life Insurance Corporation;*

- (c) *the total amount paid to the consultants of the said program alongwith the justification thereof; and*
- (d) *whether it is also a fact that cash awards and cars were provided to a number of persons/consultants under the said program; if so, the justification alongwith the action taken against the responsables thereof?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) Audit Reports of Auditor General of Pakistan has pointed out procedural irregularities.

(b) Currently, BISP is implementing Health Insurance Scheme on pilot basis in one District only, through State Life Insurance Corporation (SLIC) and actual disbursement in this regard is Rs. 201,255,300.

(c) There is no consultant hired for the Health Insurance Scheme.

(d) The cash awards of Rs. 66,581,507 was provided to BISP employees and consultants on account of their yearly honorarium since inception of the programme. The honorarium was awarded as a compensation for extra hard work done for the programme. There is no consultant who availed the vehicle from BISP. However, 23 vehicles were monetized to following officers in accordance with monetization policy duly approved by BISP board:

Designation	No. of Vehicle
Secretary	01
Director Generals(DGs.)	03
Directors	19
<b>Total</b>	<b>23</b>

257. **\*Dr. Arif Alvi:**

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the Media Commission has been appointed by the Supreme Court of Pakistan;*

- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the report of the said commission has been made a public document by the Court during June, 2013 and is available on the website of the said Court;*
- (c) *whether it is further a fact that the Ministry formulated its comments/responses to each recommendation contained in the said report; if so, the details of the comments; if not, the reasons thereof; and*
- (d) *the time by which Ministry will finalize its comments thereon?*

**Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid):** (a) Yes, Media Commission has been appointed by the Supreme Court of Pakistan, while rendering an order on 15th January, 2013 during the hearing of the Constitutional Petition No. 105/2012 alongwith CMAs-3795 & 3798 of 2012, HRC No. 23957-S/2012 and Const. P. 53/2012 and Constitution Petition No. 104 of 2012 & CMA 3464/12 and Constitution Petition No. 117/12.

(b) The said Commission has submitted its report in the Honorable Supreme Court of Pakistan on March 21, 2013 and June 3rd and 10th June 2013. The report is also available on the Supreme Court's website.

(c) Yes, The comments so filed are attached as **Annexure-A**.

(d) Ministry has already submitted its response to the Supreme Court of Pakistan on 26-07-2013.

*(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)*

258. **\*Belum Hasnain:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the University-wise amounts of funds allocated by the Higher Education Commission to public sector Universities for research purposes during the last five years;*

- (b) *whether the said funds have been utilized properly for the research purposes; if so, the detail thereof; if not, the reasons thereof?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education:** (a) The Universities-wise funds allocated by the Higher Education Commission (HEC) to Public Sector Universities for research purpose during the last five years are **Rs. 2,615,612,024/- (Rs. 2.615 billion)** for the following programs:

- National Research Program for Universities (NRPU) is Rs.1,872,672,477/- (Rs. 1.873 billion), the detail is attached at **Annex-A.**
- In INSPIRE (Phase-II) is Rs.56,333,443/- (Rs. 0.056 billion), the detail of the program is attached at **Annex-B.**
- Under Provision of Grant to Public Sector Universities/DAs for Maintenance/Up-gradation of Scientific Equipment is Rs. 50,728,586/- (0.051 billion), the detail of program is attached at **Annex-C.**
- Under Pak-US Joint Academic and Research Support is Rs.714,438,189/-, the detail of the program is attached at **Annex-D.**

(b) To ensure the proper utilization of said funds for research purposes, annual report of each case undergoes a process of rigorous peer review form HEC designated focal persons who are eminent scientists/scholar of said subject and on recommendation of these focal persons next installment of the project is released. The impact of research funding is visible from the unprecedented rise in internationally indexed research publications emanating from Higher Education Institutes in Pakistan as detailed at **Annex-E.**

Scimago, an independent research organization and an international evaluation and ranking platform which analyses scientific outputs of institutions and countries and monitors over 30,000 journals, is considered one of the most

credible databases in the world of research has ranked Pakistan from 43 to 27 based on their past performance. The expected output of research in Pakistan moving up 16 notches, which is the second highest increase worldwide, is primarily due to the innovative higher education policies and reforms undertaken by Govt. of Pakistan through The Higher Education Commission.

*(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)*

259. **\*Belum Hasnain:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether it is a fact that the uniform curriculum is not being taught/introduced in educational institutes in the country;*
- (b) if so, the steps being taken to introduce uniform curriculum for all the public and private educational institutes in the country?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education:** (a) Yes, it is a fact that the uniform curriculum is not being taught/introduced in educational institutes in the country.

(b) (MET&SHE) is working in consultation with provinces on the proposal of constituting National Curriculum Commission whose membership will be drawn both at the Provincial and Federal level and the Chair will be headed by Federal and Provincial Governments on rotation basis. In order to seek the opinion of provinces in this regard letters were written to Provincial Chief Ministers, however their reply is still awaited.

260. **\*Zaib Jaffar:**

*Will the Minister for National Food Security and Research be pleased to state:*

- (a) the province wise total quantity of wheat available in the country at present;*

- (b) *whether the said quantity is sufficient to meet the requirements of the country; if not, the steps being taken by the Government to meet the said requirements;*
- (c) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to import/export wheat; if so, the details thereof; and*
- (d) *the steps being taken to control the hoarding of wheat?*

**Minister for National Food Security and Research (Mr. Sikandar Hayat Khan Bosan):**

(a) Province/Agency	Current wheat stocks As on 6-12-2013
Punjab	2.96
Sindh	0.742
Khyber -Pakhtunkhwa	0.146
Balochistan	0.048
Total:	3.896

- (b) Almost
- (c) No.

(d) Provincial Governments in their own capacity taking actions against the wheat hoarders. Immediate release of public wheat stocks by PASSCO and Provincial Food Departments hoarding is discouraged.

261 **\*Zaib Jaffar:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the present status of the construction work of Charah Dam, Islamabad;*

- (b) *whether the said project was approved by the ECNEC/CDWP; if so, the estimated cost thereof alongwith the time by which it will be completed;*
- (c) *the water storage capacity of the said Dam;*
- (d) *whether any foreign funding is involved therein; if so, the details thereof including the names of donor/country;*
- (e) *the firm to whom the contract of the said project has been awarded;*
- (f) *whether the Public Procurement Regulatory Authority Rules, 2004 were followed;*
- (g) *the number of firms alongwith their names and addresses which participated in the tendering process; and*
- (h) *the number of persons to be benefitted therefrom?*

Reply not received.

262. **\*Sajid Ahmed:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state whether the performance of the Pakistan Railways has been improved during the last three months; if so, the details thereof?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** There are four (04) major indicators to determine the performance of Pakistan Railways.

1. Punctuality of trains.
2. Revenue generation position.
3. Number of passengers.
4. Public facilitation.

The analysis of these four factors during the last three months as compared with same period of previous year indicates that there is substantial improvement in the performance of Pakistan Railways.

Punctuality

Month	Current year	Previous year
August	42%	32%
September	54%	34%
October	55%	40%

Revenue Generation Position

(Rs.in million)

Month	Current year	Previous year
August	1823.195	1405.598
September	1633.202	1147.287
October	1862.114	1400.766

Number of Passengers.

Month	Current year	Previous year
August	1949875	1621999
September	1799702	1304409
October	2372209	1711210

Public facilitation.

During the period efforts have been initiated to provide more facilities to the travelling public at the Railway stations as well as in the running trains.

The waiting areas have been improved at major stations.

Standard of food has improved through joint checking of the Provincial Food Department and deputing of cleanliness staff with the running trains.

Besides this, rationalization of work force is in process and policy of right person for right job has been introduced.

The embezzlement cases have been pursued vigorously and NAB has been requested to accord priority to the PR cases. This will help to enhance the good governance in the organization.

263. **\*Sajid Ahmed:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) the location-wise new airports constructed in the country during the last five years; and*
- (b) the cost incurred thereon separately?*

Reply not received.

264. **\*Sheikh Salahuddin:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the steps being taken to harmonize the subjects assigned to all Federal Ministries/Divisions?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** In terms of rule 3(3) of Rules of Business, 1973 the business of the Government is distributed among the Divisions in the manner indicated in schedule-II to the Rules *ibid*. However, as per proviso to the aforesaid rule, the distribution of business may be modified from time to time by the Prime Minister. As such it is a continuous process.

Recently, on the direction of the Prime Minister's Office, Secretaries' Committee in its meeting held on 05-09-2013 considered certain proposals of re-allocation of some subjects relating to Health and Education. The recommendations of the Committee have been submitted for orders of the Prime Minister.

265. **\*Parveen Masood Bhatti:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the total number of trains which were plying before 1st June, 2013; and*
- (b) *the total number of trains which are plying on railways lines at present?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** (a) Prior to 1st June 2013, total of forty eight (48) pair of trains (48x2 = 96) (Up & Down direction) were running over the system.

(b) At present forty eight (48) pair of trains (48x2 = 96) (Up & Down direction) are plying over the system, *i.e* the same number of trains which were running on 1st June 2013.

266. **\*Khalida Mansoor:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state the steps taken to improve the educational standard of Government educational institutions functioning abroad during the last five years alongwith the details of achievements?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education:** As a result of the 18th constitutional amendment the activities of the Government Educational Institutions were abroad coordinated by Ministry of Education (defunct) while their management was with the Pakistan Embassies / High commissions, in some cases with the Pakistani community. After devolution the subject has been interested to different ministries / divisions. Now only the Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education (FBISE) (an organization under the preview of Ministry of Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education) is to hold / conduct examinations at Secondary School and Higher Secondary School levels of those institutions which stand affiliated with FBISE.

The Ministry of Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education is working on improving the role of Federal Board of Intermediate and Secondary Education (FBISE) *vis-a-vis* these institutions.

267. \***Khalida Mansoor:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the decrease occurred in the daily losses of the Pakistan Railways during the present Government; and*
- (b) *the steps taken to eliminate losses of Railways?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** (a) The Profit & Loss statement is prepared at the end of the financial year on 30th June after closing the accounts of Pakistan Railways. However, Railways Administration has generated revenue of Rs.2.421 billion from 10th June, 2013 to 31st October, 2013 over & above the revenue generation during the corresponding period of last financial year as per following details:—

(Rs. In Million)

Months	Revenue during 2012-13	Revenue during 2013-14	Increase
June (20 Days)	958.383	1361.801	403.418
July	1474.197	1598.768	124.571
August	1337.066	1712.979	375.913
September	1080.683	1728.572	647.889
October	1400.766	1982.421	581.655
November	508.557	796.584	288.027
Total	6759.652	9181.125	2421.473
% age increase			35.82%

(b) It is quite possible to reduce and ultimately eliminate the losses incurred by Pakistan Railways. The curtailment of losses requires two pronged strategy *i.e.* revenue generation and curtailment of expenditure. Revenue generation is dependent upon the efficient utilization of existing resources both human and capital. At the moment, Ministry of Railways is striving hard to improve its resources base by repairing the defective locomotives and procuring new locomotives in accordance with our system requirements. The rolling stock both in passenger and freight sector is also given due priority to increase its reliability and efficacy.

Resources are being allocated to high priced commodities so that maximum revenue could be secured for the national exchequer. It is due to these steps that PR has witnessed a considerable increase in the revenue generation in the first quarter of this financial year.

In order to rationalize expenditure, strict financial controls are exercised and austerity measures are being taken. The passenger sector is capped at 96 trains in order to control the operational expenditure. Only those services are operated which are well patronized. The resources are allocated to freight sector where revenue outweighs the expenditure. Freight sector revenue increased in spite of the ongoing locomotive crisis due to better utilization of the existing fleet of locomotives. Apart from these two core sectors, PR is taken lot of initiative to enhance revenue through non-core activities. The efforts in this regard will bear fruit in the near future which will positively affect the overall performance of the organization.

268. **\*Mehboob Alam:**

*Will the Minister for National Food Security and Research be pleased to state:*

- (a) the total production of wheat during the current season;*
- (b) the total number of Scientific Research Centres functioning in Sindh Province at present alongwith the sanctioned strength thereof; and*
- (c) the steps taken by the Government to establish new research centres in agriculture sector?*

**Minister for National Food Security and Research (Mr. Sikandar Hayat Khan Bosan):** (a ) 24.2 million tons.

(b) Almost

(c) 5 Centers 739 Posts

(d) The government has started to initiate establishment of various Research institute with initial cost of Rs-170 million. The detail is as under:

- Horticulture Research institute Khuzdar, Balochistan.
- Establishment of horticulture unit, for nursery fruit plant and vegetable seed certification system in Pakistan.
- Establishment of animal quarantine station Gwadar.
- Establishment of livestock. Research institute Turbal Balochistan.
- Government of Sindh has approved to establish following five new research centre / institutes in Agriculture Research Wing of Agriculture Department. Annex-A.

*(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)*

269. **\*Mehboob Alam:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the total land owned by the Pakistan Railway at present alongwith the value thereof; and*
- (b) *whether land of Pakistan Railways has been given for commercial purposes; if so, the total income earned therefrom during the last five years?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** (a) The total land owned by the Pakistan Railways at present is as under:

S. #	Railway lands	Area (in acres)
1.	Operational land	126,426
2.	Reserved for future operation	11,948
3.	Residential land	5,234
4.	Agricultural land	22,377
5.	Commercial	1,705
<b>Total:-</b>		<b>167,690</b>

The valuation of surplus railway land is carried out by engaging independent evaluators only for the purpose of commercial exploitation. Therefore current market value of whole land owned by Pakistan Railways is not available.

(b) Yes Pakistan Railways has leased out its land for commercial purposes. Detail of earning during the last five years is as under:

S. No.	Year	Earning (Rs. in million)
1.	2008-2009	1090.782
2.	2009-2010	890.273
3.	2010-2011	722.844
4.	2011-2012	722.755
5.	2012-2013	921.716
<b>Total</b>		<b>4,348.370</b>
<b>Rs.4.35 billion (approx)</b>		

270. **\*Dr. Nafisa Shah:**

*Will the Minister for National Food Security and Research be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the ratio of increase made in wheat prices from July to September 2013; and*
- (b) *the steps being taken by the Government to decrease the price of wheat in the country?*

**Minister for National Food Security and Research (Mr. Sikandar Hayat Khan Bosan):** (a) The ratio of increase in wheat prices from July to September, 2013 is as under;

**Monthly wholesale prices of wheat for year 2013**

( Per 40 kg )

Market	July	September	Ratio of increase %
Lahore	1324	1459	10.20
Karachi	1420	1480	4.23
Peshawar	1360	1420	4.41
Quetta	1300	1460	12.30

(b) Immediate release of wheat stock by PASSCO and Provincial Departments to stabilize wheat prices in the country.

271. **\*Dr. Nafisa Shah:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the steps being taken by the Government to promote Film Industry in the country?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** According to Motion Pictures Ordinance, 1979, the prime function of the Central Board of Film Censors (under the administrative control of the Cabinet Division) is to examine and decide about suitability or otherwise of local as well as imported films for public exhibition. CBFC censors the films and facilitates producers and distributors to exhibit their films within the shortest possible time.

272. **\*Tahira Aurangzeb:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the steps being taken by the Government to control the sale and purchase of human organs in the Federal Government Hospitals Islamabad?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** The Federal Government has taken serious steps regarding control of Human Organs Transplant procedure through Human Organ Transplant Authority (HOTA). The HOTA was established in 2007 through an Ordinance. This Ordinance was later converted into Act of Parliament and was called "HOTA Act 2010". After the decision of the

Honorable Supreme Court of Pakistan dated 19-09-2012, the Federal HOTA is limited to ICT area. From Federal Government Act thus now effectively serves as the sample legislation for the Provinces.

Government Hospitals at Islamabad take all precautions to prevent unrelated transplants. At PIMS there is a duly recognized Evaluation Committee who evaluate carefully each and every case to ensure that donors and recipients are related and the process is free of all coercion. All documents are carefully scrutinized by the Committee made of Specialists and Consultants of different fields.

273. **\*Tahira Aurangzeb:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the initial estimated construction cost of new Islamabad Airport; and*
- (b) *the amount of cost increased due to delay in completion of construction work thereof?*

Reply not received.

274. **\*Lal Chand:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to lift ban/blockage on social networking website U-tube; if so, when it will be implemented; and*
- (b) *whether the Government lacks expertise to block objectionable material/videos on any particular website; if so, the reasons thereof?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) A ban was imposed on You-tube access in Pakistan on September 18, 2012, by the Federal Government through Ministry of Information Technology (MoIT), after the launch of Blasphemous video on it. No further directions have been received from the Government as yet.

For any proposal under consideration of Government to lift ban/blockage, Secretary MoIT who is also the Chairman Inter Ministerial Committee (IMC) may kindly be consulted. Letter of Composition of the Committee is attached.

(b) Blocking any video or any other partial content on a particular website can be done through a technical filtering solution installed at Landing Station Gateways of Pakistan Licensed Operators.

At present, directions of blocking from IMC are received and passed on to the operators for immediate compliance.

The process is not automatic. All the URLs conveyed to PTA by IMC are blocked with the exception of those which use secured communications.

*(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)*

275. **\*Lal Chand:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

(a) *whether it is a fact that the religious subjects of Minorities are not being taught in the Schools/Educational Institutions of the Federal Government;*

(b) *if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) Religious subjects of minorities are being taught in Educational Institutions under FDE, Islamabad, The students from minorities have choice to opt for the subject of ethics in lieu of Islamiyat.

(b) Not applicable.

276. **\*Shazia Mari:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the government has constituted a National Commission for the formulation of a curriculum; if so, the TORs thereof?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education:** (MET&SHE) is working in consultation with provinces on the proposal of constituting National Curriculum Commission whose membership will be drawn both at the Provincial and Federal level and the Chair will be headed by Federal and Provincial Governments on rotation basis. In order to seek the opinion of provinces in this regard letters were written to Provincial Chief Ministers, however their reply is still awaited.

277. **\*Shazia Mari:**

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state the criteria prescribed by the Government for advertisements alongwith salient features thereof?*

**Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid):** (a) The Advertisement Policy for all classified advertisements of Ministries/Departments/Public Organizations, introduced on 1st July, 1966 was endorsed by various Governments in 1980,1983 and 2003 (copies attached at Annexure-I).

**The salient features** of the Centralized Advertisement Policy as amended from time to time are as under:—

- (i) The Authority to release Government's advertisements under the "Centralization of Advertisement scheme" is with the Press Information Department of the Ministry of Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage.
- (ii) All public sector advertisements both display and classified are directly handled by the Press Information Department.
- (iii) No department may place a direct order with an agency for the release of an advertisement.
- (iv) Advertisement bills are scrutinized by PID.
- (v) In case of difference of opinion between PID and the sponsoring department on any issue, the matter is referred to the Ministry of I,B&NH for decision.

- (vi) The requisition for placement of an advertisement invariably contain the following information:—
- (a) Date (s) of publication.
  - (b) Number of insertions and the page position.
  - (c) Target *i.e.* Region/Language of media.
  - (d) Special position or form *i.e.* box form, front page, etc.
  - (e) Certificate of availability of funds to meet the expenditure.
- (vii) The sponsoring departments are not allowed to name the media. Even if the media has been indicated by the releasing authority, (PID) is quite competent and free to make any changes in it, keeping in view the target and budgetary allocation.
- (viii) An addition of 25% of the total government advertisements is made by PID for placement the regional press.

*(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)*

278. **\*Mahreen Razaque Bhutto:**

*Will the Minister for National Food Security and Research be pleased to state the research made by the Pakistan Agricultural Research Council on the seeds of cotton during the last five years till date?*

**Minister for National Food Security and Research (Mr. Sikandar Hayat Khan Bosan):** Pakistan Agricultural Research Council (PARC) has undertaken research on various cotton seeds to produce a local pest resistant hybrid of cotton.

279. **\*Mahreen Razaque Bhutto:**

*Will the Minister for National Food Security and Research be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the number of projects launched by Pakistan Agricultural Research Council (PAR(C), Islamabad during the last three years; and*

(b) *the achievements made therefrom?*

**Minister for National Food Security and Research (Mr. Sikandar Hayat Khan Bosan):** (a) Seven (07).

(b) Project wise achievements are as under:

1. **Research for Agricultural Development Program (RADP)**

- Developed hybrid varieties of Canola, Sunflower, Tomato and short duration Ground Nut. Developed small scale Olive oil extraction plant, Mango harvesting machine and Buffalo milking machine. Developed vaccine to control avian influenza and Foot Mouth Diseases.
- Construction of SSI building, F-type residences, Insectory building, NARC

2. **National Institute for Genomics and Advanced Biotechnology (NIGAB)**

- Establishment of a complex of biotechnology with an area of 35,000 Sq. Ft. having 32 labs, for high tech. biotechnology and genomics research.
- Isolated 12 novel genes and produced thusgenic plants wheat maize, tomato and groundnut for rust doubt, salinity, chilling, disease and herbicide tolerance.
- Besides developing diagnostic facility for GMOs and BT gene testing, basmati rice adulteration, varietal identification of plants, Foot and Mouth disease diagnostic in animals in fields, also identified genes for meat production and quality milk in animals and developed vaccine in poultry.

3. **Pak-China Cooperation for Agricultural Research and Development**

- 75 new Bt cotton experimental liner, four varieties each for sugarcane and banana, one variety of canola has been developed.

- Three rice hybrids, 13 canola hybrids are under evaluation in national testing system.

#### 4 **Indigenization of Hybrid Seed Production Tech. for Enhanced Production of Crops**

During the year 2012-13, 39 tons of PARC Canola hybrid and 2.5 tons of Sunflower hybrid was produced and provided to the farmers at lower price. A White Maize hybrid has also been developed by the PARC Scientists for KPK province and Northern areas which has a yield potential of about 100 — 200 mounds per acre.

280. **\*Aisha Syed:**

*Will the Minister for National Food Security and Research be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the steps being taken to increase the production of wheat in the country at domestic level; and*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that the particular areas have been earmarked in this connection; if so, the district-wise details thereof?*

**Minister for National Food Security and Research (Mr. Sikandar Hayat Khan Bosan):** (a) (a) The steps being taken by the Government to increase the production of wheat in the country are given as under:—

- i. Development and promotion of new high yielding wheat varieties.
  - ii. Ensured supply of farm inputs for wheat production.
  - iii. Dissemination of good agricultural practices through provincial agricultural department using field visits and electronic and print media.
- (b) No.

281. **\*Sahibzada Muhammad Yaqub:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) the year-wise expenditures incurred on the repair of the Parliament Lodges during the last five years alongwith the name of monitoring departments for the said work; and*
- (b) the number of rooms in the said Lodges in which the furniture has been replaced during the said period alongwith the number of the rooms which are yet to be furnished?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) The year-wise list of expenditures during last five years incurred on the repair of the Parliament Lodges is placed at **Annex-A**. CDA was monitoring department for the said work.

(b) The list for the number of rooms in which furniture has been replaced during last five years is placed at **Annex-B**. Total 129 Nos. of rooms are to be furnished

**CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
(Parliament Lodges & Hostels Directorate)

YEAR-WISE DETAIL OF EXPENDITURE DURING LAST FIVE YEARS - Parliament Lodges.

S.No.	Object Classification	Allocation 2008-09		Allocation 2009-10		Allocation 2010-11		Allocation 2011-12		Allocation 2012-13	
		Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure	Allocation	Expenditure
1	Repair / Renovation, E&M and Security System Works etc.	135,240	109,914	103,716	84,607	116,506	106,977	60,217	53,661	82,185	81,685
2	Janitorial Cleaning	9,600	9,600	16,000	13,112	15,709	13,936	17,500	15,088	17,300	17,037
3	Replacement of Furniture	-	-	-	-	38,160	38,168	17,109	46,873	40,713	35,241
4	Store Material	10,000	9,931	12,500	9,337	2,900	2,000	4,500	2,500	13,011	12,946
	<b>TOTAL</b>	155,840	129,445	132,216	107,746	172,383	161,081	129,326	118,122	153,209	146,909

**Annex-B**

CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
(Parliament Lodges & Hostels Directorate)  
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DETAIL OF SUPPLY OF FURNITURE  
IN SUITES OF PARLIAMENT LODGES, ISLAMABAD

S.No.	Description	Suites where furniture provided
1	Block "A"	48 Suites completed
2	Block "C"	30 Suites [103, 104, 106, 107, 109, 203, 204, 205, 206, 208, 209, 210, 301, 303, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 401, 402, 403, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410]
3	Block "E"	29 Suites [101, 102, 103, 105, 106, 107, 108, 110, 112, 201, 202, 207, 208, 209, 211, 301, 302, 304, 306, 308, 309, 311, 401, 403, 404, 405, 406, 408, 409]
4	Block "F"	42 Suites [101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 201, 202, 203, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 301, 303, 304, 305, 306, 310, 312, 401, 402, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 311, 403]
5	Block "G"	28 Suites [103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 209, 210, 211, 212, 301, 302, 304, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 402, 403]
6	Block "J"	32 Suites [07, 012, 103, 111, 202, 204, 205, 207, 212, 302, 305, 307, 308, 312, 403, 405, 503, 505, 506, 01, 02, 011, 101, 109, 110, 112, 203, 208, 211, 301, 310, 410]
7	Block "H"	22 Suites [06, 106, 202, 207, 303, 405, 05, 101, 109, 110, 201, 206, 302, 304, 305, 306, 309, 311, 404, 406, 410, 411 ]
<b>Total</b>		<b>230 Suites Completed</b>

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282. **\*Nighat Parveen Mir:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state whether it is a fact that a number of corruption cases have been detected in the under-construction projects of new Islamabad Airport; if so, the details thereof?*

Reply not received.

283. **\*Maulana Muhammad Gohar Shah:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether it is a fact that Government has announced to bring revolutionary curriculum reforms in the country in collaboration with UNESCO and UNICEF;*
- (b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to protect Islamic and Pakistan's social values; and*
- (c) whether Government has taken Parliament into confidence on this important matter; if not, the reasons thereof?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education:** (a) Currently government has not announced any curriculum reforms in the country in collaboration with UNESCO and UNICEF. However (MET&SHE) is working in consultation with provinces on the proposal of constituting National Curriculum Commission whose membership will be drawn both at the Provincial and Federal level and the Chair will be headed by Federal and Provincial Governments on rotation basis. In order to seek the opinion of provinces in this regard letters were written to Provincial Chief Ministers, however their reply is still awaited.

(b) Once a consensus is developed among the stakeholders the matter will be taken up in the proposed Commission.

(c) Once a consensus is developed among the stakeholders, the opinion of Law and Justice Division will be sought in the matter after which the matter will be brought to the notice of the Parliament.

284. **\*Mrs. Shahida Rehmani:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether it is a fact that the construction of Margalla Hill Tunnel will not only increase the environmental pollution but also affect the natural beauty of Islamabad; if so, the justification thereof; and*
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the construction of said Tunnel will be a burden on national exchequer?*

Transferred to Communications Division for answer on Next Rota Day.

285. **\*Mrs. Shahida Rehmani:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to open offices of NDMA at district level; if so, when it will be implemented?*

Reply not received.

286. **\*Syed Asif Hasnain:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state the steps being taken by the Government to improve the performance of the Higher Education Commission and enhance the research programs in various departments of the Universities?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education:** Following critical steps have been taken by the Government to improve the performance of HEC:

- (1) HEC has been allocated all time high Rs.57.44 billion in FY 2013-14 showing an increase of 9.3 % over last year allocation.

- (2) Government of Pakistan, Planning Commission has constituted a Committee on September 06, 2013 for development of the National Research Agenda. The Committee is led by the Federal Minister for Planning, Development and Reforms with Chairperson HEC, Secretary S&T, Secretary EAD and Secretary Industry and Production as Members.
- (3) Leadership gap has been filled, Engg. Syed Imtiaz Hussain Gillani has been appointed as Acting Chairperson HEC. Appointment of a regular Chairperson is under active consultation of the Competent Authority *viz.* Prime Minister.
- (4) University Outreach Program has been launched by HEC for promoting University Community integration. The program envisages initial grant of Rs.0.50 million to the universities for planning and undertaking joint program with community to impact local development and promote University-Community linkage.
- (5) Close coordination with all primary stake holders has been instituted and a coordinated effort is ongoing under the joint leadership of Chairperson HEC and Minister of State for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education to strengthen HEC reforms process and prepare HEC Medium Term Development Framework (MTDF) 2015-20.
- (6) Consolidation of existing HEIs, increasing impact of research through promoting innovation and commercialization, impacting local communities, good governance, and strict adherence to quality criteria is strategic focus of current Government policies in the higher education sector.

In order to enhance the research capacity of Higher Education Institutions, various programs have been introduced by Government and Higher Education Commission:

1. **Pakistan Program for Collaborative Research (PPCR).**

The program provides funds to public sector universities/degree awarding institutions for repair, maintenance, and up-gradation of scientific laboratory equipment. Under the program **Rs.2.939 million**

has been spent during 2012-13 to improve research capacity of HEIs.

2. **Pak-US Science & Technology Cooperation Program.**

The Pakistan-U.S. Science and Technology Cooperation Program offers grants to U.S. and Pakistani researchers to collaborate on projects that facilitate capacity building in science, technology, and research at Pakistani universities and institutes to improve the capacity of these institutions to take research out of labs and into markets to improve the well-being of ordinary Pakistani people. So far five phases of the program have been launched in which **59 projects** have approved and executed in collaboration with HEC, USAID and US State Department. Detail is attached at **Annex-I**.

3. **Office of Research Innovation and Commercialization.**

HEC aims to develop and sustain a dynamic and internationally competitive research sector in Pakistan contributing towards economic prosperity, national wellbeing and the expansion and dissemination of knowledge. As such, to provide strategic and operational support to the University's research activities/program and for facilitation of the University Industry linkages for commercialization of research, HEC has established **thirty (30)** Office of Research, Innovation and Commercialization (ORIC).

4. **International Strategic Partnerships in Research and Education:**

Program is designed on the basis of collaborative research between local universities and British universities. One Principle Investigator (PI) from Pakistani university and one Principle Investigator from British university prepare/develop joint research proposal. After receipt, proposals were sent to the experts for peer review. The peer review is done in both countries. **Sixteen (16) projects** were approved under this program. All the projects have successfully been entered in third/final year. HEC and British Council regularly monitor the progress of research projects and evaluation of progress reports conducted on yearly basis.

5. **National Research Program for Universities (NRPU):**

To promote the research activities in the universities HEC run a program of NRPU. **Rs.3.065 billion** were release under the program for about **400 research** successfully completed projects and **800 plus ongoing projects**. Whereas about **1000 projects** are in review process.

287. **\*Syed Asif Hasnain**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state the steps being taken by the Government to improve the dilapidated conditions of the Railway Stations in the country?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** Efforts are being made within available resources to improve the existing condition of railway stations. The work of improvement of Narang Mandi, Habibabad, Okara Cantt. and Kot Adu railway stations is in progress.

Due to shortage of funds, it is not possible presently to launch a comprehensive programme for repair, restoration and rehabilitation of all railway stations. During the recent past, development schemes were undertaken to carry out repairs to a number of railway stations in a phased manner. However, potential of railway stations is being explored for development in phased manner.

PSDP schemes for renovation and improvement of railway station buildings Hasan Abdal and Nankana Sahib have also been approved at an estimated cost of Rs 59 million and Rs 15.37 million respectively. The work will be commenced shortly.

In addition to the above, restoration of part of the facade of main building of Karachi Cantt railway station has been completed. The formation of Pakistan Railways Heritage Council for preserving our heritage is another step in this regard and renovation of Lahore railway station would be carried out in accordance with the recommendations of the said Council.

288. **\*Dr. Ramesh Kumar Vankwani:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state the year wise total amount earned, spent and misused by the Pakistan Railways during the last five years?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** The year-wise detail of total amount earned, spent and misused by the Pakistan Railways during the last five years is mentioned in the following table:—

(Rs.in Billion)

Financial Year	Total Earnings	Total Expenses	Misused
2008-09	23.160	41.769	—
2009-10	21889	42.042	—
2010-11	18.613	45.560	—
2011-12	15.450	44.798	—
2012-13	18.078	48.582	—
2013-14 (Projected by till Dec-2013)	11.145	22.011	—

The figures for 2013-14 have been projected on the basis of current financial results.

289. **\*Sher Akbar Khan:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the total area in percentage affected by recent floods in the country; and*
- (b) *the damage done alongwith the estimated cost thereof; and*
- (c) *the steps taken by the Government for the rehabilitation of the affectees thereof?*

Reply not received.

290. **\*Malik Abdul Ghaffar Dogar:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether the strength of the employees of the Pakistan Railways is more than its requirements;*
- (b) *if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** (a) Due to recruitment on political ground, the strength at some places is above the requirement and at some places below the requirement. The strength over the system will be rationalized in the near future. The on-roll position is 82607 against sanctioned strength of 95762.

(b) The sanctioned strength of Pakistan Railways was rationalized in 2003 as per work requirements and the strength was reduced from 1, 23,337 to 95,762 according to requirements of Pakistan Railways.

However, keeping in view the today operational working position, ban has been imposed on fresh recruitments.

291. **\*Shahjehan Munir Mangerio:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that a number of Mobile Phone Towers are installed in the populated areas in the country; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) *the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) Yes it is fact that mobile phone towers are installed in the populated areas in the country to provide telecom services to all localities in public interest. In this regard Frequency Allocation Board (FAB) issues No Objection Certificate (NOC) for installation of towers to all licensed operators in accordance with Pakistan Telecommunication (Reorganization) Act 1996.

(b) PTA has prepared “Protection from Health Related Effects of Radio Base Station Antennas Regulations 2009” based on the guidelines of MoIT. These regulations set the limits and distances within which humans can be harmed. PTA in collaboration with FAB conducts surveys to check compliance by operators and power levels. The reports suggest that to date the limits set are not violated.

292. **\*Rai Hasan Nawaz Khan:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state the names of Railway Stations between Multan and Lahore having been discontinued during the last five years alongwith the reasons thereof?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** Four Railway Stations have been discontinued between Multan and Lahore during the last five years due to Doubling of Track. Details are as under:—

Sr. No	Name of Station	Date of Discontinuation
1	Iqbal Nagar	12-05-2008
2	Kotla Abid	23-06-2008
3	Dad Fathiana	25-07-2010
4	Mirdad Muafi	16-09-2010

293. **\*Isphanyar M. Bhandara:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to allocate special funds for displaced minorities due to recent floods in the South Punjab and Interior Sindh;*
- (b) *if so, when it will be implemented alongwith the details thereof; and*
- (c) *whether there is also any proposal under consideration of the Government to give such funds to each Non-Muslim MNA for its disbursement; if so, when it will be implemented alongwith the details thereof?*

Reply not received.

294. **\*Sheikh Rashid Ahmed:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the total assets of the Capital Development Authority (CDA) as on 31-12-2000 alongwith the value thereof;*
- (b) *the total assets of CDA as on 23-10-2013 alongwith the value thereof; and*
- (c) *the steps being taken by the Government to protect the said assets?*

Reply not received.

295. **\*Syed Waseem Hussain:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Hyderabad Airport is being closed; if so, the reasons thereof?*

Reply not received.

296. **\*Muhammad Muzammil Qureshi:**

*Will the Minister for National Food Security and Research be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the mechanism evolved to check the quality of packed and unpacked milk in the country; and*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that adulteration of packed and unpacked milk is a common practice in the country; if so, the steps being taken to ensure the international standard quality of said milk?*

**Minister for National Food Security and Research (Mr. Sikandar Hayat Khan Bosan):** (a) The checking of the quality of packed and unpacked milk is not with the Ministry of National Food Security & Research. It is stated that, the Provincial and District/ Local Governments under "Pure Food Act 1973"

regulate and maintain the mechanism to check the quality of all food items including milk.

(b) Adulteration of packed/ processed milk is generally not common.

While the adulteration in unpacked/ raw, fresh milk is a common practice being done at the level of dairy farm, gawalla/ intermediate milk vendors and milk vendor shops. The Provincial/ District Governments may take steps to control adulteration.

297.\* **Shaikh Rohale Asghar:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the goals achieved by the present Government in connection with the revival of PIA?*

Reply not received.

298. **\*Shaikh Rohale Asghar:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the total amount of income earned by the PIA from Hajj-2013, alongwith the head-wise utilization thereof?*

Reply not received.

299. **\*Parveen Masood Bhatti:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the ATR aeroplanes are being operated in Small cities throughout the country;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the facility of oil filling in the said aeroplanes is not available in the said cities; and*

- (c) *if the answers to part(a) and (b) above are in the affirmative, whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to operate new big aeroplanes instead of ATR aeroplanes; if so, when it will be implemented?*

Reply not received.

300. **\*Munaza Hassan:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether any fund has been established by the Government at National Level in order to combat natural and emergent disasters; if so, the details; if not, the reason thereof;*
- (b) *whether any policy/proposal is under consideration of Government to decrease the losses caused by natural calamities; and*
- (c) *the steps being taken/taken by the Government for the restoration of infrastructure in the natural calamities affected areas during the last two years?*

Reply not received.

ISLAMABAD:  
*The 11th December, 2013.*

KARAMAT HUSSAIN NIAZI,  
*Secretary.*

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT**

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**“UNSTARRED QUESTIONS AND THEIR REPLIES”**

**For Thursday, the 12th December, 2013**

*(Originally Unstarred Question Nos. 114, 131, 235, 242, 117, 123, 33, 39, 40, 42, 46, 48 and 60 were set down for answer during the 6th Session)*

**114. Najaf Abbas Sial:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the number of Consultants hired by the PIA from 1-1-2008 to 30-03-2013 alongwith their salary packages?*

Reply not received.

**131. Shahzadi Umerzadi Tiwana:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state whether re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act 2010; if so, the estimated expenditure incurred thereupon?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** The Department wise information received from the Ministries/Divisions is as under:—

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S. No	Name of Ministries/ Divisions/ Departments	Information
1.	<b>Cabinet Division (main)</b>	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 751,189/-
2.	<b>Capital Administration &amp; Development Division (main)</b>	Nil
	Directorate of Special Education	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 11.002 million
	Directorate of Education	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 1,099,273,176/-
3.	<b>Communication Division (main)</b>	Nil
	National Highway Authority	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 610.167 Million
	Pakistan Post	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 10,250,597/-
4.	<b>Defence Division (main)</b>	Nil
	Pakistan Military Accounts	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 1,780,333/-
	Federal Directorate of Education	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 771,619/-

	Survey of Pakistan	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010 No Expenditure incurred.
	Air Head Quarters	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010 No Expenditure incurred.
<b>5.</b>	<b>Defence Production Division (main)</b>	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010 Expenditure Rs. 5,90,711/-
	Directorate of Works and Chief Engineer (DP)	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010 No back benefit.
	Pakistan Ordnance Factories	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010 No back benefit.
	Heavy Industries Board Taxila	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010 No back benefit.
	Pakistan Aeronautical Complex Board Kamra	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010 Expenditure Rs. 1,87,920/-
<b>6.</b>	<b>Establishment Division (main)</b>	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Ordinance 2009. Expenditure Rs. 375,192/-
	Employees of Defunct Organizations reinstated by Establishment Division under section 6 of the SER Act 2010	As per Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act 2010, Ministries/ Divisions/Departments/Organizations were required to reinstate their sacked employees by themselves. The expenditure on such reinstatement was to be incurred from within their own budgetary allocations. The Establishment Division was only required to reinstate the sacked employees whose parent organizations were closed, disbanded or wound up on or before 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2009 in terms of section 6 of the act abid. According to this provision, the Establishment Division reinstated 516 sacked employees of defunct organizations. However on the direction of the Cabinet Sub-Committee on Regularization of contract employees made in its

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		meetings held on 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2011 and 14 <sup>th</sup> February 2012, out of these 516 reinstated employees, 500 contract employees of defunct People Works Program under the devolved Ministry of Local Government & Rural Development were granted one scale higher and their pay has been fixed on point to point basis, which are not covered under the Sacked Employees (Reinstatement) Act 2010. Expenditure Incurred till 30-06-2013 comes to Rs. 1.23 Billion.
7.	<b>Economic Affairs Division (main)</b>	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 109,260/-
8.	<b>Education, Trainings &amp; Standards in Higher Education Division (main)</b>	Nil
	National Training Bureau	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 1,39,54,908/-
	FBISE Islamabad	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 3,420,972/-
	Basic Community Education Schools Project.	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 441,913/-
9.	<b>Revenue Division (main)</b>	Nil
	Federal Board of Revenue	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 22,574,712/-
	Directorate Gen. Internal Audit	No sacked employee reinstated. However one employee was adjusted by FBR in Directorate Gen. Internal Audit. Expenditure is Rs. 7,63,498/-
10.	<b>Finance Division (main)</b>	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Ordinance 2009. Expenditure Rs. 1,317,519/-
	Controller General of Accounts	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 1,780,333/-

<b>11.</b>	<b>Housing &amp; Works Division (main)</b>	Nil
	Pakistan Public Works Department	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 71.8 Million.
	National Housing Authority	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 456,323/-
<b>12.</b>	<b>Industries &amp; Production Division (main)</b>	Nil
	Pakistan Steel Mills	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 37.005 Million
	Utilities Stores Corporation	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. No expenditure because funds not released by the Finance Division.
<b>13.</b>	<b>Information Broadcasting &amp; National Heritage Division (main)</b>	Nil
	PTV	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Ordinance 2009. No expenditure incurred as no extra payment has been made.
	Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Ordinance 2009. Expenditure Rs. 526,413/-
	Associated Press of Pakistan	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 154,010,500/-
	Federal Land Commission	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Ordinance 2009. Expenditure Rs. 1,645,836/-
	National Language Promotion Department	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 440,028/-
<b>14.</b>	<b>I.T. &amp; Telecom Division (main)</b>	Nil
	Special Communications Organization	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 360,305/-

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<b>15.</b>	<b>Interior Division (main)</b>	Nil
	Frontier Corps, Baluchistan Quetta	Reply Not yet Received
	Federal Investigation Agency	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 3,002,564/-
	Directorate General, Immigration & Passport	Reply Not yet Received
<b>16.</b>	<b>Inter Provincial Coordination Division (main)</b>	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 1,443,026/-
	Pakistan Sports Board	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 6,914,299/-
<b>17.</b>	<b>Law, Justice and Human Rights Division</b>	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 6,621,865/-
	Appellate Tribunal	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 51,159,412/-
<b>18.</b>	<b>National Food Security and Research Division (main)</b>	Nil
	Pakistan Agricultural Research Council	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 5,780,664/-
	Pakistan Oilseed Development Board	
<b>19.</b>	<b>Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resources Development Division (main)</b>	Nil
	Overseas Pakistanis Foundation	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 9,369,087/-
	National Industrial Relations Commission	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 3,756,829/-
<b>20.</b>	<b>Petroleum &amp; Natural Resources Division (main)</b>	Nil

	Pakistan Mineral Development Corporation	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 7,27,200/-
	Oil and Gas Development Company (OGDCL)	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 1,436,151,904/-
	Sui Northern Gas Pipeline Limited	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 1,317,660,000/-
	Pakistan State Oil Company Limited	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 202,898,741/-
	Sui Southern Gas Company Limited	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 1,379,441,736/-
<b>21.</b>	<b>Religious Affairs and Inter-faith Harmony Division (main)</b>	Nil
	Directorate of Hajj, Karachi	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 609,524/-
	Directorate of Hajj, Sukkur	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 9,37,072/-
<b>22.</b>	<b>Science and Technology Division (main)</b>	Nil
	Centre for Applied Molecular Biology	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 623,403/- on account of arrears of pay & allowances.
	Pakistan Council of Renewable Energy Technology	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 683,395/- on account of arrears of pay & allowances.
<b>23.</b>	<b>Textile Industry Division (main)</b>	Nil
	Pakistan Cotton Standards Institute, Karachi	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 19.072 million
<b>24.</b>	<b>Water and Power Division</b>	Nil

	Pakistan Water & Power Development Authority	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 53.266 million
	National Transmission & Dispatch Company Ltd.	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 5,28,873/-
	Private Power & Infrastructure Board	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 458,892/-
	National Engineering Services Pakistan (Pvt) Limited	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 10,637,658/-
	Pakistan Electric Power Company (Pvt) Limited	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 7,749,248/-
	Central Power Generation Company Limited	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 2,031,624/-
25.	<b>Intelligence Bureau</b>	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Ordinance 2009 / Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act 2010. Expenditure Rs. 1,880,388,000/-
26.	<b>Aviation Division (main)</b>	Nil
	Civil Aviation Authority	Reinstated as per Sacked Employees Reinstatement Ordinance 2009 / Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act 2010. Expenditure Rs. 94,204,802/-
27.	<b>Commerce Division (main)</b>	Nil
	Trading Corporation of Pakistan	Re-instatement of sacked employees has been made in terms of Sacked Employees Reinstatement Act, 2010. Expenditure Rs. 28.08 million.
	State Life Insurance Corporation	Reply Not yet Received

**Note:—**

(i) The information in respect of rest of the Ministries/Divisions/Organizations may be treated as Nil.

235. Dis allowed on re-consideration.

242. **Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

(a) *whether it is a fact that only one Golf Club was planned in the Master Plan of Islamabad; and*

(b) *whether it is also a fact that there are more than one Golf Club in Islamabad at present; if so, the justification thereof?*

Reply not received.

117. **Abdul Waseem:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

(a) *the number of consultants hired by PIA during the period from 2008 to 2013; and*

(b) *the salary package admissible to the said consultants at present?*

Reply not received.

123. **Tahira Asif:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to refer to Starred Question No. 118, replied on 22nd August, 2013 and to state:*

- (a) *whether it is fact that the project of establishing a hospital in Islamabad has been delayed; if so, the steps being taken to execute the said project at an earliest;*
- (b) *whether any funds have been earmarked for the said hospital in PSDP or any other head; if so, the details thereof; and*
- (c) *time by which the said hospital will be established?*

Reply not received.

33. **Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the education budget for CADD has been increased; if so, the total amount including increase thereof; and*
- (b) *the project-wise utilization thereof?*

Reply not received.

39. **Zaib Jaffar:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the total population of the adjacent villages of Islamabad Capital Territory having access to potable water at present; and*
- (b) *the steps being taken by the Government to ensure provision of potable water to the said population?*

Reply not received.

40. **Sajid Ahmed:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the total number of air crafts needed for PIA in proportion to its Business and flights?*

Reply not received.

42. **Mr. Imran Khattak:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the names, designations and total service of employees of the CDA to whom plots were allotted in Islamabad during the last five years alongwith the locations thereof; and*
- (b) *the criteria adopted for allotment of those plots?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) The list of employees alongwith their designation total service rendered and location of plot allotted to them during the last 5 years is attached at (**Annexure- “A”**)

(b) The criteria adopted for allotment of plots to these employees is given below:—

- (a) CDA employees as defined in the CDA Land Disposal Regulation. 2005 who have never been allotted a plot/flat in Islamabad by F.G.E.H.F. or CDA employees Housing Scheme in their name or in the name of their spouse of dependent children would be eligible under this scheme.
- (b) CDA employees as defined in the CDA Land Disposal Regulation. 2005 must have 10 years continuous service at their credit at the time of cut off date *i.e.* 21-01-2004 (date of judgment of High Court and onwards. Employees retired after cut off date are also eligible.
- (c) Cut of date for deputationists is specified as 28-11-2005 and on completion of one year service in CDA on this date or thereafter.
- (d) The selection was made on the basis of higher length of service inclusive of service rendered in Federal/Provincial Government and autonomous bodies of the Government.

## Annex-A

## UN STARRED NATIONAL ASSEMBLY QUESTION NO.34 (NEW NO.42)

Sr. No.	Name	Designation	BPS	Plot No	Sector	Size	Allotment date	Total Service of allottee in CDA (on latest of allotment) *	Status of Allottee
1.	Tanveer Hussain/Alkhan	Member	20	475-D	1-8/3	600 Sq Yards	23-01-2010	01 Year and 05 Month	Deputationalist
2.	Skander Hayat Maqeen	Member	20	401	1-8/2	600 Sq Yards	27-05-2010	01 Year and 05 Days	Deputationalist
3.	Tahir Shamsahad	Member	20	399	1-8/2	600 Sq Yards	14-04-2010	01 Year and 03 Month	Deputationalist
4.	Bilal Waleed ul Din	Member	20	45-A	1-8/2	600 Sq Yards	12-12-2011	01 Year and 04 Month	Deputationalist
5.	Imtiaz Inayat Elighi	Chairman CDA	20	475-15	1-8/2	600 Sq Yards	09-12-2011	02 Years and 06 Month	Deputationalist
6.	S.M. Ghouse	Member	20	475-C	1-8/3	600 Sq Yards	21-12-2008	01 Month	Deputationalist
7.	Mamnoon Hussain Saeed	Dy Director	18	1614	1-8/4	355.55 Sq Yards	25-06-2012	23 Years and 02 Month	CDA Employee
8.	Habib ur Rehman Gillani	Director	19	899	1-8/4	355.55 Yards	28-05-2010	01 Year and 08 Month	Deputationalist
9.	Mrs. Najma Azhar	Director	19	1002	1-8/4	355.55 Sq Yards	25-04-2011	16 Years	CDA Employee
10.	Dr. Arifa Ghaleb	Doctor	17	603-A	1-8/2	355.55 Sq Yards	24-04-2011	15 years & 10 Months	CDA Employee
11.	Shahid Latif Jangoo	Assistant Director	17	594	1-8/2	355.55 Sq Yards	01-06-2010	24 years & 6 Months	Retired
12.	Dr. Fozia Hashim	Doctor	17	1016	1-8/4	355.55 Sq Yards	23-04-2011	18 years & 08 Months	Retired
13.	Abdul Mujeeb Anjum	Assistant Director	17	655	1-8/3	311.11 Sq Yards	Nov. 2011	39 years & 10 Months	Retired
14.	Manga Khan	Baldar	05	2009	1-10/2	25x60	17-01-2013	25 years	CDA Employee

**Criteria for allotment of plot**

- (a) CDA employees as defined in the CDA Land disposal Regulation 2005 who have never been allotted a plot/flat in Islamabad by F.G.E.H.F. or CDA employees Housing Scheme in their name or in the name of their spouse or dependent children would be eligible under this scheme.
- (b) CDA employees as defined in the CDA Land Disposal Regulation 2005 must have 10 years continuous service at their credit at the time of cut off date *i.e.* 21-1-2004 (date of judgment of High Court) and onwards. Employees retired after cut off date are also eligible.
- (c) Cut off date for deputationists is specified as 28-11-2005 and on completion of one year service in CDA on this date or thereafter.
- (d) The selection was made on the basis of higher length of service inclusive of service rendered in Federal/Provincial Government and autonomous bodies of the Government.

46. **Kishwer Zehra:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that 2% quota reserved for disabled persons is being observed/implemented for employments in the Ministries/ Divisions; if not, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to increase the said quota; if so, when it will be implemented; if not the reasons therefor?*

Reply not received.

48. **Sufyan Yousuf:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state the University-wise total amount of funds allocated by HEC in Sindh Province for research in academics and arts during the year 2012-13 alongwith the fields thereof separately?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education:** Rs. 113.801 million has been granted by HEC to the universities of Sindh for Research in year 2012-13 in the following programs:

**A. Access to Scientific Equipment.**

During the year 2012-13, Rs. 2,929,364/- have been allocated to the following universities in Sindh Province:—

- i. Centre for Pure & Applied Geology, University of Sindh, Jamshoro, Rs. 300,813/-
- ii. University of Karachi, Rs. 2,628,551/-

**B. Pak-US Joint Academic & Research Support.**

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) joined with the Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST) and the Higher Education Commission (HEC) of Pakistan to support the joint Pakistan-U.S. Science and Technology Cooperation Program.

During the year 2012-13, Rs. 11,428,730/- have been allocated to the following universities in Sindh Province:—

- i. University of Karachi, Botany, Dr. Syed I. Ali, Rs.1,292,076/-
- ii. University of Karachi, Agriculture, Dr. M. Ajmal Khan Rs. 3,027,128/-
- iii. Aga Khan University, Karachi, Medical, Dr. Afia Zafar Karachi, Rs. 7,109,526/-

**C. National Research Program for Universities.**

During the year 2012-13, Rs. 31,950,352/- have been allocated to the different universities in Sindh Province that is attached as annexure-I:

The total Research Projects - excluding 2012-13- under NRPU so far is as given to Sindh Province are 239 with total allocated/approved cost Rs.586,483,830/-.

#### **D. Patents Filing.**

During the year 2012-13, Rs. 1979250/- have been used for different universities of Sindh Province. Under this program, 4 patents were filed in United State Patent Office at the cost mentioned (Rs. 1979250/-). Details are at Annexure-II.

#### **E. HEC-BC Inspire**

In order to facilitate research and development in the higher education learning system, a partnership was established between the Higher Education Commission (HEC) of Pakistan and the British Council (BC) Pakistan under the project of Higher Education Links with British Universities in two phases. 50 higher education links between Pakistani and UK universities/education institutions were activated under the projects. Under HEC-BC INSPIRE program 2nd installment of Rs. 2856993 for two research projects was released as per agreement.

#### **F. Access to Scientific Instrumentation program**

Under Access to Scientific Instrumentation program, 198 students were provided grant for analytical analysis on research samples at the cost of Rs. 7292739. Details are at Annexure-IV.

#### **G. Seminars/Conferences funded by HEC to Universities.**

Under Travel Grants program of HEC, an amount of Rs. 26,679,448/- has been sanctioned in favor of a total of 160 cases from 20 universities in Sindh during the FY-2012-2013.

#### **H. Travel Grant for the Universities of Sindh.**

Under Grants for Organizing Seminars/Conferences program of HEC, an amount of Rs. 11,816,250/- has been sanctioned in favor of a total of 18 cases from 10 universities of Sindh during the FY-2012-2013.

#### **I. Institutional Strengthening Program.**

Under this program, 24 proposals were approved during 2012-13, including 07 proposals of Sindh province and grant allocated for up-gradation of

existing Research Laboratories and Libraries amounting Rs.4,864,934/-. The detail is at annexure-III.

**J. Thematic Research Grant Program.**

Under Thematic Research Grant Program Rs. 5,030,200/- amount granted to researchers. The detail is at annexure-IV.

**K. Support to Social Sciences Program.**

Under Support to Social Sciences Program, an amount of Rs.16,868,456/- allocated to HEC Recognized Research Journal. The detail is at annexure-V.

*(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

60. **Mrs. Shahida Rehmani:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) the qualification prescribed for Deputy Managing Director (DMD) of PIA recently appointed;*
- (b) whether it is a fact that the pay of the D.M.D is Rs.500,000/- besides other perks and privileges; if so, the criteria prescribed therefor?*

Reply not received.

249. **Dr. Raja Aamer Zaman:**

*Will the Minister for National Food Security and Research be pleased to state the steps being taken to introduce highly productive and disease resistant seeds/varieties of crops with particular reference to severe shortage of water and climate change in the country?*

**Minister for National Food Security and Research (Mr. Sikandar Hayat Khan Bosan):**

- Acquisition of genotypes with desirable traits *i.e.*, high yield, disease resistance and drought resistance from national and international sources.

- Selection and crossing for desirable traits
- Screening against diseases in Pakistan and Kenya (with special reference to stem rust Ug-99)
- Multi-location testing of genotypes for yield at regional and national level
- Approval of variety through provincial seed councils

250. **Dr. Raja Aamer Zaman:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether it is a fact that the female candidates having the qualification of M. Phil applied for the posts of Lecturers in Political Science were not given Demo Result as prepared by the Hazara University, Mansehra during the years 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13; if so, the reasons thereof alongwith the action taken against the responsables so far;*
- (b) whether it is also a fact that appointments of Lecturers in Political Science were not made according to the evaluation report as prepared by the said university during the said period; if so, the justification thereof; and*
- (c) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to appoint M. Phil female candidates as Lecturers in Political Science who applied during the said period; if so, when it will be implemented; if not, the reasons thereof?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education:** (a) The result of demo was placed/published on university website. Each candidate viewed his/her result through website.

(b) No, the appointments have been made on merit through the statutory bodies *i.e* Selection Board and the Syndicate which considered all merits of each candidate *i.e* qualification, written test, demo and performance during the interview in the Selection Board.

(c) As per need, vacant positions in Political Science Department will be advertised as and when required in due course of time and candidates having MPhil degree will be provided full opportunity of Selection/Appointment through Selection Board strictly on merit.

**251. Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the detail of medical equipments purchased by the Poly Clinic Hospital and Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences, Islamabad during the last two years alongwith the details of total expenditure incurred thereon;*
- (b) *the names and addresses of the firms applied/participated in the tendering process thereof;*
- (c) *the names and profile of the firms to whom contracts have been awarded therefor; and*
- (d) *the reasons for not awarding the contract to rest of the firms?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat: (a)**

- (a) • The detail of equipments purchased by **PIMS** are placed at Annex **A&B**.
  - A Blood Cell Separator machine and Platelet Kits were purchased by **FGPC** during the financial year 2011-2012 through a special allocation of funds.
- (b) **PIMS**
  - The names and addresses of the firms applied /participated in tendering process is placed at Annex-C.

**FGPC**

- M/s Basic Pharmaceuticals (Pvt) Ltd, 16- Babar Block, New Garden Town Islamabad.

(c) **PIMS**

- The names and profile of the firms to whom contracts have been awarded is at Annex-D.

**FGPC**

- M/s Basic Pharmaceuticals (Pvt) Ltd, 16- Babar Block, New Garden Town, Islamabad.

(d) The tenders were advertised by adopting Single Stage Two–Envelope procedure, as per clause # 36(b) of PPRA. All the participated bidders were assessed/evaluated for technical qualification and the bidders offered lowest price / rates were recommended / qualified by the Purchase Committee and approved by the competent Authority.

*(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

252. **Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- the city-wise total number of Government Hostels for the working Federal Government women at present; and*
- whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to establish more such Hostels; if so, when it will be implemented alongwith the details thereof?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) At present Staff Welfare Organization, which is an attached department of Establishment Division is running only one Hostel for Federal Government Female Employees at G-7/1, Islamabad.

(b) (I) Staff Welfare Organization has prepared a proposal for expansion in the existing Hostel for Federal Government Female Employees, G-7/1, Islamabad. PC-I for this purpose has been prepared which is in process for submission to CDWP for approval. This proposal has been included in the 11th Five Year Plan for approval as well,

(II) Similarly, for Federal Female Employees working at Lahore, provision of similar Hostel has been approved by DDWP in its meeting held on 01-07-2012. The same proposal has also been included in the 11th Five Year Plan for provision of funds for its construction.

**253. Dr. Azra Fazal Pechuho:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether rent from allottees of Government Houses, Flats, Shops and other property of CDA has been recovered; if so, the total rent recovered during the year 2013-14;*
- (b) whether there are any defaulters of rent at present; if so, the total number thereof; and*
- (c) the month wise income earned by CDA from advertising hoardings during the said period?*

Reply not received.

**254. Dr. Azra Fazal Pechuho:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state the total number of foreign students studying in Universities in ICT alongwith the names of countries thereof?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education: 2434** foreign students are presently studying in Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT) Universities and Institutions of Higher Education in total. Their names and distribution – country-wise – is placed at **Annex-I**.

*(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

**255. Dr. Arif Alvi:**

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that a number of advertisements are being given to dummy newspapers and magazines through PID; if so, the steps taken by the Government to curb said practice/corruption; and*
- (b) *the names of newspapers to which advertisements have been released through PID during the last five years alongwith the amount paid from June, 2013 to September, 2013?*

**Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid):** (a) Government advertisements can only be released to only those newspapers/periodicals which are on the Central Media List. Advertisements are released in a judicious and transparent manner and in accordance with the specific requirements of the sponsoring departments/organizations. The disbursement of advertisements is ensured fairly to both the national and regional press under a broad based comprehensive objective and balanced policy. Factors like circulation, standard, presentation, value, regularity and popularity of a publication forms an important yardstick for releasing the advertisements. b

(b) The names of newspapers to which advertisements have been released through PID during the last five fiscal years are attached in a statement **at Annexure-II** alongwith amount paid for the June. 2013 to September, 2013 **at Annexure-III.**

*(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

**256. Dr. Arif Alvi:**

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the actions taken by the Ministry to curb corruption in the selection of advertising agencies and placement of Government-controlled advertisements in Media during the year 2011-12 till date; and*
- (b) *the number of said agencies placed on the list of the Ministry at present alongwith the criteria adopted for selection thereof?*

**Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid):** (a) All public sector advertisements are released through

the APNS-accredited advertising agencies enlisted with Press Information Department. The advertising agencies are selected on the basis of open and transparent competition by the selection committees comprising the representatives of the sponsoring Departments/Organizations. PID and the external media experts. Further. Statement of advertisements released to the newspapers/periodicals during the year 2011-12 till date is attached at **Annexure-A**.

(b) In all, there are 89 Advertising agencies registered with PID Islamabad (**Annex-I**). The details of advertising agencies registered with regional PID offices is as follows:—

<b>Karachi</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>(Annex-II)</b>
<b>Lahore</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>(Annex-III)</b>
<b>Peshawar</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>(Annex-IV)</b>
<b>Hyderabad</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>(Annex-V)</b>
<b>Quetta</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>(Annex-VI)</b>

The criteria/procedure for selection of advertising agencies is given at **Annexure-B**.

*(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

257. **Muhammad Muzammil Qureshi:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Railways projects are being executed at present; if so, the details thereof separately;*
- (b) the project-wise allocation of budget during the current year; and*
- (c) the objective of each project alongwith the time by which said projects will be completed separately?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique):** (a) There are 33 projects being executed by the Railway Department under the Public Sector Development Programme. The details are attached separately.

(b) The project-wise allocation of budget during the current year is provided in the details attached.

(c) The objectives of each project alongwith the time by which said projects will be completed is also shown in the attached list.

*(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

**258. Belum Hasnain:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state:*

- (a) the year-wise total number of employees alongwith their names and designations who were engaged on daily wages basis in the Allama Iqbal Open University during the last five years;*
- (b) the names of employees whose services were regularized alongwith the detail of those whose services are yet to be regularized;*
- (c) the name of the authority who granted approval for the regularization of services in the said University; and*
- (d) whether the services of those employees were regularized in accordance with the rules and regulations; if not, the reasons; if so, the details thereof?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education:** (a) The year-wise total number of employees alongwith their names and designations who were engaged on daily wages basis in the Allama Iqbal Open University during the last five years is placed at “Annex-1, Annex-2 and Annex-3 as detailed below:—

2009	=	174
2010	=	119
2011	=	30
2012	=	41
2013	=	18

(b) The university does not have any statutory provision to regularize the service of daily wage employees without public advertisement. According to University Rules, vacant posts are advertised in the national press and recruitment

is made on the basis of merit through Selection Committee after test /interview. The daily wages employees are however allowed to apply as candidate. A list of employees who were, appointed on regular basis after the completion of direct recruitment process is enclosed at Annex-4.

(c) As per University Statutes (General Conditions of Service), following are the competent authorities for the employees mentioned against each. This authority is subject to following the processes mentioned at (b) above.

- (1) Vice-Chancellor: BPS 1 to 16.
- (2) Executive Council: BPS 17 & above.

(d) About 253 posts have been advertised which can be processed if ban on employment is lifted by the Federal Government. As stated at Para (b) above, the University does not have any statutory or regulatory provision to regularize the services of daily wage staff without provision of posts from the Ministry of Finance and other governing ministries, Currently, there is a ban *vide* Federal Government notification. This regularization process will be initiated as per rules after ban is lifted. A letter of this request is already sent to the Ministry of Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education.

*(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

**259. Belum Hasnain:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the sector and plot-wise total amount of income earned by CDA through auction of plots during last five years?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** The detail of plots auctioned during last (05) years and amount/income earned through their auction is attached at **Annex-A**.

*(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

**260. Zaib Jaffar:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that there is great scarcity of potable water in the neighbouring villages of Islamabad;*
- (b) *the steps being taken to overcome the said problem; and*
- (c) *the measures taken by the Government during the last five years in this regard?*

Reply not received.

261. **Zaib Jaffar:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the procedure prescribed for opening/functioning of private Schools in the Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT) alongwith the authority who approves the establishment of new private Schools in ICT;*
- (b) *whether any regulatory authority exists to regulate the functioning of private Schools in the ICT; if so, the details thereof;*
- (c) *the name of the private Schools which are not abiding by the prescribed laws/regulations alongwith the details of action taken against the responsables during the year 2013-14; and*
- (d) *whether there is a uniform educational syllabus for the said private Schools; if not, the reasons thereof?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) All newly established private schools in ICT are required to get themselves registered with Private Education Institutions Regulatory Authority (PEIRA) by submitting their request on prescribed application form alongwith requisite fee. Upon receipt of application, schools are inspected by an inspection team of PEIRA and registration issued. Schools are registered for a period of upto two years Afterwards, registration is renewed after every two years.

(b) Yes, there exists a regulatory authority to regulate the functioning of private schools in ICT namely; Private Educational Institutions Regulatory Authority (PEIRA).

(c) Act of PEIRA was passed by the Parliament in March, 2013. Subsequent to this, sub-ordinate legislation is under process, through public consultations with relevant stakeholders.

(d) No, there is no uniform educational syllabus for the said private schools. Schools offering matriculation & intermediate, adopt national curriculum and national scheme of studies alongwith books written by Pakistani authors Whereas, schools offering 'O' and 'A' level, adopt curriculum of Cambridge University and books written by foreign authors.

**262. Sajid Ahmed:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the filtration plants set up in various sectors of Islamabad are in dilapidated condition and providing water without filtration;*
- (b) *if so, the time by which CDA will make those Filtration Plants fully operational?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) It is stated that all 34 Nos operational water filtration plants in various sectors of Islamabad are providing properly filtered water; 04 number filtration plants which requires major repair work are closed.

(b) Non operational water filtration plants will be made functional upon allocation of funds and fulfillment of formalities in due course of time.

**263. Sajid Ahmed:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the procedure prescribed for registration of private medical Colleges with Pakistan Medical and Dental Council?*

Reply not received.

264. **Dr. Imran Khattak:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether it is a fact that the post of Superintendents in the Federal Ministries/Departments has not been upgraded so far; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to upgrade the said post; if so, when it will be implemented?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) Yes. The up-gradation /re-designation of post is made if it is covered under this Division's policy for up-gradation/re-designation of posts contained O.M. No. 8/36/2000-R-I, dated 20-1-2001 (copy enclosed). The issue for up-gradation of the post of Superintendent from BPS-16 to BPS-17 was examined in Establishment Division, and was not found covered under policy. It is further clarified that in the hierarchy of Federal Secretariat the post of Superintendent (BPS-16) is next below the post of Section Officer or Assistant Director/Admn Officer (BPS-17) and Superintendent works under Section Officer or Assistant Director/Admn Officer who are in-charge of the Section. Since up-gradation of this post from BPS-16 to BPS-17 will disturb hierarchy of the Federal Government, therefore, it was not found feasible.

(b) Some proposals for up-gradation of the post of Superintendent from BPS-16 to BPS-17 were received in this Division but same could not be finalized due to the reasons stated at (a) above.

*(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

265. **Dr. Imran Khattak:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) the total number of Federal Government Hospitals/ Dispensaries established during the last five years in the country alongwith the locations thereof;*

- (b) *the total budget allocated therefor; and*
- (c) *the number of patients being treated daily therein alongwith their total capacity of in-door patients?*

Reply not received.

**266. Khalida Mansoor:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the location-wise Government Educational Institutions established abroad; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration to establish new Educational Institution abroad; if so, the locations thereof?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education:** (a) Following are the location-wise Government Educational Institutions established abroad run by Pakistan Embassy and affiliated with FBISE, Islamabad:

1. Pakistan Embassy College BeiHING No.1, Dongzhimewai, Dajie, Sanlitun, Beijing, China.
2. Pakistan High Commission School, 2/50-G, Shantipath, Chankyapuri, New Dehli, India.
3. Pakistan Embassy School & College Tehran, Iran.
4. Pakistan Embassy School, P.O. Box No.5307, Benghazi, Libya.
5. Pakistan Embassy School, P.O. Box No.12213 Dahara, Tripoli, Libya.
6. Pakistan Embassy Study Group, Ankara, Turkey.

(b) The main objective of the establishment of the Board is to hold and conduct examinations at Secondary School and Higher Secondary School levels

regarding those institutions which stand affiliated in the fold of FBISE, Islamabad. Therefore it does not relate to FBISE, Islamabad.

**267. Khalida Mansoor:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state whether the verification of educational certificates of all Doctors and other staff of PIMS, Islamabad has been completed; if so, the details thereof?*

Reply not received.

**268. Mehboob Alam:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state:*

- (a) the steps taken by the Government for the improvement of education in Islamabad during the last three years; and*
- (b) the head-wise total amount spent on education during the said period?*

Transferred to Capital Administration and development Division for answer on Next Rota Day.

**269. Saman Sultana Jaffri:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether any foreign scholarships in specialized study programs for women have been initiated;*
- (b) if so, the details of Ph.D Programmes and specialization scholarships in the field of Medical, Engineering and Biotechnology launched during the year 2012-13 till date?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education:** (a) & (b) There is no gender specific foreign scholarship programme in specialized studies for women. However, the following women universities are implementing faculty development programmes for local and foreign Ms/Ph.D studies as per their needs:

- i. Lahore College for women University, Lahore.
- ii. Fatima Jinnah Women University, Rawalpindi.
- iii. Women University, Multan.
- iv. Shaheed Benazir Bhutto Women, University Formally known as Frontier Women University, Peshawar.
- v. Sardar Buhadar Khan (SBK), Women University, Quetta.

270. **Kishwer Zehra:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the aircrafts purchased and got on lease by the PIA during the last five years alongwith the description, mode of payment and name of country/company thereof; and*
- (b) *the amount of profit earned by the PIA therefrom?*

Reply not received.

271. **Tahira Aurangzeb:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the date of the installation of incinerator in Federal Government Polyclinic Hospital, Islamabad to incinerate hospital refuse; and*
- (b) *whether said incinerator is properly functional at present?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) The incinerator was installed in Federal Government Polyclinic Hospital Islamabad 1986.

(b) No, the incinerator is out of order due to out-dated spare parts and condition beyond economical repair. It has been declared non-repairable by the engineers. Funds for replacement are being arranged. At present medical hospital waste is being incinerated at National Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine, Islamabad.

272. **Tahira Aurangzeb:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state as to how the hospital waste is being disposed of in the PIMS, Islamabad alongwith the procedure adopted therefor?*

Reply not received.

273. **Iqbal Muhammad Ali Khan:**

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state the names of the Channels to which Media Rights of Cricket Matches of Pakistan verses South Africa cricket series have been granted alongwith the rates and total amount of the bid thereof?*

Reply not received.

274. **Iqbal Muhammad Ali Khan:**

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state the total amount of income earned by the PTV Sports Channel during the last three years?*

**Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid):** The total amount of income of PTV Sports Channel during the last three years is as under:—

**2010-2011**

PTV Sports didn't exist and the major sports events were shown by the PTV Network on PTV Home, therefore, no income could be projected against the sports channel.

### **2011-2012**

From its launch on January 11th, 2012 until June 2012, PTV Sports netted Rs 544.581 Million. The events included:

1. Pakistan Vs England Series 2012
2. Asia Cup 2012
3. Pakistan Vs Sri Lanka 2012
4. Euro Cup 2012
5. Roland Garros French Open Tennis 2012
6. Wimbledon 2012

### **2012-13**

During the year 2012-13, PTV earned an amount of Rs. 1424.264 Million (Provisional). The events include;

1. Pakistan Vs Australia 2012
2. ICC T-20 World Cup 2012
3. Pakistan Vs India 2012-13
4. Pakistan Vs South Africa 2012-13
5. West Indies to Australia 2012-13
6. South Africa to Australia 2012-13
7. Champions League 2012
8. Wimbledon 2013
9. Australian Open 2012
10. New Zealand to England 2012
11. ICC Champions Trophy 2013
12. FA Cup 2012-13
13. Barclay's Premier League 2012-13

14. FIH World Hockey League
15. FIH Champions Trophy Hockey 2012-13

275. **Rai Hasan Nawaz Khan:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether provincial quota is being observed for the posting/transfers of DMG officers in the provinces; if not, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that large number of DMG officers is working in the Province of the Punjab at present; if so, the details thereof?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a ) The transfers/postings of Pakistan Administrative Service (former DMG) officers in Provincial Governments are made against vacant posts in accordance with APUG/PAS share as agreed in the meeting of the Prime Minister with the Governors, Chief Ministers and Chief Secretaries of provinces held on 19th September 1993. Agreed share of PAS officer in the four provinces is at **Annex-I**.

Pakistan Administrative Service is All Pakistan Service in terms of Article 240 of the Constitution of Pakistan, therefore, provincial quota is not taken into consideration while transferring/posting of PAS officers; Rather, posting/transfer of PAS officers in each province is made in accordance with the Rotation Policy 2000, as per the agreed share of APUG/PAS officers therein.

(b) The details of APUG/PAS share and working strength of PAS officers in Government of Punjab is as under:—

Grade	Total No. of posts	Share of APUG/PAS	Present staffing	Overstaffing (+)/ under staffing (-) posts
BS-17	288	72 @ 25%	59	-13
BS-18	485	194 @ 40%	73	-121
BS-19	233	116 @ 50%	67	-49
BS-20	110	66 @ 60%	53	-13
BS-21	25	16 @ 65%	07	-09

It may be seen that there is shortage of PAS officers in Punjab in each grade.

AGREED SHARE OF PAS OFFICER IN THE FOUR PROVINCES					
Province	BS-17	BS-18	BS-19	BS-20	BS-21
Punjab	25%	40%	50%	60%	65%
Sindh	25%	40%	50%	60%	65%
Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	25%	40%	50%	60%	65%
Balochistan	25%	40%	50%	60%	65%

276. Lapsed under Rule 247(3).

277. **Lal Chand:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to overhaul the railway tracks and repair/renovate Railway Stations of Mir Pur Khas and Khokhrapar in view of planned trade with India; if so, when it will be implemented?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** 133 Kilometer railway track between Mirpurkhas and Khokhrapar was converted from meter gauge (1000 mm) to broad gauge (1676 mm) in 2006-07 which is quite sufficient for trade with India.

The Railway stations and other allied structure over Mirpur Khas - Khokhrapar section have also been renovated /repaired during the year 2006-07, and at present these are in satisfactory condition. Routine maintenance of the structure is being carried out as per site requirements. However improvement of zero point terminal facilities is being planned.

278. **Imran Zafar Leghari:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the details of decision recently taken by the Government to privatize 26% assets of the PIA in and out of Pakistan?*

Reply not received.

279. **Imran Zafar Leghari:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the role of the Ministry after the enactment of 18th Constitutional Amendment; and*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that the Ministry is formulating curriculum for educational institutions in the country?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education:** (a) After deletion of Concurrent Legislative List, the activities on the subject of education, entered therein were devolved to the provinces. However Article 25-A of the Constitution, entries at Sr. No. 3,15,16 and 17 of the Federal Legislative List part I and entries at Sr. No. 7 and 12 of Federal Legislative List part II involved a Federal role(details at **Annex I**). Now the Federal Ministry of Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education is performing the following activities:

1. To devise policies, plans and programmes for ensuring mass education and integrated professional, vocational and technical training in sync with national needs and international requirements.
2. To supervise /oversee the implementation of National Education Policy -2009.
3. To make proposals for legislation, rules and code of conduct for official business concerning education, professional training and skill development.
4. To formulate proposals/ recommendations for increased public expenditure on education, professional development and vocational & technical training.
5. To nominate/recommend eminent persons for national awards in the fields of education, professional and technical training.
6. To coordinate with other ministries/organizations for optimal utilization of professionals and trained manpower.

7. To liaise with International donors and organizations in the field of education and trainings.
8. To develop, coordinate and regulate curricula, schedules, institutes and examination/certification bodies for the relevant trainings.
9. To coordinate efforts to achieve education related MDGs and EFA targets.
10. To make arrangements for effective utilization of youth bulge by imparting vocational and technical training.
11. To administer and regulate the affairs of the attached departments, sub-ordinate offices and autonomous organizations.

(b) No, currently the Ministry is not undertaking any function for the formulation of curriculum for educational institutions in the country. However the Ministry has proposed the constitution of an autonomous commission to coordinate/ formulate curriculum. If the provincial governments consented then the proposed commission will undertake this responsibility.

**Annex-I**

#### **FOURTH SCHEDULE**

**[Article 70(4)]**

#### **LEGISLATIVE LISTS**

#### **Federal Legislative List**

#### **PART I**

3. External affairs; the implementing of treaties and agreements, including educational and cultural pacts and agreements, with other countries; extradition, including the surrender of criminals and accused persons to Governments outside Pakistan.

15. Libraries, museums, and similar institutions controlled or financed by the Federation.

16. Federal agencies and institutes for the following purposes, that is to say, for research, for professional or technical training, or for the promotion of special studies.

17. Education as respects Pakistani students in foreign countries and foreign students in Pakistan.

### **Federal Legislative List**

#### **PART II**

7. National planning and national economic coordination including planning and coordination of scientific and technological research.

12. Standards in institutions for higher education and research, scientific and technical institutions.

280. **Abdul Sattar Bachani:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state the total number of operational and non-operational Railway Engines at present?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** At present Pakistan Railways owned a fleet of 465 Diesel Electric Locomotives, out of which 170 Locomotives are operational and 295 Locomotives are non operational.

281. **Mahreen Razaque Bhutto:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

(a) *the province-wise total number of students of the Federal Medical Dental College, Islamabad at present; and*

(b) *the criteria prescribed for selection of students by the said College?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) The province-wise total number of students (two batches inducted so far) of the Federal Medical & Dental College (FM&DC), Islamabad at present are as under:—

	Distribution of Seats	1st Batch	2nd Batch	Total
Merit	06	06	05	11
Punjab	40	40	39	79
Sindh R	09	08	09	17
Sindh U	06	06	06	12
Khyber	09	09	09	18
Pukhtunkhawa				
Balochistan	05	05	05	10
Gilgit Baltistan	02	02	02	04
FATA	02	02	02	04
Azad Jammu & Kashmir	02	02	02	04
Islamabad Capital Territory	10	10	10	20
Federal Government Employees	09	09	09	18
	<b>100</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>197</b>

From 1st batch of 2012, one registered student left the College while from second batch of 2013, two registered students left the College.

(b) Following is the criteria prescribed for selection of students by the FM&DC

10% of Matric marks

40 % of F.Sc marks

50% of Entry Test marks

Entry Test is conducted by the National Testing Services. Merit list is prepared according to prescribed quota.

**282. Mahreen Razaque Bhutto:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) the performance made by the Federal Medical Dental College Islamabad made during the last two years; and*
- (b) the standards prescribed for measuring performance thereof?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) The two batches of 197 students of MBBS currently studying in Federal Medical & Dental College (FM&DC), Islamabad, were admitted during the last two years. The regular classes of the students are being conducted as per time table and schedule.

First Professional Examination of first batch was conducted in March, 2013. The supplementary examination was conducted in September, 2013. The course work of both the batches for next professional examinations are about to be completed.

The college is addressing the problem of faculty shortage.

Transparent and merit based admission process of third batch of another 100 MBBS students is in progress and would be completed shortly.

(b) The performance of Federal Medical & Dental College is being regularly monitored through its faculty members and staff of the College. Students are admitted and examinations are conducted on the prescribed time and schedule approved by Pakistan Medical & Dental Council and Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad.

**283. Asghar Ali Shah:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the total area of diplomatic enclave in Islamabad at present?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** At present the total Area of Diplomatic Enclave including its extension is 1146.69 Acres.

284. **Sahibzada Tariq Ullah:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that Rs.5000/- monthly allowance is given to those employees/teachers in the country who are Ph.D in natural and social sciences;*
- (b) *whether it is further a fact that the Supreme Court has already given the status of social sciences to the linguistics;*
- (c) *whether it is also a fact that the linguistic teachers have been deprived of the said allowance; if so, the reason thereof?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education:** (a) 1. Employees/Teachers in the county who have done Ph.D. Natural and Social Sciences are getting monthly allowance in the following categories.

Name of Allowance	Previous Rate	Revised Rate (From Aug. 09, 2011 to date)
Special Science and Technology Allowance	Rs. 5000/-	Rs. 7500/-
Ph.D. Allowance	Rs. 1500/-	Rs. 2250/-

2. Government approved grant of the “Special Allowance for Science & Technology” *w.e.f.* 1/7/2001 to Ph.D. degree holders who are working in R&D Organizations, Universities and Science and Technology Institutions/Centers *vide* Finance Division’s letter No. F.1(9)Imp/2000 dated May 8, 2002 (copy is attached at Annex-I). This allowance was admissible to;

- (a) Scientists having Ph.D. degree in the relevant field and at least 5 years post-doctoral research experience in the relevant field.
- (b) Research should be supported with tangible proof to be determined by the Pakistan Council for Science and Technology.

- (c) Those scientists who are working on administrative posts and were not actively engaged in research shall not be entitled to receive this allowance.

3. The benefit of “Special Allowance for Science & Technology Allowance” was extended *w.e.f.* 2/9/2003 to those faculty members who hold Ph.D. degree in Social Science as well.

4. The benefit was extended to College Teachers who hold Ph.D. degree in the specified disciplines *w.e.f.* 1/7/2007 to:

- (i) Ph.D. degree holders in specified 18 disciplines of Natural Sciences who are working in R&D organizations, Universities and Science and Technology Institutions/ Centers.
- (ii) The employees holding Ph.D. degree in Social Sciences who are Faculty Members of the Universities and College teachers.

All those who are eligible for the aforementioned Allowance @ Rs.5000/- (Revised Rs. 7500/-) shall not be eligible for the Ph.D. Allowance of Rs.1500/- (Revised Rs. 2250/-) p.m. However, the benefit of the Ph.D. Allowance @ Rs.1500/- (Revised Rs. 2250/-) p.m. will remain admissible to other Ph.D. degree holders working under the Federal Government as well as Autonomous/Semi-Autonomous bodies of the Federal Government who have adopted Government Basic Pay Scales Scheme into and are not eligible to receive the Special Science & Technology Allowance.

(b) The Languages teachers having Ph.D. are eligible for Ph.D. allowance at the rate of Rs. 2250/-pm but not for S & T Allowance.

(c) The HEC has neither received relevant judgment/order of the apex court nor any other Office Memorandum of the Ministry of Finance to this effect.

*(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

**285. Sahibzada Muhammad Yaqub:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the number of scholarships given by HEC to the students of Malakand Division during the last five years till date alongwith the details thereof; and*

- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to increase the number of scholarships for the said students; if so, when it will be implemented?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education:** (a) During the period 2008-2013, Higher Education Commission (HEC), awarded scholarship to **227** scholars holding domicile of districts falling under the administrative jurisdiction of Malakand Division, under its various development projects.

The district wise details of scholars is as under:—

Sr. No.	District	No. of Scholars
1.	Swat	97
2.	Bunair	14
3.	Malakand	45
4.	Shangla	08
5.	Upper Dir & Lower Dir	61
6.	Chital	02
<b>Total</b>		<b>227</b>

(b) The Government has initiated a scheme to facilitate the students of less developed areas for reimbursement of their tuition fee. The detail of the scheme is attached at **Annex-I**.

**Annex-I**

**PRIME MINISTER FEE REIMBURSEMENT SCHEME FOR LESS  
DEVELOPED AREAS For  
MS/M.PHIL AND PH.D STUDENTS**

**INTRODUCTION:**

The Prime Minister's Tuition Fee Reimbursement Program was approved on 1st June, 2012 by the Cabinet Division in the Financial Year 2012-13 for the students of MA/MS/M. Phil/Ph.D. The program was initially facilitating students of Balochistan, Gilgit/Baltistan and FATA has been extended in Financial year

2013-14 for local/domicile holders of Interior Sindh, South Punjab, AJK, **Malakand**, Kohistan and D.I.Khan division of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and Attok, Mianwali and Khushab districts of Punjab and has been renamed as “Prime Minister’s Fee Reimbursement Program for Less Developed Areas”. The tuition fee (normal fee structure) and other mandatory fees charged by the respective institutions are paid for the students enrolled on merit in Maters/MS/M Phil studying /residing in their respective Province/area of domicile. For Ph.D. studies, students of less developed areas can study in the Public Sector Universities all over Pakistan.

### **Inclusion of Malakand Division**

The students having valid domicile/local certificate of Malakand Division are now also being facilitated under the subject scheme announced by the Prime Minister of Pakistan and are entitled for the following benefits:—

- Students of Ph.D. studying/enrolled in any Public Sector University of Pakistan.
- Only students of FATA, **Malakand**, Kohistan and Dera Ismail Khan which are enrolled in Masters, M.S./M Phil are facilitated for applying in all universities of Khyber Pukhtoonkhwa.
- Tuition fee and other mandatory fees charged by the respective institutions is paid to all students except for those admitted on self-finance basis or who are already availing any other scholarship.

### **286. Chudhary Hamid Hameed:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the post wise total number of employees of CDA working on regular, contract and daily wages basis at present?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** The detail of post-wise total number of employees of CDA working on regular, contract and daily wages basis at present are given at Annex A, B & C respectively.

*(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

**287. Chudhary Hamid Hameed:**

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the total number of persons appointed in grade-II (equal to grade-17) and grade-I (equal to grade-18) in Associate Press of Pakistan (APP) from 2009 to 2012 alongwith their qualification, age and experience; and*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that the experienced and qualified employees of the APP were not given priority for the said recruitments; if so, the reasons thereof?*

**Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid):** (a) A total number of **12 persons** were appointed in Grade-II (which is equivalent to BS-17) during the period under review *i.e.* 2009-2012. Whereas, a total number of **08 persons** were appointed in Grade-I (which is equivalent to BS-18) during the period as per details given in (**Annex-I**).

(b) APP appointed the required staff under laid down procedure *i.e.* after placing advertisement in the Press etc. Since none of the serving employees of the APP applied for the advertised positions, they were not considered.

*(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

**288. Iftikhar Ud Din:**

*Will the Minister Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the prescribed procedure for distribution and utilization of resources by the Pakistan Academy of Letters (PAL);*
- (b) *the total number of writers of District Chitral to whom opportunities have been given for exchange visits within Pakistan and abroad during the last three years till date;*
- (c) *the total amount of grant/aid distributed among the writers of*

- said district during the said period;*
- (d) *the total amount of funds utilized for the promotion of Literature in regional Languages of said district during the said period;*
- (e) *the total number of senior and sick writers and poets who benefitted from the stipend package of PAL alongwith the details thereof;*
- (f) *the future plan for the promotion of Khowar Language alongwith the total books issued by PAL so far; and*
- (g) *whether Khowar writers were neglected while publishing books on founders of Pakistan Literature?*

**Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid):** (a) The Pakistan Academy of Letters (PAL) is a national statutory body working for promotion of Pakistani literature and welfare of writers' community in the country.

The PAL receives funds as Grant-in-Aid from Government of Pakistan through its administrative Ministry under following heads of accounts (the funds allocated for 2013-2014 are also mentioned for instance):—

S.No.	Head of Account	Allocation for 2013-14 (Rs. Million)
1.	Pakistan Academy of Letters	81.100 (after cut)
2.	Stipends to writers	32.000
3.	Grant-in-aid to Learned Bodies	5.100
4.	Best book award on Shah Latif Bhitai and Sufism	0.125
5.	Grant-in-aid to Hasrat Mohani memorial trust, Karachi	0.060

All expenses on major activities of PAL Head Office as well as Four (04) Regional Offices) such as Publications, Literary Programmes, Seminars, Conferences, National Literary Awards, Utilities, Communication, Transportation, Occupancy Cost, Repair and Maintenance, Establishment Charges and Pension are met out from the funds received under the head of account mentioned at Serial No. 1.

With regard to funds received under remaining four heads of account (Sr. No. 2 to 5), the role of PAL is of a distributing/facilitating body.

Since financial rules of PAL are under preparation, therefore, PAL is observing Federal Government Budgeting and Control System in toto and financial rules and regulations of the Federal Government.

(b) No visit of writers has been arranged by PAL under Cultural Exchange Programme with China as well as within Pakistan (Inter-Provincial visit of Writers) during last three years.

However, during previous years, Pakistani writers' Delegation visited the Peoples' Republic of China and Dr. Inayatullah Faizi from Chitral was included as member of the Delegation.

Besides above, on invitation of PAL three (03) writers from district Chitral namely Dr. Inayatullah Faizi, Rehmat Aziz Chitrali and Mr. Said Alam participated in International Conference of Writers and Intellectuals, organized by PAL in January 2013.

(c) The Academy pays monthly honoraria to indigent writers and poets and bereaved families of deceased writers, who are facing hardships or economic distress. Moreover, lump-sum financial assistance is also paid to ailing writers for medical treatment and to their bereaved families on the recommendations of local literary organizations. Under this scheme, 500-families (living writers/bereaved families of deceased writers) are being benefitted.

Four (04) Living Writers and Five (05) Bereaved Families of deceased writers from Chitral are receiving monthly stipends @ Rs. 5000/- through PAL. Total amount paid to these nine (09) families comes to Rs. 1.620 million for last

three years.

Besides above, an amount of Rs. 10,000/- has been paid to two (02) ailing writers from Chital as lump-sum financial assistance during last three years. Under Group Insurance Scheme of Writers of PAL following Three (03) senior writers from (district Chital) have been insured by Postal Life Insurance.

1. Mr. Inayat Ullah Faizi,
2. Mr. Changiz Khan
3. Mr. Gul Nawaz. Khaki

Approximately an amount of Rs. 15,000/- as annual premium is being paid by the PAL since 1997.

Under the above scheme family of the deceased writer is paid an amount of Rs. 100,000/- in case of natural death and Rs.200,000/- in case of accidental death.

An amount of Rs.100,000/- had been paid to the bereaved family of Mr. Rehmat Akbar Khan (Late) under this scheme.

(d) In order to give impetus to literatures and literary activities in the country, Government of Pakistan provides annual grant Learned/Literary bodies of the country through PAL.

Like other literary bodies of the country, an amount of Rs. 50,000/- is also being paid annually to Anjuman-e-Tarraqi-e-Khiwar, Chital. Total amount paid to the Anjuman during last three years, comes to Rs. 150,000/-.

(e) As mentioned in C above.

(f) Pakistan Academy of Letters strictly observers representation of all Pakistani Languages in its publications, like Urdu Journal Quarterly “Adabiat”, Bi-annual English journal “Pakistani Literature”, annual selection from Pakistani Literature (both poetry and prose), annual Bibliography of Pakistani Literature etc. As and when the books are published having literature of any specific language of Pakistan, Khowar language has given equal representation. For example, PAL initiated a scheme to publish selection of Pakistani Literature, published during last fifty years (1947-2008) in all Pakistani languages. A selection (Prose & Poetry) of Broshiski, Balti, Shina and Khowar has been published by PAL in 2010, compiled by Dr. Inayat Ullah Faizi and Syed Muhammad Abbas Kazmi.

As per past, all efforts would be materialized by PAL, for the promotion and representation of Khowar language in air future schemes of PAL.

(g) PAL has been publishing a series of books titled "Makers of Pakistani Literature" (not founders of Pakistan Literature).

Irrespective of any language or region, the books (introductory) under this series are published on life and works of the literary personalities, who played an important role in literature and literary history of Pakistan. Hence, no such major literary personality has been neglected in this regard. Since it is an ongoing scheme, therefore, work can be commenced on such literary legend of Khowar language on merit.

**289. Nighat Parveen Mir:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the names of the departments working under CADD excluding hospitals; and*
- (b) *the total number of persons recruited in each of the said departments during the last three years?*

Reply not received.

**290. Nighat Parveen Mir:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the names and designations of persons recruited in the Federal Government Hospitals since 15-3-2008 till date?*

Reply not received.

**291. S. A. Iqbal Qadri:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state whether it is a fact that many retired employees of Pakistan Railways have been re-employed therein during the last three years; if so, the details thereof?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** Twenty-three retired employees have been re-employed in Pakistan Railways during the last three years. The detail is at **Annex- "A"**.

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY UN-STARRED QUESTION D.NO.28 MOVED BY MR.S.A IQBAL QADRI, MNA.

NO.	NAME	DESIGNATION	FROM	TO
1.	Mr.Muhammad Siddique/Muhammad Ramzan	Ex.Signal Muawan	02-10-2013	01-01-2015
2.	Mr.Muhammad Asghar Qureshi	Photographer	02-10-2013	24-06-2011
3.	Ch.Bashir Ahmed	PWI/OKR	14-10-2010	24-06-2011
4.	Ch.M Ikram Rai	PWI/GJA	15-10-2010	24-06-2011
5.	Mr.Muhammad Arshad	Asstt.Driver	18-12-2010	12-10-2011
6.	Mr.Muhammad Siddique	Asstt.Driver	26-10-2010	12-10-2011
7.	Mr.Niamat Ali	Asstt.Driver	26-10-2010	12-10-2011
8.	Mr.Muhammad Kafeel	Asstt.Driver	26-10-2010	12-10-2011
9.	Mr.Muhammad Akram Khan	Asstt.Driver	29-12-2010	12-10-2011
10.	Mr.Muhammad Illyas Dar	Asstt.Driver	15-09-2011	12-10-2011
11.	Mr.Zafar Saeed Ahmad	Asstt.Driver	15-09-2011	12-10-2011
12.	Mr.Tanveer-ul-Haq	Asstt.Driver	15-09-2011	12-10-2011
13.	Mr.Akhtar Mehmood	Asstt.Driver	15-09-2011	12-10-2011
14.	Mr.Muhammad Yousaf	Asstt.Driver	15-09-2011	12-10-2011
15.	Mr.Mubashir Javed Butt	Asstt.Driver	15-09-2011	12-10-2011
16.	Mr.Abdul Rashid	Asstt.Driver	15-09-2011	12-10-2011
17.	Mr.Muhammad Din	Asstt.Driver	15-09-2011	12-10-2011
18.	Mr.Mubarak Khan	Asstt.Driver	15-09-2011	12-10-2011
19.	Mr.Abdul Sattar	Asstt.Driver	29-10-2010	12-10-2011
20.	Mr.Malik Haroon	Asstt.Driver	29-10-2010	12-10-2011
21.	Mr.Munawar Hussain	Asstt.Driver	29-10-2010	12-10-2011
22.	Mr.Malik Mohammad Anwar	Sanitary Inspector	28-10-2011	Continue
23.	Mr.Piyara Khan	AWI	11-12-2012	10-12-2014

**292. Maulana Muhammad Gohar Shah:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) the total amount released under PWP-I and II during the last five years for the National Assembly Constituency No.7 alongwith the name of the projects thereof;*
- (b) the estimated cost of each of the said project; and*
- (c) the steps taken for monitoring the completion of the said projects alongwith the present status thereof?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) The total amount released under PWP-I during last five years for National Assembly Constituency No.7 (NA-7 Charsada) is Rs.49.923 million. The names of the projects/schemes proposed by the MNA are annexed.

The allocation under PWP-II, was made by the Prime Minister's Secretariat while Cabinet Division only disbursed the said amount to the concerned executing agencies.

- (b) The project/scheme-wise estimated cost is annexed.
- (c) All the development schemes have been completed as intimated by the concerned executing agency.

*(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

**293. Molana Ameer Zaman:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) the prescribed procedure for purchase of medicines for CDA Hospital; and*

(b) *the quantity of medicines in the said Hospital at present alongwith the details of medicines purchased therefor during the year 2013-14?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) Purchase of Medicines for Capital Hospital, CDA Islamabad is made under PPRA Rules (Prescribed by the Government of Pakistan). Tenders for required Medicines are invited from Registered Firms through National Leading Newspapers **Annex-A**. Scrutiny of the quoted Medicines is carried out by the Specialist Doctors for recommendations of the Medicines to be purchased. The Financial bids of recommended drugs are opened and the lowest bidder is awarded the rate running contract for (02) years.

(b) The list of quantity of available medicines & medicines supplied to Hospital upto 13-11-2013 is Annexed at **Annex-B**.

*(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

294. **Qaisar Jamal:**

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state the number of employees of the Khyber Pukhtunkhwa, Balochistan and FATA working in the Pakistan National Council of Arts at present?*

**Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid):** The total number of employees belonging to Khyber Pukhtunkhwa, Baluchistan and FATA working in the PNCA are as follows:—

Khyber Pukhtunkhwa	20
Baluchistan	06
FATA	01

295. **Qaisar Jamal:**

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state the total number of offices established under the Pakistan National Council of Arts in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Balochistan and FATA?*

**Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid):** No office of Pakistan National Council of the Arts is established in Khyber Pukhtunkhwa, Baluchistan and FATA as yet.

296. **Mrs. Shahida Rehmani:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state whether the Government decided to waive the age limit for higher studies to accommodate the poor/low income students; if so, the details thereof?*

**Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education:** No there is no proposal under consideration at Higher Education Commission for waiving of the age limit for higher studies to accommodate the poor/low income students.

297. **Naeema Kishwar Khan:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) the grade-wise deduction being made as Group Insurance Fund (GIP) from employees of Education Department;*
- (b) the maturity period of said insurance alongwith the time by which the same is returned to those employees;*
- (c) the province-wise details of the payment made from insurance fund to the retired employees during the year 2012-13 till date;*
- (d) whether it is a fact that payment of said fund is not being made to the employees of province of the KPK; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (e) the step being taken by the Government to grant the said fund to retired employees thereof?*

Reply not received.

298. **Mrs. Shahida Rehmani:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the rights of ownership have not been given to the residents of Sector G-6, Islamabad so far; if so, the reasons thereof?*

Reply not received.

299. **Mohammad Ayaz Soomro:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether it is a fact that the stipend is being paid to the students who secure 80% marks in Secondary to Master level examinations;*
- (b) whether it is also fact that full tuition fee is being disbursed to the Government employees, by the Benevolent Fund and Group Insurance, whose children get admission in Medical, Engineering Colleges and MBA in the public Universities;*
- (c) whether there is any proposal under consideration to disburse the full tuition fee to the Government employees whose children get admission for MS, M.Phill and Ph.D programs and other disciplines of Graduation and Masters in the public Universities; and*
- (d) whether there is also any proposal under consideration of the Government to pay stipend/disburse the full tuition fee to the Government employees whose children secure below 60% marks in Secondary to Master level and professional educational examinations; if so, when it will be implemented; if not, the reasons thereof?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) Yes it is a fact that educational stipend is being paid to the children of the Federal Government employees who secure at least 80% marks in Secondary to Master degree level examination held by the recognized Boards or Universities. However, in case of

Medical and Engineering studies, it is admissible with at least 70% marks in the immediately last held Board or University examination. The stipend is being paid, under rule 25 of FEB & GIF Rules, 1972 as amended from time to time.

(b) Yes, it is also a fact that tuition fee is being re-imbursed to the Federal Government Employees whose children get admission on merit in the degree programmes of Medical Engineering, IT & Business Studies in Public Sector Institutions, Colleges and Universities. However, during Professional studies in Degree Programmes i.e. Medical, Engineering, IT Business Studies, in public sector universities colleges, the tuition fee is being re-imbursed of obtaining minimum passing marks prescribed by the Institution, College or University after admission.

(c) No proposal is under consideration in the FEB & GIF for reimbursement of full tuition fees to the Federal Government employees whose children get admission for MS, M.Phil and Ph.D and other disciplines of Graduation and Masters degree Programmes.

(d) Similarly, no proposal is under consideration to pay the Educational Stipends and for reimbursement of fees to the Federal Government Employees whose children secure below 60% marks in Secondary to Master Degree level. Presently, a heavy amount is being paid to the Federal Government employees as Educational Stipend and reimbursement of fees. During the F.Y. 2012-13, Rs. 4,028.691 million were paid to the Federal Government employees/their family members under various schemes and only Rs.2,263.935 million were received as contribution from the Federal Government employees in the same period causing a deficit of Rs.1,764.756 million for the FEB & GIF. Implementation of such a proposal would only increase the financial burden of FEB & GIF especially in view of the fact that educational stipend or reimbursement of tuition fee are not charted / mandatory functions of the FEB & GIF and have only been initiated by the Board of Trustees as a welfare measure for the Federal Govt. employees and their children.

**300. Syed Waseem Hussain:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the year-wise quantity of the scrap sold by the Pakistan Railways during the last five years till date; and*

(b) *the total amount earned therefrom?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** (a) The year-wise quantity of scrap material sold by Pakistan Railways during the last five years till date is as under:—

Year	Quantity Sold (Metric Ton)
2008-09	5447.700
2009-10	13787.000
2010-11	8787.987
2011-12	4869.350
2012-13	6970.000
2013-14 (till date)	Nil

(b) The year-wise total earning during the last five years is given below:—

Year	Total Amount/ Earned (Rs. In million)
2008-09	167.663
2009-10	626.862
2010-11	426.415
2011-12	219.734
2012-13	318.801
2013-14 (till date)	Nil
<b>Total</b>	<b>1759.475</b>

301. **Syed Waseem Hussain:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

(a) *the names and designations of the employees of BPs-16 to 20 except deputationists to whom plots have been allotted by the CDA during the years 2008 to 2013 alongwith the number and sizes of plots thereof; and*

(b) *the details of those employees who have transferred/sold their plots during the said period?*

Reply not received.

**302. Sajid Nawaz:**

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state the role and responsibilities of the Ministry with respect to the preservation of national heritage of the country?*

**Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid):** National Heritage Wing of Ministry of information Broadcasting & National Heritage is concerned with preservation and promotion of Cultural Heritage both tangible and intangible. The details are given below:—

**A. Tangible Heritage**

The Department of Archaeology and Museums, Government of Pakistan is the custodian of the Nation's cultural heritage. It is the sole agency to protect and preserve its master pieces in the shape of immovable sites and monuments and the movable antiquities and works of art. The role of the Ministry in this respect is as under:—

**(1) International Role:**

- Implementation of UNESCO conventions; (a) protection of world cultural and natural Heritage;(b) prohibiting, and preventing the illicit import, export and transfer of ownership of cultural property and (c)Protection of cultural property in the event of conflict.
- Implementation of UNESCO Recommendations on Archaeological Excavations.
- Coordination with International Bodies such as World Heritage Committee and Inter-Governmental committee for Restitution of cultural property.
- Cooperation with International Organizations like International Council of Museums, (ICOM), international Council on Monuments and Sites, (ICOMOS), International Centre for the Study of Preservation & Restoration of Cultural Property, (ICCROM), etc.

- Securing International assistance and mobilizing world's opinion for: protection of cultural heritage of Pakistan, renovating museums, establishments of scientific institutions and to organize & mount international exhibitions of the, cultural heritage of Pakistan.

(2) **National Role:**

- Preservation and conservation of historical monuments and archaeological sites.
- Pursuance of a uniform national policy of field researches such as archaeological exploration and excavation.
- Collaboration with foreign archaeological missions working at various sites in Pakistan and to regulate their activities under a uniform policy adopted by the Federal Government.
- Collaboration for prevention of smuggling of the cultural heritage and controlling of export of antiquities and works of art and to regulate chance discoveries and control over movement of cultural property.
- Establishment and maintenance of museums development of Museums and archeological gardens
- Study of Epigraphic and Numismatic records
- Treatment and Restoration of Antiquities.
- Administration of Antiquities Act, 1975.

**B. Intangible Heritage**

National Institute of Folk and Traditional Heritage (Lok Virsa) & Pakistan National Council of the Arts.(PNCA) are concerned with preservation and promotion of Intangible heritage. The role of responsibilities of these autonomous bodies is summarized below:—

- Research, systematic collection, documentation, scientific preservation, projection and dissemination of oral traditions, folklore and other aspects of indigenous cultural, heritage.

- Establishes museums for the purpose of displaying living arts and crafts, cultural artifacts and rare objects from all parts of Pakistan.
- Organizes art and craft festivals, exhibitions, workshops and seminars in collaboration with national and regional cultural organizations.
- Provides training and incentives through various means to the traditional practitioners including master artisans, folk artists, folk musicians and folk dance groups for recognition of their talents at the national level.
- Projects cultural heritage of Pakistan at national and international level through different activities/projects.

303. **Iftikhar Ud Din:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that PIA has increased the airfare from Islamabad to Chitral from Rs.3560/- to Rs.8700/-; if so, the reasons thereof;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that due to increase in the fare of PIA the number of passengers have been decreased; if so, the details thereof; and*
- (c) *whether it is further a fact that PIA's weekly flights to Chitral have been reduced from 21 to 2 flights; if so, the reasons thereof?*

Reply not received.

304. **Syed Asif Hasnain:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state the time by which new engines will be inducted in the railway system alongwith the percentage of trains to be made functional therefrom?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** A contract agreement has been signed with M/s. CSR Ziyang, China on 07-12-2012 for procurement of 58 Locomotives. The supply of locomotives is expected in fiscal years 2013-14 & 2014-15. 23 locomotives will be supplied in the first batch and put on trial. After satisfactory performance of the same, the remaining locomotives will be supplied.

Regarding operational plan of Pakistan Railways decision is yet to be made either they would, operate in freight trains or in goods trains.

**305. Syed Asif Hasnain:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state the financial benefits accrued to Pakistan Railways by the Cargo Trains during the year 2013-14?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** In the year 2013-14 Pakistan Railways has so far generated revenue of Rs.1339.214 millions from Cargo operations, compared to Rs.507.595 millions during the same period of last year, which is more than 163%, as per following monthly details.

Month	Earning (2013-14)	Earning (2012-13)	Difference	%	Budget Target (2013-14)	Difference	%
July	277.914	196.708	81.206	41.282	218.108	59.806	27.420
August	193.540	126.439	67.101	53.069	144.035	49.505	34.370
September	307.906	-32.827	340.733		113.443	194.463	171.419
October	304.770	169.779	241.786	134.991	163.797	140.973	86.065
November	255.084	47.496	207.588	437.064	146.627	238.457	161.526
Total	1339.214	507.595	831.619	163.835	786.010	552.587	70.302

306. **Dr. Nisar Ahmad Jatt:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that M.Phil allowance is not being granted to the teachers/lecturers of the Federal Government institutions; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) *the time by which M.Phil allowance will be granted to the said teachers/lecturers?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) M.Phil allowance is not being provided to the teachers/lecturers of if Federal Government Educational Institutions as there is no provision to grant M.Phil allowance in existing rules.

(b) As and when the M.Phil allowance is allowed by the concerned authorities FDE will start giving the said allowance to the teachers /lecturers accordingly.

307. **Molana Ameer Zaman:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the medical treatment is given to a lesser number of patients in the CDA Hospital; if so, the reasons thereof?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** No. the fact is that number of patients visiting the Hospital is increasing day by day due to efficient treatment and best management. Details of patients during 2011 & 2012 is as under:

- (a) Out door patients for the year 2011-197653. **(Annex-A).**
- (b) Out door patients for the year 2012-283919. **(Annex-B).**

*(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

308. **Eng. Hamid Ul Haq Khalil:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether it is a fact that Rs. 30/- is being charged as entry tax at Bacha Khan Airport, Peshawar;*
- (b) if so, the reasons thereof?*

Reply not received.

309. **Sher Akbar Khan:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the steps being taken by NDMA to rehabilitate the damage caused by recent monsoon in Buner (NA-28)?*

Reply not received.

@310. **Sher Akbar Khan:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to establish public library in Bunair (NA-28);*
- (b) if so, when it will be implemented; if not, the reasons thereof?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) There is no proposal under consideration of the Government of Pakistan for establishment of a Public Library in Bunir NA-28 at present.

(b) Public Libraries are established and maintained by provincial Governments and local bodies in all the provinces of Pakistan it is, therefore, provincial matter and not the business of Federation.

**311. Muhammad Aijaz Ahmed Chaudhary:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the total amount spent on the development schemes in Mandi Baha-u-Din (NA-108) during the last five years alongwith the details of schemes thereof; and*
- (b) *the number of said remaining schemes which have not been completed so far alongwith the details regarding the transparency made in the execution thereof?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) The total expenditure incurred on the development schemes in Mandi Baha-u-Din (NA-108) during the last five years (2008-2013) under Peoples' Works Programme-I as intimated by the concerned executing agencies is Rs.57.287 Million and the details of schemes are annexed.

(b) All the development schemes have been completed . as intimated by the concerned executing agencies.

*(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

@ Transferred from Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education.

**312. Malik Abdul Ghaffar Dogar:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the CDA has made announcement for development of the Sector C-13, Islamabad; if so, the time by which said development work will be started; and*
- (b) *the time by which compensation will be paid to the affectees and owners of land; alongwith the time by which the process for allotment will be started?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) The CDA has acquired the land of Sector C-13, Islamabad under Deputy Commissioner, CDA award dated 02-12-2008. The built-up property has not been acquired so far. The CDA acquired Sectors C-13, C-14, C-15, C-16, F-13, E-13, D-13, H-16

& I-17 during 2008 and 2009. The built-up property of these sectors is yet to be acquired. The CDA has taken up two sectors C-15 and C-16 in the first step and the built-up property is going to be acquired and afterwards built-up property of remaining sectors including sector C-13 will be acquired and after completion of acquisition, the possession will be taken over and development will be started as per planning.

(b) There is no monetary compensation for Land:—

In this sector Land sharing Policy, 2007 is applicable where:

- (a) **Land:-** For every “4” kanals of raw Land “1” Kanal developed plot.
- (b) **BUP:-** A family unit existing prior Land Award 2008 & having more then 1000 sq ft BUP will get a 25x50 plot in affectees sector.
- (c) As regards time of compensation every effort is bring made to finish C-15-16 and thereafter C-13 will begin.

313. **Malik Abdul Ghaffar Dogar:**

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the number of persons/employees to whom plots have been allotted by the Federal Government Employees Housing Foundation in sector G-14, Islamabad against Journalist’s Quota during the last five years till date; and*
- (b) *the name of Journalists to whom plots have been allotted by the said Housing Foundation against 3% quota of Journalists during the said period?*

Reply not received.

314. **Shehryar Afridi:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that timings of Rail Car plying between Rawalpindi and Kohat are inconvenient for Government Servants and general public;*
- (b) *if so, whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to reconsider the said timings in the public interest?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** (a) The running of 345 Up/346 Dn (Kohat Mixed) has been discontinued temporarily since 15-11-2011 due to poor patronization and shortage of locomotives. This train was temporarily started with effect from 6-11-2012 to 12-07-2013, to facilitate Inter-Provincial movement of passenger due to repair work of the bridge. The timings were fixed to facilitate the maximum number of travelers.

(b) When the train will be restored, it's timings will be fixed in consultation with representatives of public to provide facilitation to maximum people. However, at present it's restoration is not under consideration.

315. **Muhammad Jamal Ud Din:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether any scheme has been launched to provide financial assistance to IDPs of South Waziristan Agency;*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to conduct survey and provide compensation for the houses, shops, crops and loss of business of those IDPs; and*
- (c) *whether the survey has been conducted for IDPs of South Waziristan who have settled in Tank, D.I. Khan and other districts alongwith the monthly financial assistance being provided to them at present?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) No scheme has been launched by emergency Relief Cell (ERC), Cabinet Division.

(b) No.

(c) No.

**316. Jamshed Ahmad:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the details of inquiries initiated to probe into the financial and administrative irregularities/embezzlement in CDA since March, 2008; if so, the present status thereof;*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that most of the said inquiries have not been finalized so far; if so, the reasons thereof alongwith the time by which the same will be finalized;*
- (c) *whether it is also a fact that the officers/officials accused therein are still holding the operational posts in CDA; if so, the justification thereof; and*
- (d) *the steps being taken to rationalize the posting of ill-reputed persons on key posts for good governance in the CDA at the earliest?*

Reply not received.

**317. Tahira Asif:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that there is neither any bathroom, nor flush, nor water tank nor any sanitary worker in the Main Block of CDA Hospital, Islamabad at present; if so, the reasons thereof; and*

- (b) *whether it also a fact that X-Ray Films are often not available in X-Ray department of Federal Government Hospital, Islamabad & patients are advised to proceed to Blue Area for X-Ray and Urine Tests; if so, the reasons thereof?*

Reply not received.

**318. Tahira Asif:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that no traffic signals has been installed at the intersection point of Jasmine and Luqman Hakeem Service Roads Islamabad so far;*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that a number of accidents occurred on the said roads during the last five years;*
- (c) *if the answers to parts (a) and (b) above are in the affirmative; the time by which traffic signals will be installed on the said roads by CDA; if not; the reasons thereof?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) Yes, it is a fact that no traffic signal has been installed at the intersection point of Jasmine and Luqman Hakeem Service Road.

(b) No report regarding accidents have been received at this location from police.

(c) Presently there is no Plan to provide signal at this location as the requirement for minimum traffic volume and pedestrian volume for fixing a traffic signal is not fulfilled at this location. However, if the traffic Police indicates the requirement, then the signal can be instated after fulfillment of codal formalities.

**319. Lal Chand:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the overhead water tanks of Category-V, Block Nos.41, 44, 46, 50, 54, 55, 56, 57 adjacent to Bhatti Market, Sector G-10/3, Islamabad overflow, almost round the clock; and*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that there is a shortage of water in Category-V Block Nos.47, 48 and 49 of the said sector since long; if so, the time by which the required water will be supplied in the said blocks?*

Reply not received.

**320. Sahibzada Tariq Ullah:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the sewerage/polluted water is being used for cultivation at several places particularly at Khanna and Tarlai in Islamabad;*
- (b) *if so, the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?*

Reply not received.

**321. Sardar Muhammad Irfan Dogar:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the details of office bearers of the Collective Bargaining Agent in CDA who were sent abroad during the last five years;*
- (b) *the authority who granted approval therefor alongwith the amount incurred thereupon; and*
- (c) *the purpose of the said tours alongwith the benefits accrued to CDA therefrom?*

Reply not received.

322. **Sardar Muhammad Irfan Dogar:**

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether any special audit of Lok Virsa, Islamabad was conducted during the last five years; if so, details thereof;*
- (b) whether any mis-appropriation was pointed out with regard to illegal appointments made therein; and*
- (c) whether any recovery has been made from the defaulters; if so, details thereof; if not, the reasons thereof?*

**Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid):** (a) Yes, Special audit of Lok Virsa was carried out by Directorate General Audit for the period 2005-06 to 2011-12.

The audit team conducted inquiry from 04-03-2013 to 25-03-2013 and submitted a detailed report.

(b) Special Audit pointed out certain irregular appointments/ hiring of services, as follows:

- Services of Media Consultant on assignment contract basis @ Rs. 49500/- p.m.
- Services of Media Advisor on assignment contract basis @ Rs. 54000/- p.m.
- Services of *Ex*-Director on special work/assignment basis @ Rs. 49500/- p.m.

Services of the persons holding the above positions have since been discontinued.

The Audit also objected to regularization of services of a Deputy Director BS-18. The matter is currently under litigation in the Islamabad High Court.

(c) In the light of audit observations, an amount of Rs. 488,000/- has been recovered from Mr. Moin-ul-Islam former Federal Secretary. Recovery of

Rs. 1,36,472/- at the rate of Rs. 10,000/- per month is also being effected from salary/pension of former ED Lok Virsa (Mr. Khalid Javaid) in respect of car allowance received by him unlawfully.

Audit observations were discussed in DAC meeting held on 8-10-2013. Minutes/Decision of the meeting are awaited. Regarding further recoveries/ other issues, decision of the DAC will be implemented accordingly.

**323. Dr. Ramesh Kumar Vankwani:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the names of the officers in BPS-17 and above presently working on deputation basis in CDA, to whom plots in the developed sectors of Islamabad have been allotted during the last five years till date?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** Nil.

**324. Dr. Ramesh Kumar Vankwani:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) the year-wise total number of parks inaugurated by the Chairman CDA during the last five years;*
- (b) whether it is a fact that the said parks have not been developed properly so far;*
- (c) the sector-wise funds provided for the said parks during the said period;*
- (d) whether it is also a fact that the funds have not been utilized by the CDA therefor; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (e) the steps being taken by the Government to develop the said parks?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) The year-wise list of parks developed by Parks Directorate, CDA is at Annex- "A" & Annex- "B". The said parks have been visited by senior officers of Environment Wing, CDA & Chairman, CDA. However, the Chairman, CDA has not formally inaugurated any

park.

- (b) The said parks have been developed properly.
- (c) Details of cost of the said parks is at **Annex- “A” & Annex- “B”**.
- (d) The funds allocated have been utilized during development of said parks.
- (e) The case for the repair/maintenance of the said parks on rate running contract basis is in process.

*(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library).*

**325. Muhammad Aijaz Ahmed Chaudhary:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the steps taken by the Government to provide medical treatment to poor and the senior citizens in Islamabad?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** The following steps are being taken by Pakistan Institute of Medical Sciences (PIMS), Federal Government Poly Clinic (FGPC and National Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine (NIRM) :—

- (i) All 03 Federal Hospitals are already providing free treatment to all poor, deserving patients and senior citizen.
- (ii) Separate counters in Reception as well as in Dispensaries are already established for senior citizens.
- (iii) Green colored outdoor tickets has been arranged to maintain the protocol for senior citizens.
- (iv) There are no charges for available investigations, consultations, medicines and indoor facilities for poor and senior citizens.
- (v) With collaboration of social welfare organization, Bait-ul-Mal counter

in all 63 hospitals are also serving the poor patients.

**326. Maulana Muhammad Gohar Shah:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the Mari Indus Train plying between Rawalpindi and Kundian has been stopped;*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to again ply that train on the said route; if so, when; if not; the reasons thereof?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** (a) Mianwali Express (175 Up/176 Dn) which used to run between Rawalpindi – Kundian – Rawalpindi has been suspended from 15-11-2011 along with other 58 pair of trains over the system due to non-availability of locomotives.

(b) At present, there is no proposal under consideration the Government to restore the suspended passenger trains. The priority is to improve the quality of service for the present operating passenger trains and secondly creation of balance between passenger and freight trains operation to generate more revenue and narrow down the gap between earning and expenditure.

**327. Shahjehan Munir Mangerio:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether it a fact that streets, houses and flats of sector G-6 and G-7, Islamabad are in a dilapidated condition due to the rains of previous years;*
- (b) *whether any survey has been carried out by the CDA therefor; and*
- (c) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to repair, and maintain/renovate those flats, houses,*

*and streets in the near future; if so, when it will be implement?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) No, it is not a fact that the streets in Sector G-6 & G-7 are in dilapidated condition due to rains of previous years.

No serious damages have been occurred to the houses/flats during pervious rains except boundary walls of few houses were damaged.

(b) A survey was carried out after the recent monsoon to assess the damage to road network in Islamabad.

(c) Essential repairs of the streets/roads have already been carried out. Routine maintenance is in progress. Repair and renovation of the houses/flats, is also under process. However, difficulties are being faced due to shortage of funds.

**328. Dr. Nisar Ahmad Jatt:**

*Will the Minister for National Food Security and Research be pleased to state the crop-wise measures taken by the Ministry to improve the per acre yield since April, 2013 till date?*

Reply not received.

**329. Col. Retd. Amirullah Marwat:**

*Will the Minister for Education, Trainings and Standards in Higher Education be pleased to state:*

(a) *the total number of children of the school going age who are not attending schools in Islamabad at present alongwith the reasons thereof; and*

(b) *the steps taken or proposed to be taken by the Government in this regard?*

Transferred to Capital Administration and Development Division for answer on Next Rotd Day.

330. **Sheikh Salahuddin:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state the steps being taken to control malpractices, mismanagement and harassment on job in the Federal Government Hospitals?*

Reply not received.

331. **Sheikh Salahuddin:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) whether it is a fact that vast encroachments have been made along sides the Government Houses/Flats by the allottees in Islamabad; if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to remove the said encroachments; if so, when it will be implemented; if not, the reasons thereof?*

Reply not received.

332. **Shahzadi Umerzadi Tiwana:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) the year-wise details of the vehicles placed on the central pool of cars during the last five years till date; and*
- (b) the year/head-wise total amount of expenditures incurred on the repair petrol and gas of said vehicles during the said period?*

Reply not received.

333. **Shahzadi Umerzadi Tiwana:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to*

*state the ratio of officers of FATA and Azad Jammu and Kashmir in the Police Service of Pakistan at present?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** The total working strength of Police Service of Pakistan comes to 750. Out of these, 25 PSP officers belong to FATA (Annex-I) and 12 are Azad Jammu and Kashmir domiciled (Annex-II). Hence the ratio of officers of FATA and Azad Jammu and Kashmir in Police Service of Pakistan is 3.33% and 1.6 %, respectively.

334. **Sabiha Nazir:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:*

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to start train service from and to Islamabad and Istanbul; if so, when it will be implemented; and*
- (b) *the traveling time by which a train will reach from Islamabad to Istanbul alongwith the fare thereof?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** (a) Freight Train (ECO Container) service from Islamabad to Istanbul was started on 14th August 2009 but since December 2011, this train is temporarily suspended due to dis-interest of the business community and some repair work of track (Van Lake Area) going on in Turkey. However, now it's restoration has been agreed *w.e.f* December 2013.

- (b) The train takes 14 days to reach Istanbul from Islamabad.

The freight charges per container charged are detailed below:

<b>Country</b>	<b>40 feet container</b>	<b>20 feet container</b>
Pakistan	0.27 Euro per km	0.18 Euro per km
Iran	0.31 Euro per KM	0.25 Euro per km
Turkey	0.28 Euro per km	0.22 Euro per km

These rates have been fixed to cover the operational costs of Railways. The rates have been kept on lower side to facilitate the customers and attract more traffic.

**335. Sabiha Nazir:**

*Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the total number of employees working in the Pakistan Railways at present;*
- (b) *the total number of said employees who are on long and Ex-Pakistan leave at present;*
- (c) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to call back those employees; if so, the steps being taken in this regard; and*
- (d) *whether there is also any proposal under consideration of the Government to terminate said employees who are not interested to join their duties; if so, when it will be implemented?*

**Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique) :** (a) At present. 82607 employees are on pay roll of Pakistan Railways.

(b) 39 officers were on long/Ex-Pakistan leave prior to June, 2013. Presently the number reduced to 15. Four (04) officers have been granted Ex-Pakistan leave as fresh case. 25 officers are on long leave. 16 officers have reported for duty on curtailment/cancellation of leave. However. 12 officers did not report on expiry of leave. Accordingly disciplinary action against them has been initiated under E&D Rules. 1973 to fulfill legal formalities.

(c) The officers/officials who are on Ex-Pakistan and long leave have been recalled. by cancelling/curtailing their leaves and many officers have reported for duty.

(d) Those employees who failed to comply with instructions and did not report back disciplinary action will be initiated against them under the E&D Rules which may lead to removal/dismissal from service.

336. **Parveen Masood Bhatti:**

*Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the building of Radio Pakistan Bahawalpur is in dilapidated condition since long; if so, the time by which the said building will be repaired?*

**Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid):** Radio Pakistan Bahawalpur was established in 1975 in a Scout Headquarters Building, Bahawalpur which was purchased by Radio Pakistan. In 1987, a new building was constructed in the same premises. With the passage of time the condition of building deteriorated and it developed many cracks in east and west portion of the building. Half portion of this building is being used whereas the old Scout building is fully used.

On the request of PBC, the building was examined by Pak PWD Bahawalpur. According to their expert opinion, the building is irreparable and needs to be demolished.

Estimates for the construction of new building are being prepared by the Bahawalpur Station. Work will be carried out on the availability of the funds by the Government.

337. **Sheikh Rashid Ahmed:**

*Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat be pleased to state:*

- (a) *the names of the Chairmen of the Pakistan Bait-ul-Mall (PBM) and Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP) at present; and*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that the said posts were advertised in the newspapers for appointments; if so, the criteria adopted therefor?*

**Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Secretariat:** (a) Sheikh Abid Waheed and Mr. Mohammad Enver Baig are working as Managing Director,

Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal (PBM) and Chairperson, Benazir Income Support Programme (BISP) respectively.

(b) No.

KARAMAT HUSSAIN NIAZI,  
*Secretary.*

ISLAMABAD:  
*The 11th December, 2013.*