

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

BULLETIN OF THE ASSEMBLY (49TH SESSION)

Date	Thursday, the 16th November, 2017
Commenced at	4.50 P.M.
Adjourned at	9.05 P.M.
Total working hours	3 Hours 15 Minutes
Presided by	1. Sardar Ayaz Sadiq, Speaker 2. Mr. Murtaza Javed Abbasi, Deputy Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan
Attendance	265

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TILAWAT AND NAAT

1. *Tilawat* by Qari Abrar Hussain
2. *Naat* by Mr. Ali Raza Arshad

FATEHA

The House offered *Fateha* for the departed souls of,-

- Pakistani diplomat Nayyar Iqbal Rana murdered in Kabul, Afghanistan on 6th November, 2017;
- DIG Hamid Shakeel and two other policemen martyred in Quetta blast on 9th November, 2017;
- Captain Junaid Hafeez and two Army Jawan martyred in a cross-border attacks along Pak-Afghan border;
- SP Mohammad Ilyas along with his wife, son and grandson martyred in Balochistan;
- 15 people found dead in Kech district of Balochistan;
- 27 people perished in a road accident on 8th November, 2017 belonging to Kohat;
- Over 500 people perished in Iran and Iraq in an earthquake; and
- Mr. Muhammad Ibrahim Joyo, scholar in Sindh.

PANEL OF CHAIRPERSONS

In pursuance of sub-rule (1) of rule 13 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, the following members, in order of precedence, were nominated to form a Panel of Chairpersons for the 49th Session of the National Assembly:-

1. CHAUDHRY MAHMOOD BASHIR VIRK
2. MR. QAISER AHMAD SHEIKH
3. SHAZIA MARRI
4. DR. IMRAN KHATTAK
5. KHAWAJA SOHAIL MANSOOR
6. MS. SHAHIDA AKHTAR ALI

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Speaker announced that under rule 70 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, fifteen days notice period is required for asking and answering of Questions which is not completed. Therefore, there would be no Question Hour till the completion of notice period of questions.

LEAVE APPLICATIONS

The leave applications of the Members who requested for grant of leave were read out by the honourable Speaker and granted.

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE

2.	MS. KHALIDA MANSOOR to invite attention of the Minister for Energy to a matter of urgent public importance regarding gas load-shedding in Sectors G-6/1-2 and G-7/2-4, Islamabad, causing grave concern amongst the public.	Attention invited by Ms. Khalida Mansoor, MNA. Ms. Shahzadi Umarzadi Tiwana, Parliamentary Secretary for Energy made a brief statement followed by question asked by Ms. Khalida Mansoor and answer given.
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LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

3	<p>MR. ZAHID HAMID, Minister for Law and Justice to move that the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017], as introduced in the National Assembly, be taken into consideration at once.</p>	<p>Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice moved. The following members spoke on the motion:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice 2. Makhdoom Shah Mahmood Hussain Qureshi 3. Syed Naveed Qamar 4. Dr. Muhammad Farooq Sattar 5. Maulana Ameer Zaman, Minister for Postal Services 6. Sahibzada Tariq Ullah 7. Mr. Ahsan Iqbal, Minister for Interior 8. Mr. Aftab Ahmed Khan Sherpao 9. Alhaj Shah Jee Gul Afridi 10. Nawab Muhammad Yusuf Talpur 11. Dr. Arif Alvi 12. Mr. Shahid Khaqan Abbasi, Prime Minister of Pakistan 13. Haji Ghulam Ahmed Bilour 14. Mr. Jamshaid Ahmad Dasti 15. Dr. Nafisa Shah <p>The consideration motion was carried. 232 members rose in favour of the motion and 1 member rose against the motion.</p>
	(Amendments entered in a separate list to be moved)	<p>Amendments moved by Mr. Jamshaid Ahmed Dasti and Dr. Arif Alvi, MNAs were opposed by the Minister for Law and Justice and not adopted.</p>
4	<p>MR. ZAHID HAMID, Minister for Law and Justice to move that the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017], be passed.</p>	<p>Each clause of the Bill was submitted to the House and adopted as per detail given below;</p> <p><u>Clause 2</u> AYES = 233 NOES= 01 <u>Clause 1, Preamble</u> <u>and Short title</u> AYES = 235 NOES= 01</p> <p>The voting on the motion was taken up by Division. <u>242</u> members cast their votes for “AYES” and <u>01</u> for “NOES” and thus the Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2017 was passed by Assembly by not less than two-thirds of the total membership of the Assembly.</p>

INTRODUCTION OF BILL

5.	MR. ZAHID HAMID , Minister for Law and Justice to introduce a Bill to amend the Elections Act, 2017 (XXXIII of 2017) [The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2017].	Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice introduced the Bill.
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LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

6	MR. ZAHID HAMID , Minister for Law and Justice to move under rule 288 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007 that the requirement of rule 122 of the said Rules be dispensed with in order to take into consideration the Bill to amend the Elections Act, 2017 (XXXIII of 2017) [The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2017].	Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice moved the motion which was adopted by the House.
7-8	MR. ZAHID HAMID , Minister for Law and Justice to move that the Bill to amend the Elections Act, 2017 (XXXIII of 2017) [The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2017], as introduced in the National Assembly, be taken into consideration at once. MR. ZAHID HAMID , Minister for Law and Justice to move that the Bill to amend the Elections Act, 2017 (XXXIII of 2017) [The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2017], be passed.	Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice moved the motion which was adopted. The following members spoke on the motion:- <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Mr. Zahid Hamid, Minister for Law and Justice2. Mr. Ahsan Iqbal, Minister for Interior3. Shaikh Rashid Ahmed Each clause of the Bill was submitted to the House and adopted. Bill passed.

PRESENTATION OF REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE

9	CHAUDHRY MAHMOOD BASHIR VIRK , Chairman Standing Committee on Law and Justice to present the report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Law and Justice Commission of Pakistan Ordinance, 1979 [The Law and Justice Commission of Pakistan (Amendment) Bill, 2017].	Report presented; copy is available on the website of the National Assembly and to be published in the Gazette of Pakistan.
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PAPERS LAID BEFORE THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY:

10	SENATOR MOHAMMAD ISHAQ DAR , Minister for Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs to lay before the National Assembly the annual report of the Board of Directors of the State Bank of Pakistan on the State of Pakistan's Economy for the year 2016-17 as required by section 9A(2) of the State Bank of Pakistan Act, 1956.	Rana Muhammad Afzal Khan, Parliamentary Secretary for Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs laid the report.
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ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Speaker welcomed the young members from FATA witnessing proceedings of the House in the visitors' Gallery.

MOTION OF THANKS

11.	Discussion on the following motion moved by Shaikh Aftab Ahmed , Minister for Parliamentary Affairs on 04-10-2017:- "This House expresses its deep gratitude to the President of Pakistan for his address to both Houses assembled together on 1 st June, 2017".	Left over.
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MATTERS OTHER THAN POINTS OF ORDER

12.	Raising matters under Rule 18 which are not Points of Order.	Left over
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CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE

13.	MS. NAEEMA KISHWER KHAN MS. SURRIYA ASGHAR MS. ZAHRA WADOOD FATEMI MS. KIRAN HAIDER to invite attention of the Minister for Interior to a matter of urgent public importance regarding cutting of 30-40 years old trees to widen the roads in Islamabad, causing grave concern amongst the public.	Left over
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The sitting of the Assembly was adjourned to meet again on Friday, the 17th November, 2017 at 10.30 a.m.

Islamabad, the
16th November, 2017

JAWAD RAFIQUE MALIK
Secretary