

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT
PRESS RELEASE

Islamabad the 12th July, 2021: The Standing Committee on Energy (Power Division) met under the Chairmanship of Mr. **Lal Chand**, MNA/ in the absence of Chairman of the Standing Committee on Power, Chaudhry Salik Hussain. Minister for Power Mr. Hamad Azhar told the committee, that due to the shortage of water in Tarbela Dam and tripping at different points in the transmission Lines, forced load shedding was done in different areas of the Country. As the supply of coal to the power plants has been restored, and water surface in Tarbela has improved, the load shedding all over the country has considerably been reduced. He further told that for the first time, 24500 MW has been transmitted through the current transmission system. Although the transmission lines are gradually replaced, much work needs to be done to improve the transmission structure in Pakistan. The main focus of the present Government is to improve the transmission structure so that more mega watts could be added to the National grid.

2. On the complaint of the Members from KPK, the Minister promised to have an enquiry for the forced load shedding especially in District Buner and surrounding areas. The Minister also committed that in future regarding employment in DISCOs, the local people of that particular area will be given preference.

3. The Committee also appointed a Sub-Committee with the following ToRs and Composition:-

ToRs:-

“To discuss and recommend for resolving the issues faced by the legislators with respect to Karachi Electric Supply (KE), DISCOs and GENCOs of Sindh.”

Composition:-

i).	Mr. Lal Chand, MNA	Convener
ii).	Syed Ghulam Mustafa Shah, MNA	Member
iii).	Engr. Sabir Hussain Kaim Khani, MNA	Member
iv).	Ms. Saira Bano, MNA	Member

4. The meeting was attended by MNAs, Mr. Sher Akbar Khan, Malik Anwar Taj, Mr. Lal Chand, Engr. Sabir Hussain Kaim Khani, Mian Riaz Hussain Pirzada, Mr. Raza Rabani Khar, and Secretary from M/o Power Division and senior officers of the relevant Departments.



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J. S /Secretary Committee