MAJLIS-E-SHOORA (PARLIAMENT) OF PAKISTAN BULLETIN OF THE MAJLIS-E-SHOORA (PARLIAMENT) IN JOINT SITTING

Date	Thursday, the 6 th August, 2020	
Commenced at	6:42 P.M.	
Adjourned at	10.22 P.M.	
Total working hours	3 Hours 20 Minutes	
Presided by	Mr. Asad Qaisar, Speaker, National Assembly, Mr. Muhammad Sadiq Sanjrani, Chairman, Senate of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan.	
Attendance	MNAs = 299, $Senators = 87$	

1. <u>TILAWAT, HADITH, NAAT AND NATIONAL ANTHEM</u>

- Tilawat, Hadith and Naat by Qari Muhammad Younus
- National anthem

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Speaker informed the Members that the galleries are declared part of the Chamber and Members may assume the seats as per their convenient.

RESOLUTION

Makhdoom Shah Mahmood Hussain Qureshi, Minister for Foreign Affairs moved the Resolution which was unanimously adopted by the House: -

"That upon completion of 365 days since India's illegal and unilateral actions of 05 August 2019 and its continued human rights violations in Indian Illegally Occupied Jammu and Kashmir (IIOJK), the Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament) of Pakistan:

- Rejects emphatically India's illegal and unilateral actions since 5 August 2019 aimed at perpetuating its inhuman occupation of Jammu and Kashmir.
- Reaffirms the inalienable right to self-determination of the people of Jammu and Kashmir as enshrined in the relevant UNSC Resolutions and protected by international law.
- Emphasizes that these illegal Indian actions are a blatant violation of the relevant United Nations Security Council (UNSC) Resolutions, bilateral agreements and the precepts of international law.
- Castigates BJP government for introducing new domicile rules in IIOJK in the attempt to illegally change the demographic structure of the region to advance its 'Hindutva' agenda.
- Strongly condemns the illegal steps to turn Muslims into a minority in the only Muslim-majority area under illegal Indian occupation, are in clear violation of the UNSC Resolutions, bilateral agreements and international law, including the 4th Geneva Convention.
- Reviles the extra-judicial killings of Kashmiri youth in fake "encounters" and "cordon-and-search" operations by the Indian occupation forces as well as forced disappearances and arbitrary arrests and detentions of senior Kashmiri leaders and activists.

- Condemns strongly the refusal by Indian occupation forces to handover mortal remains of the *Shuhada* to their families for proper burial. Also condemns the burning and looting of Kashmiris' houses to inflict 'collective punishment' on the communities and neighbourhoods.
- Deplores that Indian occupation forces have partially or completely blinded more than 11,000 Kashmiri civilians, including women and children, through the deliberate use of pellet gun shots which represents a grave violation of international law and fundamental Human Rights.
- Denounces the fact that to divert attention from grave Human Rights Violations (HRVs) in IIOJK, the Indian occupation forces along the LoC and the Working Boundary (WB) have been continuously targeting civilian populated areas with artillery fire, heavy-caliber mortars and automatic weapons committing more than 1800 ceasefire violations this year alone, resulting in 14 *shahadats* and serious injuries to 138 innocent civilians.
- Appreciates strong statements of support on the Jammu & Kashmir dispute from world leaders, reaffirming the "disputed" nature of Jammu and Kashmir, as well as the international community, in particular, the United Nations' responsibility in seeking a resolution of the Jammu & Kashmir dispute in accordance with the relevant UNSC Resolutions.
- Commends the three discussions on the Jammu & Kashmir dispute in the UNSC after a gap of
 more than 55 years; the two reports on the issue by the Office of the High Commissioner for
 Human Rights (OHCHR); the consistent support demonstrated by the OIC and its human rights
 body IPHRC; and the convening of three meetings of the OIC Contact Group on Jammu and
 Kashmir.
- Applauds several world Parliaments, international human rights organizations as well as the
 international media who have been vocal in their condemnation of the ongoing military siege,
 communications blockade and curfew imposed by the Indian occupation forces in IIOJK.
- Appreciates the visits to Pakistan and Azad Jammu and Kashmir (AJK) by the UK's All-Party Parliamentary Kashmir Group (APPKG) and the OIC Secretary General's Special Envoy on Kashmir.
- Stresses that the BJP-Led Government's threatening statements and belligerent rhetoric as well as irresponsible and aggressive Indian actions pose a grave threat to peace, security and stability in South Asia.
- Sensitizes the world community again about the possibility of 'false flag' terrorist operations by India and any ill-considered misadventure.
- Reaffirms the firm resolution of the people and the armed forces of Pakistan to thwart any act of aggression resolutely and effectively.
- Underscores that the RSS-BJP dispensation in India is driven by the toxic mix of extremist ideology (*Hindutva*) and hegemonic designs (*Akhand Bharat*) which pose a threat *inter alia* to the Kashmiri people under Indian occupation, to the minorities in India, and to regional peace and stability.

- Underscores that Jammu and Kashmir is an internationally recognized dispute and longest outstanding item on the agenda of the UNSC and categorically states that illegal Indian steps do not and cannot alter its disputed status.
- Uphold previous Resolutions of the National Assembly and the Senate, expressing unflinching, unwavering and unstinting solidarity and commitment of the people of Pakistan with the people of IIOJK.
- Pursuant to the above, this House (Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament) demands the Indian Government to:
 - o Rescind its illegal unilateral actions of 5 August 2019;
 - o Immediately lift its inhuman military siege in IIOJK;
 - o Stop its illegal measures to change the demographic structure of the occupied territory;
 - Stop extrajudicial killings of Kashmiri youth in fake encounters and cordon-and-search operations;
 - Release the illegally detained Kashmiri youth and political leadership;
 - Remove restrictions on media, internet and mobile communications, movement and peaceful assembly;
 - o Provide access in IIOJK to human rights and humanitarian organizations, independent observers and the media;
 - Repeal its draconian laws including Armed Forced Special Powers Act (AFSPA), Public Safety Act (PSA) and Unlawful Activities Prevention Act (UAPA);
 - o Withdraw over 900,000 occupation troops from IIOJK; and
 - o Give Kashmir is their inalienable right to self-determination.
- Calls upon the international community to use all tools at its disposal to hold India accountable
 for its illegal and unilateral actions and human rights violations against the Kashmiri people,
 pressurize India to adhere to its international human rights obligations, and allow international
 media, humanitarian organizations and independent observers entry into IIOJK to independently
 verify reports of abuse, violations and use of excessive force.
- Urges the UN Human Rights Council to constitute a Commission of Inquiry to investigate gross and consistent human rights violations in IIOJK being committed by the Indian occupation forces with impunity under the cover of the two draconian laws AFSPA and PSA as recommended by the two reports of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights.
- Reiterates that Pakistan will continue providing all possible support to the Kashmiri people until they achieve their legitimate right to self-determination through a free and impartial plebiscite under the auspices of the United Nations, as recognized by the relevant UNSC Resolutions.

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

2.	MR. IJAZ AHMAD SHAH, Minister for	Adopted
	Interior to move that the Bill to enact a law for	*
	mutual legal assistance in criminal matters [The	
	Mutual Legal Assistance (Criminal Matters)	
	Bill, 2020], as passed by the National Assembly	
	and not passed by the Senate within ninety days,	
	be taken into consideration at once under clause	
	(3) of Article 70 of the Constitution of the	
	Islamic Republic of Pakistan.	
		Syed Agha Rafiuulah withdrawn the
		amendments in Clause-2.
		2. Mr. Mohsin Nawaz Ranjha, MNA
		withdrawn the amendments.
	[Amendments entered in a separate list to be	
	moved]	Amendments moved by Dr. Muhammad
		Farogh Naseem, Minister for Law and Justice
		in clauses 2, 3,4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13,
		14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26,
		27 and 28 were adopted by the house
3.	MR. IJAZ AHMAD SHAH, Minister for	Passed
	Interior to move that the Bill to enact a law for	
	mutual legal assistance in criminal matters [The	
	Mutual Legal Assistance (Criminal Matters)	
	Bill, 2020], be passed.	

PROTEST

The Members belonging to MMAP raised slogans for not given floor to Mr. Asad Mahmood, MNA and Senator Sirajul Haq.

BREAK

At 7.49 p.m. Mr. Speaker suspended the proceedings for Magrib Prayers, and Joint Sitting re-assembled at 8.09 p.m.

FATEHA

The House offered "Fateha" for the departed souls of:-

- 1. Syed Iftikhar-Ul-Hassan, Member National Assembly, NA-75;
- 2. Father of Ms. Shahida Rehmani, MNA;
- 3. Soldiers martyred in recent terrorist attacks in Balochistan;
- 4. Indian atrocities on unarmed Kashmiris in illegally Indian Occupied Kashmir; and
- 5. People died in Karachi and Chaman in recent incidents.

POINT OF ORDER

Name of Members	Brief subject
Mian Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif	Criticized the Foreign Policy on Kashmir
Leader of Opposition	issue.
(8.13 p.m. to 8.45 p.m.)	
Makhdoom Shah Mahmood Hussain Qureshi,	Responded the points raised by Mian
Minister for Foreign Affairs	Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif, Leader of the
(8.46 p.m. to 9.25 p.m.)	Opposition and gave the point of view of
	Government with regard to the FATF related
	legislation.
Mr. Bilawal Bhutto Zardari	Criticized the Government on FATF related
(9.25 p.m. to 9.53 p.m.)	Bills and on Foreign Policy.
Mr. Murad Saeed,	Responded the points raised by Mr. Bilawal
Minister for Communications	Bhutto Zardari, MNA and Mian Muhammad
(9.53 p.m. to 10.22 p.m.)	Shehbaz Sharif, Leader of Opposition.

PROTEST

The Members belonging to opposition rose on their seats and chanted slogans on giving the floor to Mr. Murad Saeed, Minister for Communications.

Mr. Chairman read out the President's order to prorogue the joint sitting of Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament) on conclusion of its business.

Islamabad, the 6th August, 2020

TAHIR HUSSAIN Secretary