

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

BULLETIN OF THE ASSEMBLY (9TH SESSION)

Date	Wednesday, the 8 th May, 2019
Commenced at	11.40 a.m.
Adjourned at	01.43 p.m.
Total working hours	02 Hours 02 Minutes
Presided by	Mr. Asad Qaisar, Speaker of the National Assembly of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan
Attendance	261

1. TILAWAT, NAAT AND NATIONAL ANTHEM

- *Tilawat* and *Naat* by Qari Ikhlāq Ahmed Madni
- National anthem

QUESTIONS

2.	Questions entered in a separate list to be asked and answers given.	Questions No. 93, 114, 128, 232, 239, 243, 247, 248, 250, 246 and 255 were asked and answers given. Questions No. 234 to 238, 240 to 242, 244, 249, 251 and 254 were deferred.
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FATEHA

The House offered "*Fateha*" for the departed souls of security personals and others martyred in bomb blast at *Data Darba*, Lahore.

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

3.	DR. MUHAMMAD AFZAL KHAN DHANDLA MALIK MUHAMMAD EHSAN ULLAH TIWANA MR. NIAZ AHMED JAKHAR MR. MUHAMMAD AKRAM MS. HINA RABBANI KHAR to invite attention of the Minister for Finance, Revenue and Economic Affairs to a matter of urgent public importance regarding high mark up	Malik Muhammad Ehsan Ullah Tiwana invited attention and Mr. Muhammad Hammad Azhar, Minister of State for Revenue made brief statement followed by one question each asked by MALIK MUHAMMAD EHSAN ULLAH TIWANA MR. NIAZ AHMED JAKHAR MR. MUHAMMAD AKRAM MS. HINA RABBANI KHAR and answers given.
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	being charged by the NGOs and Microfinance Banks on the loans given to poor farmers under the rural support programme, causing grave concern amongst the public.	
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INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

4-5	<p>MS. MEHNAZ AKBER AZIZ to move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for the regulation of Employment of Domestic Workers in Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT)[The Islamabad Capital Territory Domestic Workers Bill, 2019]</p> <p>Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.</p>	Introduced
6-7	<p>MS. KISHWER ZEHRA to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2019] (Article 51 and 59).</p> <p>Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.</p>	Introduced
8-9	<p>DR. RAMESH KUMAR VANKWANI to move for leave to introduce a Bill to provide for protection of persons against forced conversion of their religion [The Protection of Persons against forced Religious Conversion Bill, 2019].</p> <p>Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.</p>	Introduced
10-11	<p>MS. KISHWER ZEHRA MR. IQBAL MUHAMMAD ALI KHAN MR. USAMA QADRI MR. SALAHUDDIN to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Penal Code, 1860 the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1898 [The Criminal (Amendment) Bill, 2019.] (Section 166A, B, 176A, 176D, E, F and G)</p> <p>Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.</p>	Introduced
12-13	<p>MR. MOHSIN DAWAR to move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Pakistan Citizenship Act, 1951 [The Pakistan Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2019]</p> <p>Also to introduce the Bill, if leave is granted.</p>	Leave not granted

LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

14-15	<p>SHAZIA MARRI to move that the Bill to provide for the facility of day care centres in public and private establishments [The Day Care Centres Bill, 2019], as passed by the Senate, be taken into consideration at once.</p> <p>SHAZIA MARRI to move that the Bill to provide for the facility of day care centres in public and private establishments [The Day Care Centres Bill, 2019], be passed.</p>	Referred to concerned Standing Committee on amendment moved by Shazia Marri, MNA.
16-17	<p>MOULANA ABDUL AKBAR CHITRALI to move that the Bill to prohibit the business and practices of private money-lending and advancing loans and transactions based on interest [The Islamabad Capital Territory Prohibition of Interest on Private Loans Bill, 2019], as passed by the Senate, be taken into consideration.</p> <p>MOULANA ABDUL AKBAR CHITRALI to move that the Bill to prohibit the business and practices of private money-lending and advancing loans and transactions based on interest [The Islamabad Capital Territory Prohibition of Interest on Private Loans Bill, 2019], be passed.</p>	Referred to concerned Standing Committee on amendment moved by Moulana Abdul Akbar Chitrali, MNA.

MOTION

18	<p>MR RIAZ FATYANA, Chairman Standing Committee on Law and Justice to move that the delay in the presentation of report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2019], till today be condoned. (Moved by Moulana Abdul Akbar Chitrali, MNA) (Article 106)</p>	Adopted
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REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE-PRESENTATION OF:

19	<p>MR RIAZ FATYANA, Chairman Standing Committee on Law and Justice to present the report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2019].</p>	Report presented
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MOTION

20	MR MUJAHID ALI , Chairman Standing Committee on Parliamentary Affairs to move that the delay in the presentation of report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Elections Act, 2017 [The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2019], till today be condoned. (Moved by Moulana Abdul Akbar Chitrali, MNA)	Adopted
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REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE-PRESENTATION OF:

21	MR MUJAHID ALI , Chairman Standing Committee on Parliamentary Affairs to present the report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Elections Act, 2017 [The Elections (Amendment) Bill, 2019].	Mr. Noor Alam Khan, MNA moved on behalf of Mr. Mujahid Ali, Chairman Standing Committee on Parliamentary Affairs presented the report.
22	MR RIAZ FATYANA , Chairman Standing Committee on Law and Justice to present the report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Islamabad High Court Act, 2010 [The Islamabad High Court (Amendment) Bill, 2019], (Moved by Ms. Aliya Kamran, MNA)	Report presented
23	MR RIAZ FATYANA , Chairman Standing Committee on Law and Justice to present the report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Islamabad High Court Act, 2010 [The Islamabad High Court (Amendment) Bill, 2019].	Report presented
24	MR RIAZ FATYANA , Chairman Standing Committee on Law and Justice to present the report of the Standing Committee on the Bill further to amend the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan [The Constitution (Amendment) Bill, 2019] (Moved by Dr. Ramesh Kumar Vankwani, MNA) (Article 37).	Report presented

**AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES OF PROCEDURE AND CONDUCT OF BUSINESS IN
THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY, 2007**

25	<p>MR. SALAHUDDIN AYUBI to seek leave under sub-rule (4) of rule 293 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007 to move the following amendments:-</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><u>“Addition of new rule in the Rules of Procedure.-</u> that in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly 2007, after rule 292, the following new rule shall be added, namely:-</p> <p style="padding-left: 80px;">“292A. Prayer Break.- The proceedings of the National Assembly shall be suspended for twenty minutes on the call for each prayer.”</p>	Referred to Standing Committee
26	<p>MR. SALAHUDDIN AYUBI to move under sub-rule (5) of rule 293 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, that the proposed amendments be taken into consideration.</p>	
27	<p>MR. SALAHUDDIN AYUBI to move that the proposed amendments in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, be adopted.</p>	
28	<p>SHAZIA MARRI to seek leave under sub-rule (4) of rule 293 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007 to move the following amendments:-</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><u>Amendment in rules 200(1), 206, 208(1), 210, 212, 244(A)(2), 244(B) and 244(C)(2) of the Rules of Procedure.-</u> that in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly 2007, in rules 200(1), 206, 208(1), 210, 212, 244(A)(2), 244(B) and 244(C)(2), the full stop at the end of each shall be substituted by colon (:) and thereafter the following new proviso shall be added, namely:-</p> <p style="padding-left: 80px;">“Provided that one fourth of the total membership of the Committee shall compose of women members.”</p>	Referred to Standing Committee
29	<p>SHAZIA MARRI to move under sub-rule (5) of rule 293 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, that the proposed amendments be taken into consideration.</p>	
30	<p>SHAZIA MARRI to move that the proposed amendments in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, be adopted.</p>	

31	<p>DR. NAFISA SHAH to seek leave under sub-rule (4) of rule 293 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007 to move the following amendments:-</p> <p><u>Amendment in rule 69 of the Rule of Procedure.</u>- that in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, in Rule 69, the existing provision shall be re-numbered as sub-rule (1) of that rule and after sub-rule (1) as re-numbered hereinabove the following new sub-rule shall be inserted and new proviso shall be added, namely:-</p> <p>“(2) On the first Wednesday of each session, subject to availability of the Prime Minister, following the Question Hour there shall be a Prime Minister’s Question Time, which will be at least half an hour and allocated for questions put to the Prime Minister on matters of national importance.</p> <p>“Provided that the Leader of the Opposition shall have precedence in asking the question and at least one supplementary question.”</p> <p><u>Amendment in rule 122 of the Rule of Procedure.</u>- In rule 122, the following new proviso shall be added , namely:-</p> <p>“Provided further that the National Assembly may refer a Bill to the Committee of the whole House.”</p> <p><u>Amendment in rule 244 of the Rules of Procedure.</u>- In rule 244 after sub-rule (C), the following new sub-rule (D) shall be added , namely:-</p> <p>“(D) . Committee of the Whole House.- (1) The House may resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on a motion moved by any member of the House. When the House constitutes itself into a Committee of the Whole House it functions as one Committee acting upon any legislation, resolution or a matter referred to it by the House. Its membership shall be composed of all the members of the House.</p> <p>(2) The proceedings of the Committee shall be according to the rules of the House, but a member may speak more than once.</p> <p>(3) The Committee shall be presided over by a Chairperson who can be any member nominated by the Speaker. The Speaker’s Chair will remain vacant and the Chairperson will occupy the Tables with designated officials sitting on either side.</p> <p>(4) The Quorum of the Committee shall be one fourth of the total membership of the House.</p> <p>(5) The Committee shall present its report to the House on completion of the deliberation and the process thereafter will follow the same process as that of the report of the Standing Committee.”</p>	Referred to the Standing Committee
32	<p>DR. NAFISA SHAH to move under sub-rule (5) of rule 293 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, that the proposed amendments be taken into consideration.</p>	
33	<p>DR. NAFISA SHAH to move that the proposed amendments in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, be adopted.</p>	

DR. NAFISA SHAH to seek leave under sub-rule (4) of rule 293 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007 to move the following amendments:-

"Insertion of new Chapter in the Rules of Procedure.- that in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, after Chapter XXII, the following new Chapter shall be inserted, namely:-

**"CHAPTER XXIII
PUBLIC PETITIONS**

295. Right of petition.- (1) Any citizen of Pakistan or any natural or legal person residing or having a registered office in the country shall have the right to address, individually or in association with other citizens or persons, a petition to the National Assembly on a matter which affects him, her or them directly.

(2) Petitions shall be addressed to the Speaker of the National Assembly and shall be titled as "Public Petition to the National Assembly" and shall show the name, nationality and permanent address of each petitioner.

(3) Where a Petition is signed by more than one Petitioner, the signatories shall designate a representative who shall be regarded as the petitioner for the purposes of this Title.

(4) Each Petitioner may at any time withdraw support of petition in writing and on withdrawal of support by all the petitioners the petition shall become null and void.

(5) Petitions must be preferably written in official languages, either English or Urdu and sent to the National Assembly Secretariat. However petitions in Provincial or local languages e.g Sindhi, Punjabi, Pashto, Balochi, Kashmiri, Shina, Hindko or Brahvi will also be considered.

(6) Petitions shall be entered in a register in the order in which they are received if they comply with the conditions laid down in sub-rule (2); those that do not shall be filed, and the petitioner shall be informed of the reasons for this.

(7) Petitions entered in the register shall be forwarded by the Speaker to the Public Petitions committee responsible, which shall first establish the admissibility or otherwise of the petition in accordance with these Rules.

(8) Petitions declared inadmissible by the Committee shall be filed; the petitioner shall be informed of the decision and the reasons for it. Where possible, alternative means of redress may be recommended.

(9) Petitions, once registered, shall as a general rule become public documents, and the name of the petitioner and the contents of the petition may be published by the National Assembly for reasons of transparency.

(10) Notwithstanding the provision of sub-rule (9), the petitioner may request that his or her name be withheld in order to protect his or her privacy, in which case the National Assembly must comply with the request.

Where the petitioner's complaint cannot be investigated for reasons of anonymity, the petitioner shall be consulted so as the further steps to be taken.

(11) The petitioners may request that his or her petition be treated confidentially, in which case suitable precautions shall be taken by Parliament to ensure that the contents are not made public. The petitioners shall be told under which precise conditions this provision is to apply

(12) Where the Committee deems it appropriate, it may refer the matter to the Ombudsman or to the relevant Government departments or Divisions for redressal.

296. Examination of petitions and Report.- (1)

Admissible petitions shall be considered by the Committee where the petitioners may be invited to participate in meetings of the Committee if their petition is to be the subject of discussion, or they may ask to be present. The right to speak shall be granted to petitioners at the discretion of the Chair.

(2) The Committee shall submit report to the Parliament. The Committee shall, in particular, inform Parliament of the measures taken by the Committee on petitions referred to them by the Parliament.

(3) The Committee may seek opinions from other committees that have specific responsibility for the issue under consideration.

(4) Where the report deals with, in particular, the application or interpretation of law or proposed changes to existing law, the Standing Committee responsible for the subject-matter shall be associated. If the Committee responsible does not accept such suggestions, the associated committee may table them directly in the House.

(5) When investigation petitions, establishing facts or seeking solutions the Committee may organize fact-finding visits to the region concerned by the petition. Reports on the visit shall be drafted by their participants.

(6) The petitioner shall be informed of the

	<p>decision taken by the Committee and the reasons for the decision. When consideration of an admissible petition has been concluded, it shall be declared closed and the petitioner informed.”</p>	
35.	DR. NAFISA SHAH to move under sub-rule (5) of rule 293 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, be taken into consideration.	
36.	DR. NAFISA SHAH to move that the proposed amendments in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, be adopted.	

RESOLUTIONS

37	MS. SHAMIM ARA PANHWAR to move the following resolution:- “This House is of the opinion that the Government should take steps to control environmental pollution in the Capital Territory of Islamabad.”	Left-over
38	MS. TAHIRA AURANGZEB to move the following resolution:- “This House is of the opinion that the Government should take steps to restore the educational increments of all Federal Government employees.”	Left-over
39	SAHIBZADA SIBGHATULLAH MR. SALEH MUHAMMAD MR. SHAHID AHMAD to move the following resolution:- “This House is of the opinion that the Government should take immediate steps to abolish the system of interest in the country.”	Left-over
40	MR. SAAD WASEEM to move the following resolution:- “This House is of the opinion that the Government should take immediate steps to remove discrepancy in the prices of medicines in the country.”	Left-over
41	SYED AGHA RAFIULLAH to move the following resolution:- “This House is of the opinion that the Government should take steps to control unemployment in the country.”	Left-over

MOTIONS UNDER RULE 259

42	MS. UZMA RIAZ to move the following motion:- “This House may discuss the situation	Left-over
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	arising out of increasing trend of drug addiction in the youth in the country.”	
43	MS. TAHIRA AURANGZEB to move the following motion:- “This House may discuss the situation arising out of excessive billing of electricity.”	Left-over
44	MS. NAFEESA INAYATULLAH KHAN KHATTAK to move the following motion:- “This House may discuss the steps being taken by the Government to regulate domestic and commercial users of water and introduce water meter system in Islamabad Capital Territory.”	Left-over
45	MR. ALI GOHAR KHAN to move the following motion:- “This House may discuss the situation arising out of dilapidated condition and poor arrangements of Tandlianwala, Kanjwani and Jhok Ditta Railway stations.”	Left-over
46	DR. HAIDER ALI KHAN to move the following motion:- “This House may discuss the situation arising out of delay in completion of the construction work of Swat University.”	Left-over

DISCUSSION ON MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE UNDER RULE 87

47	SYED AGHA RAFIULLAH MR. ABDUL QADIR PATEL to discuss a matter of urgent public importance regarding increase in Railways fare.	Left-over
48	MR. MUHAMMAD BASHIR KHAN MR. MEHBOOB SHAH to discuss a matter of urgent public importance regarding nonpayment of the outstanding amount to the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa province from Federal Government under the head of electricity royalty.	Left-over

MATTERS OTHER THAN POINTS OF ORDER

49.	Raising matters under Rule 18 which are not Points of Order.
Left-over	

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE

50.	<p>JAM ABDUL KARIM BIJAR MR. MAHESH KUMAR MALANI SYED AGHA RAFIULLAH SYED AYAZ ALI SHAH SHERAZI SYED KHURSHEED AHMED SHAH</p> <p>to invite attention of the Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training to a matter of urgent public importance regarding proposed 50% cut in the budget of the Higher Education Commission by the Federal Government, causing grave concern amongst the public.</p>	Left-over
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The sitting of the Assembly was adjourned to meet again on Thursday, the 9th May, 2019 at 2.00 p.m.

Islamabad, the
8th May, 2019

TAHIR HUSSAIN
Secretary