

## NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

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Islamabad, 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2020; 32<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Standing Committee on Law and Justice was held today at 10:00 AM under the Chairmanship of Mr. Riaz Fatyana, MNA in Committee Room No.7, (04<sup>th</sup> Floor), Parliament House, Islamabad.

2) The meeting started with recitation from the Holy Quran. Before proceeding with agenda, the Committee acknowledged and appreciated the efforts of Quaid Azam Muhammad Ali Jinnah on his death anniversary, and recited Fatiha for departed soul. The Committee also expressed its condolence and grief upon death of real brother of Ms. Nafeesa Shah, MNA and recited Fatiha for departed soul. The Committee condemned rape incident at motorway Lahore and showed serious concern about the failure of the concerned department to hand over monitoring to motorway police when, the same was made operational in March 2020. It was recommended by the Committee to seek report and comments from the Secretary Communication, Inspector General of Police Punjab and CCPO Lahore.

3) The Committee expressed its serious concern and advanced condolence for murder of Hayat Baloch at Quetta and murder after rape of minor girl at Karachi. Then, the Committee decided to proceed with the agenda. The Committee unanimously confirmed the minutes of its previous meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2020 and deferred the agenda item No. ii. The Committee showed its displeasure for failure of the Ministry of Law and Justice to submit the brief well within time and recommends that the brief must be submitted three days before the meeting as per rules.

4) The Committee was briefed by Ministry of SAFRON, about the Public Petition of **Princess Khaliquah Begum Ghulam Mustafa Jatoi D/O His Highness the late Ameer of Bahawalpur, regarding failure of the Ministry of SAFRON to implement the judgment of the August Supreme Court of Pakistan dated 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2018.** After detailed deliberations the Committee recommends that the Secretary Ministry of SAFRON shall forward the instant case to Ministry of Law and Justice within seven days for opinion to proceed further. Ministry of Law and Justice shall render its opinion within three weeks of the receipt of the same.

5) The Committee was briefed by DPO Vehari, about the Public Petition of **of Mst. Shehnaz Begum regarding murder of her two sons in area of Police station of Ludan, District Vehari.** After detailed deliberations the Committee recommends that same be deferred till the conclusion of the Private Complaint filed by complainant. It was also

recommended by the Committee that the Home Department Government of the Punjab shall take necessary steps for conduct of judicial inquiry about the said incident.

6) The Committee considered the Bills, **The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2019 (Article 179)**, **The Recognition and Enforcement (Arbitration Agreements and Foreign Arbitral Awards) (Amendment) Bill, 2019** and **The Federal Ombudsman Institutional Reforms (Amendment) Bill, 2019 (Amendment in Article 22)** moved by **Mr. Amjad Ali Khan, MNA**; and deferred the same due to non-availability and request of the Mover.

7) The Committee considered the Bills, **The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (Amendment in Article 251)** and **The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (Amendment in Article 25A)** moved by **Mr. Kesoo Mal Kheeral Das, MNA** and deferred the same due to non-availability and request of the Mover.

8) The Committee considered the Bill, **The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2019 (Article 51)** moved by **Mr. Junaid Akbar, MNA** and deferred the same till next meeting with observation that the Election Commission of Pakistan be called in the next meeting for further deliberations.

9) The Committee considered the Bill, **The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2019 (Article 223)** and recommends with majority that the Bill may be passed by the assembly.

10) The Committee considered the Bill, **The Legal Practitioners and Bar Councils (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (Amendment in Section 5)** moved by **Dr. Nafisa Shah, MNA** and deferred the same till next meeting with recommendation that written comments of Sindh Bar Council and Pakistan Bar Council be called in the next meeting for further deliberations.

11) Hon. Members/MNAs/Movers Mr. Atta Ullah. Mr. Lal Chand, Mr. Muhammad Farooq Azam Malik, Ms. Kishwar Zehra, Malik Muhammad Ehsan Ullah Tiwana, Mr. Sher Ali Arbab, Ms. Shunila Ruth, Ch. Mehmood Bashir Virk, Mr. Mohsin Nawaz Ranjha, Syed Hussain Tariq, Ms. Nafeesa Shah, Syed Naveed Qamar, Ms. Aliya Kamran, Mr. Junaid Akbar and acting Secretary Ministry of law and justice, Secretary SAFRON, DPO Vehari along with their staff attended the meeting.

  
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