NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

"QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES"

to be asked at a sitting of the National Assembly to be held on

Wednesday, the 6th January, 2016

1. *Ms. Sajida Begum:

(Deferred during 26th Session)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division be pleased to state:

- (a) the incentives being provided by the Government for women at the Display Centres established at airports; and
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to facilitate the women and to make available the products of their use in the said centres?

Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division: (a) Small Industries of Punjab and Sindh have already established Display Centers at JIAP Karachi, BBIAP Islamabad and IIAP Lahore respectively to display women products.

(b) The shops at the airports are private and they also have women related items.

31. *Ms. Sajida Begum:

Will the Minister for Climate Change be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps being taken by the Government to control the deforestation; and
- (b) the steps being taken by the Government for a forestation?

Minister for Climate Change (Mr. Zahid Hamid): (a) Following steps to curb deforestation in the country are being taken:

1. National Forest Policy 2015

On the direction of Prime Minister of Pakistan, the Ministry of Climate Change has drafted National Forest Policy of Pakistan 2015 (NFP 2015). The process of consultation on draft policy document is in its final stage and revised version of draft policy document is expected to be presented before the Council of Common Interests (CCI) in its next meeting for consideration.

2. Mangroves for the Future (MFF)

Pakistan became regular member of Mangroves for the Future (MFF) regional programme in 2010 jointly managed by UNDP and IUCN. The main focus of this initiative is to empower coastal community to conserve and ensure sustainable use of coastal resources. One of its components is to protect and enhance Mangrove forests of Pakistan with the participation of local communities.

3. Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation (REDD+)

With the full collaboration of the provinces Ministry of Climate Change is implementing a project on REDD+ with the ultimate objective to control deforestation in the country. The project aims to prepare Pakistan to enter into full execution of market and non market based REDD+ under the UNFCCC United Nation Framework Convention on Climate Change.

4. National Climate Change Policy

The National Climate Change Policy (2012) has been promulgated across the country. The Policy has the following measures related to forests:

 Strictly prohibit illegal forest cutting and conversion of forest land to non-forestry purposes

- Enact and enforce laws and regulations required for addressing illegal trade in timber and deforestation
- (b) The measures taken by the Government to enhance aforestation activities in the country are as follows:

i. Monsoon & Spring Tree Planting Campaigns

Planning and monitoring of inter provincial/inter ministerial tree planting in Spring and Monsoon are regular function of Ministry of Climate Change. The following is progress for last five years.

(Plants in millions)

Year	Target	Achievement
2010	103.9	92.26
2011	87.24	82.57
2012	83.48	79.72
2013	84.10	72.38
2014	76.74	74.12
2015	92.4	65.51
		(Progress of Monsoon 2015 is awaited)
TOTAL	527.86	460.56

ii. On the direction of the Prime Minister the Ministry of Climate Change is engaged actively with the provinces including AJK, GB, FATA, and CDA to finalize and harmonize the aforestation efforts of all provinces at the national level. The national aforestation plan is being finalized through active consultations.

32. *Ms. Sajida Begum:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken by the Government for giving education and imparting training to disabled persons; and

(b) the name of institutions working under the Division for the said purposes?

Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division: (a) The Government has taken following steps for giving education and imparting training to disable persons during the last two years is as under:—

- ➤ 1576 children with all 04 types of disabilities *i.e.* Physically, Visually, Intellectually and Hearing Impairment were given medical rehabilitation, educational and training facilities.
- ➤ 1084 in service persons were trained in the National Institute of Special Education who are associated with Education and Rehabilitation of Persons with Disabilities.
- ➤ 1068 are trained for income generation and community services at the Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment of Disabled Persons (VREDP), Islamabad.
- Directorate General of Special Education facilitated the process of signing and ratification of United Nation Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and now working for implementation and legislation of the Convention.
- ➤ The International Labour Organization (ILO) and Directorate General of Special Education completed Quantitative Survey of Persons with Disabilities and their needs for Vocational Rehabilitation in Islamabad Capital Territory.
- To create awareness at all levels about disability issues, awareness material for all disabilities has been prepared. 17 video clips related to prevention, social psychological and economical issues prepared with the Cooperation of Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) and submitted to Ministry of Information through NIRM.
- Under the directives of the President of Islamic Republic of Pakistan, DGSE is establishing Resources Centre for Autistic Children in Islamabad.
- National Library and Resource Centre, Islamabad working under DGSE established Mobile Library for the provision of library services for disabled persons at their organization level.

- ➤ In pursuance of Prime Minister's Hunrmand Pakistan Programme, the DGSE and NEVTEC collaborated in development of 03 new trades *i.e.* Computer, Dress Making and Mobile Repairing for persons with Disabilities at National Training Centre for Special Persons (NTCSP), Islamabad.
- (b) A full fledge Directorate General of Special Education and its 11 Special Education Centers/Intuitions under the administrative control of Capital Administration Development Division are working for the said purpose. (List of 11 Special Education Centers/Institutions is at Annex-A)

ANNEX-A

LIST OF SPECIAL EDUCATION CENTRES / INSTITUTIONS IN ISLAMABAD

- 1. National Special Education Centre for Intellectually Challenged Children, H-8/4, Islamabad.
- 2. National Special Education Centre for Visually Impaired Children, G-7/2, Islamabad.
- 3. National Special Education Centre for Hearing Impaired Children, H-9, Islamabad.
- 4. National Special Education Centre for Physically Handicapped Children, G-8/4, Islamabad.
- 5. National Library and Resource Centre, F-7 Markaz, Islamabad.
- 6. National Institute of Special Education, H-8/4, Islamabad.
- 7. Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment of Disabled Persons, H-8/4, Islamabad.
- 8. National Braille Press, G-7/2, Islamabad.
- 9. National Mobility & Independence Training Centre, H-8/4, Islamabad.

- 10. National Training Centre for Special Persons, G-9/2, Islamabad.
- 11. Hostel Facilities for Visually Impaired Children, G-7/2, Islamabad.

33. *Ms. Mussarrat Ahmadzeb:

Will the Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Regional Office of Allama Iqbal Open University has established in Malakand Division; if so, the location thereof; and
- (b) the facilities being provided to male and female students by said office?

Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training: (a) No, there is no Regional Office of AIOU established in Malakand Division.

(b) Not applicable as, no Regional Centre of AIOU has been established in Malakand Division.

34. *Ms. Mussarrat Ahmadzeb:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to uproot mulberry trees from Islamabad; and
- (b) whether there is also any proposal under consideration of the Government to plant environment friendly/healthy trees in Islamabad?

Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division: (a) Yes, CDA is gradually uprooting the Mulberry trees from the residential areas of the Islamabad.

(b) Yes, CDA is planting indigenous environment friendly trees in place of Mulberry trees. The most common indigenous and environmental friendly trees which are being planted are Amaltas, Kachnar, Celtis, Chir Pine, Arjan, Siris *etc*.

35. ***Ms. Naseema:**

Will the Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of youngsters hailing from Balochistan to whom technical training was imparted under the Prime Minister's Youth Development Programme; and
- (b) the total number of scholarship programmes being launched by the Higher Education Commission for the youth of said province?

Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training: (a) The detail of in respect of trained youngsters in Balochistan under Prime Minister's Youth Skill Development Program is as under:—

S.No.	Program	Person Trained
1.	Prime Minister's Youth Skill Development Program (Phase-I), 2013-14-Completed	2,000
2.	Prime Minister's Skill Development Program (Phase-II),2014-15 (under training)	2,000
3.	Prime Minister's Skill Development Program (Phase-III), 2015-17 (PC-I Submitted to CDWP for approval)	4,000

- (b) A total of **35407** scholarships have been awarded under 24 HEC development projects including 03 special schemes exclusively launched by the Government for the students of Baluchistan (The detail is attached at Annex-I)
 - MS.leading to PhD Scholarship Programme (Indigenous and Overseas) for the students of Baluchistan" an Initiative of Aghaz-e-Haqooq-e-Baluchistan package.
 - Higher Education Opportunities for the Students of Baluchistan and FATA.

Prime Minister's Tuition Fee Reimbursement Scheme for Less Developed Regions.

Annex-I HRD SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO BALOCHISTAN

Sr.	HEC PROJECTS	TOTAL
1	1000 Cuban	35
2	Development of Science & Tech. Indiginous 300	5
3	Fulbright	12
4	HEC-UNDP Fellowship on Federalism	1
5	Higher Education for Balochistan & FATA	1181
6	HRD Program for Strengthing Universities	1
7	HRD Initiative for Uni. of Eng. Sci. & Tech Program (UESTP)	30
8	Indigenous PhD Fellowships 5000 Phase II	63
9	IRSIP- International Reseach Support (Promotion of Research) 22
10	Master Leading to PhD Aghaz e Haqooq e Balochistan	94
11	MS M.Phil for Weaker Universities	14
12	Overseas Scholarship 1	5
13	Overseas scholarship - 2	25
14	Partial Support PhD Program	6
16	Partial Support for Ph D Studies Abroad	5
17	Ph.D Basic Sc China	1
18	Ph.D Eng China (40)	1
19	PhD Indigenous 5000 Scholarship	46
20	Post Doc PH 2	10
21	Strenthening Faculty of Public Universities	3
22	Need Based Scholarship Programs	3187
	(HEC/USAid/German/Japan etc.)	
23	Prime Minister's Fee Reimbursement	30472
24	HRD in Universities	188
	Grand Total	35407

36. ***Ms.** Naseema:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the most areas in Balochistan are deprived of communication links including telephone and mobile services;
- (b) if so, whether any survey has been conducted by the Government to assess the said situation; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to extend further the said communication links?

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division: (a)

- i. Mobile Operators Wand Telecom, Telenor and CMPak were required to cover 70% of Tehsil Headquarters across Pakistan with minimum 10% Tehsil in each province, whereas Mobilik and Ufone as per renewed license were required to cover 50% of Tehsil Headquarters specifically in Baluchistan as a roll out obligation in four year time as per their license condition. All the mobile operators have already fulfilled their rollout license conditions. Actually they have expanded their networks far beyond these conditions. List of the areas covered so far is attached **Annex-A**.
- ii. Pakistan Telecommunication Company Limited (PTCL), which is providing fixed line services around the country. PTCL has One Hundred and Thirty (130) Telephone Exchanges operational in Baluchistan. The Installed Capacity of these Exchanges are 155186 and the Working Connections are 60,028 telephone lines, which mean two third of the capacity is available for usage in Baluchistan(Exchange detail mentioned in **Annex-B**).
- (b) As per Part (a) above.
- (c) Universal Service Fund (USF) Company working under Ministry of Information Technology incorporated under the Telecom Act, plays an important role for assistance in extending the services to under and un-served areas. The company subsidizes telecom expansion projects in these areas. It therefore conducts surveys around the country where extension of telecom facilities are commercially

not feasible for operators. Recently the company has provided such financing for Sibi, Kalat and Zhob lots.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library).

37. *Sheikh Salahuddin:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the sufficient medical facilities are not available in the Federal Government Hospitals in Islamabad at present;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to provide such facilities in the said hospitals?

Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division: (a) & (b) The fact is sufficient medical facilities are available in the Federal Government Hospitals *i.e* PIMS, FGPC and NIRM in Islamabad at present as under.

PIMS

(i) PIMS Islamabad is catering services for a large number of patients from Islamabad, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Fata, Gilgit-Biltistan, Kashmir and Punjab.

PIMS is also catering services to Parliamentarians, Government officers and judicial staff.

All the services are carried with good number of staff ranking from specialty consultants to Medical officers, Nursing staff, Administrative staff, Security staff, House Keeping staff, kitchen, Laboratories and ancillary staff.

PIMS has large number of areas to cater the patient care. It is not only five or six components but a huge service area including RHC Bharakahu.

PIMS is providing free of cost diagnostic facilities *i.e* X-Ray, Laboratory Test, ECG, ETT, EEG and many other tests to Federal Government Servants and their dependent family members, Ambassadors of various countries, Judges and parliamentarians *etc*. The free of cost diagnostic facilities are also provided to deserving and mustahiq patients.

All Clinical Departments provide out patient services, in door admission, emergency services, surgical procedures, patient evaluation, Diagnosis, Management and Treatment to all the patients coming to PIMS.

- (ii) During the last few years, the hospital extended the facilities as under:
 - 1. Burn Care Center
 - 2. Cardiac Surgery
 - 3. Organ Transplant (Liver Transplant)
 - 4. Federal Breast Cancer Screening Program
 - 5. Bone Marrow Transplant

FGPC

- * Sufficient funds are provided for said purpose.
- * The Hospital is providing ambulatory services around 10000 patients daily in 31 specialties. It also provides round the clock emergency services and indoor services are provided to more than 26000 patients annually.
- * For the advance diagnostic services and specialized services like CT.Scan, MRI, Plastic Surgery, Neuro Surgery, Oncology, and Burn *etc.* which are not available in the FGPC patients are referred to other hospitals like PIMS, NIH, NORI and CMH.
- Furthermore the Extension and reconstruction of FGPC is in process and for this purpose additional land of 2.54 acres adjacent to FGPC has been allocated and funds for the payment of land has also been provided.

(i) The FGPC is providing all the available facilities 24 hours a day: except some of the above mentioned specialized services.

NIRM

- (i) National Institute of Rehabilitation Medicine is a 160 bedded, tertiary care hospital in Islamabad. Its OPDs cater to more than 400 disabled patients per day and indoor bed occupancy is almost 92% + per month.
 - Yes, it is true that the existing Federal Government hospital facilities in Islamabad are insufficient to meet the requirements of the increasing population of the city.
- (ii) However, within resource constraints, NIRM is efficiently coping with the emerging load of patients. We are taking the following steps to ensure adequacy of health provision to the Pakistani population in general and the citizens of ICT in particular.

The steps taken for provision of better health and rehabilitation to population of ICT includes the following:—

- * Enhancement of human resource: New posts of Rehabilitation Specialist, Orthotist/Prosthetist and Neurologist have been created with the concurrence of the Establishment and Finance Divisions and new relevant Departments will be established soon.
- * Improvement of physical resource: NIRM is also striving to attain allotment of 4167 sq yard adjacent piece of land from the CDA. As soon as this materializes, the proposal for construction of a new building will be submitted.
- Improvement in existing facilities including replacement of old lab equipment with new machines and establishment of a new physiotherapy gymnasium for admitted male patients.

38. *Sheikh Salahuddin:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state the steps being taken by the Government to improve standard of education in the Federal Government Educational Institutions in Islamabad?

Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development

Division: In order to uplift the Standard of Education in Federal Government Educational Institutions, FDE improved/revised the policies according to the need of the students from time to time so that they are able to cope with the modern day challenges. Resultantly, the Standard of Education in Educational Institutions has considerably improved. The steps taken in this regard are as under:—

- Annual results of the schools are monitored and analyzed.
- * FDE conduct Centralized Annual Examination for Class-V and middle standard scholarship exam.
- O & A level classes were introduced as a pilot project in IMCB, F-8/4 and IMCG, I-10/4 with minimum fee.
- In order to uplift of the Model Colleges a comprehensive scheme titled Face Lifting of Model Colleges has been functioning.
- National Curriculum 2006 has been implemented at all levels in the institutions under FDE.
- All the institutions have been affiliated with Quaid-e-Azam University, Islamabad at Degree level.
- Academic councils are working in educational institutions for guidance of the students.
- * All the Educational Institutions under FDE, have been re-designated as Islamabad Model Schools/Colleges in order to have uniform education system in Islamabad.

39. *Ms. Musarat Rafique Mahesar:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the administration of the Federal General Hospital, Islamabad has included those items in tenders during the years 2013-14 and 2014-15 whose value was less then one lac rupees;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that purchase of items has been made through quotations without tenders whose price was 50% more than the price given in the tenders;
- (c) the total amount embezzled by the present Medical Director and administration of said hospital; and
- (d) the action taken by the Government to recover the said embezzled amount?

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division: (a) The Federal General Hospital (FGH), Islamabad has not included any item in the financial year 2013-14 and 2014-15 in the tender whose value was less than 1 lac rupees.

- (b) No, it is not a fact that purchase of items has been made through quotations without tender whose price was more than the price given in the tenders.
- (c) No embezzlement took place in Federal General Hospital (FGH), Islamabad.
- (d) No action is required by the Government as no embezzlement occurred in Federal General Hospital.

40. *Ms. Shamas Un Nisa:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by the Government to provide better health facilities to the residents of Islamabad Capital Territory during the last two years; and
- (b) the mechanism adopted for the said purpose?

Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development

Division: (a) & (b) The steps taken by the Government to provide better health facilities to residents of Islamabad Capital Territory during the last two years hospitals wise is as under:—

PIMS

The step taken by the PIMS to provide better health facilities for residents of Islamabad Capital Territory during the last two years is at annex-A.

(b) The mechanism/achievement adopted during last two years is at Annex-A

FGPC

- (a) The following steps are taken by the present Government to improve the Health Facilities in Islamabad are as under:—
 - The government has lifted ban on purchase of physical assets including machinery/equipment and allocated budget of Rs. 52.500 millions.
 - The government has lifted ban on fresh recruitment and the appointment of staff including Doctors, Nurses Paramedics and other supporting staff is under process.
 - * This financial year Government has allocated budget of Rs. 550.601 million for provision of free medicines to the patients.
 - * Extension and reconstruction of Federal Government Polyclinic has been planned and Additional land of 2.54 acres adjacent to FGPC has been allocated by the honorable Prime Minister for said purpose and a fund for the payment of land has also been provided. The government is planning vertical and horizontal extension of the FGPC hospital, in a purpose built structure. This will facilitate full range of diagnostic and therapeutic services in a conductive environment.
- (b) All the above mentioned measures will lead to improve in provision of quality of health care services and ultimately result in provision of better health facilities.

NIRM

- (a) The National institute of Rehabilitation Medicines (NIRM) is meant for the treatment and long term rehabilitation of disabled.
 - * All disabled and poor patients coming to NIRM from the Islamabad Capital territory (ICT), its adjacent areas and from all over the country are provided free of cost medical, surgical and diagnostic facilities including OPD consultation, indoor admission, Laboratory Test, X-Rays, MRI, Surgical facilities, diet, Anesthesia and good quality drugs for indoor patients.
 - * NIRM is a referral centre for long term rehabilitation and as such goes to all lengths possible to provide the best, affordable and comprehensive case to patients within resource constraints. The relevant statistics are attached at Annex-A reflecting the performance of the hospital during the last two years.
- (b) <u>The mechanism</u> adopted for provision of better health facilities include;
 - i. working in close liaison with other hospitals under CADD and providing long-term rehabilitative care to patients referred from there. Also, NIRM has deep linkages with Community-Based Organizations in the sub-urban and rural areas of ICT, for identification and referral of patients for further treatment.
 - ii. **Ensuring punctuality of staff** by adopting the Biometric system of attendance.
 - iii. Expanding the human resource of the hospital by creation of new posts of Executive Director, Rehabilitation Specialist, Neurologist and Orthotist/Prosthetist.
 - iv. **Expanding Physical infrastructure** by acquisition of adjacent piece of land and proposed construction of new building
 - v. **Improvement in existing facilities** including replacement of old lab equipment with new machines and establishment of a new physiotherapy gymnasium for admitted male patients.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library).

41. *Mr. Muhammad Muzammil Qureshi:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) the brand-wise units of airconditions of all kinds have been purchased by the Capital Development Authority (CDA) for Parliament House Building, Islamabad since 1st January, 2008 alongwith price of each unit thereof;
- (b) whether such units were purchased with maintenance and repair warranties:
- (c) whether warranties of maintenance and repair were claimed against those units which got faults after installation; if so, the details thereof;
- (d) whether it is a fact that said units have been purchased on exaggerated rates;
- (e) if so, remedial steps being taken by the Capital Development Authority in this regard?

Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division: (a) Details Annexed.

- (b) Yes, these units were procured with one year, repair/maintenance warranties.
- (c) During maintenance period no major complaint is received. Any minor complaint like low gas etc is attended by the vendor.
- (d) It is not true that A/C units were purchased on exaggerated rates. In fact all the procurements including installation were made through open tendering competition through publication in leading news papers, CDA and PPRA websites. Only the lowest bidders as per PPRA rules were given the contracts for provision of A/C Units. It is also to be mentioned that bid cost include all the government taxes which are deducted at source such as Income tax @ 7.5%, water charges @ 0.5% and the security deposit @ 5% which is retained till one year after the completion of work and also contractor's affordable profit. Since 2008,

regular audit was conducted every year by the office of auditor General of Pakistan and no objection was ever raised on these tenders. These units are installed on the written demand from the Senate and National Assembly Secretariat.

(e) As explained in part (d).

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library).

42. *Mr. Muhammad Muzammil Qureshi:

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Pakistan Railways (PR) has invested its funds in various schemes; if so, the details thereof;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that said funds being generated through deduction under the head of G P Funds;
- (c) whether it is further a fact that rules allow the PR to invest such funds in various schemes; if so, the details; if not, the justification thereof; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to settle the said matter in accordance with provisions of rules?

Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique): (a) It is not a fact that PR has invested its funds in various schemes. All funds are kept with State Bank of Pakistan.

- (b) It is fact that funds are being generated through deduction from the salaries of employees under Provident Fund Act 1925 amended by government from time to time.
- (c) Federal Government *vide* Finance Division's letter No.4 (6)- CF.II/97-66 dated 03-02-2015 has approved "Pakistan Railways General Provident Fund Management Rules 2015" along-with permission to open a separate bank account in State Bank of Pakistan and further invest in government securities.
- (d) A separate Account No.XXI with SBP has been operationalized in September, 2015. A committee consisting of following officers has been constituted as per approved rules.

- (i) Member Finance (Chairman and member of governing body) Ministry of Railways, Islamabad.
- (ii) Senior General Manager, Pakistan Railways, Lahore.
- (iii) Joint Secretary, (CF Wing), Finance Division.
- (iv) FA&CAO/PR, Pakistan Railways, Lahore.
- (v) Director F&B, Ministry of Railways, Islamabad.

An amount of Rs.1500 million has been transferred in above account and portfolio will be considered and the above amount will be invested in the light of recommendations of the committee within next two months in a transparent manner as per rules. Monthly deduction of GPFund from the salaries of Railway Employee shall also be deposited in the GPFund account.

43. *Ms. Suraiya Jatoi:

Will the Minister for Climate Change be pleased to state the most eminent threat(s) to Pakistan due to changing of climate at present?

Reply not received.

44. *Sahibzada Muhammad Yaqub:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) the heads under which financial assistance is being provided by the Pakistan Bait-ul-Mall for the people of Pakistan; and
- (b) the total amount of assistance provided under the said heads since 1-1-2013 separately?

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division: (a) The detail of the Heads under which Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal is providing financial assistance for the needy people of Pakistan is as under:—

- Medical
- Education
- ➤ General Financial Assistance / Rehabilitation

(b) The detail of the total amount provided under the said heads since 1-1-2013 is as under:—

Sr. No.	Categore/Head	Allocation (in Million)
1.	Medical	2,556.56
2.	Education	137.55
3.	General/Rehabilitation	813.30

45. *Sahibzada Muhammad Yaqub:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the funds for developments schemes/ projects for the Members of the National Assembly and Senate of Pakistan are not being released;
- (b) if the answer to part (a) above is in the affirmative, the reasons thereof; and
- (c) the prescribed procedure to develop schemes in the Constituencies of the Members of Parliament?

Transferred to Planning Development and Reform Division for answer on Next Rota Day.

46. *Dr. Fozia Hameed:

Will the Minister for Climate Change be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by the Government to manage the disaster caused by the recent earthquake; and
- (b) the role played by the National Disaster Management Authority in this regard so far?

Minister for Climate Change (Mr. Zahid Hamid): (a) The following steps were taken by Government to manage the disaster caused by recent earthquake of 26th October, 2015 which occurred at 1409 hours:—

- (1) Rescue efforts were organized at National level.
- (2) Helicopter lift capability of various organization was mobilized/used by National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA).
- (3) 50% share of compensation paid to provinces and its delivery/implementation was facilitated by NDMA.
- (b) NDMA being a federal agency played a proactive role in managing the earthquake. A commendable rescue and relief operation was conducted with a sizeable relief sent to the affected areas. Through rescue and relief efforts, affected areas in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KPK), Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA), Gilgit Baltistan, Azad Jammu and Kashmir and Punjab were extended all possible assistance by NDMA. As per Pakistan Metrological Department, over 85 aftershocks with magnitude ranging from 2.5 to 5.3 on Richter scale have been recorded so far.

Following measures have been taken by NDMA to ensure timely response:—

- (1) National Emergency Operation Centre of NDMA activated since the onset of earthquake and has functioned 24th hours.
- (2) All provinces were advised to carry out verification of damages/losses in their respective areas.
- (3) All National Highways were reopened in collaboration with NHA.
- (4) Satellite imageries from SUPARCO and aerial photography/ survey received from Pakistan Air Force helped in determining the losses of affected areas.
- (5) NDMA in collaboration with Pakistan Air Force has sent C-130 carrying 2550 blankets for earthquake affectees of Chitral.
- (6) NDMA requisitioned helicopter (from KPK Govt) carried out two missions on 29 October 2015 and rescued stranded tourists from Naran, Basil.

- (7) For awareness purpose, NDMA through PTA also issued 52.1 million SMS Alerts in the areas of Shangla, Upper Dir, Chitral and Bajaur Agency.
- (8) Pakistan Armed Forces, Anti Narcotic Force and Ministry of Interior had undertaken 124 sorties.
- (9) 3x relief camps and 27 distribution points were established at different districts of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. In addition 1 x medical camp (each) of Pakistan Air Force and Pakistan Navy was established at Dasu and Torgarh.
- (10) 5604 patients managed at Government/ Army hospitals and discharged.
- (11) Payment of compensation to the affectees commenced from 2nd November, 2015 and progress is in hand.
- (12) Detail of payment of compensation is as under:—
- (a) <u>Gilgit Baltistan.</u> Payment of compensation to the Next of Kin (NOK) of deceased persons and injured persons is as under:—

i. Next of Kin (NOK) of Deceased - 10
ii. Major Injured Persons - 17
iii. Houses Damaged - 20

(c) <u>Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.</u> Payment of compensation to the NOK of deceased, injured persons and houses damaged is as under:—

i. NOK of Deceased - 224ii. Injured Persons - 618iii. Houses Damaged - 81,772

(d) <u>FATA.</u> Payment of compensation to the NOK of deceased and injured persons is as under:—

i. NOK of Deceased - 30ii. Injured Persons - 141iii. Houses Damaged - 4,878

- (e) <u>AJ&K.</u> Payment of compensation to the NOK of deceased and injured persons is as under:
 - i. NOK of Deceased 2
 - ii. Injured Persons -
 - iii. Houses Damaged -
- (13) Damages/losses have been assessed so far is attached at Annex A.
- (14) Relief effort is attached at Annex B.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library).

47. *Ms. Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to impose ban on private practice of the Government Doctors in Islamabad; and
- (b) whether any step taken by the Government to stop the said practice; if so, the details thereof?

Transferred to National Health Services Regulation and Coordination Division for answer on Next Rota Day.

48. *Ms. Nafeesa Inayatullah Khan Khattak:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of posts of primary teachers lying vacant in the Federal Government Schools at present alongwith the names thereof; and
- (b) the time by which the said posts will be filled-up?

Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division: (a) 720 number of Posts are lying vacant in the primary level schools of Federal Directorate of Education. Detail breakup is as under:

S. No	Designation/BPS	No. of Vacant Post
1	Principal (BPS-19)	10
2	H.M/Vice Principal (BPS-18)	21
3	D.H.M (BPS-17)	29
4	Sr.Teacher (BPS-17)	3
5	S.S.T (BPS-17)	104
6	Sr. Comp. Teacher (B-17)	12
7	T.G.T (BPS-16)	255
8	P. T. I (BPS-16)	64
9	J.L.T (BPS-16)	01
10	D.M (BPS-16)	07
11	E.S.T (BPS-14)	211
12	T.U.G.T (BPS-14)	02
	Total:-	- 720

(b) These vacant posts will be filled in near future as the requisition of vacant posts of BS-16 and above are being processed by FPSC and post of BS-14 is being processed at CADD.

49. *Rai Hasan Nawaz Khan:

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that 78950 employees are working in the Pakistan Railways at present; and
- (b) whether it is also a fact that two employees perform a job/duty which a single employee can perform?

Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique): (a) At present 77,581 employees are working on Pakistan Railways. However number of employees keeps varying owing to retirements and fresh recruitments.

(b) It is not correct that two employees perform a job/ duty which a single employee can perform. Every employee has a specific job description and performs his duty accordingly. As a matter of fact, there is acute shortage of about 18,000 employees on the system placing additional burden on the existing workforce.

50. *Rai Hasan Nawaz Khan:

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that Railway infrastructure including bridges have already completed its life times;
- (b) if so, the steps being taken by the Government to upgrade said infrastructure alongwith the funds allocated therefor so far?

Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique): (a) Railway main line from Karachi to Peshawar which has length of 1681 KM is in fairly good condition. It accounts for 70% of railway train operation. Track on branch line needs improvements. However, it is being maintained within safe parameters for safe train operations.

It is admitted that railway bridges are more than 100 years old. However, their condition is safe for train operation. 159 weak bridges were identified for rehabilitation out of which 78 have been completed and work on remaining bridges is in progress.

(b) During the year 2013-14 and 2014-15 an amount of Rs. 4096.31 Million and Rs.3426.2 Million respectively was spent on rehabilitation of track infrastructure. In addition, an amount of Rs.2430 Million was spent on routine maintenance of track infrastructure. In the current financial year, an allocation of Rs.11256.424 Million is made for rehabilitation of track and allied structures.

Feasibility study for rehabilitation and up-gradation of main line from Karachi to Peshawar is in progress under China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) project with the help of Government of China. On completion of CPEC project by year 2020, speed on main line will be increased from 105 KMPH to

160 KMPH. Moreover, released material of this project will be utilized for improvement/strengthening on branch lines. Apart from the above a short term five years plan is also being prepared for rehabilitation/improvement of railway track on the network.

51. *Dr. Shazia Sobia:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the province-wise total amount allocated by the Government to the Pakistan Bait-ul-Mall during current fiscal year alongwith the heads and sectors thereof?

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division: The Government has allocated Rs.4,000 million to Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal (PBM) for Current Financial year 2015-16. No specific allocation for Provincial / Regional offices has been made by the Finance Division for PBM. In fact, PBM's, Head office allocates budget for Provincial/Regional offices according to ongoing Programmes/Schemes in Province/Region and for their administrative expenses. Province-wise/Project-wise allocation made by PBM for financial year 2015-16 is as under:—

Sr.	Office	Allocation	under diffe	rent Bud	get Head / Sec	tors
No.	(Province/Region)	Individual Financial Assistance	Projects	Admin.	Child Support Programme	NGOs
1	Head Office	800	483	538	Rs. 120 million has been	Rs. 50 million has been
2	Punjab	250	343	216	allocated for CFY 2015-16 and funds are	for CFY
3	Sindh	115	167	133	released to each Province on	and funds are released to
4	Khyber Pukhtunkhwa	65	135	132	actual basis.	Registered NGOs on actual
5	Balochistan	35	87	119		basis.
6	ICT	35	65	112		
	Total	1300	1280	1250	120	50
	Grand Total					4000

52. *Dr. Shazia Sobia:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) the monthly total maintenance expenditure of Metro Bus Service (MBS) at present alongwith sources thereof; and
- (b) the per day expenses and profit of MBS at present?

Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division: (a) The Metro Bus Service is not being maintained by CDA/CADD, therefore no information regarding the monthly maintenance expenditure of the system can be given.

(b) Presently the Punjab Mass-transit Authority (PMA) is Operating the Metro Bus Service. CDA/CADD has no data regarding Revenues and Profit of the System.

53. *Ms. Munaza Hassan:

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that a number of passenger coaches of the Pakistan Railways (PR) are not being repaired; if so, the reasons thereof; and
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to solve issues relating to carriages and coaches of the PR?

Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique): (a) There were 100 Passenger coaches overdue Periodic Overhauling (POH) which has now reduced to 21 only. In addition 150 coaches have been added in the system for restoration of introduction of new trains. The nominated repair and Periodic Overhauling (POH) of passenger coaches is regularly being done at Carriage shop, Lahore which now turns out 60-70 coaches per month on regular basis.

In order to augment this capacity periodic overhauling has also been undertaken at Carriage Factory, Islamabad from where 43 coaches have been turned out in last six months. The current capacity as such is sufficient to repair the coaches without any backlog.

(b) The Government has substantially improved the capacity of Carriage Workshop at Lahore from 30 coaches per month in year 2013 to 60-70 at present. Besides Carriage Factory at Islamabad has also been diversified which in addition to manufacturing new coaches has also started Periodic Overhauling of passenger coaches. In order to supplement availability of funds a project of Special Repair of 800 coaches has been under taken at a cost of Rs.1820 million. This will ensure uninterrupted repair / periodic overhauling of coaches.

54. *Ms. Munaza Hassan:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) the details/present status of implementation on the notification issued on 23-09-2015 with respect to private Educational Institutions fee issue; and
- (b) the total number of Institutions which are not complying the said notification?

Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division: (a) So for, 279 Private Educational Institutions have submitted their written compliance to the said notification.

- (b) However, following institutions have filed writ petitions in Islamabad High Court:
 - 1. Roots Millennium School
 - 2. Lahore Grammar School
 - 3. The City School
 - 4. Roots School System
 - 5. Roots International School
 - 6. Khaldunia High School
 - 7. Froebel's International School
 - 8. Treehouse School
 - 9. International Grammar School
 - 10. Liberal Arts High School
 - 11. Headstart School
 - 12. Westminster School & College
 - 13. PakTurk International Schools & Colleges

The Islamabad High Court has given stay order to the extent that no coercive measures shall be adopted by Islamabad Capital Territory - Private Educational Institutions Regulatory Authority for failure to refund/adjust the enhanced amount till the next date of hearing.

55. *Shazia Marri:

Will the Minister for Climate Change be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the Government has a national carbon emission reduction strategy at present; if so, the main features thereof?

Minister for Climate Change (Mr. Zahid Hamid):

ENERGY SECTOR: MITIGATION ACTIONS

Ministry of Climate Change has developed National Climate Change Policy to address the issue of climate change in Pakistan, which had been approved by the Cabinet in 2012. To implement the actions of Policy, its Implementation Framework has been introduced in which the actions/projects have been identified to mitigate the carbon emissions and adaptation of climate change impacts in the country, based on priority, short term, midterm & long term actions.

The energy sector is the single largest source of GHG emission in Pakistan; it contributes nearly 51% of these emissions and is followed by the Agriculture sector (39%), Industrial processes (6%), Land Use, Land Use Change and Forestry (3%) emissions and wastes (1%) (source:National GHG inventory2008). Priority, Short Term, Mid Term and Long Term actions in all sectors of the economy have already been devised in the Framework for Implementation of Climate Change Policy. Further efforts are being carried out with the involvement of respective provincial/regional governments to carry out these action.

Nationally appropriately Mitigation Actions (NAMAs)

Besides, Pakistan has also devised 10 Nationally Appropriately Mitigation Actions (NAMAs) in alternate/renewable energy, energy efficiency, and agriculture and science & Technology sectors with the help of international development partners and submitted them to the UNFCCC NAMA Registry for funding.

Second National Communication (SNC)

Pakistan has also started its SNC process, which will update its data requirement and work out a detailed master plan for implementation of low carbon scenario options for Pakistan, along with possibility of means of implementation (finance, technology development and transfer and capacity).

56. *Ms. Aisha Syed:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Aviation Division be pleased to state the details of aeroplanes purchase/taken on lease so far alongwith the name and number thereof?

Minister In-charge of the Aviation Division: Since last ten years, PIA has not entered into any purchase agreement. Presently, PIAC fleet consists of 38 aircraft as per following detail:—

Aircraft	Number
Boeing 777 Family	11(8+3 *)
Airbus A310-300	5
Airbus A320-200*	11
ATR42-500	6
ATR72-500*	5
Total	38

^{*}On Dry Lease.

57. *Ms. Aisha Syed:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Aviation Division be pleased to state whether it is a fact that Swat Airport which has also been declared an airbase; if so, the time by which it will be made operational for flights?

Minister In-charge of the Aviation Division: CAA has not declared Swat airport as an airbase as the same is not required. All civil airports in the country can be used in public interest by armed forces. However, there is no proposal under consideration to make the said airport functional for commercial flights in the near future.

58. *Ms. Naeema Kishwar Khan:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state:

- (a) the fields in which National Testing Service (NTS) conducts tests alongwith its fee and the law under which authority has been given to NTS therefor;
- (b) the benefits achieved by the Government and people from the fees received by NTS alongwith utilization thereof;
- (c) the reasons not conducting test by the Government own departments; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government to stop the said practice?

Minister In-charge of the Establishment Division: (a) Since NTS is a not for profit Company, registered with SECP under Section 42 of the Companies (Ordinance) 1984. Establishment Division has no role in the affairs of a Private Organization.

- (b) SECP under Ministry of Finance may be approached for appropriate reply since Establishment Division has no role in this affair of a Private Organization.
- (c) The Federal Government has issued recruitment policy followed by mechanism to ensure merit and transparency in the recruitment process at all levels. Initial Screening of applicant by a third party (Testing Agency) is one of measure taken in this regard. According to recruitment mechanism, initial screening of applicants would be conducted by a testing agency which would be hired by the concerned Ministries / Divisions keeping in view the following criteria:—
 - (i) Should be a registered testing agency, if in the private sector.
 - (ii) Should have experience in the relevant field.
 - (iii) Should have established infrastructure for the purpose.
 - (iv) Should have not been blacklisted by any government office.
- (d) No further steps are required to be taken under the present arrangement to ensure merit & transparency in the recruitment process.

59. *Ms. Naeema Kishwar Khan:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) the steps taken by the Government for provision of land for the construction of Chaudhry Rahmat Ali Museum between Shakharparian and Pak-China Friendship Centre;
- (b) the action taken in respect of Prime Minister's office letter/directive No.PA/Law/2015/ITI/392/10/14174, dated 26-01-2015; and
- (c) the steps being taken by the Government to set up the said Museum?

Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division: (a) Letter received by CDA from the Prime Minister's office is enclosed as Annex-I.

(b) Reply to the PM office letter has been responded to the Prime Minister Secretariat *vide* letter No. CDA-29(36)(95)(208)-Coord/2015/2543, dated 04-11-2015 (Copy enclosed as Annex-II) is reproduced below:

Pakistan National Monument has already been established in Shakarparian. The land has been allotted to the Ministry of Minorities, Culture, Sports, Tourism and Youth Affairs, Government of Pakistan for establishment of Pakistan National Monument. Since the applicant is named Pakistan National Movement, therefore Prime Minister's (Public Affairs & Grievances Wing) is requested to ask the applicant to approach the concerned Ministry for allocation of space for burial of Ch. Rehmat Ali at National Monument Shakarparian, Islamabad. Alternatively a site could be allocated in Sector H-11 graveyard for dignitaries/national heroes, if so desired.

(c) The reply of above said letter is awaited from the Prime Minister's Secretariat.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library).

60. *Mr. Lal Chand:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

(a) the total funds distributed by the Pakistan Bait-ul-Mall (PBM) since June, 2013 amongst needy persons alongwith province-wise details thereof; and

(b) the province-wise number of beneficiaries of PBM belonging to minorities at present alongwith the total funds distributed amongst them during the year 2014-15?

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division: (a) The total funds distributed by the Pakistan Bait-ul-Mal (PBM) since June, 2013 amongst needy persons alongwith province-wise details is as under:—

Sr. No.	PROVINCE	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount (in million)
1.	Balochistan	2,764	68.60
2.	ICT	8,244	379.60
3.	KPK	10,989	616.21
4.	Punjab	43,946	1801.59
5.	Sindh	4,008	153.02

(b) The detail of the province-wise number of beneficiaries of PBM belonging to minorities at present alongwith the total funds distributed amongst them during the year 2014-15 is as under:—

Sr. No.	PROVINCE	No. of Beneficiaries	Amount (in million)
1.	Balochistan	132	1.29
2.	ICT	97	2.22
3.	KPK	14	0.33
4.	Punjab	525	6.81
5.	Sindh	369	4.83

ISLAMABAD: The 5th January, 2016.

ABDUL JABBAR ALI, *Acting Secretary.*

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

"UNSTARRED QUESTIONS AND THEIR REPLIES"

For Wednesday, the 6th January, 2016

47. **Dr. Muhammad Azhar Khan Jadoon:**

(Deferred during the 26th Session)

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the actual route of the Gamriya Nullah located near Chattah Bakhtawar, Islamabad has been diverted and narrowed down; if so, the reasons thereof;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that the water of said Nullah overflows during the Monsoon seasons and causes losses to lives and properties of residents in the surroundings of the said Nullah; if so, the steps being taken by the Government to prevent such destruction: and
- (c) whether it is further a fact that the land of said Nullah was made the part of Mehrban Town, which is a private residential housing scheme near Chattah Bakhtawar, Islamabad; if so, the names of responsibles for illegal acquisition of the said land alongwith the action being taken against the responsibles thereof?

Reply not Received.

23. Mrs. Shahida Rehmani:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that M. Phil/Ph D allowances are being given to teachers at the provincial level; if so, the rate thereof;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that no such allowance is being given to teachers presently serving in the educational institutions of the Federal Government; if so, the reasons thereof; and
- (c) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Ministry to give said allowances to teachers serving in the Federal Government educational institutions; if so, its rates alongwith the time by which it will be implemented?

Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division: (a) Relate to provices.

- (b) Fact is, an amount Rs. 10000/-pm is being given to the teachers serving in the Educational Institutions of Federal Government as PhD Allowance as per Finance Division (Regulation wing) Office Memorandium F.No.1(9)Imp/2000-vol-XIV-633 dated 07-07-2015. However no allowance is admissible for M.Phil.
 - (c) No Proposal is under Consideration.

24. Ms. Musarat Rafique Mahesar:

Will the Minister In charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the trench being made for drainage of Nullah running amid newly constructed Park in Sector, G-7/3-2, Islamabad is not being completed since long; and
- (b) the time by which it will be completed?

Minister Incharge of Cabinet Division: (a) Yes, it is fact that a trench in between park and katchi abadi exists. There is a katchi abadi in right of way of Nullah. After removal of katchi abadi permanent work will be taken in hand.

(b) After removal of katchi abadi work will be taken in hand.

25. Ms. Musarat Rafique Mahesar:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that there is no proper arrangement of sanitation in Al-Habib Market, Sector G-7/3, Islamabad; and
- (b) the bakeries and the bath rooms of the said market are in worst condition; if so, the steps being taken by the Capital Development Authority to improve the sanitation condition of the said market?

Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development

Division: (a) No. It is fact that CDA is providing sanitation services properly in Al-Habib Market Sector G-7/3 like other Sectors of Islamabad. Staff is deployed on daily basis for sweeping and collection of garbage in Sector G-7 including Al-Habib Market and presently 140 sanitary workers are working in sector G-7.

(b) As regards the maintenance of public toilet in Al-Habib Market in G-7/3 Islamabad, it is stated that the public toilet is functional at present. It is also a fact that renovation of public toilets in Islamabad by CDA is in progress and till to day 71 public toilets have been upgraded in one year. Up gradation of remaining public toilet would be undertaken in the next phase.

26. **Sahibzada Muhammad Yaqub:**

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) the details of land of Pakistan Railways (PR) held by illegal occupants at present;
- (b) the steps taken by the Government to recover the said land; and
- (c) the location-wise total land of PR sold or given on lease during the year 2007-08 alongwith the rates thereof?

Minister for Railways (Khwaja Saad Rafique): (a) The province wise breakup of encroached lands on the Railway network at present is as under:—

(Area in Acres)

Type of Encroachment	Punjab	KPK	Sindh	Balochistan	Total
Private individuals	1800.356	12.272	1095.951	561.876	3470.455
Govt. Deptt.	271.403	224.749	34.325	10.191	540.668
Defense Deptt.	172.925	14.730	15.360	48.223	251.238
Total:-	2244.684	251.751	1145.636	620.29	4262.361

Province wise summary & details of encroachment is attached as **Annexure A, A/1 & A/2.**

(b) Following steps were taken by the Railway administration to retrieve the encroached land:

- * Railway land has three types of encroachment comprising commercial, residential & agriculture besides lands under unauthorized occupation of Govt. departments, which accounts 540.668 acres.
- Anti- encroachment campaign was initiated w.e.f. 01-2-2012 on the directives of the Chief Justice of Supreme Court of Pakistan, in Suo Moto Case No.18/2011 and 3507.620 Acres of Railway land had been retrieved/regularized through leasing till date.
- * The campaign is being monitored by the Divisional Superintendents, Headquarters office and at the level of Ministry of Railways.
- Meanwhile, a comprehensive policy has been drawn to prevent further encroachments through Railway officials & Railway Police vide Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) and joint Procedure orders.
- FIRs are being lodged and cases are registered and sent to Railway judicial Magistrates for expeditious trial against encroachers.

- Sequel to which 688 persons were arrested during the antiencroachment operations. Cases are being tried in the Courts and the land under unauthorized occupation of encroachers has been retrieved.
- * The issue regarding illegal occupation/possession of Railway land by Government Departments/Institutions has also been taken up with concerned departments. It is an ongoing campaign which will continue till the elimination/regularization of encroachments.
- * A project for computerization of Railway land record has already been initiated in year 2014 through Punjab Urban Unit for carrying out the exercise regarding computerization of Railway land record in order to harmonize the Railway land record with the record of Provincial Revenue Department. Detailed surveys of Railway land are in progress. The project is likely to be completed in 18 months. This project shall be helpful in safeguarding the railway land.

The achievement of the Government in this regard as a result of successful anti encroachment operations Pakistan Railway managed to retrieve/regularize **3507.620 acres** land from encroachers with the assistance of Railway Police & District Administration during last four years.

(c) An area of 1700.334 acres has been licensed/leased out for various purpose (premium shops, stacking, agriculture & parking stands etc) during the year 2007-08. Province wise details are as under:—

S.No.	Province	Area lease out (Acre)
1	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	115.270
2	Punjab	1584.544
3	Sindh	0
4	Balochistan	0.516
	Total	1700.334

The details containing location, name of licensee/lessee, purpose, rate and terms & conditions are enclosed as Annexure-B. It is further clarified that Pakistan Railway does not sell any land, it is either licensed or leased out through open auction in a transparent manner to the successful bidders.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

27. Sahibzada Muhammad Yaqub:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact the Capital Development Authority acquired land for development of Sectors E-6, H-11, G-12, F-12, E-12 and National Park, Islamabad from land owners;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that those sectors have not been developed so far; if so, the reasons thereof; and
- (c) the time by which those sectors will be developed?

Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division: (a) Yes. All these Sectors were acquired by the CDA through different awards.

(b) Sector E-6 is consisting of Margalla Hills.

Sector H-11 is fully developed.

Possession of Sector G-12, F-12 is not with CDA so the same could not be developed.

The possession of Sector E-12 is being retrieved.

(c) Due to non possession with the CDA, and financial crunch, the development work could not be completed.

28. Rai Hasan Nawaz Khan:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Quarter Nos.1 to 6, Block No.2-B, Gali No.16, Sector G7/2, Islamabad have not been repaired/renovated since long;
- (b) if so, the time by which those houses will be repaired/renovated?

Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division: (a) It is fact that these houses were constructed decades ago and require huge maintenance on account of deteriorated condition. The maintenance of these houses is associated with the allocation of funds by the Federal Covernment in

huge maintenance on account of deteriorated condition. The maintenance of these houses is associated with the allocation of funds by the Federal Government in terms of maintenance grant. However, the routine maintenance of these houses is carried out by CDA on regular basis.

(b) Proper maintenance of these houses would be carried out on third quarter release of financial years 2015-16.

29. **Rai Hasan Nawaz Khan:**

Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state the names and qualifications of the persons appointed as the Casual News Translators of Pushtu and Sindhi in the Central News Organization, Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation, Islamabad since 1st January, 2011 alongwith the month-wise payments made to them separately during the said period?

Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid): The requisite information may please be seen at Annexure-A & B.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

30. **Mr. Sajid Nawaz:**

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state the steps being taken by the Pakistan Railways to make operational the nonoperational tracks of Pakistan Railways?

Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique): There are seven divisions on the system of Pakistan Railway network, all the divisions have some closed sections that are not being used for passenger or freight traffic. Summary of

such section is enclosed as Annexure-A. These sections were closed mainly due to decrease in passenger and freight traffic, unserviceable track due to paucity of funds, lack of locomotives and coaches.

A committee of Senior officers thoroughly examined the status of all closed and non-operational sections in view of their strategic, operational and commercial needs.

Committee complied its report in October 2015. This report has been forwarded to Ministry of Railways Islamabad for consideration of the Railway Board, to consult various Ministries such as Ministry of Trade and Commerce, Finance Division and Ministry of Defence, to take decision of the fate of these sections.

Further matter is under consideration by the Railway Board.

Annexure-A

SUMMARY OF THE CLOSED SECTIONS

Division		Name of the Section	Closed Since	
	1	Jamrao-Jhudo-Pithoro Loop (Meter Gauge)	Closed since 2005	
Karachi	2	Mirpurkhas-Nawabshah	Closed since 2005	
	3	Drig Road-Dalmia Cement Factory	Closed for the last 30 years	
	4	Landhi-Korangi	Closed since 1990	
	1	Tando Adam-Tharoshah	Closed since 1991	
	2	Paddin-Tharoshah-Mehrabpur	Closed since 1990	
Sukkur	3	Nawabshah-SAkrand	Closed since July 1991	
	4	Khanpur-Chahran	Closed since 1991	
	5	Larkana-Shahdadpur-Jaccobabad	Closed since 1997	
	1	Samasatta-Amruka	Closed since 25.08.2011	
	2	Bahawalnagar-Fortabbas	Closed since 1997	
Multan	3	Mandi Sadiq Gunj-Qasim Wala	1934-35	
	4	Fort Abbas-Katal Marah	1935-36	
	5	Mehmood kot –Ghazi Ghat	Closed for train Operation	
Lahore	1	Kasur-Ganda Singwala	Pre-partition	
Lanore	2	Narrowal-Chak Amru	Since 2005	
	1	Mandra-Bhaun	01.07.1991	
Rawalpindi	2	Miani-Bhera	11.05.2006	
	3	Padin Dadan Khan-Koshab	25.04.2004	
	1	Kohat- Thal	November, 1991	
Peshawar	2	Laki Marrwat-Tank	July, 1991	
	3	Mari Indus-Laki Marwat	July , 1991	
Quette	1	Bostan-Zhob	01.07.2009	
Quetta	2	Sibi-Khost	2006	

31. Ms. Munaza Hassan:

Will the Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to conduct training courses in the field of Agriculture and Livestock for the youth from Technical Education and Vocational Training Authority and University of Agriculture, Faisalabad; if so, the details thereof; and
- (b) the names of those institutions which are conducting/will conduct the said courses along with the locations thereof?

Minister for Federal Education and Professional Transning:

National Vocational and Technical Training Commission (NAVTTC)

(a) Currently, there no such training course being conducted in collaboration with Agriculture University, Faisalabad or Technical Education and Vocational Training Authorities.

However, National Vocational Technical Training Commission has been focusing technical and vocational training in the field of Agriculture & livestock. In this regard necessary curricula have been developed for its application in the TVET Sector across the country. However, The trades of Agriculture Manager, Farm Manager, Horticulture/Gardening, Tunnel Farming, Animal feed, Fruit preservation are included in NAVTTC's funded Prime Minister's Youth Skill development Progam (Phase-I, II & III).

- Vocational Training centers in Gilgit Baltistan conducted training in Fruit processing in PMYSDP (Phase-I).
- Sindh Agriculture University, Tando Jam executed the training in the trades of Agriculture & Livestock Manger in PMYSDP (phase-I & II).
- Red Cow Meat Training Institute, Lahore conducted training in Hilal Slaughtering in PMYSDP (phase-I).

Higher Education Commission (HEC)

- a. The University of Agriculture, Faisalabad (UAF) is conducting different training courses in collaboration with Technical educational & Vocational Training Authority (TEVTA) for youth in the field of Livestock. The ongoing courses under collaboration with TEVTA are as under:—
 - Dairy Technician.
 - Poultry Farming (Control Shed)

Both of the courses are being conducted for the year 2015-16 at UAF main campus and sub-campus of Toba Tek Singh. These skill oriented courses are of three months duration and will be repeated quarter wise in order to produce 400 number of skilled manpower for the livestock and poultry based industry under MOU between TEVTA and UAF. 100 students have been enrolled at UAF main campus and Toba Tek Singh in 1st quarter. Similarly, 100 students will be enrolled in each next three quarters.

(b) National Vocational and Technical Training Commission (NAVTTC)

b. Aforementioned Agriculture and Livestock trades are included forthcoming PMYSDP (Phase-III) and the institutes will be considered for training through Expression of Interest (Eol) and competitive assessment process.

Higher Education Commission (HEC)

b. The said trainings / courses will be conducted at University of Agriculture Faisalabad (main campus) and its Sub-campus at Toba Tek Singh.

32. Ms. Aasiya Nasir:

Will the Minister for Climate Change be pleased to state the practical measures taken by the Ministry to create awareness amongst masses with regard to disaster management?

Reply not received.

33. Ms. Aasiya Nasir:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state the total number of Mandirs, Gurdawaras and worship places for Bahai Community in Islamabad at present?

Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division: In the year 1992, M/S Spiritual Assembly of the Bahais of Pakistan approached the Authority through Minister of State for Minorities Affairs, Government of Pakistan for allotment of land in Islamabad for construction of building for holding meetings, celebrate their holy days and perform religious act ivies as well as other special meetings. Authority examined the request and issued offer of allotment of a piece of land measuring 3879.33 Square Yards is sector H-8/4, Islamabad of 25-08-1993 @ Rs.400/- per square yards. Total premium was worked out to Rs.15, 51,732/- (**Annex-A**). M/S Spiritual Assembly of the Bhais of Pakistan deposited the cost of land so Authority confirmed the allotment and handed over possession of land on 05-12-1993. (**Annex-B**). At present

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Building on the plot stands constructed and Authority after completion of all codal formalities has issued Completion certificate on 30-03-2010. (Annex-C).

34. **Ms. Shahida Akhtar Ali:**

Will the Minister for Climate Change be pleased to state:

- (a) the major causes of rising level of marine pollution in Karachi harbor; and
- (b) whether it is a fact that marine pollution effecting the marine environment of the said city; if so, the details thereof?

Reply not received.

35. Ms. Shahida Akhtar Ali:

Will the Minister for Climate Change be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that marine pollution effecting fisheries industry in Karachi; if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is also a fact that the said pollution effecting the export of fishes/seafood?

Reply not received.

36. **Ms. Asyia Naz Tanoli:**

Will the Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the prescribed criteria for awarding the national award?

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division: The criteria for conferment of Pakistan Civil Awards is as under:—

- (a) **'Order of Pakistan'** shall be awarded to the Heads of States/Governments and those who have rendered services of highest distinction to the State, or those who have renderd services of national importance. Only foreign nationals are eligible for this award.
- (b) **'Order of Shuja'at'** shall be awarded for acts of heroism and conspicuous courage in circumstances of extreme danger and for gallantry in saving or attempting to save life. Both foreign and Pakistani nationals are eligible for this award.
- (c) **'Order of Imtiaz'** shall be awarded to those who have attained academic distinction in the fields of science, arts, literature or distinction in the fields of sports and nursing or for rendering dedicated services with selfless devotion in human rights and public service. Both foreign and Pakistani nationals are eligible for this award.
- (d) **'Order of Quaid-i-Azam'** shall be awarded for special merit or for eminent services to Pakistan especially where services have been rendered free to the poorer sections of the community. Only foreign nationals are eligible for this award.
- (e) **'Order of Khidmat'** shall be awarded for long and meritorious services in nation-building activity, especially in connection with services rendered to the poorer sections of the community Only foreign nationals are eligible for this award.
- (f) **'President's Award for Pride of Performance'** is conferred in recognition of notable achievement in the fields of arts, science literature, sports or nursing. Both foreign and Pakistani nationals are eligible for this award.

37. **Dr. Nafisa Shah:**

Will the Minister In-charge of the Aviation Division be pleased to state:

- (a) the total number of new planes purchased by the Pakistan International Airlines during the last five years till date; and
- (b) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to purchase new aeroplanes in the near future; if so, the details thereof?

Reply not received.

38. **Syed Waseem Hussain:**

Will the Minister for Railways be pleased to state:

- (a) the acreage of land of Pakistan Railways sold or given on lease basis during the last five years alongwith province and location-wise break-up thereof;
- (b) the names of buyers/lessee, purpose, rates and terms and conditions of sale/lease in each case thereof; and
- (c) the procedure adopted for selling/leasing the said land?

Minister for Railways (Khawaja Saad Rafique): (a) An area of 6235.418 acres has been licensed/leased out for various purpose *i.e* Premium shops, stacking, agriculture & parking stands etc during the last five years. Province wise details are as under:—

S. No	Province	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	Total leased out area (Acre)
1	Khyber Pakhtunkhwa	36.394	0.402	63.510	17.330	57.480	175.116
2	Punjab	1088.923	2023.023	781.078	99.212	1041.300	5033.536
3	Sindh	42.588	290.369	326.389	1.891	337.849	999.086
4	Balochistan	18.680	9.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	27.68
Total		1186.585	2322.794	1170.977	118.433	1436.629	6235.418

The details containing location, name of licensee/lessee, purpose, rate and terms & conditions are enclosed as Annexure-A. It is further clarified that Pakistan Railway does not sell any land, it is either licensed or leased out through open auction to the successful bidders.

- (b) Details are enclosed as Annexure-A.
- (c) The procedure adopted for leasing/licensing of Railway land is as under:—
 - (i) Wide publicity through advertisement in the newspapers to ensure transparency.
 - (ii) Open competitive bidding through open auction.
 - (iii) Assessment of premium/benchmark by Divisional Assessment Committee keeping in view DC & market price.
 - (iv) Approval of Director Property & Land/Divisional Superintendent (DS) on the recommendations of Divisional Committee.
 - (v) Execution of agreement by the DS with the successful bidder.

The terms and conditions of licensing/leasing of Railway land for different purpose are as under:—

1. **Agricultural purposes.**

Through competitive bidding.

Lease Term:

- i. 03 years for cultivable land.
- ii. 05 years for barren land.

2. <u>Premium Shops Purposes.</u>

Through competitive bidding.

Lease Term:

10 years extendable for another 05 years. The policy for premium was revised in year 2014 and further extention of 5 year was banned.

3. Stacking Purposes.

Through competitive bidding **Term: 1+1** year

4. Parking Stands

Through competitive bidding

- (i) To be leased on yearly basis for already developed stands.
- (ii) For new parking sites, lease term is 03 years extendable for 02 years.

(Annexure has been placed in the National Assembly Library)

39. **Syed Waseem Hussain:**

Will the Minister In-charge of the Aviation Division be pleased to state:

- (a) the total year-wise number of aircrafts purchased by the Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) during the last three years alongwith the types thereof;
- (b) the names of firms from which the same have been purchased;
- (c) the number of aircrafts acquired by PIA on lease basis during the said period indicating also the terms and conditions of payment thereof; and
- (d) the profit earned by PIA after purchasing/acquiring those aircrafts?

Reply not received.

40. **Mr. Ramesh Lal:**

Will the Minister In-charge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that defunct Ministry of Postal Services had issued a letter No.12(8)PO-II/2012 dated 4-6-2012 and Letter No.1.262-2009-PO dated 19-1-2010 respectively to the Establishment Division to upgrade the post of Draftsman in grade-14 but the said post has not been upgraded so far; if so, the reasons thereof; and
- (b) the time by which the said post will be upgraded?

Minister In-Charge of the Establishment Division: (a) The proposal regarding upgradation of the post of Draftsman from BS-11 to BS-14 was received in the Establishment Division and the defunct Ministry of Postal Services was requested to provide the following requisite documents *vide* Establishment Division's O.M. dated 03-02-2010 (**Annex-I**):—

- (i) Recruitment Rules.
- (ii) Comparative Statement.
- (iii) New Item Statement.
- (iv) Job description.
- (v) Organizational Chart.
- (vi) Justification for upgradation.

The said documents were required to examine the case in light of upgradation policy (**Annex-II**). On 10-06-2010 (**Annex-III**), the referring Ministry was once again requested to provide the said documents. However, the referring Ministry has not submitted all required documents till date.

(b) On receipt of the requisite documents, the case of upgradation of the post of Draftsman will be examined in light of the parameters contained in Establishment Division's O.M. No. 8/36/2000-R-I, dated 20-1-2001 (Annex-II). Examination of the case will be completed within a month of the receipt of the required documents.

(Annexures have been placed in the National Assembly Library)

41. Mr. Ramesh Lal:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that potable water is being supplied to the residents of Sector G-7/4, Islamabad twice a day at Morning and Evening by the Capital Development Authority; if so, the reasons for not suppling water to the Sector G-6/1-4, Islamabad two times in a day; and

(b) the time by which two time supply of portable water will be started in the said sector?

Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division: (a) It is not a fact that potable water to the residents of Sector G-7/4, is being supplied twice a day water to the Sector G-7/4 is supplied from tube wells located at golf Course areas, Islamabad the supply to the said sector is given in two portions (Residential Quarter / Blocks and Government Offices) and each portion gets supply once a day, whereas, water to Sector G-6/1-4 is supplied from Simly Dam source on the fixed scheduled timings once a day.

(b) In the light of report at (a) the reply to the (b) is not maintainable.

42. **Malik Muhammad Amir Dogar:**

Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage be pleased to state:

- (a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to upgrade the Radio Pakistan (RP), Multan; and
- (b) whether it is a fact that the latest equipments have been supplied to the Radio Stations of other cities; if so, the reasons for not providing such equipments to RP, Multan?

Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid): (a) Radio Pakistan Multan has been upgraded with latest digital 100 KW MW Transmitter imported from Canada. Its commissioning is expected with in a couple of months.

(b) Pakistan Broadcasting Corporation Multan (BH) has recently been renovated. The case of up gradation of studios with modern equipments is under process.

43. Malik Muhammad Amir Dogar:

Will the Minister for Information, Broadcasting and Nationao Heritage be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to upgrade PTV Centre, Multan;

- (b) whether there is also any proposal under consideration of the Ministry to give back the latest cameras to said Centre which were given to Head Office, Islamabad; and
- (c) the number of programmes which are being aired daily from said centre?

Minister for Information, Broadcasting and National Heritage (Mr. Pervaiz Rashid): (a) PTV centre Multan has been established in the recent past and has state of the art equipment/installations. Hence, there is no proposal under consideration to up-grade that centre and its installations.

- (b) In the competitive era of broadcasting, PTV has to pool its resources for optimum coverage/performance at a particular place. Keeping in view the importance of coverage at Capital area, PTV retrieved some equipment from Multan Centre on loan basis. Cameras of PTV-Multan will be returned after completion of assignment.
- (c) the following programmes are being televised daily from PTV Centre Multan:

Last week programmes	Name of Programme	Duration (Minutes)	Time
27-12-2015	Saraiki News (Bulletin) Live	10	4:20PM to 4:30PM
28-12-2015	Current Affairs Time (Live)	30	3:15PM to 3:45PM
	Drama Dukh Sukh Sanjhay Ep-1 Repeat	20	3:45PM to 4:09PM
	Saif Dawa Khana Advertisment	04	4:00PM to 4:04PM
	Songs (Fillers) Repeat	11	4:09PM to 4:20PM
	Saraiki News (Bulletin) Live	10	4:20PM to 4:30PM

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29-12-2015	Sur Harfaan Day (Music Special) Repeat	19	3:15PM to 3:34PM	
	Drama Dukh Sukh Sanjhay Ep-2 Repeat	19	3:34PM to 3:53PM	
	Songs (Fillers) Repeat			
		27	3:53PM to 4:20PM	
	Saraiki News (Bulletin) Live	10	4:20PM to 4:30PM	
30-12-2015	Current Affairs Time (Live)	30	3:15PM to 3:45PM	
	Song (Filler) Repeat	07	3:45PM to 3:52PM	
	Drama Dukh Sukh Sanjhay Ep-3 Repeat	18	3:52PM to 4:14PM	
	Saif Dawa Khana Advertisment	04	4:00PM to 4:04PM	
	Song (Filler) Repeat	06	4:14PM to 4:20PM	
	Saraiki News (Bulletin) Live	10	4:20PM to 4:30PM	
31-12-2015	Sureeli Sangat (Music Special) Repeat	63	3:15PM to 4:18PM	
	Song Filler Repeat	02	4:18PM to 4:20PM	
, ,	Saraiki News (Bulletin) Live	10	4:20PM to 4:30PM	
01-01-2016	Sojhal Sanjh (Quiz Programme) Repeat	40	3:15PM to 3:55PM	
	Drama Dukh Sukh Sanjhay Ep-4 Repeat	20	3:55PM to 4:20PM	
	Saif Dawa Khana Advertisment	05	4:00PM to 4:05PM	
,	Saraiki News (Bulletin) Live	10	4:20PM to 4:30PM	
02-01-2016	Saraiki News (Bulletin) Live	10	4:20PM to 4:30PM	

44. **Mr. Abdul Waseem:**

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state:

- (a) the names of MNAs and Senators proceeded abroad for their medical treatment on Government expenses during the last five years; and
- (b) the expenditure incurred on each of them during the said period?

Transferred to National Health Services Regulations and Coordination Division for answer on next Rota Day.

45. Mr. Sher Akbar Khan:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Capital Administration and Development Divison be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that encroachment is being carried out by the people in Sector D-12/4, Islamabad;
- (b) if so, the steps taken by the Government to stop the said encroachment alongwith the action taken against the responsibles thereof;
- (c) the time by which the development work will be completed; and
- (d) the time by which the street numbers will be allotted in the said sector?

Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division: (a) It is fact that construction of houses is in progress in sector D-12 and for the purpose of construction, material stores and site offices are constructed which are removed on completion of construction.

(b) The temporary construction of material stores and site offices, is demolished on completion of construction.

- (c) Development work of the sector would be completed by the end of year 2016.
 - (d) Street numbering plan would be completed in 6 months.

46. Mr. Sher Akbar Khan:

Will the Minister In-charge of the Aviation Division be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the category-wise formula for calculation of pension of Pilots of the Pakistan International Airlines (PIA) is different from staff of PIA; if so, the justification thereof?

Reply not received.

47. **Mr. Ali Muhammad Khan:**

Will the Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state:

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Cabinet Division Employees Cooperative Housing Society was established in 1982 and developed by the Habib Rafique construction company;
- (b) whether it is also a fact that there is no drainage system for the disposal of rain water; if so, the reasons thereof;
- (c) the step taken by the Government for the construction/ establishment of drainage system in the said society; and
- (d) the action taken by the Government against the responsibles therefor?

Reply not received.

Islamabad: The 5th January, 2016.

ABDUL JABBAR ALI, *Acting Secretary.*