

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT
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Islamabad, January 04th 2021; 22nd meeting of the Standing Committee on Information and Broadcasting have been held today under the Chairmanship of Mian Javed Latif, MNA.

2. The meeting started with the recitation from the Holy Quran. The Committee offered "Fateh" on the death of younger sister of the Hon. Member of the Committee Ms. Javaria Zafar Aheer. Then, the Committee welcomed Mr. Naeem Bukhari, as a newly appointed Chairman, P.T.V. Thereafter, the Committee decided to proceed with the agenda.

3. The Committee unanimously confirms the minutes of its previous meeting held on 10th September, 2020. The Committee deferred the agenda items No. 2, 3, 4- "The Motion Pictures (Amendment) Bill, 2020" (Govt. Bill), 5- "The Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (Govt. Bill) and 6- "The Associated Press of Pakistan Corporation (Amendment) Bill, 2020 (Govt. Bill)" till its next Committee meeting.

4. Then, the Committee allow Mr. Omer, S.S.P from Islamabad Police to brief the Committee about the present status of kidnappers those were kidnapped Mr. Matiullah Jan, a Senior Journalist; but the Committee did not satisfied with the struggle made by the Police and showed its serious concerned that after passing approximately six months the Islamabad Police could not trace the kidnappers of Mr. Matiullah Jan. Then, the Committee directed Mr. Omer, S.S.P, to submit its report in this connection after the hearing of such case in Supreme Court of Pakistan.

5. Then, the Committee asked Chairman, P.T.V that what compliance has been made regarding showing incomplete map of Pakistan as Azad Jammu and Kashmir (A.J.K) was not shown. Chairman, P.T.V ensured the Committee that the matter will be resolved within five days and the report will be submitted to the Committee in next meeting. Then, the Committee took up the next agenda Appropriation of Medium Wave Transmitted Funds of Radio Pakistan Khairpur Mirs, Pakistan. Hon. Minister, Information and Broadcasting himself ensured the Committee that he will personally look into the matter and the issue will be resolved soon. Then, the Committee moved to next agenda "The Dual Nationality Holders affiliated with P.T.V". Hon. Minister concerned apprised that only two persons are presently working with P.T.V. However, the other two had been retired and one is suspended.

6. The Hon. MNAs/Members Engr. Usman Khan Tarkai, Mr. Tahir Iqbal, Mr. Muhammad Akram Cheema, Mr. Aftab Jehangir, Ms. Javaria Zafar Aheer, Ms. Syma Nadeem, Mr. Saad Waseem Sheikh, Ms. Kanwal Shauzab, Mr. Farrukh Habib, Mr. Nadeem Abbas, Mr. Zulfiqar Ali Behan, Dr. Nafisa Shah, Ms. Naz Baloch and Minister for Information and Broadcasting besides the Senior Officers from the Ministry with their staff attended the meeting.



(Malik Moazzam Ali Kalru)
D.S/Secretary Committee