

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

BULLETIN OF THE ASSEMBLY

Date	Wednesday, the 8 th March, 2017
Commenced at	10.40 a.m.
Adjourned at	3.10 p.m.
Total working hours	3 Hours 45 minutes
Presided by	Sardar Ayaz Sadiq, Speaker, Mr. Murtaza Javed Abbasi, Deputy Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan and Mr. Muhammad Pervaiz Malik, the Chairperson.
Attendance	

TILAWAT AND NAAT

1. *Tilawat* and *Naat* by Dr. Qari Muhammad Yunas

FATEHA

The House offered *Fateha* for the departed souls of Capt. Junaid and young soldier Mr. Amjad who were martyred in Swabi and Mother of Syed Naveed Qamar, MNA.

QUESTIONS

2.	Questions entered in a separate list to be asked and answers given.	Question Nos. 95, 31, 34, 37, 38, 41, 43 and 44 were asked and their answers given. Question No. 81 was transferred to Interior Division for answer on Next Rota Day. Reply of Question No. 109 was not received. Question No. 42 was disallowed on re-consideration.
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LEAVE APPLICATIONS

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

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE

3.	MIR AIJAZ HUSSAIN JAKHRANI MR. RAMESH LAL MIR SHABBIR ALI BIJARANI SYED GHULAM MUSTAFA SHAH MS. SHAGUFTA JUMANI to invite attention of the Minister for Communications to a matter of urgent public importance regarding violation of the provisions of the National Highway Authority Act, 1991 to yearly hold meeting of the National Highway Council of the National Highway Authority, which has not been held since January, 2014, causing grave concern amongst the public.	Attention invited by Mir Aijaz Hussain Jakhrani, MNA and Shaikh Aftab Ahmed, Minister for Parliamentary Affairs made a brief statement followed by one question each asked by: MIR AIJAZ HUSSAIN JAKHRANI MR. RAMESH LAL MIR SHABBIR ALI BIJARANI SYED GHULAM MUSTAFA SHAH MS. SHAGUFTA JUMANI and answers given .
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INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

4.	MR. ZAHID HAMID , Minister for Law and Justice and Climate Change to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Twenty-Sixth Amendment) Bill, 2017].	Bill introduced; referred to Standing Committee on Law and Justice; copy posted on the website of the National Assembly and to be published in the Gazette of Pakistan.
5.	MR. ZAHID HAMID , Minister for Law and Justice and Climate Change to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Twenty-Seventh Amendment) Bill, 2017].	Bill introduced; referred to Standing Committee on Law and Justice; copy posted on the website of the National Assembly and to be published in the Gazette of Pakistan.

PRESENTATION OF PERIODICAL REPORTS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

6.	MR. SIRAJ MUHAMMAD KHAN , Chairman Standing Committee on Commerce to present the Periodical Report of the Committee for the period July - December, 2016 as required by rule 234-A of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007.	Mr. Muhammad Pervaiz Malik, MNA on behalf of Mr. Siraj Muhammad Khan presented the report.
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7.	CAPT. (RETD.) MUHAMMAD SAFDAR , Chairman Standing Committee on Information Technology & Telecommunication to present the Periodical Report of the Committee for the period July - December, 2016 as required by rule 234-A of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007.	MS. Farhana Qamar, MNA on behalf of Capt. (Retd) Muhammad Safdar presented the report.
8.	MR. ASAD UMAR , Chairman Standing Committee on Industries and Production to present the Periodical Report of the Committee for the period July- December, 2016 as required by rule 234-A of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007.	Mr. Muhammad Muzammil Qureshi, MNA on behalf of Mr. Asad Umar presented the report.

TOKEN WALK OUT

Mr. Abdul Sattar Bachani, MNA and all members belonging to PPPP and PTI staged a token walk-out for allegedly not allowing discussion on “Women Day” by the Chair despite that the Honourable Speaker had already announced at the commencement of the proceedings that Women Day will be discussed.

QUORUM

Quorum.- At 12.25 p.m. Mr. Abdul Sattar Bachani, MNA, belonging to PPPP drew attention of the Chair towards the lack of quorum. Count was made, the quorum was not available. Mr. Deputy Speaker suspended the proceedings till the completion of the quorum. The House reassembled at 1.15 p.m. Count was made, the House was found in order.

MOTION OF THANKS

9.	Discussion on the following motion moved by Shaikh Aftab Ahmed, Minister of Parliamentary Affairs on 03-08-2016:- “This House expresses its deep gratitude to the President of Pakistan for his address to both Houses assembled together on 1 st June, 2016.”	Left over
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MATTERS OTHER THAN POINTS OF ORDER

10.	Rising matters under Rule 18 which are not Points of Order.	Left over
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CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE

11.	MR. JAMSHAI D AHMAD DASTI ENGINEER DAWAR KHAN KUNDI to invite attention of the Minister for States and Frontier Regions to a matter of urgent public importance regarding merger of the Federally Administered Tribal Areas in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, causing grave concern amongst the public.	Attention invited by Engineer Dawar Khan Kundi, MNA and Lt. Gen. (Retd) Abdul Qadir Baloch, Minister for States and Frontier Regions made a brief statement followed by one question each asked by MR. JAMSHAI D AHMAD DASTI, ENGINEER DAWAR KHAN KUNDI and answers given.
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INTERNATIONAL WOMEN DAY

The following members spoke with regard to "International Women Day":-

- (1) Dr. Nafisa Shah
- (2) Mir Aijaz Hussain Jakhrani
- (3) Ms. Tahira Aurangzeb
- (4) Makhdoom Shah Mahmood Hussain Qureshi
- (5) Begum Tahira Bukhari
- (6) Dr. Azra Fazal Pechuho
- (7) Ms. Kiran Haider
- (8) Ms. Nafisa Inayatullah Khan Khattak
- (9) Ms. Shaza Fatima Khawaja
- (10) Dr. Nikhat Shakeel Khan
- (11) Ms. Asiya Nasir
- (12) Ms. Shaista Pervaiz
- (13) Ms. Nasima Hafiz Panezai
- (14) Mr. Shafqat Mahmood
- (15) Ms. Aisha Syed
- (16) Ms. Parveen Masood Bhatti
- (17) Dr. Arif Alvi
- (18) Shazia Marri
- (19) Ms. Romina Khurshid Alam

RESOLUTION PASSED

The following resolution was unanimously passed by the National Assembly:-

This House:

Acknowledges this day as the International Women Day; pays tribute to all the women who have struggled in all professions including homemakers and breadwinners; celebrate all the women who have contributed to the democratic struggle in the country;

Condemns all acts of injustice, discrimination and violence against women; and

Recognizes that there is still a long path to traverse to create an enabling environment conducive to the empowerment and protection of women as guaranteed by the Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pakistan.”

STATEMENT MADE BY FINANCE MINISTER

Senator Mohammad Ishaq Dar, Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs and Statistics made a statement regarding a proposed meeting in Switzerland between the Federal Department of Finance, Federal Councilor Ueli Maurer and the Minister for Finance, Revenue, Economic Affairs and Statistics (Mr. Muhammad Ishaq Dar) to sign of the Convention on Avoidance of Double Taxation initiated in June 2016.

The sitting of the Assembly was adjourned to meet again on Thursday the 9th March, 2017 at 10.30 a.m.

Islamabad, the
8th March, 2017

ABDUL JABBAR ALI
Secretary