

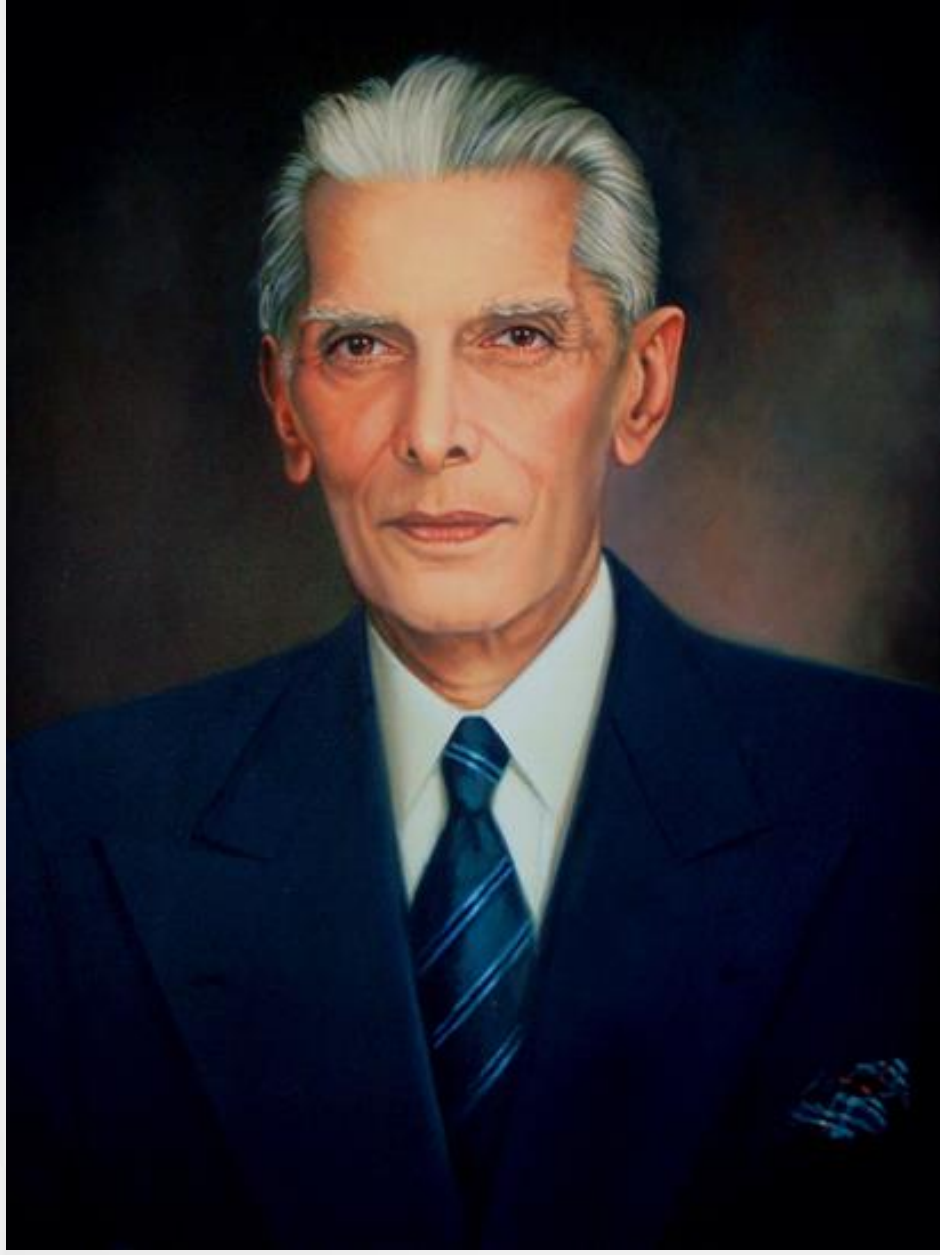


PERFORMANCE REPORT

**OF THE
15th NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
OF PAKISTAN**

Father of the Nation
QUAID-E-AZAM MUHAMMAD ALI JINNAH



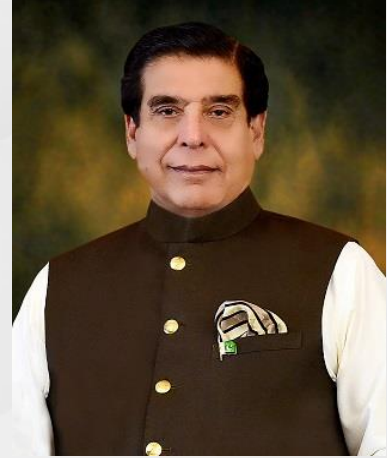


The first and the foremost thing that I would like to emphasize is this --remember that you are now a Sovereign Legislative body and you have got all the powers. It, therefore, places on you the gravest responsibility as to how you should take your decisions.

(Presidential Address to the Constituent Assembly of Pakistan on 11th August 1947)

MESSAGE FROM THE SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PAKISTAN

It is with great pleasure that I convey the successful completion of the five-year term of the National Assembly, marking a pivotal milestone in our democratic journey. The period spanning from 2018 to 2023 has been characterized by robust legislative endeavors, extensive debates, and collaborative efforts to address the diverse needs of our nation.



In alignment with our steadfast commitment to transparency and accountability, the National Assembly has meticulously compiled a comprehensive Performance Report. This report encapsulates our legislative accomplishments, policy initiatives, and procedural enhancements, serving as a testament to the unwavering dedication of each Member of Parliament and the collective impact we have made on the well-being of our constituents.

Key highlights of our achievements include substantial legislative milestones aimed at responding to the dynamic needs of our society, promoting economic growth, and safeguarding the rights of our citizens. Actively participating in the formulation and implementation of policies, we have contributed to the overall development and progress of our country. Our focus on vital sectors such as education, healthcare, and infrastructure underscore our commitment to building a stronger and more resilient nation.

The pivotal role played by parliamentary committees in scrutinizing legislation, conducting inquiries, and offering valuable insights into various issues cannot be overstated. The diligence of these committees has significantly enhanced the effectiveness of our legislative process. Despite political differences, the National Assembly has exemplified a commendable spirit of cooperation and collaboration, instrumental in achieving common goals for the betterment of our country.

I extend my sincere appreciation to every Member of the National Assembly, the dedicated parliamentary staff, and all stakeholders who have played a vital role in the success of our legislative endeavors. Let us continue working together to forge a prosperous and inclusive future for Pakistan.

Thank you for your unwavering dedication to public service.

Sincerely,

Raja Pervaiz Ashraf
Speaker, National Assembly
Islamic Republic of Pakistan

MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PAKISTAN

In the landscape of a robust democracy, the principles of Parliamentary openness and outreach are indispensable. In today's era dominated by technology, the imperative for swift information dissemination has become more pronounced. Recognizing this, the Constitution of Pakistan, 1973, underscores and safeguards citizens' fundamental right to information in Article 19-A. The following Report stands as a testament to the National Assembly's commitment to narrowing the divide between the people and the Parliament.



Throughout the Fifteenth Parliament, Pakistan's National Assembly witnessed the successful democratic transition of representatives twice, marking a significant milestone in the people's governance. It is with great pleasure that I present The Report of the 15th Parliament, covering the period from 13th August 2018 to 09th August 2023. This report builds upon preceding Annual Reports, aligning with our vision to enhance parliamentary outreach and transparency. It succinctly outlines key accomplishments of the House, Committees, and the Secretariat, shedding light on initiatives geared towards modernizing practices in the age of E-Parliament.

I would like to express my gratitude to various branches of the Secretariat, with a special acknowledgment to the Research Directorate for its meticulous efforts in compiling this report. The content of the report is derived from official data provided by diverse departments, branches, and wings of the National Assembly Secretariat. Every endeavor has been made to ensure the accuracy of information, and any error or omission is not intentional.

Tahir Hussain
Secretary-General
National Assembly

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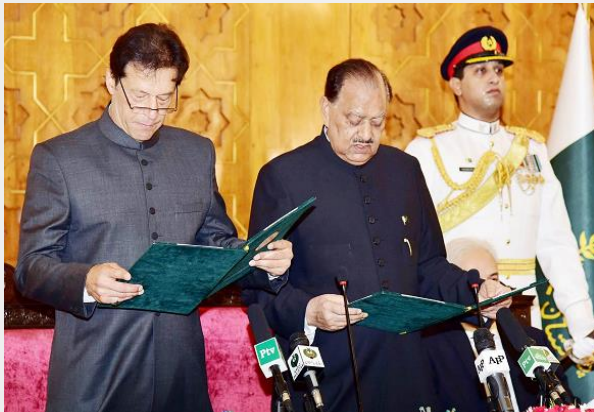
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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION TO THE 15TH NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

The inception of the 15th National Assembly followed the 2018 General Election, where the Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) emerged as the largest party, though lacking an overall majority. PTI secured 149 seats, with the Pakistan Muslim League (PML-N) and Pakistan People's Party (PPP) winning 82 and 53 seats, respectively. Post-election, nine independent candidates aligned with PTI, leading to the formation of a coalition government.



Mr. Imran Khan, Prime Minister, taking oath from Mr. Mamnoon Hussain, President, at President House, Islamabad.

Members of the 15th National Assembly took their oath on August 13, 2018, Mr. Imran Ahmed Khan Niazi was sworn in as the 22nd Prime Minister of Pakistan. The ceremony, held at the Aiwan-i-Sadar, marked the Constitutional transition of



Mr. Asad Qaiser, Speaker, taking the oath from the outgoing Speaker Sardar Ayaz Sadiq at Parliament House, Islamabad.



Mr. Qasim Khan Suri, Deputy Speaker, taking the oath from the Mr. Asad Qaiser, Speaker National Assembly, at Parliament House, Islamabad.

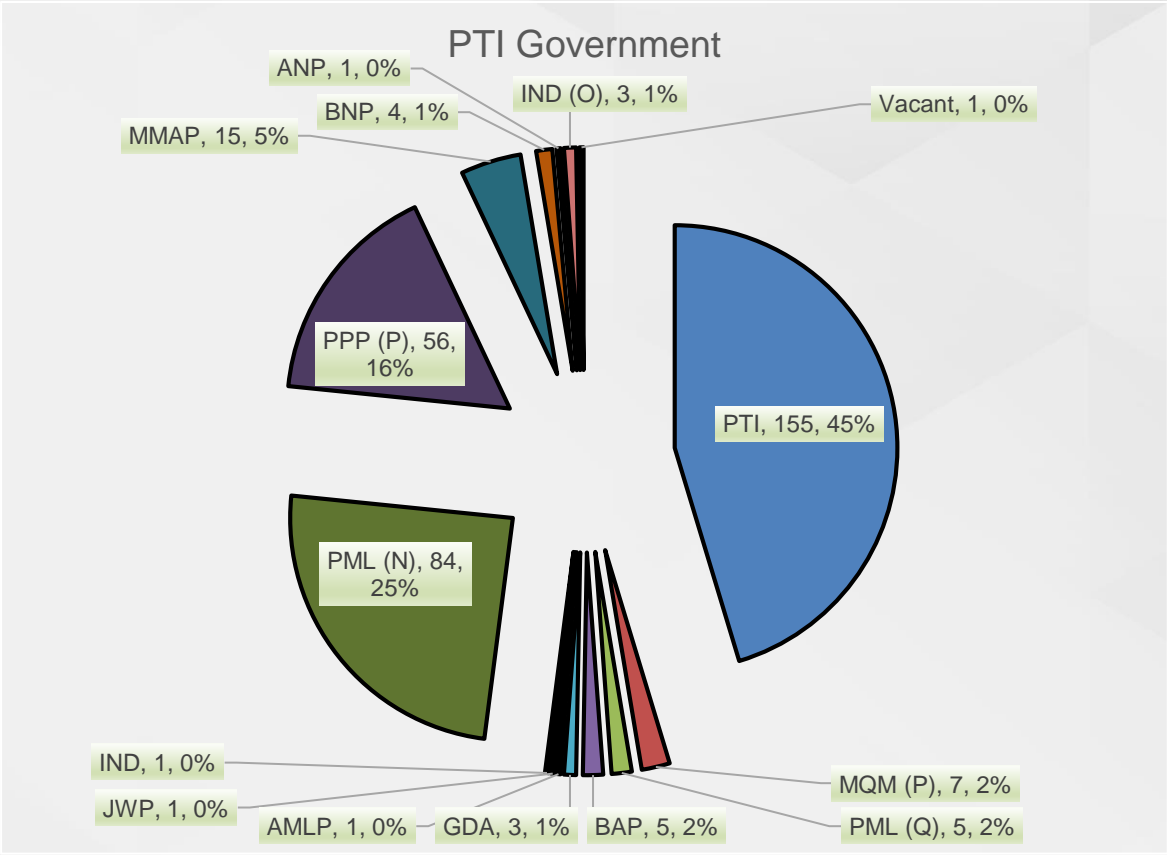
power, representing the second democratically elected government shift in the political history of Pakistan.

Mr. Asad Qaiser and Mr. Qasim Khan Suri of PTI were elected as the Speaker and Deputy Speaker, respectively. On August 17, 2018, Chairman Imran Khan secured 176 votes and became the Prime Minister of Pakistan with the support of Allied Parties. Shahbaz Sharif won a PML-N leadership vote, succeeding Syed Khurshid Ahmed Shah as the Leader of the Opposition in the National Assembly.

A significant by-election took place on October 14, 2018, involving 11 National Assembly seats. PTI and PML-N each secured four seats, PML-Q won two, and one seat went to MMA, reflecting the evolving political landscape and distribution of Parliamentary representation.

Party Position in 15th National Assembly

Name of Party		Total Seats	Percentage
Government Side			
Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf	PTI	155	45.3
Muttahida Qaumi Movement Pakistan	MQM (P)	7	2.0
Pakistan Muslim League (Q)	PML (Q)	5	1.5
Balochistan Awami Party	BAP	5	1.5
Grand Democratic Alliance	GDA	3	0.9
Awami Muslim League Party	AMLPP	1	0.3
Jamhoori Watan Party	JWP	1	0.3
Independent	IND	1	0.3
Opposition Side			
Pakistan Muslim League (N)	PML (N)	84	24.6
Pakistan Peoples Party Parliamentarians	PPP (P)	56	16.4
Muttahida Malis-e-Amal Pakistan	MMA	15	4.4
Balochistan National Party	BNP	4	1.2
Awami National Party	ANP	1	0.3
Independent	IND (O)	3	0.9
Vacant	Vacant	1	0.3
Total		342	100.0



Turning Tides: A Transformative Journey in the 15th National Assembly



Mr. Shehbaz Sharif, Prime Minister, taking oath from Mr. Sadiq Sanjrani, Chairman Senate, at PM House, Islamabad.

In the eventful month of April 2022, Former Prime Minister Imran Khan faced a consequential no-confidence Motion and was subsequently voted out. On April 11, 2022, Mian Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif, the Leader of the Pakistan Muslim League-(N), assumed the role of Leader of the House. On this significant day, Mian Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif took the oath as the 23rd Prime Minister of Pakistan.

On the 16th day of April 2022, Mr. Raja Pervaiz Ashraf, a distinguished Member

of the Pakistan People's Party (PPP), was sworn in as the 22nd Speaker of the National Assembly. It is noteworthy that



Mr. Raja Pervaiz Ashraf, Speaker, taking oath from Mr. Ayaz Sadiq, Chairperson of session, at Parliament House, Islamabad.

Mr. Raja Pervaiz Ashraf assumed the prestigious position of Speaker unopposed, as no other candidate submitted nomination papers in opposition. Mr. Raja Pervaiz Ashraf's extensive experience, having previously served as the 19th Prime Minister of Pakistan from June 22, 2012, to March 16, 2013, as well as holding roles such as Minister for Water and Power from 2008 to 2011, added depth to his new role.

Subsequently, on April 21, 2022, Mr. Zahid Akram Durrani was appointed as the Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly. Mr. Zahid Akram Durrani faced no opposition in his pursuit of the Deputy Speaker position, as no other candidate filed nomination papers to contest the role.

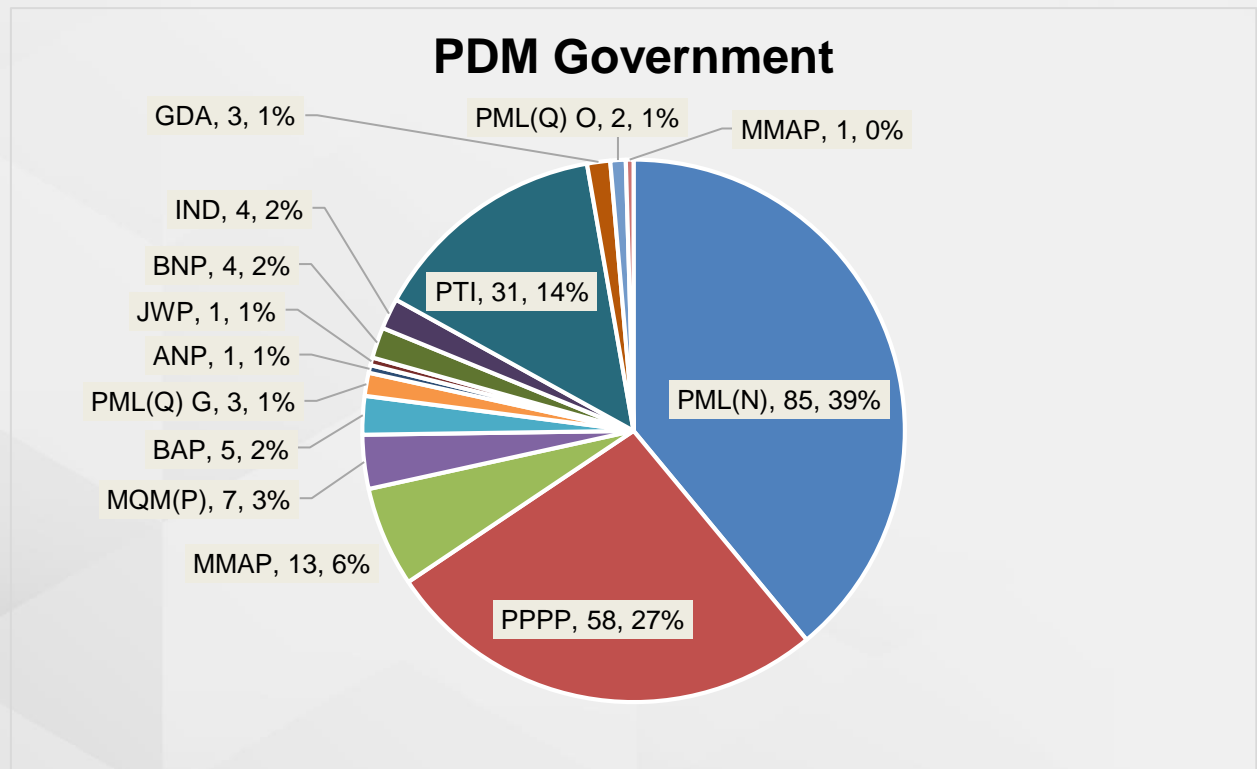
The Speaker of the National Assembly, on May 20, 2022, officially declared Mr. Raja Riaz Ahmad, MNA, as the Leader of the Opposition in accordance with Rule 39 of the Rules of Procedures and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly. Due to the resignation of the Pakistan Tehrik-e-Insaf MNAs, around 45 members gracing the opposition benches. On August 10, 2023, acting on the advice of the Prime Minister, the President of Pakistan dissolved the 15th National Assembly, three days before the completion of its constitutionally mandated 5-year term.



Mr. Zahid Akram Durrani, Deputy Speaker, taking oath from Mr. Raja Pervaiz Ashraf, Speaker National Assembly, at Parliament House, Islamabad.

Party position in the National Assembly (11-April-2022 to 9- August 2023)

Name of Party	Party	Total seats	Percentage
Government Side			
Pakistan Muslim League (N)	PML(N)	85	39.0
Pakistan People's Party Parliamentarians	PPPP	58	26.6
Muttahida Malis-e-Amal Pakistan	MMAP	13	6.0
Muttahida Qaumi Movement Pakistan	MQM(P)	7	3.2
Balochistan Awami Party	BAP	5	2.3
Pakistan Muslim League (Q)	PML(Q) G	3	1.4
Awami National Party	ANP	1	0.5
Jamhoori Watan Party	JWP	1	0.5
Balochistan National Party	BNP	4	1.8
Independent	IND	4	1.8
Opposition Side			
Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf	PTI	31	14.2
Grand Democratic Alliance	GDA	3	1.4
Pakistan Muslim League (Q)	PML(Q) O	2	0.9
Muttahida Malis-e-Amal Pakistan (Jamaat-e-Islami)	MMAP	1	0.5
Total		218	100.0



CHAPTER 2

BUSINESS IN THE HOUSE



Legislation stands as a cornerstone of parliamentary functions, with Article 50 of the Constitution entrusting the Parliament with this pivotal role. The National Assembly, serving as the lower house, diligently exercises its oversight through debates, adjournment motions, question hours, and the work of Standing Committees. In doing so, it not only holds the Executive accountable but also ensures that governmental actions align with the constitutional framework, safeguarding the fundamental rights of citizens. The laws crafted through this process become indispensable tools for government in structuring society and protecting its inhabitants, defining the rights and responsibilities of both individuals and authorities under its purview.

To guarantee the quality and effectiveness of legislation, the National Assembly employs a meticulous process. All Legislative Bills undergo thorough analysis and scrutiny at various stages, guided by the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National

Assembly 2007. Upon a Member's introduction of a Bill, it undergoes in-depth deliberations, appraisal, and analysis within the Standing Committee. This scrutiny aims to ascertain the Bill's alignment with the statement of objects and reasons, its conformity with the Constitution, and its harmony with prevailing social norms.



Speaker National Assembly Asad Qaiser receiving President of Islamic Republic of Pakistan Dr. Arif Alvi at Parliament House before his address to the Joint Session of the Parliament on 12.09.2019

Subsequently, the scrutinized Bill proceeds through various stages within the Houses, inviting open discussions through Motions. Any Honorable Member reserves the right to raise objections to the Bill's contents. The legislative process involves qualitative and content-wise analysis by individual members, facilitated by the circulation of Bill copies to all Honorable members. Upon passage in the National Assembly, the Bill advances to the Senate for further consideration. In the Senate, it is either passed unanimously or returned with recommendations. The final stage involves sending the Bill to the President for assent, culminating in a thorough examination of the entire enactment process, from Bill introduction to Presidential approval, across multiple stages.

Statistical Summary of Performance of Legislation of the 15th National Assembly

S.No	Indicators	Number
Sittings of the House		
1	Number of Sessions	489
2	Number of Sitting days	682
3	Number of Hours	1150:44
4	Average length of a Session Day	1 h: 7 m
Legislation		
5	Government Bills introduced	272
6	Government Bills Passed	212
7	Private Members' Bills introduced in the National Assembly	430
8	Private Members' Bills transmitted from Senate	54
10	Private Members' Bills Passed by National Assembly	107
11	Private Members' Bills Passed (in Joint Sitting)	22
12	Acts of the Parliament	233
13	Questions Received	30481
14	Questions Admitted	10890
15	Resolution Received	1810
16	Resolutions Passed	107
17	Calling Attention Notices Submitted	1609
18	Calling Attention Notices Discussed	227
19	Questions of Privilege Received	410
20	Questions of Privilege Under Process	185
21	Adjournment Motions Received	373
22	Drafts of Motions under Rule 259 Received	1848

LEGISLATIVE PERFORMANCE

As of August 12, 2023, the 15th National Assembly successfully concluded its five-year term, marking a noteworthy chapter in parliamentary history. The House's performance during this period has been commendable, characterized by a robust engagement in legislative activities. Over the course of the 15th National Assembly, the legislative body convened for an impressive 682 days, spanning across 489 sittings.



Leader of the Opposition Mian Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif called on Speaker National Assembly Mr. Asad Qaiser in Parliament House on 21.12.18

During its tenure, the National Assembly achieved significant milestones, with the passage of 170 Government Bills and 107 Private Member Bills. Additionally, a substantial legislative agenda was set, evident in the introduction of 272 Government Bills and 430 Private Members' Bills, addressing a diverse array of subjects crucial to national interests.

A standout accomplishment of the 15th National Assembly was the unanimous passage of the 26th Constitution Amendment. This pivotal Amendment focused on increasing the representation of the formerly Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) in both the National Assembly and the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Assembly. This landmark decision reflects the commitment of the Assembly to address pressing issues and foster inclusivity in governance.

A snapshot of the legislative performance of the 15th National Assembly is given below.

Bills Type	No. of Bills
Total Acts Passed	278
Bills passed by National Assembly	209
Government Bill Introduced	272
Government Bills Passed	170
Private Members' Bills Introduced	430
Private Members' Bills Passed	107
Bills passed in the Joint Sitting of Majlis e Shoora	75

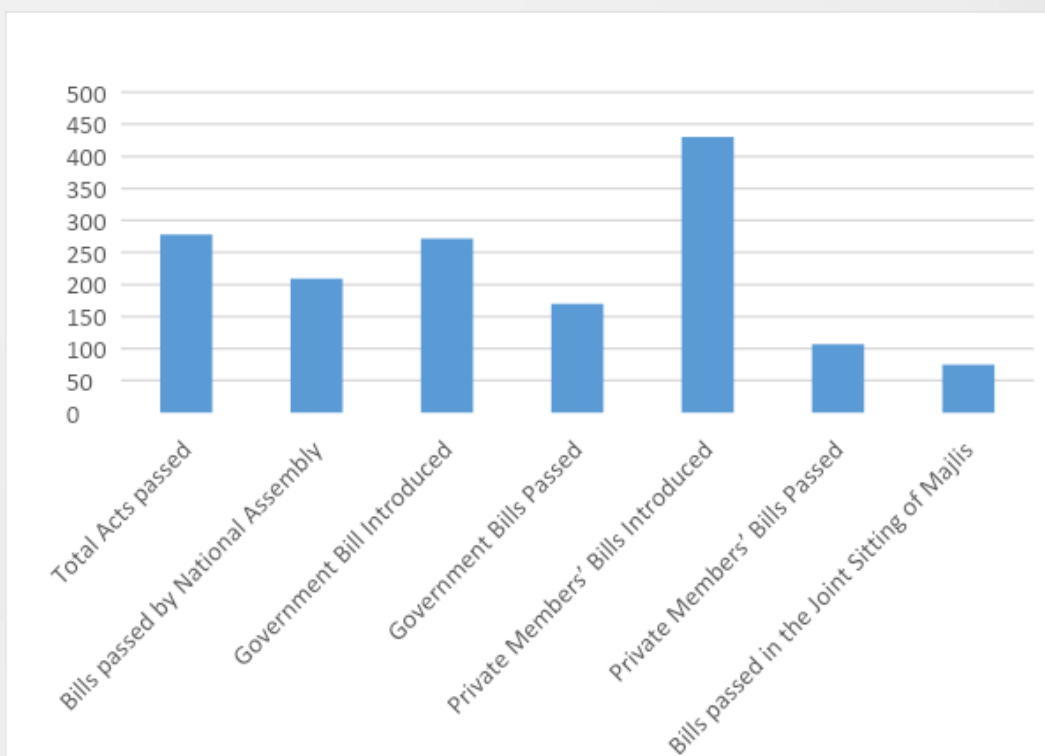


Table -B reflects the performance of the 15th National Assembly in terms of Working Days. The House met for 682 days.

WORKING HOURS

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Indicator	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
Working Days	130	133	130	135	154
Assembly Sitting	96	88	99	91	115

The 15th National Assembly held 13 sessions during the 1st parliamentary year. Similarly, in terms of working hours, the 15th National Assembly deliberated for 1150 hours during (see Table-C below).

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Years	Actual sitting			Working Hours			Working Days
	Assembly sitting	Joint sitting	Total sitting	Assembly session	Joint session	Total working hour	
1st Parliamentary Year	91	5	96	284:15	15:46	264:01	130
2nd Parliamentary Year	85	3	88	222:21	5:03	227:24	133
3rd Parliamentary Year	97	2	99	208:57	3:24	212:21	130
4th Parliamentary Year	87	4	91	178:02	9:58	188:00	135
5th Parliamentary Year	101	14	115	234:56	24:02	258:58	154
Total	461	28	489	1092:31	58:13	1150:44	682

RESOLUTION

A Resolution serves as a self-contained, independent instrument employed in the parliamentary setting to propose a course of action. It is presented in the House and meticulously crafted to encapsulate a decision reflective of the collective will of the Assembly.

In accordance with Rule 157 of the Rules of Procedures and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly 2007, a Resolution is defined as follows: “Any Member or Minister may move a resolution relating to matters of general public interest.” This underscores the role of Resolutions in facilitating discussions on issues pertinent to the public at large.

Within the parliamentary framework, matters of public significance are deliberated through motions and resolutions, wherein the House engages in debate before casting votes to express its collective opinion.



Minister of State for Revenue Mr. Muhammad Hammad Azhar delivering Budget Speech 2019-2020 in Parliament House on 11.06.2019.

The Resolution emerges as a crucial parliamentary tool, wielded by Members of the National Assembly to articulate the consensus of the House on both domestic and international fronts. Its versatile nature allows it to serve various purposes, including conveying messages, commendations, urging actions, or drawing attention to specific matters for the Government's consideration. In rare instances, Resolutions may take the form of censure—a formal process wherein the entire legislature votes on denouncing a member for misconduct. Furthermore, Resolutions may be crafted to provide recommendations to the Government, addressing issues of paramount national or international importance. In essence, the Resolution stands as a dynamic and impactful mechanism within parliamentary proceedings.

During its term, the 15th National Assembly deliberated on a substantial number of Resolutions, totalling 1810 submissions. Among these, 778 were officially acknowledged by the House for consideration. Within this pool, the National Assembly successfully passed 107 resolutions, showcasing the legislative body's commitment to addressing

various issues of public concern. However, a noteworthy aspect lies in the fact that 1042 resolutions lapsed during this period.

Resolution received	1810
Resolution admitted	778
Resolution Disallowed	5
Resolution Lapsed/under process	1042
Resolution Adopted/passed	107

Parliamentary Year	Received	admitted	Disallowed	Under process/ Lapsed	Adopted/Passed in the House
1 st Parliamentary year	871	394	04	473	26
2 nd Parliamentary year	493	205	01	326	17
3 rd Parliamentary year	243	73	-	144	09
4 th Parliamentary year	127	70	-	59	18
5 th Parliamentary year	76	36	-	40	37
Total	1810	778	05	1042	107

CALLING ATTENTION NOTICE

The Members National Assembly submitted 1609 Calling Attention Notices (CANs) out of which 393 were brought before the House and were discussed and responded to by the concerned Minister. 47 were referred to the concerned Standing Committees and 1215 were lapsed.

ADJOURNMENT MOTION

The purpose of Adjournment Motion is to seek the attention of the House to an issue of public importance. The Adjournment Motion is an extraordinary procedure which, if admitted, leads to setting aside of the normal business of the House for discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance.

Details of the Adjournment Motion are provided in the table given below.

Total Adjournment Motions Received	373
Withdrawn	6
Disallowed	205
Brought before the House/Moved in the House	2
Admitted but lapsed	8
Lapsed	152

QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE

Under the Rule 95 of Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, any Member may move question of privilege where a member feels that the privilege of any MNA or a Committee or himself, has been breached, he may raise a question regarding that breach of privilege with the consent of the Speaker. Privilege motion contains certain rights and immunities enjoyed by Members of National Assembly, individually and collectively, so that they can "effectively discharge their functions". When any of these rights and immunities is disregarded, it is called a breach of privilege and is punishable under Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007.

In the 15th National Assembly Secretariat received 410 notices of Questions of Privilege out of which 4 was disallowed, 190 were referred to Standing Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges after through scrutiny, 15 were withdrawn and 15 matter was settled by the worthy Speaker National Assembly.

Total Received	410
Withdrawn	15
Disallowed	4
Matter Settled by Mr. Speaker/Disposed off/No Further Action	15
Brought before the House/Moved in the House	1
Referred to Committee	190
Under Process	185

MOTION UNDER RULE 259

According to Rule 259 outlined in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly, 2007, both Ministers and Members have the prerogative to submit notices of motion, requesting the assembly's consideration of various matters such as policy situations or statements.

During the designated period, the National Assembly Secretariat received a total of 1848 Motions in line with Rule 259. It's noteworthy that within this corpus, 116 motions were disallowed, indicating a preliminary screening process based on certain criteria or procedural considerations. Subsequently, 271 motions successfully progressed to the stage of being presented before the assembly, representing topics of significance or concern that garnered attention for deliberation.

These figures reflect the procedural rigor and discernment exercised by the National Assembly in managing the influx of motions, ensuring a balanced and focused consideration of matters that are pivotal to the policy landscape or warrant broader parliamentary discussion.

Total Motions under Rule259 Received	1848
Disallowed	116
Brought before the House/Moved in the House	271
Discussed in the House	16
Admitted but lapsed	1313
Lapsed	132

QUESTIONS

In adherence to Rule 69 within the framework of the "Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly 2007," the first hour of each sitting, excluding Tuesdays, is dedicated to the "Question Hour." During this time, Members of Parliament are afforded the opportunity to pose questions and receive answers. The Rule also grants the National Assembly the authority, under exceptional circumstances, to forgo the Question Hour in favor of addressing urgent business, subject to unanimous approval from the House. Notably, Tuesdays are earmarked as private members' day, and as such, the Question Hour is omitted on that particular day.

Parliamentary Questions stand as a crucial tool enabling Members of Parliament to elicit information from the Government on matters of public interest, thereby fostering accountability. Members can leverage this avenue to seek information on issues of national significance and bring attention to public grievances, ultimately aiming for their resolution. This process casts a broad net over the spectrum of governmental activities, subjecting them to parliamentary scrutiny and oversight.

In the context of the 15th National Assembly, a total of 39 Question Hours were convened, during which Members posed a substantial 30,481 questions. Among these, 10,890 questions were admitted for consideration, reflecting the diligent scrutiny applied to the inquiries. Conversely, 1,075 questions were disallowed, while 18,539 questions underwent processing but ultimately lapsed, underscoring the multifaceted nature of parliamentary engagement and the varied outcomes in the scrutiny of government affairs.

Questions Received	30481
Questions Admitted	10890
Questions Answered	4846
Questions disallowed	1075
Questions processed but lapsed	18539
Motion under rule-87 received	48
Motion Under rule-87 admitted	44

CHAPTER 3

COMMITTEES IN THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY



After the election of Chairman Standing Committee on Commerce and Textile Syed Naveed Qamar is chairing the Meeting on 12-02-2019.

Committees serve as the cornerstone of Parliamentary democracies, often referred to as the "eyes, ears, hands, and brain of the Parliament." As aptly expressed by Joseph P. Haris, "Congress in session is Congress in Exhibition, while Congress in its Committee Room is Congress at work." The profound impact of a robust committee system is manifest in its diverse functions, ranging from in-depth deliberation of bills to ensuring transparency and accountability in Government Ministries. The National Assembly of Pakistan stands out as a prime example, showcasing the strength of its committee system, which plays a pivotal role in legislation and oversight.

The Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the National Assembly 2007 intricately outline the functions and powers of the Standing Committees. Rule 198 expressly mandates a Standing Committee for each Ministry of the Government, highlighting the comprehensive coverage of the committee system. Rule 122 further addresses the referral of bills, excluding the Finance Bill, to Standing Committees, underscoring the integral role these committees play in the legislative process.

Functioning as meticulous scrutineers, the Standing Committees examine Bills referred to them by the House and submit detailed reports, ensuring a

comprehensive review of legislation and policies related to relevant Ministries. This commitment to diligent scrutiny not only upholds the principles of Parliamentary Democracy but also contributes to the formulation of effective public policies.

The National Assembly's Rules of Procedure contain distinct provisions empowering the Standing Committees to scrutinize various aspects, such as expenditures, administration, delegated legislations, public petitions, and policies of the relevant Ministry, along with its associated public bodies. Following examination, the Standing Committees are authorized to submit comprehensive reports, including findings and recommendations, to the respective Ministry, which is then obligated to respond.

Beyond the Standing Committees, two non-Departmental Standing Committees—the Standing Committee on Public Accounts and the Committee on Government Assurances—along with three Domestic Committees, namely the Committee on Rules of Procedure and Privileges, the House and Library Committee, and the Business Advisory Committee, play integral roles in the Parliamentary framework.

Rule 200 dictates that members of all Standing Committees must be elected by the National Assembly within thirty days following the election of the Leader of the House. Moreover, in accordance with Rule 244, the Assembly has the prerogative to establish Select Committees on Bills and Special Committees, each assigned specific functions outlined in the relevant Motion.

Throughout, the 15th National Assembly, a noteworthy configuration of Committees was observed, including 37 Ministerial Standing Committees, 05 non-Ministerial Standing Committees, 02 Special Committees, and 12 Parliamentary Committees. A subsequent performance analysis offers a comprehensive overview of the Ministerial Standing Committees during this period.

Statistical Summary of Performance of Committees National Assembly during the 15th Assembly

Number of Ministerial Standing Committees	36
Meetings of Standing Committees	914
Number of Parliamentary Committees	12
Total number of Bills Referred to Committees	644
Meetings of Public Accounts Committee	185
Sub-Committees of Public Accounts Committees	8
Meetings of Sub-Committees of Public Accounts Committee	395

Annual Performance of the Standing Committees/Sub-Committees

The performance of Standing Committees serves as a good barometer of the performance of the House. (Statistical summary of performance of Standing Committees during the 15th National Assembly is displayed in the table below).¹

¹ The Table covers the period from 13th August 2018 to 09th August 2023

S #	Name of Committee	Chairman	Total No. of Meetings	Total No. of Sub-Committees Formed	Total No. of Bills Referred	Total No. of Bills Disposed off
1.	Cabinet Secretariat	Mrs. Kishwar Zehra	58	-	38	30
2.	Climate change	Ms. Nuzhat Pathan	35	-	08	06
3.	Communications	Muhammad Abdul Ghaffar Wattoo	12	-	09	01
4.	Defense	Ch. Farukh Altaf	18	-	08	07
5.	Energy (Petroleum Division)	Mr. Amir Talal Gopang	17	-	22	19
6.	Energy (Power Division)	Sardar Riaz Mehmood Khan Mazari	26	-	36	16
7.	Federal Education and Professional Training	Syed Sami Ul Hassan Gillani	45	-	64	58
8.	Economic Affairs	Mian Najeeb-uddin Awaisi	09	-	01	01
9.	Foreign Affairs	Mr. Mohsin Dawar	38	-	03	01
10	Housing and Works	Mr. Ibad Ullah Khan	24	-	07	05
11	Human Rights	Dr. Mehreen Razzaq Bhutto	27	-	32	21
12	Industries and Production	Syed Ghulam Mustafa Shah	26	-	06	01
13	Information and Broadcasting	Ms. Jawaria Zafar Aheer	38	-	15	05
14	Information Technology and Telecommunication	Mir Khan Muhammad Jamali	35	-	09	01
15	Inter Provincial Coordination	Mr. Nawab Sher	35	-	07	02
16	Interior	Mr. Ahmad Hussain Deharr	53	-	101	70
17	Kashmir Affairs and Gilgit Baltistan	Rana Shamim Ahmed Khan	12	-	02	01

18	Law and Justice	Ch. Mehmood Bashir Virk	77		139	130
19	Maritime Affairs	Mir Amer Ali Khan Magsi	07	-	06	05
20	Narcotics Control	Mr. Salahuddin Ayubi	15	-	07	04
21	National Food Security & Research	Rao Muhammad Ajmal Khan	28	-	14	10
22	National Health Services, Regulations and Coordination	Dr. Muhammad Afzal Khan Dhandla	46	-	29	21
23	Overseas Pakistanis and Human Resource Development	Shiekh Fayyaz Ud Din	22	-	10	10
24	Parliamentary Affairs	Mr. Muhammad Abu Bakar	21	-	18	14
25	Planning, Development and Special Initiatives	Mr. Khalid Hussain Magsi	25	-	12	05
26	Privatization	Syed Mustafa Mahmud	16	-	02	01
27	Religious Affairs and Inter Faith Harmony	Syed Imran Ahmad Shah	22	-	17	16
28	Rules of Procedure and Privileges	Rana Qasim Noon	55		01	01
29	Science and Technology	Mr. Sajid Mehdi	25	-	07	05
30	States and Frontier Regions	Muhammad Jamal-ud-Din	32		01	-
31	Water Resources	Nawab Muhammad Yousuf Talpur	31		08	06
32	Poverty Alleviation and Social Safety Division	Ms. Saira Bano	11		05	04

33	Government Assurances	Muhammad Afzal Khokhar	25		-	-
34	National Heritage and Culture	Ms. Shagufta Jumani	03		01	01
		Total	914		644	477

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

The Public Accounts Committee (PAC) performs an essential role in Parliamentary Accountability and oversight. PAC helps the Parliament to hold the Government to account for its use of public funds and resources. The PAC examines the Annual Finance Accounts of the Government and the Reports of the Auditor General of Pakistan. The Parliament has an effective oversight of financial expenditure through the Public Accounts Committee. It is the responsibility of the PAC to examine the expenditures being spent by the Ministries, Divisions, Departments and Autonomous and Semi-Autonomous bodies in accordance with the sums granted by the Legislature.

The 15th Public Accounts Committee (PAC) was constituted by the House on the 20th December, 2018, Mian Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif, Rana Tanveer Hussain and Mr. Noor Alam Khan had performed the role of Chairman PAC in the 15th National Assembly.



Islamabad 13.04.2022: Chairman PAC Rana Tanveer Hussain chairing the committee meeting at Parliament House.

During the tenure of Rana Tanveer Hussain, the PAC had constituted seven Sub-Committees for examination of the Appropriation Accounts and Audit Reports for the year 2010-11 to 2018-19. Later on, Ministries/Divisions/Departments were distributed among the above Sub-Committees.

The PAC had also constituted Monitoring and Implementation Committee to review the previous directions of the PAC. During the tenure of Mr. Noor Alam Khan, the PAC had also constituted seven Sub-Committees to examine the Audit Reports for the years 2017-18 and 2018-19 and Monitoring and Implementation Committee. During the subject period, the PAC and its Sub-Committees had examined the Audit Reports assigned to each Sub-Committee.



Islamabad 07.08.2023: Chairman PAC Noor Alam Khan chairing the committee meeting at Parliament House.

The PAC had also constituted a number of other Sub-Committees to further examine the individual Audit- Paras/issues. A Sub-Committee regarding black marketing and smuggling of the fertilizer/urea fertilizers, shortage of fertilizer and its availability to the farmers on subsidies rates and Sub-Committee regarding unprecedented price hike by the car assemblers. The Sub-Committees had submitted its reports to the main PAC and the PAC had adopted the said reports.

Besides, examination of Audit Reports, the PAC had also discussed a number of public importance issues, Public Petitions, and Complaints against Federal Government Departments and issued necessary directions. Some of the most important issues discussed by the PAC, especially during the tenure of the Mr. Noor Alam Khan, the last Chairman, PAC has been summarized as under:-

- i) The issue of embezzlement in utilization of SDGs programme fund at tribal districts Mohmand, Bajaur and Khyber during the years 2018 to 2022;
- ii) Tax evasion causing loss to National Exchequer by all Pakistan Tobacco Companies, Car Manufacturers, Pakistan Steel, Steel Industries in erstwhile PATA/FATA;

- iii) Delay in installation of scanners to be installed on Torkham, Wahga and Chaman borders causing worth US \$ 127 million loss to National Exchequer;
- iv) The role of Chairmen/Board of Members in various autonomous bodies/entities getting handsome salaries/perks/privileges but failed to improve financial health of those organizations, continuous occurred losses;
- v) The issue of postings of the officers at same post/station was serious concern for the PAC;
- vi) The Chairman took notice of Refusal of Audit by certain departments and directed AGP to ensure Audit of all the Ministries/Divisions/Departments Bodies/ Authority or body established by or under the control of the Federal Government without any exception;
- vii) AGP to check record of vehicles in all Ministries/Divisions/Departments and also check monetization allowance;
- viii) Directed the Secretary Petroleum to lift the ban on new gas connections particularly in those areas where the residents are already availing this facility;
- ix) Directed NAB & FIA to investigate and reopen the case regarding the One Constitution Avenue, Islamabad, freeze Bank Accounts, Block CNIC and put their names on ECL;
- x) Directed Cabinet Division to public the details of Toshakhana also directed AGP to identify the loss to National Exchequer;
- xi) Expenses on account of free units consumed by employees of Power Division and Water Resources were discussed and directed to stop the issue of free units to BS-16 to 22 employees;
- xii) Appreciated the role of FIA for recovery of 4 billion out of 5 billion pending for the last many years and directed FIA for recovery of 44 billion from Ms. Byco Petroleum Pakistan Limited;
- xiii) Halting Dual Charges by the Officers in Ministries/Divisions/Departments;
- xiv) The issue of lending interest free loans worth US \$ 3 Billion to 620 beneficiaries by SBP without approval of the Cabinet Division;

- xv) Interference of Congress Men of UK, US & Canada in our country's political affairs and institutions; and
- xvi) Corrupt practices in NADRA Technology Limited (NTL) and NADRA Authorities' Board.

Performance of the Public Accounts Committee and Its Sub-Committees during the 15th National Assembly of Pakistan

S#	Committee	Convener	Meetings Held	Grants/Paras Examined	Recovery from Dec, 2018 to Aug, 2023
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1	Main PAC	Mian Muhammad Shehbaz Sharif, Rana Tanveer Hussain & Mr. Noor Alam Khan	185	1844	1,066,180.10 Million
2	Sub-Committee-I	Mr. Noor Alam Khan & Ms. Wajiha Qamar	57	1074	
3	Sub-Committee-II	Syed Naveed Qamar & Ch. Muhammad Barjees Tahir	76	2035	
4	Sub-Committee-III	Senator Sherry Rehman & Mr. Nawab Sher	37	2137	
5	Sub-Committee-IV	Ms. Munazza Hassan & Senator Mushahid Hussain Sayed	39	1574	
6	Sub-Committee-V	Ms. Shahida Akhtar Ali & Syed Ghulam Mustafa Shah	17	236	
7	Sub-Committee-VI	Raja Riaz Ahmad & Ms. Shahida Akhtar Ali	48	984	
8	Sub-Committee-VII	Mr. Riaz Fatyana &	52	1166	

		Ahmed Hussain Deharr			
9	Sub-Committee- VIII(M&I)	Sardar Ayaz Sadiq & Syed Hussain Tariq	69	1941	

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEES

“A Parliamentary Committee is a specialized body formed within the Parliament to perform various functions such as scrutinizing legislation, overseeing the executive, and addressing specific issues. These committees are essential to the functioning of the Parliament, allowing for detailed examination and discussion of legislative and policy matters.” The Committee comprises of fifty percent Members from the Treasury Benches and fifty percent from the Opposition Parties based on their strength in the Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament), to be nominated by the respective Parliamentary Leaders (The Parliamentary Leader of a Political Party, declared as such by that Party). During 15th National Assembly following Parliamentary Committees were constituted: -

S#	Name of Parliamentary Committees	Chairperson
1	Parliamentary Committee on Appointment of Chairperson and Members of the National Commission for Human Rights	Ms. Munaza Hassan
2	Parliamentary Committee on Appointment of Chief Election Commissioner and Members of the Election Commission of Pakistan	Dr. Shireen M. Mazari
3	Parliamentary Committee on Appointment of the Chairperson of the National Commission on the Status of Women	Senator Falak Naz
4	Parliamentary Committee on China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC)	Mr. Sher Ali Arbab
5	Parliamentary Committee on Kashmir	Syed Fakhar Imam (Period:01-03-2019 to 15-04-2020) Mr. Shehryar Afridi (Period: 13-05-2020 to 14 -07-2022)

		Makhdoomzada Sayed Basit Ahmad Sultan (Period :14-07-2022 to 09-08-2022)
6	Parliamentary Committee on National Security	Speaker National Assembly
7	Parliamentary Committee on the General Elections, 2018	Mr. Pervez Khattak
8	Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reforms	Sardar Ayaz Sadiq
9	Parliamentary Committee on Corona virus Disease (COVID-19)	Mr. Asad Qaiser
10	Parliamentary Consultation Committee on Legislative Business	Mr. Pervez Khattak
11	Parliamentary Committee Right of Access to Information Act. 2017	Mr. Mohsin Nawaz Ranjha
12	Parliamentary Committee on Judges Appointment in Superior Courts	Senator Farooq Hamid Naek, Now dealt by the Senate Secretariat

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON KASHMIR



Islamabad 20.01.2022: Chairman Parliamentary Committee on Kashmir Shehyar Afridi chairing the committee meeting at Parliament House.

The present Parliamentary Committee on Kashmir comprises of Members from all major Parliamentary Parties. The Committee held its first meeting on 1st March, 2019 and unanimously elected a senior member Syed Fakhar Imam as its Chairman. The Committee elected Mr. Shehyar Afridi after resignation of Syed Fakhar Imam and later, Mr. Makhdoomzada and Sayed Basit Ahmad Sultan also remained Chairman of the Parliamentary Committee.

The Parliamentary Committee on Kashmir proactively deliberated upon the present political scenario during five Parliamentary years and held 32 meetings in total. During the 6th meeting, members from major political parties in the Parliament unanimously approved a draft resolution which conveyed unconditional solidarity with the people of Kashmir for their struggle and just cause. The Committee strongly condemned India's reckless and unilateral decision on article 35-A and 370 which is a violation of the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) resolutions on the issue and rejected the Indian actions as illegal and unjustified under the international law.

The Committee also reaffirmed Pakistan's political, diplomatic and moral support to the people of Indian occupied Jammu and Kashmir for their legitimate right to self-determination as enshrined in the UNSC resolutions and called upon the international community to urge India to refrain from undertaking such irresponsible, unilateral actions in this matter. Moreover, the Committee urged the whole world to achieve a just solution of the Jammu and Kashmir dispute as per the United Nations Security Council resolutions.

Performance of the Parliamentary Committee on Kashmir	
Election of Committee	01-March, 2019
Total No. of Meetings	32
Total No. of Sub-Committees Formed	04
Total No. of Bills referred to	00
Total No. of Reports finalized	00
Total No. of Reports presented to the Assembly	00

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON GENERAL ELECTIONS, 2018

A Parliamentary Committee on General Elections 2018 was constituted on 15th October 2018 to probe the allegations of rigging in the General Elections held on 25th July 2018. The Committee comprised of 21 Members of the National Assembly and 09 Senators. During the first meeting, the Committee finalised the terms of reference (ToRs) for rigging allegations probe and named the 30 Parliamentarians who will be part of the Committee. The Committee elected Mr. Pervez Khattak, Federal Minister for Defence as its Chairman in its meeting held on 7th November 2018.

Four meetings of the Committee were held. Main Committee constituted a Sub-Committee in its meeting held on 9th November, 2018 under the Convenership of Mr. Shafqat Mahmood, Minister for Federal Education and Professional Training National History and Literary Heritage. The Sub-Committee also held total 4 meetings and submitted its Report to main Committee. Main Committee considered the Sub-Committee Report in its meeting held on 30th January 2019 and made recommendations.

Performance of the Parliamentary Committee on General Elections, 2018	
Election of Committee	07-11-2018
Total No. of Meetings	04
Total No. of Sub-Committees Formed	1
Total No. of Bills referred to	00
Total No. of Reports finalized	00
Total No. of Reports presented to the Assembly	00

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF ELECTION COMMISSIONER & THE MEMBERS OF ECP

In accordance with the Article 213 of the Constitution, the Prime Minister in consultation with the Leader of Opposition forwards three names for the appointment of the Chief Election Commissioner to a Parliamentary Committee for hearing and confirmation of any one person. The Parliamentary Committee was constituted by the Speaker ensuring fifty percent members from the Treasury Benches and fifty percent from the Opposition Parties, based on their strength in Majlis-e-Shoora (Parliament), to be nominated by the respective Parliamentary Leaders. The total strength of the Parliamentary Committee comprises of twelve members out of which one-third are from the Senate.

During 15th National Assembly, the Committee conducted five meetings. Dr. Shireen Mehrunnisa Mazari, MNA was elected as the Chairperson on 22nd January 2019.

Performance of the Parliamentary Committee on Appointment of Chief Election Commissioner and the Members of the Election Commission of Pakistan	
Election of Committee	22-01-2019
Total No. of Meetings	36
Total No. of Sub-Committees Formed	
Total No. of Bills referred to	N/A
Total No. of Reports finalized	

Total No. of Reports presented to the Assembly	
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PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS OF NATIONAL COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

National Commission on Status of Women (NCSW) is a statutory body, established in July 2000 with a vision to promote social, political, economic and legal rights of women as provided in the Constitution as well as the international commitments of the Government.

The Prime Minister in consultation with the Leader of the Opposition in the National Assembly forwards three names for appointment of the Chairperson of NCSW to the Parliamentary Committee on hearing and confirmation of one person.

Senator Dr. Mehr Taj Roghani was elected as its Chairperson during the first meeting of the Committee. Later, Senator Falak Naz was made Chairperson the Committee.

Performance of the Parliamentary Committee on Appointment of Chairperson and Members of National Commission on the Status of Women	
Election of Committee	02-04-2019
Total No. of Meetings	05
Total No. of Sub-Committees Formed	
Total No. of Bills referred to	N/A
Total No. of Reports finalized	
Total No. of Reports presented to the Assembly	

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

Ms. Shunila Ruth was elected as Chairperson of the Parliamentary Committee on 12th March 2019; Later Ms. Munaza Hassan assumed the role of its chairperson.

Performance of the Parliamentary Committee on Appointment of Chairman and Members of the Human Rights Commission	
Election of Committee	12-03-2019
Total No. of Meetings	04
Total No. of Sub-Committees Formed	
Total No. of Bills referred to	N/A
Total No. of Reports finalized	
Total No. of Reports presented to the Assembly	

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON CHINA PAKISTAN ECONOMIC CORRIDOR (CPEC)



The Parliamentary Committee on China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) chaired by MNA Sher Ali Arbab on 17 February, 2021 at Parliament House, Islamabad.

China- Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) has multiple projects under its umbrella throughout Pakistan. To oversee this \$62 billion mega project, Speaker National Assembly Asad Qaiser constituted Parliamentary Committee on CPEC in pursuance of Motions adopted by the National Assembly on 21st February, 2019 and the Senate on 1st March 2019.

The Committee performs functions of oversight of CPEC projects, monitors the progress and makes recommendations to ensure the most efficient means of implementation. It also promotes consensus and support for CPEC in the Federation.

The Committee comprised of 22 Members out of which seven Members were from Senate and one Ex- Officio Member, the Minister for Planning, Development and Reform. Fifty-one meetings had been held under the Chairmanship of Mr. Sher Ali Arbab, MNA during the term of 15th National Assembly.

Performance of the Parliamentary Committee on China Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC)	
Election of Committee	16-04-2019
Total No. of Meetings	51
Total No. of Sub-Committees Formed	
Total No. of Bills referred to	N/A
Total No. of Reports finalized	
Total No. of Reports presented to the Assembly	

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL SECURITY

Speaker National Assembly Asad Qaiser constituted Parliamentary Committee on National Security on 26th April 2019 in pursuance of the Motion adopted by the National Assembly and the Senate in their sitting held on 21st February and 1st March 2019, respectively. The Committee comprises of 25 Members: 13 Members from National Assembly and 12 from Senate under the Chairmanship of the Honourable Speaker.

The Committee deals with the issues relating to National Security by periodically overseeing the implementation of the National Action Plan. It also monitors the process of transition from Military Courts to Civil Courts through Criminal Justice Reforms. During the term of the 15th National Assembly the Committee held seven meetings under the chairmanship of the Speaker National Assembly.

Performance of the Parliamentary Committee on National Security	
Election of Committee/ Constitution	26-04-2019
Total No. of Meetings	07
Total No. of Sub-Committees Formed	00
Total No. of Bills referred to	00
Total No. of Reports finalized	00
Total No. of Reports presented to the Assembly	00

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON ELECTORAL REFORMS

A Parliamentary Committee, headed by Sardar Ayaz Sadiq, was formed to examine and suggest reforms for the electoral process in the country. This Committee actively sought input from various stakeholders and put forth recommendations for amendments to the Election Act of 2017.

Performance of the Parliamentary Committee on Electoral Reforms	
Election of Committee/ Constitution	
Total No. of Meetings	05

Total No. of Sub-Committees Formed	
Total No. of Bills referred to	
Total No. of Reports finalized	
Total No. of Reports presented to the Assembly	

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19)



Islamabad 09-04-20: Meeting of the Parliamentary Committee on Coronavirus Diseases at Parliament House with Speaker National Assembly Asad Qaiser chairing the meeting.

To create and promote National Harmony amongst Federal and Federating Units including Gilgit-Baltistan and Azad Jammu & Kashmir for evolving unanimous narrative on the issues relating to pandemic, a Parliamentary Committee was constituted on 26th March 2020 by the then Speaker National Assembly Asad Qaiser. The Committee took inputs of the Parliamentarians regarding COVID-19 and forwarded them to the government in the form of recommendations.

Performance of the Parliamentary Committee on Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19)	
Election of Committee/ Constitution	26-03-2020
Total No. of Meetings	33
Total No. of Sub-Committees Formed	
Total No. of Bills referred to	
Total No. of Reports finalized	
Total No. of Reports presented to the Assembly	

PARLIAMENTARY CONSULTATION COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS

Performance of the Parliamentary Consultation Committee on Legislative Business	
Election of Committee/ Constitution	
Total No. of Meetings	03
Total No. of Sub-Committees Formed	
Total No. of Bills referred to	
Total No. of Reports finalized	
Total No. of Reports presented to the Assembly	

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON RIGHT OF ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT, 2017

Performance of the Parliamentary Committee on Right of Access to Information Act,2017	
Election of Committee/ Constitution	
Total No. of Meetings	02
Total No. of Sub-Committees Formed	
Total No. of Bills referred to	
Total No. of Reports finalized	
Total No. of Reports presented to the Assembly	

PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON JUDGES APPOINTMENT IN SUPERIOR COURTS

As per the Article 175-A of the Constitution, an eight-member Parliamentary Committee was constituted for the appointment of judges in the Supreme Court, Islamabad High Court and Federal Shariat Court. The Committee decides over the names forwarded by Judicial Commission of Pakistan and sends them to the Prime Minister. Currently, the Committee is headed by Senator Farooq Hamid Naek.

Performance of the Parliamentary Committee on Judges Appointment in Superior Courts	
Election of Committee/ Constitution	
Total No. of Meetings	34
Total No. of Sub-Committees Formed	
Total No. of Bills referred to	
Total No. of Reports finalized	
Total No. of Reports presented to the Assembly	

CHAPTER 4

PARLIAMENTARY DIPLOMACY

The National Assembly of Pakistan actively participated in the various regional and International Parliamentary events with an objective of fostering coordination and cooperation of the National Assembly with parliaments around the world and also countering Indian narrative against Pakistan. Such Parliamentary forums have opened up avenues for taking the cause of democracy and presenting a soft image of Pakistan through Parliamentary diplomacy.



Speaker National Assembly Mr. Asad Qaiser addressing the inaugural session of 5th CPA Asia Regional Conference hosted by National Assembly of Pakistan in Islamabad on 30.07.2019.



Islamabad 13.09.2022: Speaker National Assembly Raja Pervaiz Ashraf addressing the participants of inaugural Session of 3rd IPU Regional Seminar on SDGs for the Parliaments of Asia-Pacific Group at Parliament

During the 15th National Assembly of Pakistan, the Honorable Speaker, National Assembly emphasized on fostering Parliamentary linkages with friendly countries across the globe. The Parliamentary delegations led by the Honorable Speaker, Deputy Speaker and Members of the National Assembly of Pakistan participated in various bilateral and multilateral activities whereby Pakistan's stance on important contemporary issues was adequately projected. Besides, the Honorable Speaker, National Assembly also invited Parliamentary

delegations from different countries to discuss important issues of mutual interest and to devise a common course of action for fostering Parliamentary ties.

Honorable Speaker, National Assembly of Pakistan had the honor of presiding over the Asia-Pacific Group at the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) for a period of one-year. As a result of the proactive and successful strategy of Pakistan as Chair of the Asia-Pacific Group, the National Assembly of Pakistan also secured positions at various important subsidiary organs of the IPU, including:

1. IPU Standing Committee on Peace & International Security (Honorable Sher Ali Arbab, Member)
2. High Level Advisory Group on Countering Terrorism & Violent Extremism (Honorable Shazia Jannat Marri, Member)

In addition to the above distinctions at IPU, under the leadership of the Honorable Speaker, National Assembly also remained vibrant and vocal at other major Inter-Parliamentary forums including the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) and achieved the following landmarks on the international relations arena:

1. Honorable Shandana Gulzar Khan, MNA was elected as the Chairperson of the Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians (CWP) in September, 2019 for a period of three years.
2. National Assembly of Pakistan, being the Secretariat of the CPA Asia region, reactivated the CPA Asia Forum and organized the 5th CPA Asia Regional Conference in Islamabad in 2019 after a lapse of 7 years.
3. Honorable Speaker revived the Parliamentary Assembly of Economic Cooperation Organization (PAECO) forum after a lapse of 08 years by hosting the 2nd General Conference of the PAECO in Islamabad in June, 2021 for promoting Parliamentary partnership for regional integration. The Conference was a huge success and was attended in-person by the Speakers and Parliamentarians of Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Tajikistan, Turkey and Uzbekistan despite the challenging situation due to COVID-19 pandemic, whereas, the Parliaments of Iran, Kazakhstan and Turkmenistan virtually participated in the event.
4. For promoting Parliamentary Partnership for Regional Integration and as a result of successful Parliamentary diplomacy, a PAECO Secretariat has been established in the Parliament House.

5. Honorable Speaker led bilateral Parliamentary delegations to Saudi Arabia in December, 2019. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed during the visit for fostering Inter-Parliamentary cooperation between two parliaments.
6. First ever Trilateral Meeting of the Speakers of Parliaments of Azerbaijan, Pakistan, and Turkey was held in Baku, Azerbaijan on 28th July 2021. A MoU with Azerbaijan was also signed during the visit for fostering inter-Parliamentary cooperation.
7. **IPU:** Ms. Shazia Jannat Marri, Ex-MNA/ Former Minister as Member of the IPU High Level Advisory Group on Counter Terrorism. In addition to it, Pakistan has hosted a meeting of Asia Pacific Group (APG) during the 140th IPU Assembly and its related meetings held in Doha, Qatar from 6 – 10 April, 2019. The Honourable Speaker was in chair of the said APG meeting, as well as Dr. Nisar Ahmed Cheema, Ex-MNA was elected as Member of the IPU Advisory Group on Health during 145th IPU Assembly held in Kigali – Rwanda from 11- 15 October, 2022.
8. **CPA:** Dr. Fehmida Mirza, Ex-MNA/Former Speaker and Minister was elected for 3-years on the Executive Committee on Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA).
9. **Asia National Assembly Water Consultative Board (AAWC):** Dr. Muhammad Afzal Khan Dhandla, MNA/Former Parliamentary Secretary was elected as the President of AAWC Board and Nawab Muhammad Yousuf Talpur, MNA as Member of AAWC Board during 2019.

National Assembly also organized first time interactive sessions on Pakistan-Kazakhstan Relations and Pakistan-Iran Relations for meaningful Parliamentary cooperation.

Honorable Speaker, National Assembly also held meetings with over 100 Islamabad based diplomats, and foreign dignitaries during their visit to Pakistan.

The International Relations Directorate (IR) of the National Assembly Secretariat, in pursuing the directions of the Honorable Speaker, has been very active in fostering bilateral and multilateral relations of the National Assembly with the rest of world by particularly participating in the important regional and International forums. During tenure

of 15th National Assembly, The IR wing assisted Pakistani delegations to participate in 200 International events.

14th Session of the PUIC, Morocco and the cause of Kashmir:

Pakistan's Parliamentary Delegation led by Syed Fakhar Imam, MNA/Chairman of Kashmir Committee participated in the 14th Session of the PUIC hosted by the Parliament of the Kingdom of Morocco in Rabat from 10-14, March 2019. The Pakistan's delegation seized the opportunity to update the 54-Members PUIC forum about the continued violation of Pakistan's sovereignty and territorial integrity by India, which brought the region to the brink of war and devastation. The Members also took into confidence the esteemed Parliamentary Colleagues from Muslim countries on steps taken by the Parliament and Government of Pakistan for ensuring peace and stability in the region in the wake of recent Indian aggression. On instructions of the Honourable Speaker National Assembly, three Resolutions including resolution on ongoing situation in Jammu and Kashmir in the meeting of the Specialized Standing Committee on Political Affairs and Foreign Relations and other two Resolutions on ongoing Human Rights violations in the Indian Occupied Jammu Kashmir and on protecting Muslim Women and Children in areas under occupation and conflict in the meeting of the Committee on Human Rights, Women and Family were included in the agenda of the respective committees. All Resolutions submitted by Pakistan were adopted by the 14th Session of the PUIC Conference in Rabat, Morocco.

DETAILS OF THE BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL CONFERENCES ATTEND BY PAKISTANI DELEGATIONS ARE GIVEN IN THE BELOW MENTIONED TABLE

Sr. no	Name of the Meeting, Place	Date
1	Global Symposium for Parliamentary Women's Caucuses at Dublin, Ireland	9 – 10 September, 2018
2	Interregional Seminar on Parliamentary Capacity Building and the further implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals at Beijing, China	10 – 17 September, 2018
3	Third Meeting of Speakers of Eurasian countries Parliaments at Antalya, Turkey	8– 11 October, 2018
4	139th IPU Assembly and its related meetings as well as side event focused on the role of the parliamentarians in improving nutrition at Geneva, Switzerland	14– 18 October, 2018
5	APA Standing Committee on Political Affairs & meeting of Special Committee for creation of Asian Parliament (SCCAP) at Gawadar, Pakistan	29 – 31 October, 2018
6	CPA Executive Committee Meeting at London, UK	5 – 9 November, 2018
7	The Second Session of the United Nations Forum on Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law at Geneva, Switzerland	22-23 November 2019
8	2018 Westminster's Seminar on Effective Parliaments at London, UK	November 26-30, 2018
9	11th Plenary Session of the APA 29th at Istanbul, Turkey	November to 2 nd December, 2018
10	7 th Ministerial Conference on the Role of Women in Development of Member States at Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso	30 th November to 1 st December, 2018
11	Asia Pacific Summit 2018 at Kathmandu, Nepal	30 th November to 2 nd December, 2018
12	8th World E- Parliament Conference at Geneva, Switzerland	3 – 5 December, 2018
13	The 2018 Annual Session of the Parliamentary Conference on the WTO at Geneva, Switzerland	6 – 7 December, 2018
14	International Parliamentary Conference on Migration at Rabat, Kingdom of Morocco	6 – 7 December, 2018
15	Parliamentary Meeting on the Occasion of the United Nations Climate Change Conference (Cop 24) at Krakow, Warsaw Poland	9 th December, 2018
16	First Meeting of the representatives of the Committee on International Affairs of the Parliaments of the SCO Member States at Bishkek, Kyrgyz Republic	14 th December, 2018

Sr. no	Name of the Meeting, Place	Date
17	The 5 th IPU Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians at Baku, Azerbaijan	14 – 15 December, 2018
18	Working Group on CPA Programmes (CPA Programmes Review) at London, UK	23 – 26 January, 2019
19	The Westminster Workshop on Parliamentary Oversight of Trade Agreements at London, UK	6 – 8 February, 2019
20	Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA) Standing Committee Meeting on Social and Cultural Affairs at Bangkok, Thailand	12 – 15 February, 2019
21	Women's Asia Regional Conference on Women's Political Leadership at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	18 – 19 February, 2019
22	14 th Sessions of the PUIC Conference and other related meetings at Rabat, Kingdom of Morocco	11-14 March 2019
23	Parliamentary Meeting on the Occasion of the 63 rd Session of the Commission on the Status of Women at UN Headquarters New York, USA	11 – 15 March, 2019
24	3 rd Asia Water Council (AWC) General Assembly at Manila, Philippines	13 –16 March, 2019
25	CPA UK's Modern Slavery Project: Legislative drafting Seminar at London – UK	26 – 29 March, 2019
26	OGP/Open Parliament Roundtable at Indonesia	4 – 5 April, 2019
27	2019 Global Parliamentary Conference at the Spring Meetings of the World Bank Group and the IMF at Washington D.C. USA	8 – 9 April, 2019
28	The 2019 Mid-Year Executive Committee Meeting at Ottawa, Canada	11 – 15 April, 2019
29	The Observer for the Legislative Election for President at Jakarta, Indonesia	17 th April, 2019
30	Meeting of Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA) Standing Committee on Economic and Sustainable Development at Naryan Mar, Russian Federation	18 – 21 April, 2019
31	Information Seminar on the Structure and Functioning of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) at Geneva, Switzerland	14 – 17 May, 2019
32	Parliamentary Track of the open Government Partnership Summit at Ottawa, Canada	29 – 30 May, 2019
33	RSIS – WTO Parliamentarians Workshop on International Trade at Singapore	11 – 13 June, 2019
34	Post Legislative Scrutiny (PLS) Asia Seminar at Yangon, Myanmar	17 – 18 June, 2019
35	2019 – Westminster Workshop on Gender Sensitive Scrutiny at London, UK	17 – 19 June, 2019
36	The 28 th Annual Session of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Organization for Security and	4 – 8 July, 2019

Sr. no	Name of the Meeting, Place	Date
	Cooperation in Europe at Luxembourg	
37	Inter Parliamentary Cricket Tournament at United Kingdom	8 – 15 July, 2019
38	The participation in the Anniversary Ceremony to Commemorate the Prevention of the Thwarted 15 th July Coup attempt at Ankara Turkey	14 – 16 July, 2019
39	2019 High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development and Related Meetings at New York, USA	13 – 18 July, 2019
40	3 rd Extraordinary Meeting of the PUIC Executive Committee at Rabat, Kingdom of Morocco	17 th July, 2019
41	14 th Workshop of Parliamentary Scholars and Parliamentarians at Wroxton College at Oxfordshire, United Kingdom	27 – 28 July, 2019
42	Commonwealth Association of Public Accounts Committees (CAPAC) Asia Workshop at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	1 – 3 August, 2019
43	The 35 th Regional Assembly and Conference of CPA Branch Chairs of the America Region at Victoria, British Columbia, Canada	11 -14 August, 2019
44	The 50 th Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) Africa Region Conference at Zanzibar, Tanzania	30 th August – 5 th September, 2019
45	Fourth South Asian Speakers' Summit on Achieving the SDGs at Male, Maldives	1 – 3 September, 2019
46	The Inauguration of the Assembly of Asia Water Council (AAWC) at Seoul, Korea	2 – 5 September, 2019
47	The meeting of APA Standing Committee on Budget and Planning at Baghdad – Iraq	3 – 5 September, 2019
48	WPL 2019 Concordia Annual Summit at New York, USA	22 – 24 September, 2019
49	4 th Meeting of Speakers of the Eurasian Countries' Parliaments at Nur-Sultan (Astana), Kazakhstan	23 – 24 September, 2019
50	64 th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference (CPC), 2019 at Kampala, Republic of Uganda	22 – 29 September, 2019
51	Eu-Asia Connectivity Forum: Building Bridges for A Sustainable Forum at Brussels, Belgium	27 th September, 2019
52	IPU-UN Regional Conference on Countering Terrorism and Extremism Leading to Terrorism for Countries of the Asia Pacific Region at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	30 th September to 3 rd October 2019
53	42 nd PUIC Executive Committee Meeting at Kampala, Republic of Uganda	1 – 2 October, 2019

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54	Global celebration of Cotton and its stakeholders from field to Fabric & beyond, a World Cotton Day at Geneva, Switzerland	7 th October, 2019
55	Parliamentary Session within the Framework of the Annual WTO Public Forum at Geneva, Switzerland	9 th October, 2019
56	The 16 th Plenary Assembly Accelerating Progress on Agenda 2030: Good Practices for Parliamentary action at Asuncion – Paraguay	30 th October – 1 st November, 2019
57	The 3 rd Conference of Speakers of Parliaments on Countering Terrorism and Strengthening Regional Connectivity at Istanbul, Turkey	11 – 12 October, 2019
58	141 st IPU Assembly and its related Meetings at Belgrade, Serbia	13 – 17 October, 2019
59	Official visit and Signing of the MOU in the field of sports between the Ministry of Youth and sports of the Republic of Azerbaijan and Ministry of IPC of Pakistan at Baku, Azerbaijan:	19 - 22 October, 2019
60	The First Executive Council Meeting at Rize, Turkey:	25 – 28 October, 2019
61	Invitation to attend the Sensitization Workshop on Women's Electoral Processes at Arusha, Tanzania:	26 – 29 October, 2019
62	The 10 th International Seminar for Parliamentary Research Services at Seoul, Korea	6 – 8 November, 2019
63	CWP Chairperson to Participate in Establishment of WCCPP CWP Branch at Cape Town, South Africa	11 – 14 November, 2019
64	Visit of Ms. Shandana Gulzar Khan, MNA/CWP Chairperson to CPA Headquarter Secretariat at London, UK	21 – 23 November 2019
65	Women Political Leader Global Forum at Reykjavik, Iceland	18 – 20 November, 2019
66	Asia Pacific Summit 2019 at Phnom Penh, Cambodia	18 – 21 November, 2019
67	2019 CPA Australia and Pacific Regional Conference at Adelaide – South Australia	18 – 21 November, 2019
68	Executive Education Parliamentary Leadership Seminar at Mexico City, Mexico	25 – 28 November, 2019
69	The Internet Governance Forum (IGF) 2019 of the United Nation, Berlin, Germany	25 – 29 November, 2019
70	2019 – Westminster Workshop Seminar on Effective Parliaments, London – UK:	25 – 29 November, 2019
71	Seventh Global Conference of Parliamentarians against Corruption (GOPAC), Doha, Qatar:	9 – 10 December, 2019
72	The 19 th General Assembly of Asia Pacific Parliamentarians Conference on Environment &	9 – 11 December, 2019

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	Development (APPCED), Seoul, Korea:	
73	The Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) Benchmarks, Self-Assessment Meetings London, UK:	10 – 11 December, 2019
74	2 nd Executive Council Meeting and the 12 th Plenary Session of APA Antalya, Turkey:	13 – 18 December, 2019
75	An expert Regional Workshop on “The Role of Parliamentary Committees in Combating Human Trafficking, Forced Labour” Perth Western, Australia:	16 – 18 December, 2019
76	The 25 th Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers of Commonwealth (CSPOC) at Ottawa, Canada:	6 – 10 January, 2020
77	5 th Meeting of the High-Level Advisory Group on Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism (HLAG) at Geneva, Switzerland:	16 – 17 January, 2020
78	Meeting of CPA Coordinating Committee at London – UK:	18-19 January, 2020
79	Pre Davos IPU & Davos meeting on SDGs at Davos, Switzerland:	20 – 22 January, 2020
80	CPA – UK Program on Women and Gender in Legislation, Scrutiny and Oversight at London – UK:	27 – 31 January, 2020
81	The 3 rd Conference of the League of “Parliamentarians of Al-Quds” at Kuala Lumpur – Malaysia:	7 – 10 February, 2020
82	Parliamentary Hearing at the United Nations United Nations Headquarters, New York:	17 – 18 February, 2020
83	2 nd Meeting as Chairperson of CWP in OECD	24 – 26 February, 2020:
84	The Parliamentary Officers’ Study Program at Ottawa, Canada	24 – 28 February, 2020
85	64 th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women at Paris, France & New York, USA:	8 – 20 March, 2020
86	Capacity Building Workshop on Gender responsive Budget at Islamabad, Pakistan:	12 th March, 2020
87	The 6 th High Level Advisory Group (HALAG) follow up-virtual Counter-Terrorism (CT) week from 6 –10 July, 2020 and Expert Consultation on Model Provisions Regarding victims of Terrorism:	14-15 July, 2020
88	Webinar (IPU) “The Impact of COVID-19 on SDG Implementation Asia—Pacific What role of Parliament”	28 th July, 2020
89	Online Meeting on Making Legislation Gender Responsive as part of Agenda 2030 and Beijing Implementation – the Role of Parliamentarians	29 th July, 2020

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90	The CPA Executive Committee meeting in Virtual	18 – 22 August, 2020
91	The 2 nd Board Meeting of the Asia National Assembly Water Consultative Board (AAWC) (Online)	9 th September, 2020
92	International Virtual Conference on Assisting & Protecting Survivors of Modern Slavery	15—17 September, 2020
93	The Online CAPAC Executive Committee Meeting	30 th September, 2020
94	The 44 th Meeting of the PUIC Executive Committee (Virtual) at Tehran, Iran	19 th October, 2020
95	Virtual CPA UK's Westminster Workshop on Public Financial Oversight	19 – 23 October, 2020
96	IPU invitation-briefing on SDG 1 and the UN invitation	20 th October, 2020
97	24 th CWP Steering Committee Virtual Meeting	30 th October, 2020
98	IPU Asia-Pacific Group (APG) Virtual Meeting	30 th October, 2020
99	Virtual Session of the Governing Council of IPU	1 – 4 November, 2020
100	The Reykjavik Global Forum (Digital) – Women Leaders	9 – 11 November, 2020
101	Virtual Workshop “Engaging Parliaments on the promotion of human Rights including on the work of the Human Rights Council and its Universal Periodic Review (UPR)”	17 – 18 November, 2020
102	Webinar on the Review of the UN peacebuilding in New York	18 th November, 2020
103	1 st meeting of the CPA CPwD Regional Champion	26 th November, 2020
104	2020 Westminster Seminar: Preparing Parliamentarians for a Changing World	23 – 27 November, 2020
105	Series of (6 meetings) Expert Consultation on Model Legislative provisions on victims of terrorism	2 nd December, 2020
106	The webinar on the Global Post – COVID – 19 economy: devising sustainable trade policies to support the fight against poverty	3 RD December, 2020
107	3 rd Expert Roundtable on the Common Principle (online)	9 th December, 2020
108	Invitation to Hon'ble Speaker as a Chief Guest on the International Virtual Conference for Pakistan UK Education Gateway	15 th December, 2020
109	Virtual meeting of Working Group on Governance	12 th January, 2021
110	The Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) – 3 RD Briefing For MPS: Reforming The Security Council: When?	20 th January, 2021

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111	Virtual Meeting of the Working Group CPA (Proposed amendments)	27 th January, 2021
112	The role of Parliamentarians to advance disarmament in cyber-space: a focus on cyber-warfare and peace	27 th January, 2021
113	OECD – Global Parliamentary Network Virtual Meeting	9 – 10 February, 2021
114	Parliamentary Leadership for the 2030 Agenda Series, Titled COVID – 19 Response Leaving No One Behind (Virtual)	15 th February, 2021
115	Virtual Parliamentary Briefing on supporting countries on delivering the COVID-19 Vaccine (Organized by IMF & World Bank)	17 th February, 2021
116	The IPU (Virtual) Parliamentary Hearing at United Nation (UN) “Fighting Corruption to Restore Trust in Government and Improve Development Prospects”	17 – 18 February, 2021
117	Online IPU – ASGP Meeting on the adoption of Parliaments in a time of Pandemic	25 th February, 2021
118	Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference: Social media – A Curse or a Blessing	2 nd March, 2021
119	IPU Virtual Workshop Titled “From Political will to Law: Advancing Universal Health Coverage in Africa & Asia Pacific”	2 nd March, 2021
120	3-Virtual Workshops: i. National Action Towards Climate Change (Role of Parliaments and Parliamentarians of the Commonwealth) ii. Promote and Respect for International Humanitarian Law (Placing Humanity First) iii. Leading the Way (How the Commonwealth can Empower Persons with Disabilities)	23 rd February, 2021 25 th February, 2021 4 th March, 2021
121	CPA – UK International Women’s Day Event “Women’s Parliamentary Debate: Raising Voices for Change”	8 th March, 2021
122	Virtual Meeting entitled “Women and Family-Centered Economy”	9 th March, 2021
123	Virtual Meeting for the Member of the Editorial Advisory Board for the Parliamentarian (Asia Regional)	10 th March, 2021 and 11 th July, 2021
124	CAPAC Executive Committee Meeting on 3 rd March, 2021 and 17 th March, 2021 and CAPAC Conference Annual General Meeting	5 th March, 2021
125	IPU ESCAP Webinar - “Building a better future where nobody is left behind: How can Parliaments ensure	16 th March, 2021

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	that COVID – 19 Recovery Strategies are in Line with the SDGs”? for the Asia—Pacific Regional Parliaments	
126	CWP Roundtable: Gender Sensitive Parliaments in 21 st Century (Asia Region)	17 th March, 2021
127	The Asia Pacific Virtual Forum on Climate Change on 15 – 16 March, 2021 and Pan Commonwealth Parliamentary Virtual Forum	22 – 24 March, 2021
128	Webinar for Parliamentarians climate leadership preparing for COP 26	22 nd March, 2021
129	Information Seminar on the Structure & Function of the IPU	22 – 26 March, 2021
130	4 th Conference of Speakers of Parliaments on Countering Terrorism and Strengthening Regional Connectivity from Antalya, Turkey	24 – 25 March, 2021
131	Online meeting of parliament leaders “the role of parliamentarians in strengthening international peace and trust”	28 th April, 2021
132	The 7 th Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians (virtual)	28 – 29 April, 2021
133	3 rd Meeting of AAWC	12May, 2021
134	The RSIS – WTO Virtual Parliamentarian Workshop on International Trade	17 – 19 May, 2021
135	The Extraordinary Open-Ended meeting on the Palestine Committee (In-Person) at Tehran, Iran:	24 th May, 2021
136	142 nd IPU Assembly and its related meetings (Virtual):	24 – 28 May, 2021
137	Virtual event on building back stronger: What can Covid-19 Teach us about shock-proof progress?	10 th June, 2021
138	CPA Working Group on Proposed Constitutional Amendments on Asia Region Representative	16 th June, 2021
139	Virtual World E-Parliament Conference	16-18 June, 2021
140	Participate at the Commonwealth Secretariat’s Parliamentary and Transformational Leadership: “Amplifying Voices, Building Resilience and Leadership”	21 st June, 2021
141	Parliamentary Intelligence-Security Forum in Budapest Budapest, Hungary:	6 th September, 2021
142	1. The 5 th World Conference of Speakers of Parliaments (5WCSP) and Summit of Women Speakers from 6 – 8 September, 2021 Vienna, Austria and First Global Parliamentary Summit on Countering Terrorism and violent Extremism During the 5 th World Conference of Speakers of	9 th September, 2021

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	Parliaments (5WCSP) and Summit of Women Speakers	
143	Invitation from State Duma to Participate as observers at the elections of the Federal Assembly of the Russian Federation State Duma, Russian Federation:	17 – 19 September, 2021
144	Participation in the Pre-COP26 Parliamentary Meeting from 8 – 9 October, 2021 Rome, Italy AND Parliamentary Meeting on the Occasion of the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP26) at Glasgow, UK:	7 th November, 2021
145	The APA Working Group on Statutory Documents in Urgup, Nevsehir, Turkey:	12 – 14 October, 2021
146	Parliamentary event at the next World Investment Forum (Virtually)	19 th October, 2021
147	CPA UK's PAC Inquiry Workshop Invitation (Virtual)	18 – 22 October, 2021
148	IPU Virtual Workshop on universal Health Coverage & equity	26 th October, 2021
149	CPA UK Climate Webinar and Roundtable Series	15 th October, 2021 & 28 th October, 2021
150	Reykjavik Global Forum – Women Leaders 2021 in Iceland:	8 – 10 November, 2021
151	Virtual Meeting for call of the Sahel	15 th November, 2021
152	Eleventh Asia-Europe Parliamentary Partnership Meeting (ASEP11) (Virtual)	16 th November, 2021
153	143 rd Assembly of the Inter – Parliamentary Union (IPU) and related meetings in Madrid, Spain:	26 – 30 November, 2021
154	16 th Internet Governance Forum (IGF) in Katowice, Poland:	6 – 10 December, 2021
155	16 th Session of the PUIC Conference in Istanbul, Turkey:	9 – 10 December, 2021
156	Webinar: Climate Change and forced migration in mountain areas: What are solution	10 th December, 2021
157	Asian Assembly of Water Consultative Board (AAWC) New Year Webinar	8 th February, 2022
158	The Parliamentary Hearing at the United Nations at New York – USA	17 – 18 February, 2022
159	3-day virtual workshops on the issue of human trafficking through sport	22 – 24 February, 2022
160	Westminster Seminar 2022 Evolving Parliaments at London, UK:	14 – 18 March, 2022

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161	144 th IPU Assembly at Nusa Dua, Indonesia	20 – 24 March, 2022
162	Meeting of the Regional Secretary CPA Asia Region	7 th April, 2022
163	Participation of Research Officers of the Parliaments in the virtual APA Research Cooperation Parliamentary Forum Meeting (Virtual)	17 th May, 2022
164	Visit of Pakistan Parliamentary delegation in the Third Conference of the Parliamentary Assembly of Economic Cooperation Organization (PAECO) Baku – Azerbaijan	16 – 18 May, 2022
165	Participation of the Pakistan Parliamentary delegation in the CPA Parliamentary Academy's Advanced Parliamentary Development Residency Course in Sydney, New South Wales, Australia.	21 – 27 May, 2022
166	Participation of the Pakistan Parliamentary delegation in the Parliamentary Forum at United Nations High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) at UN Headquarters in New York USA.	13 th July, 2022
167	Participation of the Pakistan Parliamentary delegation in the Trilateral Speakers' Conference in Istanbul – Turkey	20 – 21 July, 2022
168	Participation of Fifteenth Workshop of Parliamentary Scholars and Parliamentarians	30-31 July, 2022
169	The Pakistan Parliamentary delegation in the Trilateral Speakers' Conference in Istanbul – Turkey	20 – 21 July, 2022
170	The 65 th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference in Halifax – Canada	20 – 26 August, 2022
171	Commonwealth Association Public Accounts Conference (CAPAC) in Male – Maldives	30 – 31 August, 2022
172	The 3 rd Regional Seminar for Parliaments of the Asia – Pacific Region on Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Islamabad – Pakistan	13 – 14 September, 2022
173	Webinar on Parliaments and supreme audit institutions (SAIs) partnering for greater impact, oversight and accountability	4 th October, 2022
174	145 th IPU Assembly and its related meetings in Kigali Rwanda	11 – 15 October, 2022
175	The CPA Parliamentary Academy's Advanced Professional Development & Skills-Building Residency Course	23 – 28 October, 2022
176	Pan-Commonwealth Conference on the Scrutiny of National Security Legislation in London – UK	1 – 3 November, 2022
177	43 rd Annual Forum of Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA) & 12 th Consultative Assembly of	4 – 5 November, 2022

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	Parliamentarians on the International Criminal Court and the Rule of Law (CAP – ICC) in Buenos Aires Argentina	
178	Fifth Annual Reykjavik Global Forum – Women Leaders in Reykjavik – Iceland	8 – 10 November, 2022
179	The 27 th Session of the Conference of Parties of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (COP27) Sharm El – Sheikh, Egypt	13 th November, 2022
180	43 rd General Assembly of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA) in Phnom Penh – Cambodia	20 – 25 November, 2022
181	The Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians (CWP) Steering Committee Workshop in Canberra – Australia	5 – 7 December, 2022
182	Public Accounts Committee (PAC) Workshop for Clerks and Officials in London – UK	5 – 7 December, 2022
183	The Effective Development Cooperation Summit (online)	12 – 14 December, 2022
184	Participation of Pakistan Parliamentary delegation at the 26 th Conference of the Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth (CSPOC) at Canberra, Australia	3 – 6 January, 2023
185	Participation of Pakistan Parliamentary delegation at the 13 th Plenary of the APA, at Antalya – Turkiye	8 – 10 January, 2023
186	Participation of Pakistan Parliamentary delegation at the 17 th Session of the Parliamentary Union of OIC Member States (PUIC) in Algiers – Algeria	29 – 30 January, 2023
187	Participation of Pakistan Parliamentary delegation at the Parliamentary Hearing at the United Nations at New York, USA	13 – 14 February, 2023
188	Participation of Pakistan Parliamentary delegation at the Education Cannot Wait High Level Financing Conference at Geneva – Switzerland	16 – 17 February, 2023
189	Participation of Pakistan Parliamentary delegation at the CPA – Commonwealth Day at PIPS, Islamabad	13 th March, 2023
190	Participation of Pakistan Parliamentary delegation at the 146 th IPU and its related meetings at Manama – Bahrain	11-15 March, 2023
191	Participation of Pakistan Parliamentary delegation at the On-Site Training “Better Policy Making through Evaluations Part-II” at Colombo, Sri Lanka	27 – 30 March, 2023
192	Participation at the Editorial Advisory Board for the Parliamentarian (online)	5 th April, 2023
193	Participation of Pakistan Parliamentary delegation at	9 – 12 May 2023

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	the Information Seminar on the Structure and Functioning of the IPU at Geneva – Switzerland	
194	Commemoration of the golden jubilee of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan, 1973 in Parliament House, Islamabad	10-11 May, 2023
195	Participation of Pakistan Parliamentary delegation at the Special Session of the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan Dedicated to the 100 th Anniversary of the National Leader Heydar Aliyev at Baku – Azerbaijan	15 – 17 May, 2023
196	Participation of Pakistan Parliamentary delegation at the The APA Standing Committee on Economic & Sustainable Development at Manama – Bahrain	16 – 17 May, 2023
197	2023 Field Visit to Morocco Casablanca, Morocco:	4 – 8 June, 2023
198	Parliamentary Forum at the UN High Level Political Forum (HLPF) on SDG'S New York, USA	18 th July, 2023

MULTILATERAL EVENTS HOSTED BY NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF PAKISTAN

Sr.no	Name of the Meeting. Place	Date
1	The 5 th CPA Asia Regional Conference in Islamabad, Pakistan	29 th July – 1 st August, 2019
2	The 2 nd Conference of the Parliamentary Assembly of Economic Cooperation Organization (PAECO) held in Islamabad – Pakistan	31 st May – 3 rd June, 2021
3	The Golden Jubilee of Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan in Islamabad, Pakistan	10 – 11 May, 2023

DETAILS OF VISITORS/GROUP OF STUDENTS VISITED NATIONAL ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT FROM YEAR 2018-2023

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S.NO.	NAME OF INSTITUTION/DELEGATION	MONTH
1.	A group of Bar Association, Pasrur visited National Assembly on 8 th February, 2023	February, 2023
2.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Department of Political Science, University of Peshawar (UOP) visited National Assembly on 10 th February, 2023	
3.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Roots IVY International College, F-8 Campus - Islamabad visited National Assembly on 20 th February, 2023	
4.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Roots IVY International College, F-8 Campus - Islamabad visited National Assembly on 20 th February, 2023	
5.	A group Students and Faculty Members of cadet College, Hasanabdal visited National Assembly on 20 th February, 2023	
6.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Divisional Public School & College, Rawalpindi visited National Assembly on 20 th February, 2023	
7.	A group Students and Faculty Members of cadet College Mastung, Balochistan visited National Assembly on 20 th February, 2023	
8.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Edwardes College, Peshawar visited National Assembly on 7 th March, 2023	March, 2023
9.	A group Students and Faculty Members of cadet College Mastung, Balochistan visited National Assembly on 8 th March, 2023	
10.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Department of Government Boys Degree College, Sadda, District Kurram visited National Assembly on 9 th March, 2023	
11.	A group of Journalists funded by Individual land from erstwhile FATA/newly merged districts (A Research Based Company) visited National Assembly on 10 th March, 2023	
12.	A group Students and Faculty Members of University of Central Punjab (UCP), Lahore visited National Assembly on 15 th /17 th March, 2023	
13.	A group Students and Faculty Members of National Defence University, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 15 th /17 th March, 2023	
14.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Denning Law School, Karachi visited National Assembly on 20 th March, 2023	
15.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Pioneer Law College, Bhalwal visited National Assembly on 20 th March, 2023	

16.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Federal Directorate of Education (FDE) visited National Assembly on 18 th April, 2023	April, 2023
17.	A group Students and Faculty members of School of Social Sciences & Humanitarian, National University of Sciences & Technology, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 5 th May, 2023	May, 2023
18.	A group Students and Faculty members of Shaheed Zulifqar Ali Bhutto Institute of Science and Technology (SZABIST), Islamabad visited National Assembly on 17 th May, 2023	
19.	A group Students and Faculty members of Government Girls Degree College, Timergara – Lower Dir, KPK visited National Assembly on 17 th May, 2023	
20.	A group Students and Faculty members of Government Girls Degree College, Timergara – Lower Dir, KPK visited National Assembly on 17 th May, 2023	
21.	A group Students of Department of Political Science, Lakki Marwat, KPK visited National Assembly on 19 th May, 2023	
22.	A group Students and Faculty Members of School of Law, Bahria University, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 22 nd May, 2023	
23.	A group Students of Department of Pakistan and MS History, International Islamic University (IIUI) visited National Assembly on 23 rd May, 2023	
24.	A group Students of International Islamic University (IIUI) visited National Assembly on 24 th May, 2023	
25.	A group Students and Organizers of Shariah Academy, International Islamic University (IIUI) funded by International Research Council for Religious Affairs. (IRCRA) visited National Assembly on 25 th May, 2023	
26.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Institute of Administrative Services (IAS) – University of Punjab visited National Assembly on 26 th May, 2023	
27.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Frontier Scouts Cadet College Warsak, Peshawar visited National Assembly on 29 th May, 2023	
28.	A group Students of Faculty of Shariah & Law, Islamic International University, Islamabad (IIUI) visited National Assembly on 30 th May, 2023	
29.	A group Students of Peace and Conflict Studies, Department of National University of Modern Languages (NUML) visited National Assembly on 31 st May, 2023	
30.	A group Students and Faculty members of Law Department, International Islamic University, Islamabad (IIUI) visited National Assembly on 1 st June, 2023	

31.	A group Students of Women Media Center Pakistan (WMC) Supported by National Endowment For Democracy (NED) visited National Assembly on 6 th June, 2023	June, 2023
32.	A group Students and Faculty members of Allama Iqbal Law College, Sialkot visited National Assembly on 7 th June, 2023	
33.	A group Students of The Institute of Business Administration (IBA), Karachi visited National Assembly on 9 th June, 2023	
34.	A group Students and Faculty members of The AIMS School & College, Islamabad (AIMS) visited National Assembly on 12 th June, 2023	
35.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Legend College, Multan visited National Assembly on 12 th June, 2023	
36.	A group Students and Faculty members of Department of Law, University of Faisalabad (UOF) College, visited National Assembly on 13 th June, 2023	
37.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Department of Law, The Green International University, Lahore (GIU) visited National Assembly on 13 th June, 2023	
38.	A group Students and Faculty Members of The Paradigm Association, Mirpur University of Science and Technology (MUST) visited National Assembly on 14 th June, 2023	
39.	A group Students of Ripah Institute of Public Policy, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 14 th June, 2023	
40.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Department of International Relations (IR), Muslim Youth University, Islamabad (MYUI) visited National Assembly on 15 th June, 2023	
41.	A group of Journalists visited National Assembly on 15 th June, 2023	
42.	A group Students of Institute of Cost and Management Accounts of Pakistan (ICMA) visited National Assembly on 21 st June, 2023	
43.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Department of Library Allama Iqbal University, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 22 nd June, 2023	
44.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Government College Daggar Buner, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KPK) visited National Assembly on 26 th June, 2023	
45.	A group Students and In charge of Cadet College, Hasanabdal visited National Assembly on 6 th July, 2023	July, 2023
46.	A group Participants and In charge of DASTAK Foundation visited National Assembly on 6 th July, 2023	
47.	A group Students and Faculty members of Pakistan Sweet Home Students - Sukkur visited National Assembly on 14 th July, 2023	
48.	A group of Government College University Lahore, Pakistan (OLD RAVIANS UNION) visited National Assembly on 14 th July, 2023	

49.	A group of Internee Students and Faculty members of Center for Peace and Development Initiatives (CPDI) visited National Assembly on 18 th July, 2023	
50.	A group of Advisory Council and Executive Council of Pakistan Chamber of Education, Sialkot visited National Assembly on 19 th July, 2023	
51.	A group Students and Faculty members of Pakistan Sweet Home Students - Waziristan visited National Assembly on 20 th July, 2023	
52.	A group Students and Faculty members of Tadbeer Institute - Jamia Muhammadiyah, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 14 th July, 2023	
53.	A group Students and Faculty members of Alpha Schools and Colleges, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 26 th July, 2023	
54.	A group of WEFIXERS Organization, Islamabad (Climate Change) visited National Assembly on 26 th July, 2023	
55.	A group Students and Faculty members of GIFT University, Gujranwala visited National Assembly on 2 nd August 2023	August, 2023
56.	A group Students and Faculty members of Sir Arshad Academy, Gujjar Khan visited National Assembly on 2 nd August, 2023	
57.	A group Students and Faculty members of Kings College of Health Sciences, Sahiwal visited National Assembly on 3 rd August, 2023	
58.	A group of students and Faculty members of Raja Latif Shaheed Govt. Degree College Dhirkot, BAGH - AJK visited National Assembly on 7 th August, 2023	
59.	A group Students and Faculty members of Pakistan Street Child Football Team, Pakistan visited National Assembly on 8 th August, 2023	
60.	A group Students and Faculty members of Jamiat-e-Islam, Pakistan visited National Assembly on 8 th August, 2023	
61.	A group Students and Faculty members of The Message High School, District South Waziristan Upper visited National Assembly on 8 th August, 2023	
62.	A group Students and Faculty members of All Pakistan Private Schools & Colleges Association, District Gujrat visited National Assembly on 9 th August, 2023	
63.	A group students and Faculty members of Military College Murree, Upper Toppa visited National Assembly on 10 th August, 2023	

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1.	A group Students and Faculty members of the Department of Political Science, Govt. Post Graduate Girls College Saidu Sharif, visited National Assembly on 5 th January, 2022	January, 2022
2.	A group Students and Faculty members of Degree College, Loralai visited National Assembly on 5 th January, 2022	
3.	A group of Rotary Club, Rawalpindi visited National Assembly on 11 th January, 2022	
4.	A group of Pakistan Navy, Officials visited National Assembly on 12 th January, 2022	
5.	A group Students and Faculty members of the Department of Political Science, Govt. Post Graduate College, Swabi visited National Assembly on 19 th January, 2022	
6.	A group of Women Media Trainers funded by National Endowment for Democracy visited National Assembly on 20 th January, 2022	
7.	A group Students and Faculty members of Govt. Boys Degree College Muslim Bagh, Quetta – Balochistan visited National Assembly on 25 th January, 2022	
8.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) from Sindh and South Punjab visited National Assembly on 3 rd February, 2022	February, 2022
9.	A group Foreign Officers Students and Pakistani Officers of Command and Staff College, Quetta Cantonment visited National Assembly on 4 th February, 2022	
10.	A group Students and Faculty members of Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Central Punjab – Lahore visited National Assembly on 28 th February, 2022	
11.	A group Students and Faculty members of Department of Development Studies, Shaheed Zulifqar Ali Bhutto visited National Assembly on 18 th February, 2022	
12.	A group Students and Faculty members of Govt. Degree College, Dargai visited National Assembly on 21 st February, 2022	
13.	A group Pakistani Students Officers and Faculty members of Pakistan Command and Staff College, Quetta Cantonment visited National Assembly on 1 st April, 2022	April, 2022
14.	A group of participants from National Security and War by National Defence University, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 27 th September, 2022	September, 2022
15.	A group Students and Faculty members of Political Science Debating Society (PSDS) University of Peshawar visited National Assembly on 24 th November, 2022	October, 2022
16.	A group of State Youth Assembly (AJK), Pakistan visited National Assembly on 30 th November, 2022	

17.	A group Students and Faculty members of Political Science Debating Society (PSDS) University of Peshawar visited National Assembly on 24 th November, 2022	November, 2022
18.	A group Students and Faculty members of Balochistan Residential College, Loralai visited National Assembly on 11 th December, 2022	December, 2022
19.	A group of National Parliamentary Development Course (NPDC) visited National Assembly on 7 th December ,2022	
20.	A group Students and Faculty members of Balochistan Residential College, Zhob visited National Assembly on 11 th December, 2022	
21.	A group Students and Faculty members of Degree College, Chitral visited National Assembly on 13 th December, 2022	
22.	A group of National Institute of Banking & Finance (NIBAF) visited National Assembly on 13 th December, 2022	
23.	A group Students and Faculty members of Political Science, University of Peshawar (UOP) visited National Assembly on 13 th December, 2022	
24.	A group Students and Faculty members of cadet College Killa, Saifullah visited National Assembly on 11 th / 15 th December, 2022	
25.	A group Students and Faculty members of Political Science, University of Peshawar (UOP) visited National Assembly on 16 th December, 2022	
26.	A group Students and Faculty members of Political Science, University of Peshawar (UOP) visited National Assembly on 19 th December 2022	
27.	A group of State Youth Assembly (AJK), Pakistan visited National Assembly on 30 th December, 2022	
28.	A group Students and Faculty members of Pakistan Boy Scouts Association visited National Assembly on 31 st December ,2022	

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S.NO.	NAME OF INSTITUTION/DELEGATION	MONTH
1.	A group of International Hindu Pilgrims visited National Assembly on 3 rd January ,2021	January, 2021
2.	A group Students and Faculty Members of Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) from Sindh and South Punjab visited National Assembly on 3 rd February, 2021	February, 2021
3.	A group Students and Faculty members of Department of Development Studies, Shaheed Zulifqar Ali Bhutto visited National Assembly on 18 th February, 2021	
4.	A group Students and Faculty members of Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Central Punjab – Lahore visited National Assembly on 28 th February, 2021	

5.	A group Pakistani Students Officers and Faculty members of Pakistan Command and Staff College, Quetta Cantonment visited National Assembly on 2 nd April 2021	April, 2021
6.	A group of Secretariat Training Institute (STI), Lahore visited National Assembly on 1 st June, 2021	June, 2021
7.	A group of Headquarter 12 Corps, General Headquarters COAS Sectt SD Dte visited National Assembly on 5 th July 2021	July, 2021
8.	A group of officers of Election Commission of Pakistan organized by PIPS visited National Assembly on 26 th August 2021	August, 2021
9.	A group In Land – Study Tour Program of Islamabad & Azad Jammu & Kashmir, Pakistan Provincial Services Academy, Peshawar visited National Assembly on 30 th August 2021	
10.	A group of newly recruited Election Officers of the Election Commission of Pakistan organized by PIPS visited National Assembly on 2 nd September, 2021	September, 2021
11.	A group of officers of Election Commission of Pakistan organized by PIPS visited National Assembly on 9 th September, 2021	
12.	A group students and faculty members of Institute of Islamic Studies of Islamic Sciences, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 15 th September, 2021	
13.	A group students and faculty members of Pakistan Private School Association (PPSA) visited National Assembly on 16 th September, 2021	
14.	A group Women Legislators of Provincial Assembly of KP and Gilgit-Baltistan funded by Trust for Democratic Education and Accountability (TDEA) visited National Assembly on 23 rd September, 2021	
15.	A group students and faculty members of University of Peshawar visited National Assembly on 28 th September, 2021	
16.	A group Members of Legislative Assembly of AJK visited National Assembly on 28 th September, 2021	
17.	A group Students and Faculty members of NJV Government Higher Secondary School, Karachi visited National Assembly on 4 th October, 2021	October, 2021
18.	A group Students and Faculty members of Pakistan Navy War College visited National Assembly on 5 th October, 2021	
19.	A group Students and Faculty members of The Government College University, Lahore visited National Assembly on 2 nd November, 2021	November, 2021
20.	A group of students and faculty members of Govt. Boys Degree College, Khanozai visited National Assembly on 6 th November, 2021	
21.	A group of students and faculty members of Govt. College Gulabad, Lower Dir visited National Assembly on 5 th November, 2021	

22.	A group Students and Faculty members of Human Special Development and Family Studies College, Peshawar visited National Assembly on 10 th November, 2021		
23.	A group Students and Faculty members of Pakistan Afghanistan Joint Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PAJCCI) visited National Assembly on 11 th November, 2021		
24.	A group Students and Faculty members of Government Degree Dagger, Bunner visited National Assembly on 11 th November, 2021		
25.	A group Students and Faculty members of The Langlands School and College, Chitral visited National Assembly on 16 th November, 2021		
26.	A group of The National Institute of Management (NIM), Karachi visited National Assembly on 17 th November, 2021		
27.	A group Students and Faculty members of Upstream School System, Abbottabad visited National Assembly on 19 th November, 2021		
28.	A group Students and Faculty members of Department of Political Science, The University of Swabi visited National Assembly on 25 th November, 2021		
29.	A group Students and Faculty members of Pakistan Finishing School for Women visited National Assembly on 26 th November, 2021		
30.	A group Students and Faculty members of Post Graduate Girls College Saidu Sharif, Swat visited National Assembly on 29 th November, 2021		
31.	A group Students and Faculty members of Government Girls Degree College, Faisalabad visited National Assembly on 2 nd December, 2021		December, 2021
32.	A group Students and Faculty members of Department of Political Science, Government Postgraduate College, Timergara, Dir Lower visited National Assembly on 4 th December, 2021		
33.	A group Students and Faculty members from different Universities (Quetta, Karachi, and Lahore) visited National Assembly on 23 rd December, 2021		
34.	A group Students and Faculty members of University of Peshawar visited National Assembly on 23 rd December, 2021		
35.	A group Students and Faculty members of City School, Liaquatabad Campus, Kohsar Hyderabad visited National Assembly on 23 rd December, 2021		
36.	A group Students and Faculty members of Government Boys Degree College Killa Saifullah visited National Assembly on 24 th December, 2021		
37.	A group Students and Faculty members of Pakistan Sweet Home (Mir Ali, North Waziristan, Sukkur (Sindh) and Bhalwal (Punjab) visited National Assembly on 27 th December, 2021		

38.	A group Students and Faculty members of Department of Law, University of Peshawar visited National Assembly on 27 th December, 2021	
39.	A group Students and Faculty members of Government Boys Degree College, Zhob visited National Assembly on 27 th December, 2021	
40.	A group of Gilgit-Baltistan Assembly (GBA) members visited National Assembly on 27 th December, 2021	
41.	A group Students and Faculty members of PAK-TURK MAARIF International Schools & Colleges visited National Assembly on 29 th December, 2021	
42.	A group Students and Faculty members of Pakistan Sweet Homes – Sukkur visited National Assembly on 29 th December, 2021	
43.	A group Students and Faculty members of Department of Political Science, Women University Swabi visited National Assembly on 30 th December, 2021	
44.	A group of Oil & Gas Regulatory Authority (OGRA) members visited National Assembly on 31 st December, 2021	
45.	A group Students and Faculty members of Govt Degree College, Harnai visited National Assembly on 31 st December, 2021	

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S.NO.	NAME OF INSTITUTION/DELEGATION	MONTH
1.	A group Students and Faculty members of NJV Government Higher Secondary School, Karachi visited National Assembly on 4 th October, 2020	October, 2020
2.	A group Students and Faculty members of Pakistan Navy War College visited National Assembly on 5 th October, 2020	
	A group Students and Faculty members of Post Graduate Girls College Saidu Sharif, Swat visited National Assembly on 29 th November, 2020	November, 2020
3.	A group Students and Faculty members of Govt Degree College, Harnai visited National Assembly on 31 st December, 2020	December, 2020

YEAR-2019

S.NO.	NAME OF INSTITUTION/DELEGATION	MONTH
1.	A group of Senior Civil Officers from various groups organized by National School for Public Policy, Lahore visited National Assembly on 19 th March, 2019	March , 2019
2.	A group students and faculty members of Command and Staff College Quetta Cantonment visited National Assembly on 5 th April, 2019	April, 2019
3.	A group students and faculty members of Auqaf, Hajj, Religious & Minority Youth, KPK visited National Assembly on 8 th April ,2019	
4.	A group students and faculty members of Department of Mass Communication School of Social Sciences & Humanities, NUST - Islamabad visited National Assembly on 19 th April, 2019	
5.	A group of Under Training Judicial Officers including Azad Jammu & Kashmir visited National Assembly on 21 st June, 2019	June, 2019
6.	A group of Pakistan Administrative Service (PAS) organized by Civil Services Academy, Government of Pakistan visited National Assembly of Pakistan on 15 th July, 2019	July, 2019
7.	A group students and faculty members of Inter Board Committee of Chairman, Islamabad (IBCC) visited National Assembly on 23 rd July, 2019	
8.	A group Paigham –e-Pakistan Center for Peace, Reconciliation & Reconstruction Studies organized by Positive Pakistan visited National Assembly on 27 th August, 2019	August, 2019
9.	A group of Senior Civil Officers from National School of Public Policy, National Management College, Lahore visited National Assembly on 24 th September ,2019	September, 2019
10.	A group of participants from National Defence University, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 2 nd October, 2019	October, 2019
11.	A group Students and Faculty members of Government College University, Lahore organized by PIPS visited National Assembly on 8 th October, 2019	
12.	A group Students and Faculty members of Bahria College Naval Complex E-8, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 4 th November, 2019	November, 2019
13.	A group Students and Faculty members of Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Sargodha visited National Assembly on 8 th November, 2019	
14.	A group Students and Faculty members of Pakistan Scouts Cadet College Batrasi, Atta Shisha, Mansehra visited National Assembly on 15 th November, 2019	
15.	A group Students and Faculty members of Hazara University, Mansehra visited National Assembly on 19 th November, 2019	

16.	A group Students and Faculty members of Young Leaders Aspiring for Political career organized by “fdi” visited National Assembly on 20 th November, 2019	
17.	A group Students and Faculty members of College of Law, Government College University, Faisalabad visited National Assembly on 22 nd November, 2019	
18.	A group Students and Faculty members of Cadet College Mastung, balochistan visited National Assembly on 22 nd November ,2019	
19.	A group of Global Active Citizens Programme’s participants organized by British Council visited National Assembly on 28 th November 2019	
20.	A group Students and Faculty members of Army Public College of Management & Sciences visited National Assembly on 28 th November, 2019	
21.	A group Students and Faculty members of Balochistan Residential College, Loralai visited National Assembly on 1 st December, 2019	December, 2019
22.	A group Students and Faculty members of Al-Beruni, Islamic Model School, Bhimber - AJK visited National Assembly on 2 nd December, 2019	
23.	A group Students and Faculty members of The Fazl-e-Haq College, Mardan visited National Assembly on 2 nd December,2019	
24.	A group Students and Faculty members of PAF Finishing School for Women, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 5 th December,2019	
25.	A group Students and Faculty members of Government Girls Degree College Dargai, Malakand visited National Assembly on 17 th December, 2019	

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S.NO.	NAME OF INSTITUTION/DELEGATION	MONTH
1.	A group senior Civil and Military Officers organized by National Defense University, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 10 th October, 2018	October , 2018
2.	A group of Foreign Service of Pakistan Officers visited National Assembly on 11 th October ,2018	
3.	A group Students and Faculty members of Headstart School, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 17 th October ,2018	
4.	A Delegation of Members and Lawyers of Progressive Youth Society of Pakistan and Lawyers visited National Assembly on 17 th October, 2018	

5.	A group Students and Faculty members of Pakistan Navy War College, Lahore visited National Assembly on 08th November 2018	November, 2018
6.	A group Students and Faculty members of Government Post Graduate College, Bhawalnagar visited National Assembly on 9 th November, 2018	
7.	A group Students and Faculty members of Department of International Relations, Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan visited National Assembly on 26 th December ,2018	
8.	A group of Junior Level foreign Diplomats from eighteen friendly countries trained at Foreign Service Academy, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 28th November 2018	
9.	A group Students and Faculty members of Department of Mass Communication School of Social Sciences & Humanities, NUST, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 30 th December, 2018	
10.	A group Students and Faculty members of Country School Tehsil Dina (Jhelum) visited National Assembly on 01st December 2018	December, 2018
11.	A group Students and Faculty members of Urdu Department Government Post Graduate College, Nowshera visited National Assembly on 6 th December, 2018	
12.	Members of United Youth Organization (Baluchistan Based NGO) visited National Assembly on 11 th December, 2018	
13.	A group Students and Faculty members of PAF Finishing School, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 11 th December, 2018	
14.	A group Students and Faculty members of Cadet College, Killa Saif Ullah visited National Assembly on 11 th December,2018	
15.	A group Students and Faculty members of different Universities on International Conference on Youth and Parliament organized by PIPS visited National Assembly on 11 th December, 2018	
16.	A group Students and Faculty members of Cadet College, Mastung visited National Assembly on 11 th December, 2018	
17.	A group Students and Faculty members of Bahria University, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 12 th December, 2018	
18.	A group Students and Faculty members of Balochistan Residential College, Khuzdar visited National Assembly on 12 th December, 2018	
19.	A group Students and Faculty members of Da'wah Academy, International Islamic University, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 12th December 2018	
20.	A group Students and Faculty members of Department of Politics & I/R, International Islamic University, Islamabad visited National Assembly on 12 th December, 2018	
21.	A group Students and Faculty members of Balochistan Residential College, Loralai visited National Assembly on 12 th December, 2018	

22.	A group Students and Faculty members of Foundation University Islamabad Rawalpindi Campus visited National Assembly on 20 th December, 2018	
23.	A group Students and Faculty members of Dar-e-Arqam Model High School Bhera visited National Assembly on 20 th December, 2018	
24.	A group Students and Faculty members of Government Degree College, Musakhel visited National Assembly on 20 th December, 2018	
25.	A Delegation of Jhelum Chamber of Commerce (PMG) visited National Assembly on 20 th December, 2018	

PARLIAMENTARY FRIENDSHIP GROUPS

Parliamentary Friendship Groups aim at enhancing Parliamentary Diplomacy at a global and bilateral level while promoting views on issues of National and International significance.

The National Assembly took numerous initiatives to further cement relations with Parliaments of other countries, whereby, the Parliamentary Friendship Groups were established with **95 Parliaments** and Parliamentary exchanges program thereby revitalized. Parliamentary Friendship Groups are formed on a cross-party basis.

During the period from **2018-2023**, Parliamentary Friendship Groups Cell organized **130 meetings, briefing and interactive session** with an aim to expand cooperation with friendly countries in multiple areas including trade, defense, education, regional connectivity, people -to- people relations, IT, Science & Technology and various other fields. During different meetings, the Parliamentarians exchanged views on global and regional issues and agreed to focus on strengthening bilateral institutional collaboration; and to enhance frequency of bilateral visits.



Convener Pak-German Parliamentary Friendship Group (PFG) Syed Ghulam Mustafa Shah & Special Assistant to the Prime Minister/Convener SDGs Romina Khurshid Alam met with Head of the Asia and Pacific Department, Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES) Mr. Mirco Gunter on 01-11-2022.

Meetings of Parliamentary Friendship Groups from 2018 – 2023

Following are the details of the meetings and other activities of PFGs Cell:

2018 –2023	
1.	Meeting of Parliamentarians, headed by Syed Fakhar Imam with the European Parliament Committee for relations with South Asia Tuesday, 30 th Oct ,2018
2.	Meeting with the Diplomatic Corps Thursday, 7th February 2019
3.	Meeting of the Selected Members of Pak– UK Parliamentary Friendship Group with H.E. Lord Tariq Ahmed, Minister of State (Foreign & Commonwealth Office) along with the delegation on Tuesday, 19 th February, 2019
4.	Briefing session of Pak –France Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on Wednesday, 20th February, 2019
5.	Meeting of the Selected Members of Pak–France Parliamentary Friendship Group with H.E Dr. Marc Baret, Ambassador of France to Pak on Thursday, 21st February, 2019
6.	Briefing session of Pak– Ireland Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Friday, 22 nd February, 2019
7.	Briefing session of Pak– Morocco Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on Tuesday, 26 th February, 2019
8.	Briefing session of Pak– Iran Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on Wednesday, 27 th February, 2019

9.	Briefing Session of Pak – Russian Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Thursday 28 th February, 2019
10.	Meeting of Pak – Russian Parliamentary Friendship Group with H.E. Mr. Alexey Yuri Evich Dedov, Ambassador on Thursday 28 th February, 2019
11.	Briefing session of Pak – Canada Parliamentary Friendship by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on Friday, 1 st March, 2019
12.	Briefing Session of the Members of Pak – UK Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Wednesday 6 th March, 2019
13.	Meeting of the Members of Pak – Canada Parliamentary Friendship Group A Canadian Information and Communications Technology (ICT) delegation organized by the Canada – Pak Business Council (CPBC) is visiting Pak on Friday, 15 th March, 2019
14.	Meeting of the selected Members of Pak – Belarus Parliamentary Friendship Group with H.E. Ms. Irina Akulovich, Member of the Standing Committee for Legislation and State Administration of the National Assembly of the Republic of Belarus and H.E Mr. Andrei Ermolovich, Ambassador of Belarus on Monday, 18 th March, 2019 The Honorable Speaker National Assembly, Mr. Asad Qaiser has also attended the meeting for a short span of time.
15.	Lunch from the Honorable Convener, in honor of visiting dignitary H.E. Ms. Irina Akulovich along with selected Members of Pak – Belarus Parliamentary Friendship Group on Monday, 18 th March, 2019
16.	Briefing session of Pak– Somalia Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Thursday 21 st March, 2019
17.	Briefing by Pak– Italy Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Friday, 5 th April 2019
18.	A meeting Executive Committee Member on behalf of Convener of Pak– Tunisia Parliamentary Friendship Group H.E Muhammad Hassan, Pak’s Ambassador at Tunisia on 12 th April 2019
19.	Meeting of selected members Pak– Iran Parliamentary Friendship Group with H.E Mr. Mehdi Honardoost the Ambassador of Iran to Pakistan on 16 th April, 2019
20.	Briefing Session of Pak – Austria Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Thursday the 18 th April, 2019
21.	Meeting of Convener of Pak – Austria Parliamentary Friendship Group with the High Commissioner of Austria on Thursday the 18 th April, 2019
22.	Briefing Session of Pak – Mexico Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Tuesday, 23 rd April, 2019
23.	Briefing session of the Pak– Jordan Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Wednesday, 24 th April, 2019
24.	Pak – RO Korea Parliamentary Friendship Group, Dinner in honor of visiting business delegation from Korea on Wednesday, 24 th April, 2019
25.	Briefing Session of Pak-Poland Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Thursday, 25 th April, 2019
26.	Briefing session for Ms. Shahida Akhtar Ali, Convener, Pak–Syria Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on 29 th April, 2019

27.	Pak – Kazakhstan Parliamentary Friendship Group Interactive Session on " Invoking Parliamentary Diplomacy for Meaningful Cooperation" Participated by the Members from Parliamentary Friendship Groups, Ambassador Kazakhstan and business community 30 th April, 2019
28.	Meeting of Pak–Canada Parliamentary Friendship Group with H.E. Ms. Wendy Gilmour High Commissioner of Canada on Tuesday the 28 th May, 2019
29.	Meeting of Pak– Iran Parliamentary Friendship Group with the visiting delegation H.E Mr. Ahmed Amirabadi Farahani, Head of Parliamentary Friendship Group Iran-Pak Parliamentary Friendship along with his delegation. The above delegation visited Karachi and called on CM Sindh, Governor Sindh and Speaker Sindh Assembly, Karachi Chamber of Commerce on Thursday, 20 th June, 2019
30.	Meeting of Pak – Czech Republic Parliamentary Friendship Group with the Parliamentary Delegation from Czech-Republic Parliamentary Friendship Group on Monday, 24 th June, 2019
31.	Briefing session of the Pak– Somalia Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Wednesday, 26 th June, 2019
32.	Pak-RO Korea Parliamentary Friendship Group, Working Dinner arranged by Convener Pak-RO Korea PARLIAMENTARY FRIENDSHIP GROUP for visiting Business Community Delegation on Monday, 22 nd July, 2019
33.	Pak – Bulgaria Parliamentary Friendship Group Convener's Meeting with the Ambassador on Tuesday, 6 th August, 2019 at 1500 hours
34.	Briefing Session of Pak- Ethiopia+ Eritrea Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Wednesday, 7 th August, 2019
35.	Pak – Bulgaria Parliamentary Friendship Group Convener's Meeting with the Ambassador on Wednesday, 23 rd August, 2019
36.	Sri Lanka CPC (CWP Election) Meeting arranged for Ms. Shandana Gulzar Khan with the High Commissioner on Friday, 23 rd August, 2019
37.	Canada CPC (CWP Election) Meeting arranged for Ms. Shandana Gulzar Khan with the High Commissioner on Monday, 26 th August, 2019
38.	Australia CPC (CWP Election) Meeting arranged for Ms. Shandana Gulzar Khan with the High Commissioner on Wednesday, 28 th August, 2019
39.	Bangladesh CPC (CWP Election) Meeting arranged for Ms. Shandana Gulzar Khan with the High Commissioner on Wednesday, 28 th August, 2019
40.	Meeting of Pak-Oman Parliamentary Friendship Group Members with a–10Member Omani Parliamentary delegation led by H.E. Mr. Khalid Bin Hilal

	Nasser Al Maawali, Chairman of the MajlesAl'Shura of Sultanate of Oman on Tuesday, 3 rd September, 2019
41.	Mauritius CPC (CWP Election) Meeting arranged for Ms. Shandana Gulzar Khan with the High Commissioner Mauritius on Friday, 6 th September, 2019
42.	Briefing Session of Pak – Greece Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Thursday 19 th September, 2019
43.	Briefing Session of Pak – Sweden Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Thursday, 19 th September, 2019
44.	Meeting of Pak – Sweden Parliamentary Friendship Group with Hon. Ambassador of Sweden on Thursday the 19 th September, 2019
45.	Meeting of Pak – Bulgaria Parliamentary Friendship Group with Hon. Ambassador of Bulgaria on Friday, the 20 th September, 2019
46.	Briefing Session of Pak – Malaysia Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Tuesday, 1 st October, 2019
47.	Meeting of Pak – Malaysia Parliamentary Friendship Group with Malaysian Parliamentary delegation led by Malaysian Speaker on Wednesday, 2 nd October, 2019
48.	Meeting of Pak-Australia Parliamentary Friendship Group with High Commissioner, Dr. Geoffrey Shaw, on Friday, 4 th October, 2019
49.	Meeting of Pak-Uzbekistan Parliamentary Friendship Group with Ambassador of Uzbekistan on Monday 11 th November, 2019
50.	Briefing Session Pak-Bahrain Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Tuesday, 12 th November, 2019
51.	Briefing Session of Pak- Portugal Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Wednesday 13 th November, 2019
52.	Meeting of Pak- Portugal Parliamentary Friendship Group with Ambassador of Portugal on Wednesday 13 th November, 2019
53.	Briefing Session of Pak-Austria Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Thursday, 14 th November, 2019
54.	Meeting of Pak-Kenya Parliamentary Friendship Group with High Commissioner of Kenya on Friday, 15 th November, 2019
55.	Meeting of Pak Somalia Parliamentary Friendship Group with Ambassador of Somalia on Wednesday, 20 th November, 2019 at 1200 Hours
56.	Briefing Session of Pak – Cambodia Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign affairs and Ministry of Commerce on Friday 22 nd November, 2019
57.	Pak-Iran Parliamentary Friendship Group Meeting of the Executive Committee of Pak – Iran Parliamentary Friendship Group with H.E. Seyed Mohammad Ali Hosseini, the Ambassador of Iran to Pak on 12 th February, 2020
58.	Meeting of Pak-Kazakhstan Parliamentary Friendship Group with the First Deputy Foreign Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan on Thursday, 27 th February, 2020

59.	Pak – Afghanistan Parliamentary Friendship Group Executive Committee Meeting of Pak – Afghanistan Parliamentary Friendship Group on Wednesday, 8 th July, 2020
60.	Briefing Session of Pak-Italy Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign affairs, Ministry of Economic Affairs Division and Ministry of commerce on Thursday, the 17 th September, 2020
61.	Meeting of Pak – Italy Parliamentary Friendship Group with the Ambassador of Italy to Pak H.E. Mr. Andreas Ferrarese on Thursday, the 17 th September, 2020
62.	Pak-Afghan Parliamentary Friendship Group Third Meeting of The Executive of Committee Pak-Afghan Parliamentary Friendship Group on Friday, the 18 th September, 2020
63.	Meeting of Pak – Japan Parliamentary Friendship Group with H.E. Mr. Kuninori Matsuda, Ambassador of Japan To Pak on 24 th December, 2020
64.	Briefing Session of Pak – Indonesia Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on 20 th January, 2021
65.	Meeting of Convener of Pak-Indonesia Parliamentary Friendship Group with The Ambassador of Indonesia H.E. Mr. Adam on 21 st January, 2021
66.	Briefing Sessions Pak – Denmark Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Commerce 3 rd February, 2021
67.	Meeting of Convener Pak-Denmark Parliamentary Friendship Group with H.E. Ms. Lis Rosenholm, Ambassador of Denmark to Pak 3 rd February, 2021
68.	Briefing Session of Pak-Bosnia & Herzegovina Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on 4 th February, 2021
69.	Briefing Session of Pak-Greece Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on 4 th February, 2021
70.	Virtual Meeting of Pak – Azerbaijan Parliamentary Friendship Group on 24 th February, 2021
71.	Briefing Session of Pak-Nepal Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on 27 th May, 2021
72.	Meeting of The Convener Pak-Nepal Parliamentary Friendship Groups With H.E Mr. Tapas Adhikari, Ambassador of Nepal on 27 th May, 2021
73.	Briefing Session and Meeting of Pak – Hungary Parliamentary Friendship Group On 27 th May, 2021
74.	Meeting of Pak-Azerbaijan Parliamentary Friendship Group with the Visiting Delegation of Azerbaijan-Pak Parliamentary Friendship Group, Chaired By The Milli Majlis Sahiba Gafarova on 3 rd June, 2021
75.	Virtual Meeting Pak – Hungary Parliamentary Friendship Group on Wednesday, 9 th June, 2021
76.	Briefing Session of Pak-Netherlands Parliamentary Friendship Group on 23 rd June, 2021
77.	Briefing Session Pak-Ethiopia + Eretria Parliamentary Friendship Group on 24 th June, 2021
78.	Virtual Meeting Pak – China Parliamentary Friendship Group on 13 th July, 2021

79.	Briefing Session for The Members of Pak-Finland Parliamentary Friendship Group on 15 th July, 2021
80.	Meeting of Pak-Niger Parliamentary Friendship Group with Parliamentary Delegation Led by The President of National Assembly of Niger on 10 th August, 2021
81.	Briefing Session for The Members of Pak -Australia Parliamentary Friendship Group on 12 th August, 2021
82.	Pak – Afghan Parliamentary Friendship Group National Assembly of Pak Meeting of Task Force of Executive Committee of Pak – Afghan Parliamentary Friendship Group on 15 th September, 2021
83.	Virtual Meeting Pak – Australia Parliamentary Friendship Group on Thursday, 23 rd September, 2021
84.	Briefing session of Pak-Sri Lanka Parliamentary Friendship Group on 13 th January, 2022
85.	Meeting of the Secretary Women’s Parliamentary Caucus, MS. Munaza Hassan, MNA with the Ambassador of Denmark to Pak on 12 th January, 2022
86.	Briefing Session and Meeting of Pak-Sri Lanka Parliamentary Friendship Group on Thursday, 13 th January, 2022
87.	Reception at Marriott Hotel Islamabad by the Embassy of Japan on 29 th March 2022
88.	Briefing session of Pak-Japan Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on Tuesday, 16 th August, 2022 at 1400 hours
89.	Meeting of Pak-Korea Parliamentary Friendship Group Meeting with a 5 Member Parliamentary delegation of Korea- Pak Parliamentary Friendship Group led by Mr. Lee Hack Young, Head of Korea - Pak Parliamentary Friendship Group 23 rd August, 2022
90.	Meeting of Convener Pak-Japan Parliamentary Friendship Group with the H.E Mr. Mitsuhiro Wada Ambassador of Japan to Pak on Tuesday, 16 th August 2022
91.	Meeting of Pak-Uzbekistan Parliamentary Friendship Group with H.E. Mr. Oybek Usmanov, Ambassador of Uzbekistan to Pakistan on Tuesday, 11 th October, 2022
92.	Meeting of Pak– German Parliamentary Friendship Group with the Visiting German Delegates from Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES, a German political foundation) on Tuesday, 1 st November, 2022
93.	A briefing session of the Members of Pak – Bahrain Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Thursday, 15 th November, 2022
94.	Meeting of Convener of Pak- Türkiye Parliamentary Friendship Group with H.E. Mr. Mehmet Paçacı, Ambassador of Türkiye to Pakistan on Thursday, 24 th November, 2022

95.	A briefing session of the Members of Pak – Canada Parliamentary Friendship Group By the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on Tuesday, 29 th November, 2022
96.	Briefing Session of the Members of Pak-Japan Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on Thursday, 1 st December, 2022
97.	Meeting of Pak-Japan Parliamentary Friendship Group Meeting with the H.E Mr. Mitsuhiro Wada Ambassador of Japan to Pak Thursday, 1 st December 2022, at 1630 Hours at Prime Minister Secretariat, Islamabad.
98.	Briefing Session of the Members of Pak-Norway Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on Friday, 9 th December, 2022
99.	Meeting of Convener Pak-Norway Parliamentary Friendship Group with the Ambassador of Norway on Friday, 9 th December, 2022 at 1130 hours at the Embassy of Norway, Islamabad
100.	Meeting of Pak-Kazakhstan Parliamentary Friendship Group with the visiting delegation from Kazakhstan on Monday, 12 th December, 2022.
101.	Briefing session Pak-Brazil Parliamentary Friendship Group by the Ministry of Commerce on Thursday, 5 th January, 2023
102.	Meeting of Pak-Belgium Parliamentary Friendship Group with the Ambassador of Belgium H.E Mr. Charles Delogne on Thursday, 12 th January, 2023
103.	Meeting of Pak-Belgium Parliamentary Friendship Group with the Seven Member Belgian delegation led by Alessia Claes, Chairperson of Belgium - Pak Parliamentary Friendship Group on 12 th January, 2023
104.	Briefing Session of Pak- Uzbekistan Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on Thursday, 9 th February, 2023
105.	Virtual Meeting of Pak- Uzbekistan Parliamentary Friendship Group on Thursday, 9 th February, 2023
106.	Meeting of Pak-RO Korea Parliamentary Friendship Group with the Ambassador H.E Mr. Suh Sangpyo on Monday, 13 th February, 2023
107.	Meeting of Pak-Syria Parliamentary Friendship Group with Ambassador H.E Mr. Dr. Ramez Alraee of Syria to Pak to offer condolences on Tuesday, 14 th February, 2023
108.	Briefing session of Pak-Saudi Arabia Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on Thursday, 16 th February, 2023
109.	Meeting of Pak-RO Korea Parliamentary Friendship Group with the Korean Business delegation on Monday, 20 th February, 2023
110.	Meeting of the Convener Pak-Iraq Parliamentary Friendship Group with the Ambassador of Iraq on Monday, 20 th February, 2023
111.	Briefing session of Pak-Brazil Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Tuesday, 21 st February, 2023

112.	Reception arranged by H.E Mr. WADA Mitsuhiro, Ambassador of Japan to Pakistan on Thursday 23 rd February, 2023
113.	Briefing session of Pak – UK Parliamentary Friendship Group by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on Monday the 27 th February, 2023
114.	Meeting of Pak – UK Parliamentary Friendship Group with H.E Mr. Andrew Dalglish, High Commissioner of UK accompanied with Deputy High Commissioner Ms. Zoe Ware and Deputy Political Councilor Mr. Ewan Harris on Monday the 27 th February, 2023 at 1330 hours
115.	Briefing session of Pak-Hungary Parliamentary Friendship Group from Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Commerce and HEC on Tuesday, 28 th February, 2023
116.	Meeting of the Pak-Hungary Parliamentary Friendship Group with the H.E. Fazekas Béla, Ambassador of the Embassy of Hungary to Pak. The Honorable Speaker presided over this meeting on Tuesday, 28 th February, 2023 at 1500 hours, Parliament House, Islamabad.
117.	Meeting of Ms. Javaria Zafar Aheer, MNA/Chairperson Standing Committee on Information and broadcasting with the H-E Mr. Andrei Metelitsa, the Ambassador to Pakistan on Thursday, 9 th March, 2023
118.	Pak in collaboration with Iranian Cultural Consulate is organizing “2-Day exhibition of the Manuscripts of Quran on April 18-19, 2023
119.	Embassy of Hungary Exhibition Islamic Architectural Heritage in Hungary, Honorable Speaker has inaugurated the exhibition on Tuesday, 2 nd May, 2023
120.	Kyrgyz Delegation side line meeting during International Parliamentary Convention Sideline Meeting during International Convention on Constitution, Chaired by Ms. Shahida Rehmani on Thursday, 11 th May, 2023
121.	Kenya Delegation sideline meeting during International Parliamentary Convention Sideline Meeting during International Convention on Constitution, Chaired by Ms. Rumina Khursheed Alam on Thursday, 11 th May, 2023
122.	Syria Delegation sideline meeting during International Parliamentary Convention Sideline Meeting during International Convention on Constitution, Chaired by Mr. Khan Muhammad Daha on Thursday, 11 th May, 2023
123.	Uzbekistan Meeting followed by Lunch by Convener Parliamentary Friendship Group Meeting of Convener Ms. Shahida Rehmani, with H.E Mr. Oybek Arif Usmanov Ambassador of Uzbekistan to Pakistan on Wednesday, 17 th May, 2023
124.	Pak-Japan Parliamentary Friendship Group Working dinner for the Pak-Japan Parliamentary Friendship Group by H.E Mr. WADA Mitsuhiro, Ambassador of Japan on Thursday, 25 th May, 2023
125.	Briefing session of Pak – Belarus Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce, followed by the meeting with the Ambassador of Belarus Tuesday, 13 th June, 2023

126.	A briefing session of Pak – Brazil Parliamentary Friendship Group by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce, followed by the meeting with the Ambassador of Brazil on Thursday, 15 th June, 2023
127.	A briefing session of Pak – Netherlands Parliamentary Friendship Group by Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Commerce on Tuesday, 20 th June, 2023
128.	Meeting of Pak – Uzbekistan Parliamentary Friendship Group with Uzbek Ambassador on Friday, 23 rd June, 2023
129.	A joint meeting of National Assembly and the Senate with the high-level delegation comprising Swiss Parliament Members and Senior Officials on 8 th July, 2023
130.	Virtual Meeting between Speaker National Assembly, Raja Pervez Ashraf and Mr. Zhao Leji, Chairman NPC China on Tuesday, 25 th July, 2023
131.	Meeting of H. E Leslie Scanlon Canadian High Commissioner with Ms. Naz Baloch, Convener of the Pak – Canada Parliamentary Friendship Group on Wednesday, 2 nd August, 2023
132.	Meeting of Pakistan – Iran Parliamentary Friendship Group with the visiting Iranian Delegation on Thursday, 3 rd August, 2023
133.	Arrangements made by Parliamentary Friendship Groups Cell for Cultural Evening during 5 th CPA Asia Regional Conference in Pak National Council for Arts
134.	Coordination made by Parliamentary Friendship Groups with Members National and Provincial Assemblies and Ambassadors of different Countries in Islamabad for 75 th Anniversary of Independence of Pak on 14 th August, 2022. Arrangements for Cultural Evenings.
135.	Invitations for National, Republican and Armed Forces Days from different Embassies were also coordinated by Parliamentary Friendship Groups Cell for Parliamentary Groups.
136.	Meeting with the Ambassadors from Commonwealth Countries, African Region and Arab Region with the Honorable Speaker was arranged by Parliamentary Friendship Groups Cell.
137.	The Parliamentary Friendship Groups Cell coordinated with Members of National and Provincial Assemblies, Senators and Vice Chancellors of Public and Private Universities across Pak for their participation in the Golden Jubilee Celebration of the Constitution on 10 th April, 2023.
138.	Arrangements of sideline meetings of guest countries with the Conveners of respective countries by Parliamentary Friendship Groups Cell, Coordination with Members in waiting and conducting officers, panelists for different sessions and Members National Assembly, senators and distinguished dignitaries for inaugural, closing sessions and dinner for international Parliamentary Convention to Commemorate the Golden Jubilee of Constitution of Islamic Republic of Pak from 10-11 May 2023.

139.	Moreover, Farewell Calls on Honorable Speakers by the Parliamentary Party Leaders in the National Assembly have also been communicated and coordinated by the Parliamentary Friendship Groups Cell.
140.	Additionally, the Farewell Dinner hosted by the Honorable Speaker for Members National Assembly has been coordinated by Parliamentary Friendship Groups Cell.

PERFORMANCE OF THE PROTOCOL WING DURING THE 15th NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

The Protocol Wing of the National Assembly Secretariat over the years has been extending protocol services to the Speaker, Deputy Speaker and Members of the National Assembly. The wing covers assigned tasks through different sections including visa sections for official and private visas, passport section, food and beverages and another section deals with visits of the students/faculty members and delegates from different academic and research institutes. Major highlights of tasks during tenure of 15th National Assembly pertaining to all sections of the Protocol Wing are as follows:

- i) The visa sections dealing with official visa cases processed visas of all official Parliamentary delegations of the National Assembly led by Honourable Speaker/ Deputy Speaker of National Assembly, nominated Members of the National Assembly and Parliamentary Friendship Groups during five years tenure of the 15th Assembly.
- ii) The section of the Protocol Wing dealing with private visas, processed thousands of visa cases of Members of National Assembly (MNA's), their family members and Ex-MNAs (holding official passports) who visited abroad privately in the last five years.
- iii) The Protocol Wing also extended protocol courtesies to the Ambassadors/ High Commissioners/ Charged Affairs during calls-on the Speaker/Deputy Speaker National Assembly and Members of the National Assembly. They also performed assignments during Joint Sessions of the Majlis e Shura (Parliament), during visits of various Parliamentary delegations from and to abroad as well as Parliamentary

seminars, workshops, National, Regional and International Conferences hosted by the National Assembly of Pakistan.

- iv) In order to open up parliament to the public and to enlighten youth of the country regarding working and functions of the Parliament of Pakistan, the National Assembly receives various groups of students from universities, colleges, schools and different institutes throughout the years. The section of the Protocol dealing with visits of students received hundreds of groups of students from various institutes.
- v) The Food and Beverages (F&B) section of the protocol wing ensured availability of arrangements of refreshments and banquet arrangements during official meetings and official events hosted by the National Assembly of Pakistan.
- vi) The protocol wing also performed duties during in connection with following major events hosted by the National Assembly of Pakistan:
 - Pakistan-Afghanistan Trade & Investment Forum-2020 from 26-28 October, 2020
 - 2nd General Conference of the Parliamentary Assembly of Economic Cooperation Organization (PAECO) held in Islamabad from May 31-June 03, 2021.
 - The Diamond Jubilee celebrations of the first Constituent Assembly of Pakistan from 11-13 August, 2022
 - 3rd IPU Regional Seminar of SDGs for the Parliaments of Asia Pacific on 13th September, 2022
 - Golden Jubilee Celebrations of the Constitution of The Islamic Republic of Pakistan at National Level from 09-10 Apr, 2023.
 - International Parliamentary Convention to commemorate the Golden Jubilee of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan from 10-11 May, 2023



The Second Trilateral Speakers' Meeting of Azerbaijan, Pakistan & Türkiye was held in İstanbul, Türkiye on July 21, 2022.

CHAPTER 5

PARLIAMENTARY FORUMS

Keeping in view the importance of Parliamentary outreach in modern-day democracy, the Parliament of Pakistan over the years has established following Parliamentary forums to create cross part consensus on important and sensitive issues:

- **Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF)**
- **Parliamentary Task Force on SDGs**
- **Women's Parliamentary Caucus (WPC)**
- **Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights (PCCR)**

These forums had not only provided unparalleled assistance for effective legislation, but have succeeded in establishing a bridge between the masses and civil societies on diverse issues of public importance. Recently, a specific Directorate is established which aims to create a platform that facilitates the active engagement of citizens and Civil Society with National Assembly for shaping policies and legislation. The Directorate of Parliamentary Forum would also serve as a bridge connecting the public with their elected representatives, empowering them to contribute their ideas, concerns, and suggestions effectively.

YOUNG PARLIAMENTARIANS FORUM (YPF)

In order to assist young Parliamentarians and to develop future political leadership of the country, a **Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF)** was established in **2003** consisting of members of Parliament who were **40 years** of age or under at the time of election.

The purpose of the Young Parliamentarians Forum is to provide young Parliamentarians with a platform where they can share and develop ideas, improve their legislative and leadership skills, and form inter-regional and inter-party networks.



As legislators, it is important for these Members of Parliament to learn how to initiate and



Islamabad 23.11.2022: Syed Ali Musa Gillani MNA/President YPF addressing inaugural session of Round table Conference with Young Parliamentarians in Parliament House.

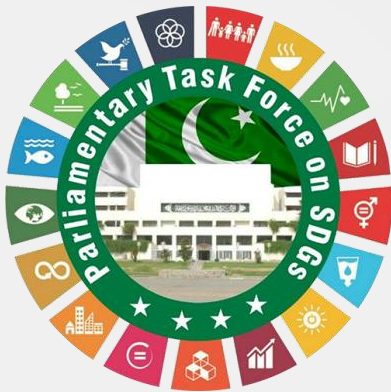
support legislation that can improve the conditions of their constituents. In order for them to fulfil this role, they need to not only be aware of national and international issues of economic, social, and political importance but also play a more proactive

role in policy making. They need to understand the imperatives of economic development and the limitations of developing policies within the given frameworks of international powers. International events have a direct impact on our social and economic realities, thus creating a need for policy makers to understand the currents of the global economy and the need to work strategically with global powers. Indeed, legislators have to work within the given power arrangements and to play an active and effective role as Parliamentarians and more importantly as reformers and leaders. Given below are the feats of YPF in the 15th National Assembly.

Sr. No	Events	Date
1	"The role of multi-faith religious leaders in finding common ground in order to promote sustainable peace."	23 rd February 2022 to 24 th February 2022
2	Two-day National Youth and Parliamentarians` Summit on "Peace Building" was organized at PIPS, Islamabad.	14 th -15 th March 2022
3	Session with Parliamentarians on Affirming Social Cohesion – Promoting Peace and Tolerance - Right to live freely.	12 th May 2022
4	The Sharing Workshop for "Parliamentarians and Parliamentary Functionaries on Parliamentarianism and Constitutional Rights.	10 th June 2022 to 12 th June 2022
5	One-day roundtable dialogue on Parliamentary Diplomacy as a Tool of Strengthening Democratic Institution" was organized by YPF in collaboration with the National Assembly of Pakistan, Hanns Siedel Foundation (HSF) and National Dialogue Forum (NDF) at the National Assembly of Pakistan.	23 rd November 2022
6	One-day Provincial Consultative Session of YPF in association with Shoor Foundation for Education and Awareness (SFEA) on "Youth Democratic Responsibilities in Overcoming Political Polarization" at the Provincial Assembly of Sindh.	12 th December 2022
7	Two-day National Youth Peace Festival	15 th December 2022
8	Grand Dialogue on Youth Democratic Responsibilities "Youth in Parliament"	13 th February 2023
9	Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) in Collaboration with Shoor Foundation for Education and Awareness (SFEA) organized a series of radio programmers under the project "HumAhang for Rights-Huqooq Series."	11 th -13 th April 2023 to 27 th May 2023
10	Responsibilities "Youth in Parliament"	13 th June 2023
11	Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) in collaboration with Shoor Foundation for Education and Awareness (SFEA) organized a Provincial Consultative Session held in Baluchistan aimed to address an urgent Issue concerning the "Role of Youth in Overcoming Political Polarization in Pakistan"	15 th June 2023

12	Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) in collaboration with Shaor Foundation for Education and Awareness (SFEA) organized a two-day Post-Legislative Scrutiny Workshop with Parliamentarians and Functionaries	16 th -18 th June 2023
13	Meeting for the advance team of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) at Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS).	26 th September 2022
14	Hon. Syed Ali Musa Gillani (MNA/President YPF) called upon the team of Shaor Foundation for Education and Awareness (SFEA) and Study International (SI-UK) (Pakistan) at Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS).	16 th November 2022
15	Signing Ceremony of MoU between Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) and Study International (SI-UK) (Pak).	20 th January 2023
17	Signing Ceremony of MoU between Young Parliamentarians Forum (YPF) and Shaor Foundation for Education and Awareness (SFEA).	20 th January 2023
18	Interaction of the Members of YPF and British High Commission Islamabad at an evening buffet reception organized by British High Commission Islamabad.	21 st March 2023
19	Visit to the universities in connection with Parliamentary Youth Ambassadors Program (PYAP) from 06 th to 08 th February 2023.	08 th February 2023
20	Consultative Session on Transgender Issues Held at PIPS	08 th February 2023
21	EU Parliamentarians met Members of the Young Parliamentarians Forum and Parliamentary Friendship Groups	

NATIONAL PARLIAMENTARY TASKFORCE ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDGS)



Honorable Speaker institutionalized National Parliamentary Taskforce on SDGs by restructuring it and established a Governance and Executive Committee for its effective functioning. For the first time since its constitution, the Taskforce has formulated 19 sub-groups which are dedicatedly working on each Sustainable Development Goal. The Taskforce has now also included Senators as Members, hence making the Taskforce representative of both the Houses of the Parliament enabling it to be more vigorous in pursuing the international development agenda.

The Taskforce has been actively engaged with Government offices, concerned departments, academia, NGOs, INGOs and civil society organizations. SDGs sub-groups are working on various subjects including child rights, gender, scorecards, tourism, curbing effects of climate change, and actively contributing to legislative and non-legislative business of the House.

SDGs Taskforce with support from SDGs Secretariat has been able to achieve the following feats:

1. Partnerships with INGOs and NGOs.
2. Contribution to Legislative Business.
3. Efforts for uplifting, renovation and restoration of the Melody Food Park in G6, Islamabad.
4. Initiatives to promote tourism and generate employment.
5. Resolution on Rights of Children and Mothers (unanimously passed by the National Assembly in December 2018).
6. Round-table session on 'Integrating SDGs Agenda into Standing Committees' in 2020.
7. Parliamentary Mental Health Summit at the Presidency in March 2020

8. Legislative review aimed at identifying gaps in legislation related to Child Rights Laws all over Pakistan in 2020.
9. Presentation of Voluntary National Review (VNR) by the Parliamentary delegation of the SDGs Task Force at the UN High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) 2019 in New York.
10. 5th Common Wealth Parliamentary Association Asia Regional Conference 29th July to 02nd August 2019 – Islamabad, Pakistan
11. Development of SDGs District-wise Scorecards.
12. Draft Bill on Renewable Energy to the Ministry of Energy.
13. Anti-Harassment Policy guidelines for Commonwealth Parliaments including 4 provinces of Pakistan.
14. Gender Sensitizing Parliaments Guidelines: Standards and a Checklist for Parliamentary Change.
15. Awareness seminars regarding zero hunger in Kalat district and Kachhi district of Balochistan province.
16. Participation in African and Asian Parliamentarians meeting on ICPD – 25 in 2021.
17. Panel discussion on the impact of COVID-19 on SDGs implementation in the region in the 2nd General Conference of PAECO in 2021.
18. Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan Mr. Asad Qaiser, being the President of the CPA Asia Region, hosted the conference. The CPA aims to promote Parliamentary Diplomacy and Democratic Governance amongst member countries. The aim of this conference was to engage nations to come together for a common good on sustainable development, gender mainstreaming and learning from each other's experiences.

19. First SDGs Taskforce Meeting 2018

The inaugural meeting of the National Parliamentary Taskforce on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Taskforce in 2018 marked a pivotal moment in the journey towards achieving transformative and sustainable change within the National Assembly of Pakistan. The meeting was convened for a gathering that would set the tone for a collaborative and concerted effort to address global challenges. Speaker National Assembly Mr. Asad Qaiser was also part of this meeting.

20. National Consultation on SDGs (April 2019)

The National Parliamentary Task Force on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), in collaboration with PIPS, UNDP and UNICEF organized a two-day consultation in April 2019. It aimed to engage Members of Parliament and Provincial Assemblies to discuss and strategize sustainable development, focusing on collaboration with federal and provincial governments.

21. Consolidation of Child Rights Laws (Federal)

One of the mandated tasks assigned to the SDGs Task Force Special Committee on Child Rights (CR) was to work on a legislative review aimed at identifying gaps in legislation and prioritization of the actions for every child to realize their rights in collaboration with UNICEF. In January 2020 the CR Special-Committee along with the Standing Committee on Law and Justice was tasked to draw together different enactments on similar topics into a single Act.

22. Pak-Afghan Women MPs Dialogue on Sustainable Peace (February 2020):

Recognizing the joint commitment to improve sustainable peace and security in the region, women Parliamentarians, civil society representatives, academicians, and civil service officers from Afghanistan met with SDGs Task Force Members on February 17, 2020. The delegates agreed that in order to achieve peace, the promotion of women in all spheres of society is fundamental to development, and acknowledged that elected women representatives have a vital role to play in shaping the socio-economic and political empowerment of women in their respective countries. Supporting women Parliamentarians by providing them with access to networks, information and examples of best practices would help to enhance their profiles within their legislatures and would enable them to influence and encourage women in their countries to become active in the political and economic processes. Participants from both sides showed willingness to explore opportunities to collaborate on international programs and activities that benefit women and child welfare of both countries.

23. Mental Health Summit (March 2020):

Growing global evidence about mental disorders suggests that social factors are strongly related to mental health. Mental health conditions are one of the most common causes of disability worldwide. There is limited awareness and great stigma attached to mental illness. This is a challenge across the world, particularly in South Asia where literacy rates are low. Given these constraints, the SDGs Task Force hosted a Parliamentary Mental Health Summit on March 12, 2020 at the Presidency. The aim of the Summit was to learn and share experiences to bring about a legislative intervention for the protection and promotion of mental health education across the country. Besides Parliamentarians, diplomatic missions, civil society, international partners, academia and media attended the event.

24. International Day for Street Children (April 2021):

Supported by the International Consortium for Street Children, the event centered around the theme "Access for Street Children." Discussions included "defining street children, challenges in education access, and obstacles to justice access ". The event was moderated by Hon. Mehnaz Akber Aziz with a keynote address by Hon. Minister for Human Rights Dr. Shireen Mazari.

25. Impact of COVID-19 on the Implementation of SDGs in the Region.

The SDGs Secretariat of the National Assembly of Pakistan hosted a Panel Discussion Session on "Impact of COVID-19 on the Implementation of SDGs in the Region."

26. 12th National Youth Peace Festival.

The SDG Secretariat, in collaboration with the SDPI, co-partnered at the **UN's Sustainable Development Conference** and the 6th South Asia SDG Forum arranged 12th National Youth Peace Festival addressing the dangers of nicotine and tobacco for young girls.

27. National Meet on SDGs 2022

The National Meet on SDGs 2022 hosted an in-depth and conclusive discussion on Pakistan's issues such as urban flooding, environmental degradation, rising poverty, food scarcity, energy difficulties and inadequate flood control with an emphasis on the post-COVID-19 situation and with the aim to integrate SDGs into National Policy. The event was supported by Mustehkam Parlamaan, a project of the EU focused on providing support to parliamentary development in Pakistan.

28. Appointment of Goodwill Ambassador of SDGs.

On 15th June 2023, the SDGs Secretariat appointed national hero and fast bowler of Pakistan Cricket Team Mr. Haris Rauf as the Goodwill Ambassador of Sustainable Development Goals. Deputy Speaker Zahid Akram Durrani and Convener National Parliamentary Taskforce on SDGs Ms. Romina Khurshid Alam warmly welcomed the SDG Goodwill Ambassador Mr. Haris Rauf in the Parliament House.

29. Consultative Workshop on Strengthening Article 140A

A Consultative workshop on strengthening the Article 140A of the Constitution of Pakistan was organized by the SDGs Secretariat in collaboration with Dehleez on 20th June 2023. The meeting was chaired by Hon. Romina Khurshid Alam, Convener National Parliamentary Taskforce on SDGs and the Federal Minister for Planning, Development, and Special Initiatives Mr. Ahsan Iqbal, was attended by several members of the National Assembly.

30. Meeting for the Formation of a Working Group for GDI

Hon Speaker Raja Pervez Ashraf and Hon Convener held a virtual meeting with H.E Zhao Leji Standing Committee Chair of the National People's Congress of People's Republic of China on 25th July 2023. The meeting aimed to strengthen ties between the two sides by expanding Parliamentary cooperation. In continuation of the meeting - the SDGs Secretariat pursued the formation of a working group for GDI - mainstreaming the achievement of SDGs in both friendly neighbors.

31. National Meet on SDGs 2022

With a warm welcome to the participants, Hon Convener inaugurated the SDGs Meet 2022 organized by the SDGs Secretariat on 3rd August, 2022.



32. International Constitutional Convention

The International Constitutional

Convention was a momentous event held to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Constitution of Pakistan. The Convention aimed at National Assembly to foster a global dialogue on constitutionalism, democratic governance and human rights. It provided a platform to legal scholars, constitutional experts, diplomats and dignitaries from around the world to exchange ideas, share best practices, and explore the challenges and opportunities associated with constitutional development and implementation.

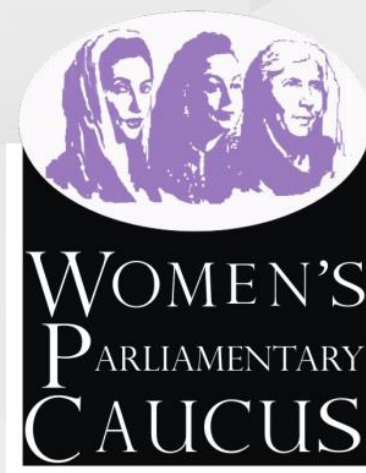
Special Assistant to PM/Convener National Parliamentary Taskforce on SDGs Ms. Romina Khurshid Alam address the participants at the Closing Ceremony of the National Meet on SDGs on 28th July, 2022 in Islamabad.

33. Emergency Meeting on Urban Flooding

The Hon. Convener chaired an emergency meeting to discuss the strategy of the Capital Development Authority (CDA) to manage urban flooding and heat wave. The Convener mentioned that ICT witnessed urban flooding in 2021 which caused various difficulties for the city's residents. A meeting was held at the SDGs Secretariat last year 2022 to avoid a similar situation before the monsoon rains began.

WOMEN'S PARLIAMENTARY CAUCUS (WPC)

The Women's Parliamentary Caucus (WPC) is a cross-party forum for women Parliamentarians of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan. The WPC was established to enhance women's participation and engagement in all Parliamentary Affairs. The caucus was created on 21 November 2008 by a resolution of the National Assembly. WPC is run by an elected Secretary along with a working council comprising of women Parliamentarians both from the government and opposition parties.



Five Years Performance of the Women Parliamentary Caucus is given below:

S.No.	Engagements/Events	Date
PART-I		
WPC UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF MS. MUNAZA HASSAN		
1.	Women's Parliamentary Caucus National Assembly in collaboration with Special Talent Exchange Program (STEP) and US Embassy arranged a Policy Dialogue at the Parliament House Islamabad	13 th December, 2018
2.	Secretary WPC Munaza Hassan Participated in the Conscience Movement, Istanbul Turkiye	21 st February, 2019
3.	The Women's Parliamentary Caucus organized an impactful event at Aiwan-e-Sadr to celebrate International Women's Day with the theme of 'Better the Balance, Better the world'.	7 th March, 2019
4.	Secretary WPC Munaza Hassan attended 63rd Session of UNCSW	14 th March, 2019
5.	The 2 nd General Assembly Meeting of the Women's Parliamentary Caucus was held at National Assembly of Pakistan.	28 th May, 2019
6.	The Women's Parliamentary Caucus (WPC) and the Westminster Foundation for Democracy (WFD) entered into a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to achieve their common objectives.	25 th June, 2019
7.	Women's Parliamentary Caucus organized an interactive session titled 'Challenges and Impediments against Women in Politics'.	31 st July, 2019
8.	WPC brought together youth from seventy-two universities from all across Pakistan to interact with Parliamentarians through a month-long online	19 th September, 2019

	competition and prize distributing event known as 'Jamhoriyat Hum Se'.	
9.	The Second Khadija Tul Kubra Awards Ceremony was organized by the Women Parliamentary Caucus, STEP, UN Women, and the U.S. Embassy.	04 th November, 2019
10.	Secretary WPC Ms. Munaza Hassan and Federal Minister for Human Rights Dr. Shireen Mazari represented the National Assembly of Pakistan at the 'Women, Peace and Security Agenda: A platform for Transformative Change'	19 th November, 2019
11.	The Women's Parliamentary Caucus National Assembly of Pakistan and UNWOMEN jointly organized an exchange of experience event with provincial Women Parliamentary Caucuses and Parliamentarians titled 'Empowered Pakistani Woman'.	04 th December, 2019
12.	Women's Parliamentary Caucus in collaboration with UN Women hosted International Women's Day 2020 based upon the theme of "Generation Equality, Realizing Women's Rights for an Equal Future."	08 th March, 2020
13.	Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS), Women Parliamentary Caucus at the National Assembly, UNDP and UNFPA jointly organized a seminar to celebrate International Women's Day 2020.	10 th March, 2020
14.	General Assembly session of Women's Parliamentary Caucus was held in National Assembly Secretariat, Parliament House under the chairmanship of Honorable Speaker National Assembly, Mr. Asad Qaiser. The Strategic Plan of WPC 2019-2023 was approved during the meeting.	26 th January, 2021
15.	The Secretary WPC, Ms. Munaza Hassan chaired the consultation meeting on "Gender and Climate Change Parliamentary Initiatives" for media reporters of the National Assembly.	04 th February, 2021
16.	In the honor of women achievers and to commemorate International Women's Day, Women's Parliamentary Caucus organized an event based upon the theme of "Women in Leadership: Achieving an Equal Future in a COVID-19 world".	08 th March, 2021
17.	Letter to International Organizations regarding ongoing brutal operation against Palestinians in Sheikh Jarrah Jerusalem on 18 th may 2021.	18 th May, 2021
18.	CPA UK in collaboration with the Women's Parliamentary Caucus of National Assembly,	25 th -27 th May, 2021

	Parliament House organized a three-day virtual program focusing on strengthening the capacity of the first term Parliamentarians.	
19.	Virtual Meeting between WPC Pakistan and WAC of Wolesi Jirga Afghanistan.	26 th May, 2021
20.	WPC conducted a conference comprised upon two main sessions: 'Women in Leadership Roles: Leading of the Agenda of Regional Connectivity' and 'Impact of Climate Change on Women – Affirmative Actions by Regional Parliaments' respectively.	01 st June, 2021
21.	Members of Women's Parliamentary Caucus (WPC) visit Bagh, AJK	13 th -14 th July, 2021
22.	Forum for Dignity Initiatives (FDI) visit to WPC	8 th September, 2021
23.	WPC paid a tribute to all women Parliamentarians of Pakistan's history by making a history wall outside the WPC office in the National Assembly of Pakistan.	18 th November, 2021
24.	3 rd 'Post Legislative Scrutiny Workshop' (PLS) for National Assembly Members under the Legislative Effectiveness Program was conducted in Movenpick, Karachi.	14 th -16 th January, 2022
25.	Women's Parliamentary Caucus in collaboration with Islamabad Group celebrated International Women's Day on March 7 th , 2022 and organized a poet's symposium in Islamabad.	7 th March, 2022
26.	Meeting of the Working Council of Women's Parliamentary Caucus (WPC)	9 th June, 2022
PART-II		
WPC UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF DR. SHAHIDA REHMANI (WPC in 2022)		
27.	During the WPC General Assembly Meeting, Honorable Speaker National Assembly Raja Pervez Ashraf visited the Women's Parliamentary Caucus (WPC) and congratulated the newly appointed Secretary of WPC Dr. Shahida Rehmani.	7 th June, 2022
28.	The Diamond Jubilee Convention for Women Parliamentarians, hosted in Parliament House, celebrated the struggles and sacrifices of women leaders in the independence movement.	12 th August, 2022
29.	Meeting of the Sub-Committee on Post-Legislative Scrutiny with Anthro Insights was held in WPC office, Parliament House.	16 th August, 2023
30.	To Commemorate the International Democracy Day, WPC organized a seminar. Honorable Speaker National Assembly Raja Pervez Ashraf, during the	12 th September, 2022

	conclusion of a seminar stated “Democracy is the collective wisdom of the nation”.	
31.	Secretary Women’s Parliamentary Caucus Dr. Shahida Rehmani thanked Inter- Parliamentary Conference(IPC) for organizing the 3rd regional seminar for the Asia-Pacific Region’s Parliaments on achieving the SDGs	12 th September, 2022
32.	Meeting with NCSW and Council of Islamic Ideology on Post Legislative Scrutiny of Inheritance Laws	9 th October, 2022
33.	Meeting with NCRC and Lawyers on PLS of Inheritance Laws	25 th October, 2022
34.	Women’s Parliamentary Caucus (WPC) organized a two-day workshop with the support of Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) on “Gender Budgeting” for WPC Members and Parliamentarians.	1 st November, 2022
35.	Secretary WPC, Ms. Shahida Rehmani officially opened the forum and welcomed all the participants along with a thorough introduction of pro-women initiatives taken by WPC including the notification of the Sub-Committee on Post Legislative Scrutiny, gender budgeting, and electoral reforms to ensure inclusion of women at national and grass-root level.	24 th November, 2022
36.	Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians ‘Champions for Gender Equality’ Workshop Promotes Equal Representation in Commonwealth Parliaments.	5 th -7 th December, 2022
37.	WPC organized a two-day workshop for Gilgit Baltistan Members Legislative Assembly at WPC Secretariat National Assembly, Parliament House, Islamabad.	22 nd -23 rd December, 2022
38.	Belgian Parliamentary Delegation visit WPC	16 th January, 2023
39.	Workshop with Women Parliamentary Caucus on Gender Budgeting in Pakistan.	18 th January, 2023
40.	WPC in collaboration with FES has launched the Summary Paper on “Gender Budgeting in Pakistan”.	19 th January, 2023
41.	General Assembly meeting of Women’s Parliamentary Caucus was held in WPC conference room.	9 th February, 2023
42.	Meeting between Secretary WPC and Turkish Ambassador	9 th February, 2023
43.	Meeting Between Secretary WPC and Chairman Senate	9 th February, 2023
44.	Virtual Meeting WPC and Parliamentary Friendship Group Uzbekistan	9 th February, 2023

45.	WPC organized a national convention of women Parliamentarians in Islamabad to highlight the importance of empowering women in leadership roles.	13 th February, 2023
46.	Meeting between WPC and Omer Asghar Khan Foundation	14 th February, 2023
47.	Meeting between WPC and Friedrich Ebert Stiftung(FES)	14 th February, 2023
48.	Women's Parliamentary Caucus celebrated International Women's Day on 8th March, 2023. Honorable Speaker National Assembly was the chief guest of the event.	8 th March, 2023
49.	Meeting amongst Honorable Speaker National Assembly, Treasurer WPC and UN-Women Country Representative	12 th March, 2023
50.	WPC Working Council Meeting	7 th April, 2023
51.	WPC, in collaboration with Fredrich Eburt Stiftung (FES) Pakistan, organized a consultation session on Gender Responsive Budgeting with the media groups	11 th April, 2023
52.	Meeting with Vice Chancellor of Fatima Jinnah Women University to bridge the gap between Parliament and Academia	13 th April, 2023
53.	The National Assembly of Pakistan held a "Final Round of all Pakistan Declamation Contest" to commemorate the golden jubilee of the Constitution of Pakistan (1973-2023) at PIPS Auditorium.	17 th April, 2023
54.	WPC spearheads collaborations for Women's economic empowerment while conducting the Meeting with Small and Medium Enterprises Development Authority (SMEDA)	9 th May, 2023
55.	Meeting with the delegation from Kyrgyz Republic	11 th May, 2023
56.	Meeting with the delegation of Kenya	11 th May, 2023
57.	Preparatory meeting with UN-Women Pakistan representatives to explore collaborations on Constitution and gender Equality.	14 th May, 2023
58.	Meeting with UN-Women and Ministry of Law Representatives to Review Pakistan's Constitution from a women lens.	16 th May, 2023
59.	Meeting with Uzbekistan Ambassador to enhance bilateral relations and foster cooperation	19 th May, 2023
60.	UN-Women and WPC discuss Women's political participation in Pakistan	24 th May, 2023
61.	WPC General Assembly Meeting on Economic Empowerment of Women and the Role of SMEDA	24 th May, 2023

62.	Meeting with Islamabad Women's Chamber of Commerce (IWCC)	30 th May, 2023
63.	Dr. Shahida Rehmani, Secretary WPC, met with the representatives from FAFEN for promoting electoral process.	31 st May, 2023
64.	WPC and the Ministry of Law and Justice co-organized a two day groundbreaking event, "Reclaiming the Space: Reading the Constitution from Women's Perspective", which began critical deliberations on the Constitution through women's eyes.	5 th -6 th June, 2023
65.	Meeting of the Inter-Provincial Ministerial Group	7 th June, 2023
66.	Secretary WPC, Dr. Shahida Rehmani was the chief guest at the "Stakeholders Consultation Workshop on World Environment Day 2023".	7 th June, 2023
67.	Meeting with WPC Partners, UNDP and UN-Women Pakistan	14 th June, 2023
68.	WPC organized a roundtable on Federal Budget FY2023-24 to support Gender- Responsive Budgeting in light of Pakistan's Constitution and international commitments.	15 th June, 2023
69.	Honorable Speaker National Assembly Raja Pervez Ashraf joined Women's Parliamentary Caucus (WPC) at a special event organized to commemorate Shaheed Mohtarma Benazir Bhutto's 70 th birth anniversary.	21 st June, 2023
70.	A meeting of the General Assembly of the WPC was held to discuss the current status of women's economic empowerment across Pakistan.	21 st June, 2023
71.	Secretary WPC visit to Islamabad's First Women Jail	22 nd June, 2023
72.	MoU Signed between WPC and Fatima Jinnah Women University	22 nd June, 2023
73.	The Women's Parliamentary Caucus co-organized the Roundtable on Electoral reforms, in collaboration with the Sindh Women Caucus.	5 th July, 2023
74.	In a groundbreaking display of unity, political parties come together at the "Roundtable of Political Parties on Women's Manifesto 2023", organized by Women's Parliamentary Caucus (WPC) in collaboration with the UN Women.	18 th -19 th July, 2023
75.	WPC Working Council Meeting	1 st August, 2023
76.	The Women's Parliamentary Caucus in collaboration with UNDP and UN-Women, held a "National Dialogue on Women Inclusive Electoral Processes".	3 rd August, 2023

77.	The Women's Parliamentary Caucus of the National Assembly launched its 'Annual Report 2023' at the closing ceremony of 'National Dialogue on Women Inclusive Electoral Processes'.	3 rd August, 2023
78.	WPC hosted a National Transformative Dialogue on Living Wages and Income' in collaboration with Women Political Leaders (WPL) at Parliament House, Islamabad.	7 th August, 2023
79.	Hon'ble Dr. Shahida Rehmani, Secretary Women's Parliamentary Caucus met with the worthy Mr. Tahir Hussain, Secretary National Assembly of Pakistan and presented gender budgeting report and a shield.	9 th August, 2023

Legislative Contributions by WPC

S. No	Bill	Introduced by	Introduced in	Introduced on	Passed by/Assented on	Passed on
1.	The National Commission on the Status of Women (Amendment) bill	Ms. Aliya Kamran	National Assembly	11.06.2018	Assented by the President	15.10.2021
2	The Legal Practitioners and Bar Council (Amendment) Act, 2018	Ms. Aliya Kamran	National Assembly	11.12.2018	Passed by the Senate	27.09.2021
3	The Transplantation of Human Organs and Tissues (Amendment)Bill	Ms. Kishwer Zehra	National Assembly	05.08.2019	Passed in joint sitting and assented by the President	26.06.2023
4	The Islamabad Capital Territory Domestic Workers Bill	Ms. Mehnaz Akber Aziz	National Assembly	05.08.2019	Passed in Joint Sitting	17.11.2021

5	The Pakistan Medical and Dental Council Bill, 2022	Dr. Mehreen Razaque Bhutto	National Assembly	08.06.2022	Assented by the President	12.01.2023
6	The Zainab Alert, Response and Recovery Act, 2020 (Act XV 2020)	Dr. Shireen Mizari	National Assembly	24.04.2019	Assented by the President	19.03.2020
7	The Metropolitan International Institute of Science and Technology	Ms. Wajiha Qamar	National Assembly	16.05.2023	Passed by the Senate	09.08.2023
8	The Day Care Centres Bill, 2019	Ms. Sassui Palejo	Senate	03.05.2019	Passed in Joint Sitting and accented by the President	15.06.2023
9	The Trained Paramedical Staff Facility Bill, 2019	Ms. Quratulain Marri	Senate	04.30.2019	Passed in Joint Sitting	15.05.2023
10	The Parliamentary Institute for Parliamentary Services, Bill, 2019	Sassui Palejo	Senate	09.04.2019	Assented by the President	25.02.2020
11	The Islamabad Compulsory Vaccination and Protection of Health Workers Bill, 2020	Ayesha Raza Farooq	Senate	12.08.2020	Passed in Joint Sitting	20.12.2022

12	The Maternity and Paternity Leave Bill, 2020	Quratulain Marri	Senate	12.08.2022	Passed in Joint Sitting and assented by the President	20.06.2023
13	The Dyslexia Special Measures Bill, 2020	Samina Saeed	Senate	14.07.2020	Passed in the joint Sitting	11.10.2022
14	The Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (Amendment) Bill, 2020	Sassui Palejo	Senate	28.10.2020	Assented by the President	18.02.2021
15	The Trade Organization (Amendment) Bill, 2021	Ms. Fauzia Arshad	Senate	29.01.2021	Passed in Joint Sitting and assented by the President	01.11.2022

S.No	Activity	Held on
1	Secretary WPC Munaza Hassan Participated in the Conscience Movement, Istanbul Turkiye	21 st February, 2019
2	Secretary WPC Munaza Hassan attended 63 rd Session of UNCSW	14 th March, 2019
3	Secretary WPC Ms. Munaza Hassan and Federal Minister for Human Rights Dr. Shireen Mazari represented the National Assembly of Pakistan at the 'Women, Peace and Security Agenda: A platform for transformative Change'	19 th November, 2019
4	Letter to International Organizations regarding ongoing brutal operation against Palestinians in Sheikh Jarrah Jerusalem 18 th may 2021	18 th May, 2021
5	Virtual Meeting between WPC Pakistan and WAC of Wolesi Jirga Afghanistan	26 th May, 2021
6	Members of Women's Parliamentary Caucus (WPC) visit Bagh, AJK	13 th -14 th July, 2021
7	Forum for Dignity Initiatives (FDI) visit to WPC	8 th September, 2021
8	NCSW Consultation Session	

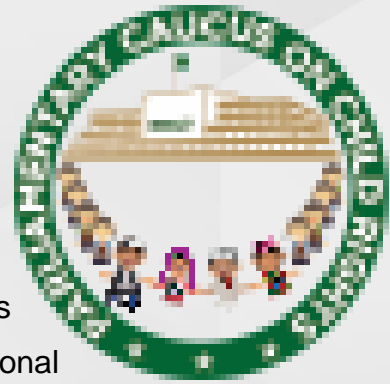
9	Parliamentary bilateral meeting between Council of Representatives Kingdom of Bahrain and Women's Parliamentary Caucus (WPC)	
10	Meeting of the Working Council of Women's Parliamentary Caucus (WPC)	9 th June, 2022
11	WPC visit to Election Commission	
12	Meeting with NCSW and Council of Islamic Ideology on Post Legislative Scrutiny of Inheritance Laws	9 th October, 2022
13	Meeting with NCRC and Lawyers On PLS of Inheritance Laws	25 th October, 2022
14	WPC Delegation Visit to Polyclinic Breast Cancer Unit	
15	Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians 'Champions for Gender Equality' Workshop Promotes Equal Representation in Commonwealth Parliaments	5 th -7 th December, 2022
16	Belgian Parliamentary Delegation visit WPC	16 th January, 2023
17	Meeting between Secretary WPC and Turkish Ambassador	9 th February, 2023
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PARLIAMENTARY CAUCUS ON CHILD RIGHTS (PCCR)

Establishment of Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights (01 November 2023)

Honorable Speaker National Assembly Raja Pervez Ashraf constituted the first-ever Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights under the convenorship of Member National Assembly/Parliamentary Secretary on Law & Justice Ms. Mehnaz Akbar Aziz on 1st November, 2023. The Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights constituted in pursuance of unanimous Resolution adopted by National Assembly during its session held on 20th October 2022. This Resolution was adopted to ensure provision of fundamental rights to all children as the bright future of the country is interlinked with protection and prosperity of children. The Resolution was tabled by MNA/Parliamentary Secretary on Law & Justice Ms. Mehnaz Akbar Aziz list of the Honourable Members of the Caucus is given below:



- **Ms. Shaza Fatima Khwaja,**
- **Mr. Mohsin Nawaz Ranjha,**
- **Mr. Saad Waseem,**
- **Ms. Naz Baloch,**
- **Mr. Qadir Khan Mandokhail,**
- **Ms. Asiya Azeem,**
- **Dr. Muhammad Afzal Khan Dhandla,**
- **Mr. Muhammad Abubakar,**
- **Ms. Shahida Akhtar Ali**
- **Mr. Mohsin Dawar**

First Meeting of the Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights (17th Nov, 2022)

An introductory meeting of the Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights (PCCR) was held under the Convenorship of MNA Ms. Mehnaz Akber Aziz, Convener/Parliamentary Secretary for Law and Justice. The Honourable Convenor shared the background of the formation of the PCCR. The Members reviewed the resolution, tabled by the children

during the Children's Parliament, and the workings of the National Commission on the Rights of the Child were briefly discussed in the meeting. Honorable Members desired that the details of strategic plans, the process of staff appointments, and the details of complaint redressal be shared in the next meeting.

Second Meeting of the Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights (1st Dec, 2022)

The Honourable Convener, Ms. Mehnaz Akbar Aziz convened the second meeting of the Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights on 1st December, 2022. The Caucus reviewed the Child Rights Conventions



Islamabad 01.12.2022: Convener Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights Ms. Mehnaz Akbar Aziz MNA, chairing 2nd meeting at Parliament House.

and took briefings on Child-Centric legislative review of the other provinces (Baluchistan, Sindh & Punjab). The Caucus decided that both the issues, identification of legislative gaps, and implementation be addressed together with the efforts to find viable ways out.

Consultative Meeting on Framing of Draft Rules for Islamabad Capital Territory Domestic Workers Act, 2022 (Act No. XXV of 2022) (27th Jan, 2023)

A consultative meeting on framing of draft rules for Islamabad Capital Territory Domestic Workers Act, 2022 (Act No. XXV of 2022) was arranged by the Ministry of Law and Justice under the Chairmanship of MNA Ms. Mehnaz Akbar Aziz, Parliamentary Secretary for Law and Justice. The meeting was held between the Federal Ministry of Law and Justice, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung FES Pakistan (a political foundation based in Germany), and Members of the Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights. Prof. Herta Daubler-Gmelin, Former Federal Minister of Justice of Germany, attended the meeting from FES Pakistan along with his team and assisted in the finalization of draft rules for the ICT Domestic Workers Act, 2022 which would also protect child rights.

Briefing on Legislative Measures Addressing Malnutrition (8th Feb, 2023)

The SDGs Secretariat and the Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights held a briefing on legislative measures addressing malnutrition across Pakistan. All the relevant stakeholders participated and gave recommendations/suggestions for the measures that could help address malnutrition.

Third Meeting of the Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights (28th March, 2023)

Mehnaz Akber Aziz, focused on presentations regarding the National Commission on the Rights of the Child (NCHR) achievements and the National Action Plan for Child Protection. The caucus collectively opposed extending the current chairperson's term at the National Commission for Human Rights (NCHR) due to perceived underperformance. They suggested a transparent recruitment process for a competent Chairperson. Moreover, the Convener stressed on collective responsibility of all concerned institutions towards all Pakistani children, urging stakeholders to act beyond devolved entities. Furthermore, the work of the caucus related to actively developing regulations against corporal punishment, and collaboration with relevant ministries for this purpose was appreciated in the meeting.

Meeting of Minority Children with the Speaker National Assembly (30th March, 2023)

The children from religious minorities in Pakistan attended a meeting on 30th March, 2023 to present their Charter of Demand to the Honourable Speaker of the National Assembly of Pakistan, the Honourable Chairman Senate of Pakistan and to the Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights of Pakistan. The meeting was convened by MNA Ms. Mehnaz Akbar Aziz, Parliamentary Secretary for Law and Justice, and was attended by MNA Naveed Aamir Jeeva.

Fourth Meeting of the Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights (5th May, 2023)

The meeting emphasized to work for result-oriented and beneficial collaborations for child rights. NCHR/NCRC presented their workings related to PCCR. Ms Ayesha Raza Farooq

attended her first meeting as Chairperson of NCRC. Honorable Convener exposed her concern about the progress of work regarding the Child Marriage Restraint Bill and inquired about the details of meetings and their results regarding this issue.

Punishment Rules (25th May, 2022)

The collaborative efforts of the Ministry of Federal Education and Professional Training, Ministry of Law & Justice, Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights, and UNICEF Pakistan culminated in the successful launch of the "Islamabad Capital Territory Prohibition of Corporal Punishment Rules, 2022." Held at the Islamabad Model College for Girls (IMCG) in F-10/2 on May 25, 2023, the event witnessed the attendance of the Honorable Federal Minister, PCCR Convener Ms. Mehnaz Akbar Aziz, and UNICEF Representative Mr. Shahzad Roy. This launch signifies a pivotal stride in safeguarding children from corporal punishment within the capital territory under the "Prohibition of Corporal Punishment Act, 2021." The implementation of these comprehensive rules underscores the government's commitment alongside stakeholders to foster a secure environment, prioritizing the elimination of corporal punishment.

Promoting and Protecting Children's Rights in Pakistan Launch of "Islamabad Capital Territory Prohibition of Corporal (3 June, 2023)

The Convener of the Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights engaged in a round table titled "Promoting and Protecting Children's Rights in Pakistan," hosted by SAHSOL at Lahore University of Management Sciences and the American Bar Association. The discussion highlighted Pakistan's ranking at 154 out of 182 countries on the Global Child Rights Index, attributing this position to the country's deficient legal framework and insufficient implementation mechanisms concerning child rights. It was emphasized that Pakistan requires an improved legal system and more effective implementation strategies specifically designed to advance and safeguard the rights of children for their holistic development and protection.

Stakeholder Consultation to Eradicating Child Domestic Labor Meeting held on (7th June, 2023)

Group Development Pakistan (GDP) collaborated with the Federal Ministry of Law & Justice and with the Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights to call on a meeting to

strengthen the enforcement and implementation of laws and policies regarding Child domestic labor and to protect the rights of domestic labor. The consultation provided a platform for stakeholders from various sectors to come together, exchange insights, and to contribute drafting of rules, advocacy strategy, and implementation roadmap. There have been reports of child domestic workers being subjected to physical, emotional, and sexual abuse. To address this situation and the connection between child protection and child domestic work, the federal and provincial governments have enacted laws, and developed policies, action plans, and programs aiming to foster the implementation of labor rights.

Proposed Rules Meeting held on (23rd June 2023)

The International Labor Organization (ILO) implemented a project titled "Expanding Social Security to Domestic Workers in Pakistan" to develop sustainable and gender-responsive models to extend social security coverage to domestic workers in Punjab and Islamabad Capital Territory (ICT) by increasing formalization of the informal workers including domestic workers. On the request of the Ministry of Law and Justice and the ICT Labor Administration, a gap analysis study of "ICT-Domestic Workers Act-2022" has been commenced to assess the gaps and put forward recommendations to reform the legislation and streamline implementation efforts and processes in light of Convention-189 of ILO on Domestic Workers, other labor standards, and international best practices related to social security.

The Rules of Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights Meeting held on (7th Aug, 2023)

Ms. Mehnaz Akber Aziz, Convenor PCCR/ Parliamentary Secretary for Law and Justice in remarks at the launching ceremony of Rules for Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights (PCCR) expressed her gratitude to Speaker National Assembly Raja Pervez Ashraf for his continuous support. She remarked, "Today is the historic day as for the first time in the 75-year history of Pakistan, Parliament is laying a strong foundation to safeguard children's rights by launching formal Rules of the Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights. These rules are the bedrock of our Parliamentary commitment to uphold and safeguard our children.

CHAPTER 6

PARLIAMENTARY SUPPORT SERVICES

SPECIAL INITIATIVES WING

The Honorable Speaker for the first time in the history of the National Assembly Secretariat, created the Special Initiatives (SI) wing to institutionalize the initiatives introduced by the National Assembly Secretariat under his leadership and streamline donor-driven activity.

Under the leadership of Honorable Speaker, following initiatives were introduced:

1. Developed and launched National Assembly Strategic Plan (2019-23)
2. Carried out the first ever **budgeting exercise** of the National Assembly Strategic Plan for financial year 2021-22 by developing targeted work plans of various wings and directorates of this Secretariat.
3. A comprehensive **Accessibility Audit** of the Parliament House building. As a result, for the first time in the history of the National Assembly an accessible website, braille constitution for persons with disabilities was introduced and access of special persons to the Parliament House was facilitated.

Following are some of the highlights of the special committee on Persons with Disabilities (PWDs):

Carried out a comprehensive Accessibility Audit of the Parliament House building. As a result, for the first time in the history of National Assembly, the following facilities have been arranged in the Parliament House under the directions of the Hon'ble Speaker:

- 5 Accessible parking Slots
- 5 Accessible Toilets
- 6 Ramps
- Accessible Ablution Point in the Parliament Mosque
- Reserved Seating in Visitor Gallery of the National Assembly Hall

- Wheelchairs
 - Historic development has been the launch of the Braille Constitution of Pakistan. This translation of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Pakistan to Braille would be of immense help to the Visually Impaired Persons.
 - Official website of the National Assembly is being made accessible for the Visually Impaired Persons.
 - Special Committee was constituted to carry out a detailed legislative review of the existing laws related to the Persons with Disabilities.
 - Right of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2020.
 - Launch of the Mobile App for Persons with Disabilities (PWDs).
 - Distribution of wheelchairs amongst the (PWDs).
 - Directed Pakistan Bureau of Statistics (PBS) to conduct an alternate survey to include (PWDs).
 - Directed NADRA, ICT Police, CDA and Human Rights Ministry to facilitate (PWDs).
4. Constituted **Special Committee on Agricultural products** which has attained hallmark achievements like impacting both the National Policy and Government Reforms in the agriculture sector.
- The National Assembly Special Committee on Agricultural Products convened a first ever National Dialogue on Agriculture from the platform of the Parliament.
 - Following nationwide stakeholders' consultation, the Committee presented a 'National Agricultural Growth Strategy' to the Cabinet Committee on 'Agriculture Package' and the Ministry of National Food Security and Research.
 - The Committee's recommendations on the 'Minimum Support Price' for wheat were instrumental in enhancing the MSP for wheat for the years 2019-20 and 2020-21 respectively.
 - The Committee's intervention ensured a record raise in fruits and vegetables exports last year. The Committee's recommended a refinance scheme for the microfinance banks to extend loans to the small land holder farmers was incorporated in the 'Kamyab Pakistan' program.

- On the intervention of the Committee, the tobacco taxation policy was revised to redress the balance in the interest of the farmers and ‘cotton seed oil cake’ were exempted from taxation.
 - The Committee made recommendations on budget, minimum support prices, intellectual property rights, subsidies, locust, loans, exports, and power tariff relief for the farmers.
 - The Committee, in a bid to create employment opportunities for youth in the agricultural sector, furnished concrete proposals for the ‘*Kamyab Jawan*’ program.
 - The Committee is working with various stakeholders to furnish recommendations on necessary legislative revisions, export facilitation plan, amendments in the legal framework for tobacco production and marketing and facilitate honey value chain development etc.
5. Supported organizing of the **5th CPA Asia Regional Conference** on “Envisioning Parliamentary Paths towards a Diverse and Developed South Asia” in August 2019.
 6. Supported **Pak-Afghan Trade** Investment Forum hosted by National Assembly Secretariat in October 2020.
 7. Provided assistance in organizing of **PAECO Conference** on “Promoting Parliamentary Partnership for Regional Integration” in June 2021.
 8. The committee spearheaded efforts in organizing two successful **consecutive sessions of OIC** in Parliament House, Islamabad Pakistan and took international diplomacy to other heights by forging unity between the Muslim nations and cementing regional ties.
 - Look Africa initiative has been another highlight of parliamentary diplomacy under the leadership of Hon. Asad Qaiser. The purpose was to promote ties and enhance cooperation with African countries on matters of mutual interest. These efforts have led to the first ever visit by any head of the National Assembly of the Republic of Niger to Pakistan.
 - H.E. Mr. Seyni Oumarou, President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Niger visited Pakistan from August 6-12, 2021. A Memorandum of

Understanding (MoU) was signed during the visit for fostering inter-parliamentary cooperation.

Pak-Afghan Relations

Under the Chairmanship of Honorable Speaker, Parliamentary Friendship Group on Afghanistan since its inaugural meeting in July, 2020 has convened 25 meetings to enhance trust and improve bilateral trade and Parliamentary relations between Pakistan and Afghanistan. This has resulted in the following achievements:

- a) Optimization of transit trade agreements; reducing transport time from 40 to 3 days
 - b) Liberal and facilitative visa regime was put in place
 - c) Improved mechanisms for dignified visa processing
 - d) Construction of state-of-the-art international transit trade management system has been started at Torkham and Chaman
 - e) New policy was introduced which allowed Afghans to registered open bank accounts in Pakistan and granted driving licenses
 - f) National Assembly of Pakistan also hosted the first ever “Pakistan-Afghanistan Trade & Investment Forum 2020 - Partnership for Mutual Benefit”, in October 2020 in Islamabad.
9. Support to Parliamentary Committee on CPEC
- Regional Dialogue on CPEC Industrial Cooperation and its way forward, March 2021
 - Seminar on Gwadar Development and growth of blue economy in Pakistan, March 2021
 - Concerted coordination with all concerned ministries for timely execution of all projects under the CPEC
10. Activated Parliamentary Forums like Women’s Parliamentary Caucus, Young Parliamentary Forum, and Parliamentary Taskforce on SDGs and established Parliamentary Caucus on Child Rights.

11. Ensured successful signing and launch of the 15 million euros EU funded IP5 program which would be supporting democratic strengthening by providing institutional support like its predecessor - the IP3 program. PIPS is the implementation partner and the project is aimed at strengthening PIPS as the center of excellence.
12. Signed MoUs with various development partners for institutional support to the Secretariat as well as the Parliamentary Forums such as the WPC, YPF and SDGs Taskforce.
13. Led the initiative to link Academia's research support with Standing Committees which resulted in formal MoUs between various universities and think tanks.

Parliamentary Committees are crucial to help the Parliament make informed choices on specialized subjects that require deep knowledge and expertise. Pakistan's Parliament, like other mature democracies, is trying to take steps to make research-based information and analysis a prerequisite of its committee system, so as to contribute to Parliament's debate and recommendations to the Government.

In this regard, the Project Management Unit of this Secretariat, under the patronage of the Honorable Speaker and in line with the National Assembly Strategic Plan 2019-23, has initiated the process of introducing periodic assessment mechanisms and detailed resource allocation through linkages with academia/research and communities. In order to create useful linkages with the Academia, Honorable Speaker desired that focused think-tanks may be formulated to provide aid and support to National Assembly Standing Committees. In pursuance, Project Management Unit invited various universities and think tanks to form partnership with the National Assembly in aid of the Standing Committee(s).

Top universities/ research institutions from around the country have agreed to support the National Assembly Standing Committees, as per their field of specialization. These include:

- o Sustainable Development Policy Institute (SDPI)

- o Ghulam Ishaq Khan Institute of Engineering, Sciences and Technology
 - o International Islamic University Islamabad (IIUI), Islamabad
 - o Sukkur IBA University
 - o National School of Public Policy (NSPP), Lahore
 - o National Defense University
14. Managed voluntary Internship Program of the Secretariat, giving opportunity to over 2500 young students and fresh graduates to work in various departments of the Secretariat in five years.
 15. Carried out the process of self-assessment of **Benchmarks for Democratic Institutions shared by the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA)**.
 16. A legislative clinic was established in the Secretariat with the support of a partner to train young lawyers to carry out legislative research.
 17. Honorable Speaker directed to constitute a four-member Special Committee on Performance Audit to carry out a performance audit of the PIPS for the last five years.
 18. Envisioned to ensure that the National Assembly moves away from the conventional work environment to a more modern, professional, and automated form of working in this fast-changing age of information and communication technology. A third-party assessment of the Secretariat digital landscape and needs was carried out. This entailed assessment study on digital readiness of National Assembly for Business Continuity during COVID-19 pandemic.
 19. As a result of the recommendations of this report, the Honourable Speaker established the first ever “Digital Innovation Hub.” The purpose of this hub was to streamline the National Assembly futuristic Digital Roadmap, develop a Digital transformation plan for the National Assembly and transform current functioning of this Secretariat to make it more efficient and cost-effective.
 20. Inaugurated the project of "Re-imagining the National Assembly of Pakistan with Google Workspace’s Advanced Productivity and Collaboration Tools" in Parliament House. We are the first Parliament in the region which has adopted Google Workspace to digitize work processes and enhance productivity and collaboration between its members through “Office Communication and

Productivity Suite of Applications for the National Assembly of Pakistan” the solution provides a custom email for Pakistan’s National Assembly and includes applications like Email, Calendar, Meet, Chat, Drive, Docs, Sheets, Slides, Forms, Sites, and more.

21. A high-speed and Open Internet/WIFI connection has also been set up for instant connectivity.
22. The Digitalization of the entire working of the National Assembly is underway and is expected to be completed in the near future which will make the parliament working more transparent and open.
23. The quality of air inside office & workplaces is important not only for employees’ comfort but also for their health. On the direction of Hon’ble Speaker National Assembly and in order to ensure the quality of indoor air in the Parliament House, an Environmental & Clinical Audit was conducted in the Parliament House through Pakistan Environmental Protection Agency and Ministry of National Health Services, Regulations & Coordination. Restructuring of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Secretariat.
24. The SDGs Secretariat of the National Assembly of Pakistan was established to assist and support the Parliamentary Taskforce on SDGs to ensure effective parliamentary oversight, evidence based research leading to legislation, and technical assistance for Honorable Parliamentarians.
Several activities were undertaken from the platform of SDGs Secretariat in the year 2020. These include:
 - Hon. Deputy Speaker appointed as Patron SDGs
 - Governance Committee and Executive Committee for SDGs taskforce have been approved.
 - Instructions/ bye-laws for the SDGs Taskforce have also been approved for the SDGs body.
 - MoU was signed between NA and SDGs Taskforce, KP Assembly for mutual collaboration signed.

- One-day Round Table on “Integrating SDGs Agenda into Standing Committees” was held.
- Various meetings and consultative sessions held with partners by the respective sub-goals conveners.
- National Consultation on SDG-7 was held in Oct, 2020.
- Consultative Session on SDGs Scorecard for Sindh Province was held in Karachi to take all stakeholders on board and develop a way-forward in Nov 2020.

25. Commonwealth Youth Parliament, October 18-22 October 2021

Two Interns namely, Ms. Sadaf Azam and Ms. Roha Ahmed, of the National Assembly Secretariat were nominated to participate in the Commonwealth Youth Parliament where they represented National Assembly as the Prime Minister, Legislative Assembly of the CYP 2021.

The Commonwealth Youth Parliament (CYP) is an opportunity for young people from the Commonwealth to experience aspects of parliamentary democracy and provides a platform for them to establish links with like-minded peers. The event also provides experience of a ‘real-life’ working parliament or legislature. In the program, formal parliamentary practice adapted from several Commonwealth countries is followed, and the proceedings are observed under the watchful eyes of experienced parliamentary officials.

26. Technical Group To Explore Trade And Economic Opportunities: In The Merged Districts Of Erstwhile Fata Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.

Honorable Speaker National Assembly of Pakistan constituted a Technical Group, composed of Focal Person from various stakeholders, to explore trade and economic opportunities in the merged districts of erstwhile FATA, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa. The development status of the areas has relatively stayed dismal over the years due to ongoing conflict and war and the resulting displacements of locals. In the aftermath of withdrawal of the US from Afghanistan, the plight of the locals became even worse as the insurgency, instability & resultant from across the border increase manifolds.

Hence, the technical group was mandated to come up with a workable plan to provide development and humanitarian assistance in the area to uplift the plight of people, provide employment opportunities and improve their livelihoods. Project Management Unit provided Secretarial support to the group by organizing its regular meetings and coordinating with all the relevant stakeholders. The Technical Group has finalized its proposals which are going to be transformed into a workable reality.

27. Special Committee on Performance Audit of Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS):

The Honorable Speaker, in the capacity of the President Board of Governors, directed the Institute to conduct its internal as well as performance audit. A four-member Special Committee on Performance Audit, comprising of officers of National Assembly Secretariat, including Joint Secretary (Admin) as its Chairman, Deputy Secretary (Project Management Unit), Finance and Accounts Officer, and Assistant Director (Special Initiatives/Project Management Unit) as Secretary was constituted in the National Assembly Secretariat on 22nd September 2021 to carry out a performance audit of the Institute for the last five years. The performance audit of Pakistan Institute for Parliamentary Services (PIPS) Islamabad for the period 2016-2021 was carried out accordingly during October-December 2021.

28. The Special Committee conducted a performance audit of the Institute with a view to report significant findings to the office of the President Board of Governors. The Special Committee examined the economy, efficiency, and effectiveness aspects of the Institute. In addition, Audit also assessed on test check basis whether the management of the PIPS complied with applicable laws, rules, and regulations in managing the affairs of the Institute. The Audit will Report indicates specific actions that, if taken, will help the management to realize the objectives.

DIRECTORATE OF RESEARCH

The Research Directorate, established in the year 1988, functions as an impartial division within the National Assembly Secretariat. The Directorate is deeply engaged in delivering comprehensive assistance to the National Legislature through activities such as policy analysis, anticipation of legislative requirements, and prompt responsiveness to individual inquiries from legislators. Comprising scholarly and proficient Research Officers, the Research Wing conducts unbiased and substantive analytical research in a timely manner.

The details of Briefs, Research Papers, Speeches, and Talking Points concerning diverse international events and topics, furnished by the Research Wing from the duration spanning 2018-2023, are outlined below:-

Policy Research:

Research center exclusively deals with research requests made by the Honorable Members on priority basis. Many such requests were entertained for last 5 years which were exclusively utilized during policy debates, some of them are:

1. Comprehensive report on status of Jammu & Kashmir with a particular reference to India's move of revoking Article 35-A and Article 370 of its Constitution
2. Comparison of initiatives related to Youth taken by the previous and present Government
3. Debt profile of Pakistan with separate briefs on the loans taken by the different governments of Pakistan from 2008 till 2018
4. Brief on Climate Change, its impacts on Pakistan and the initiatives taken by different governments to meet these challenges
5. Brief on Poverty Reduction Strategy of the present Government
6. Working Paper on Pakistan's efforts for achieving SDGs goals in Pakistan
7. Note on Achievements of Benazir Income Support Program (BISP)
8. Short description on history of FATA reforms in Pakistan
9. Analysis of Budget Deficit and Government Responsibility

10. Review of PSDP and development projects in Balochistan.
11. Brief on History of Racism in the United States.
12. Term paper on Future of Coalition Support Fund to Pakistan.
13. Brief on water policy
14. Speech for National Voters Day of Pakistan
15. Brief on resurgence of Polio in Pakistan
16. Brief on Currency Depreciation and its impacts on Pakistan's Economy
17. Policy analysis on Ban on Plastic Bags in Pakistan
18. Brief on rapid rise in poverty in Pakistan
19. Situation paper on economic performance of government during 2018-19
20. Policy implications for boosting exports performance of Pakistan
21. State of Education WRTRE and SDG
22. Fiscal & Debt Policy Statement 2020 and agriculture
23. Role of Legislator in constituency development
24. The undertakings and legislations on the subject of Khatam e Nabuwat (Federal)
25. 10 years of Harassment in Pakistan
26. Agriculture issues
27. Role of Legislator in development of his constituency in US
28. Comparison Study: Procedure of appointment & pre-qualification for appointment of Judges in different countries
29. Agro Economic Issues in Pakistan (Brief)
30. Issues Pertaining to Real Estate Sector Regarding FBR Valuation Table, Dc Valuation, and Upper Cap Imposed By FBR
31. Issues Regarding Extra Charges in Shape of Own Money on Cars in The Market and Late Delivery of Vehicles by The Local Manufacturers/Assemblers
32. Banami Bank Account Transactions and Undeclared Overseas Properties Owned by Pakistani
33. Inflation
34. Inclusive Democracy
35. Draft Documents of "women's manifesto 2023.

Legislative Business:

1. Research support to Members in drafting of Bills/Amendments in Acts particularly matters related to 26th Constitutional Amendment, Human Rights and Police Reforms.
2. Preparation of Counters questions and Cut Motions for Members
3. Preparation of innumerable Resolutions, Calling Attention Notices, Adjournment Motions and Motions under rule 256 for Members
4. National Commission for Minorities
5. Economic losses due to Covid-19.
6. Data on women prisoners in Pakistan
7. Laws related to Money Bills- Country comparison
8. CPEC points with reference to Baluchistan
9. Anti-terrorism Laws in Pakistan

Research Support to Committees:

Research support was provided to Committees after elaborate study on following topics:

1. Comparison Study: GDP Growth Rate in South Asia
2. Study on Rules and Regulations of fifteen countries pertaining to the privileges of the members of Parliament
3. Power and Functions of National Assembly of Pakistan
4. Power and Functions of Provincial Assembly of Pakistan
5. Power and Functions of the National Assemblies of UK, USA, Australia, Bangladesh, and India etc.
6. Suggested reforms for Public Accounts Committee and comparison of best practices internationally

Budget Analysis:

1. Salient Features
2. Critical Analysis
3. Budget Compassion
4. Assist Members in Cut Motions
5. Speeches and Talking Points on budgetary allocations for Members for Budget debates

6. Comparative Analysis of the performance of Government in different tenure

Research Support to IR Department

The Directorate of Research has entertained following requests from International Relations Wing. The requests were mainly for the provision of briefs, talking points, speeches and country reports for the use of worthy Members of the National Assembly who represented Pakistan at various international forums. Event details is as under:

1. Seventy – first health Assembly, 21-26 May 2018, Geneva, Switzerland
2. 139th IPU Assembly and its Related meetings, 14-18 October 2018, Geneva, Switzerland
3. APA Standing Committee on Political Affairs, 29-31 October 2018, Gawadar, Pakistan
4. Asia Pacific Summit 2018, 30 November – 2 December 2018, Nepal
5. An International Conference on Parliamentarians and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs): Multi-Disciplinary Approaches to countering Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling, 30 October 2018, Baku, Azerbaijan
6. The Second Executive Council Meetings and the 11th Plenary Session, 2nd December 2018, Istanbul, Turkey
7. The Second Session of the United Nations Forum on Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law, 22-23 November 2018, Geneva, Switzerland
8. 8th World E Parliament Conference, Geneva, Switzerland, 3-5 December 2018
9. Parliamentary Meeting on Occasion of the United Nations Climate Change Conference, Krakow, Poland, 9th December 2018
10. APA Standing Committee on Political Affairs, 29-31 October 2018, Gawadar, Pakistan
11. 8th World Water Forum, 18-23 March 2018, Brazil
12. RSIS – WTO Parliamentarians Workshop on International Trade, 7-9 May 2018, Singapore
13. 138th IPU Assembly and related meetings, 24-28 March 2018, Geneva,

Switzerland

14. Parliamentary Meeting During the 62 Session of the Commission on the Status of Women, 13th March 2018, UN Headquarter New York
15. Commonwealth Parliamentarians' Forum, 26 February – 1 March 2018, London UK
16. National Workshop on Federalism and Social Development at PIPS Campus Islamabad, 26-28 November 2018
17. CPA UK's Modern slavery project: Legislative Drafting Seminar, 26-29 March, 2019, London-UK.
18. 140th IPU Assembly and its Related Meetings, 6-10 April, 2019, Doha Qatar
19. 2019 Global Parliamentary Conference at the spring meetings of the World Bank Group and the Information 8-9 April, 2019, Washington D.C USA.
20. 5th World Forum On Intercultural Dialogue, 2-3 May, Baku, Azerbaijan
21. RSIS-W to Parliamentarian Workshop 2019, 11-13 June, 2019, Singapore
22. Post Legislative Scrutiny Asia Seminar Yangon, 17-18 June 2019, Myanmar
23. 2019-Westminster Workshop on Gender Sensitive Scrutiny, 17-19 June, 2019, London-UK
24. 6th Session of the UNISDR Global Platform for Disaster Reduction, 13-17 May, 2019, Geneva, Switzerland.
25. Parliamentary Meeting on the Occasion of The 63rd Session of The Commission on The Status of Women From 11-15 March, 2019, UN Headquarters, New York
26. Women Political Leaders (WPL) Summit, 25-27 June, 2019, Tokyo, Japan
27. 2nd International Forum on Development of Parliamentarianism Moscow, 1-2 July, 2019, Russian Federation.
28. The 28th Annual Session of OSCE Parliamentary Assembly Session, 4-8 July, 2019, Luxembourg.
29. 2019 High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development, USA13-18 July, 2019, New York.
30. 14th Workshop of Parliamentary Scholars and Parliamentarians, 27-28 July, 2019, Oxford shire, U.K

31. 5th CPA Asia Regional Conference, 29 July - 02 August, 2019, Islamabad, Pakistan
32. 50th CPA Africa Region Conference, August to 30 to September 5, 2019, Zanzibar-Tanzania
33. 8th GCC Municipalities and Integrated & Sustainable Cities Conference, 1-5 September, 2019, Dubai, UAE
34. 4th South Asian speakers' summit on achieving sustainable development goals, 1 - 2 September, 2019, Male Maldives
35. The 3rd World Parliamentary forum on Sustainable Development, 4-5 September, 2019, Bali-Indonesia.
36. The Eurasian Economic Forum, 10-12 September, 2019, Xian-China.
37. The 4th meeting of Eurasian countries Parliaments, 23-24 September, 2019, Nur-Sultan (Astana), Kazakhstan.
38. The 64th Commonwealth Parliamentary conference, 22-29 Sep, 2019, Kampala, Uganda.
39. Sixth Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians, 9-10 Sep, 2019, Asuncion Paraguay.
40. The WPL 2019 Concordia Annual Summit, 22-24 Sep, 2019, New York city.- USA
41. IPU-UN Regional Conference on Countering Terrorism and Extremism leading to terrorism and extremism for countries of the Asia pacific region, 30th September - 3rd Oct, 2019 Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia.
42. The Women Peace and Security Conference, 3-4 October, 2019, KYIV, UKRAINE.
43. The 3rd Conference of the Speakers of Parliaments on Countering Terrorism and strengthening regional Connectivity, 11-12 October, 2019, ISTANBUL, TURKEY.
44. The EU-ASIA connectivity forum: Building Bridges for a sustainable: forum, 27th Sep, 2019, Brussels, Belgium
45. Parliamentary Session within the Framework of the Annual WTO Public Forum, 9 October, 2019, Geneva, Switzerland.

46. A Global Celebration of cotton and its stakeholders, from field to fabric and beyond, the first world cotton day (WCD), 7th Oct, 2019, Geneva, Switzerland.
47. 141st IPU Assembly and its related meetings, 13-17 October, 2019, Belgrade, Serbia.
48. The Sensitization workshop on women's participation in electoral processes, 26-29 October, 2019, Arusha, Tanzania.
49. The 10th international seminar for Parliamentary Research Services, 6-8 Nov, 2019, Seoul Korea.
50. The request for CWP chairperson to participate in Establishment of WCPP CWP Branch, 11th -14th November, 2019, CAPW town- South Africa.
51. Women leader global forum, 18-20 November, 2019, REKJAVIK-Iceland.
52. The 14th Internet Governance Forum (IGF) 2019 of the United Nations, 25-29 November, 2019, Berlin, Germany
53. 2019 CPA Australia and Pacific Regional Conference, 18- 21 November, 2019, Adelaide- Australia.
54. IPU-UN Regional Conference on Countering Terrorism and Extremism Leading to Terrorism for Countries of the Asia Pacific Region at Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 30th September - 3rdOctober 2019
55. Asia pacific summit 2019, 18-21 November, 2019, PHONM PENH-CAMBODIA.
56. 2019 – Westminster workshop seminar on effective parliaments, 25-29 November, 2019, London-UK.
57. Executive Education Parliamentary leadership seminar, 25-28 November, 2019, Mexico City. MEXICO.
58. The 19th General Assembly of Asia Pacific Parliamentarians' Conference on Environment and Development (APPCED), 9-11 December, 2019, SEOUL-KOREA.
59. The 7th Global Conference of Parliamentarians Against Corruption, 9-10 Dec, 2019, DOHA, Qatar.
60. 6th Session of The United Global Platform for Disaster Reduction, 13-17 May

2019, Geneva, Switzerland

61. IPU-Un Regional Conference for the Sahel Region Countries, Niamey-Niger, 12 – 14 June, 2019.
62. The 12th Plenary Session of the Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA), 13-18 December, 2019, Antalya- Turkey.
63. IPU - 2nd Regional Seminar For Asia Pacific Region Parliaments On Achieving SDGs, Ulaanbaatar-Magnolia, 27 – 28 May, 2019.
64. Expert Regional Workshop on the role of Parliamentary Committees in combating Human Trafficking & Forced labor, 16-18 December 2019, Perth-Western Australia.
65. The 25th Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth (CSPOC), 6-10 January, 2020, OTTAWA- CANADA.
66. 5th meeting of the High-Level Advisory group on countering terrorism and violent extremism (HLAG), 16-17 January, 2020, Geneva, Switzerland.
67. 15th Session of the PUIC conference and its other related meetings, 27-30 Jan, 2020, OUAGADOUGOU, Burkina Faso.
68. CPA UK program on women and Gender in Legislation, Scrutiny and oversight, January 27-31, 2020, United Kingdom, London.
69. The 3rd Conference of the League of “Parliamentarians of Al-Qudus”, 7-10 February, 2020, Kuala Lumpur Malaysia.
70. The 25th Conference of Speakers and Presiding Officers of the Commonwealth (CSPOC) from 6-10 January 2020 in Ottawa- Canada
71. Parliamentary Hearing at the United Nations, 17-18 February, 2020, United Nations Headquarters, New York.
72. The OECD Global Parliamentary Network, February 24-26, 2020, Paris, France.
73. The Commonwealth Partnership Democracy Conference, 4-6 March, 2020, London-UK.
74. Parliamentary Meeting at the 64th Session of Commission on the Status of women, 11th March, 2020, UN Headquarters, New York
75. The 3rd OECD Paris collaborative on Green Budgeting Expert Group Meeting

- & 1st workshop of the Coalition on Finance Ministers on Climate action on HELSINKY principle four “Macroeconomic Management and Public Finance”, 16-17 March, 2020, OECD Headquarters in Paris-France.
76. Meeting of the Centre for Innovation in Parliament, 16-19 March, 2020, Ottawa, Canada.
 77. The Commonwealth Association Public Accounts Committee (CAPAC) PAN commonwealth workshop, 17-19 March, 2020, London-UK.
 78. High-Level meeting on Diplomacy for Health Security and Emergency Preparedness, 24-26 March, 2020, Marrakesh, Morocco.
 79. National Dialogue on Agriculture, March, 12, 2020, Pakistan
 80. International virtual Conference on assisting and protecting survivors of modern slavery Human trafficking and forced labour, 15-16 September, 2020.
 81. Informal Virtual Interactive Panel Debates for International Day of Democracy on 15th September, 2020.
 82. Climate Legislation Webinar Series-Webinar 2: Law and Governance Approaches within the Ocean-Climate Nexus, 17th September, 2020.
 83. Webinar on the review of the UN Peace building that the IPU Office of the Payment observer, 18th November, 2020
 84. The CPA UK’s (VIRTUAL) Westminster workshop on public Financial Oversight, 19-23 Oct, 2020.
 85. Virtual Workshop for Parliamentary Committees in Charge of Human Rights, 12-13 October 2020
 86. The 44th Meeting of the PUIC Executive Committee (Virtual), 19th October, 2020.
 87. GCTF –Invitation package Maritime Security and Terrorist Travel Initiative-East African Region Webinar, 28th October, 2020.
 88. 3rd Expert Roundtable on the Common Principles on 9th Dec 2020
 89. Informal Virtual Interactive Panel Debate for International Day of Democracy On 15th September 2020
 90. The REYKJAVIK GLOBEL FORUM –Women Leaders (DIGITAL), 9-11 November, 2020.

91. Invitation to Hon'ble Speaker as Chief Guest on the International Virtual Conference for Pakistan UK Education Gateway, Wednesday 16th December, 2020 (0900 AM UK-1400 PM PK Time).
92. The 3rd Expert Roundtable on the common principles (online), 9th December,2020
93. The Webinar on the Global post - Covid-19 Economy: Devising sustainable Trade Policies to Support the Fight against Poverty, on 3rd December, 2020.
94. Pakistan–Afghanistan Trade and Investment Forum 2020' on October 26 & 27, 2020 in Islamabad.
95. CPA UK virtual roundtable discussion: Effective legislation protecting women from violence across the commonwealth (violence against women), Parliamentary action to end statelessness b 2024: Virtual Webinar, 25th February,2021
96. The Inter Parliamentary Union & Association of Secretaries General of parliaments Meeting, 25th Feb, 2021.
97. The 2nd Asia International Water Week (AIWW) on-Air opening, 24th February, 2021.
98. The IPU – Virtual workshop Titled “from political will to law Advancing Universal health coverage in Africa and Asia Pacific”, 2nd March, 2021.
99. CPA Virtual Conference on “Social Media – A Curse or a blessing”, 2nd March, 2021
100. Virtual CPA – UK International women’s day event “Women’s Parliamentary debate raising voices for change”, 8th March, 2021.
101. Meeting of Ambassador with Chairperson Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA), 9th March, 2021.
102. Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA) Standing Committee on Social and Cultural Affairs, Tehran- Islamic Republic of Iran, 14 July, 2021.
103. A virtual meeting entitled “women and family – based Economy”, 9th March, 2021 under the auspices of the Islamic Parliament of Iran.
104. IPU escape Webinar on “Building a better future where nobody is left behind: How can Parliaments ensure that Covid -19 recovery strategies are in line

- with the SDGs”? Which will be held from Bangkok, 16th March, 2021?
105. CWP Roundtable: Gender sensitive Parliaments in the 21st century, 17th March, 2021.
 106. The Asia Pacific Virtual Forum on Climate Change, 15-16 March, 2021 & PAN Commonwealth Parliamentary Virtual Forum on Climate Change, 22nd – 24th March, 2021.
 107. Webinar for Parliamentarians – Climate Leadership, preparing for COP 26, 22nd March, 2021.
 108. Fourth Conference of Speakers of Parliaments on “Countering Terrorism and Strengthening Regional Connectivity, 24-25 March, 2021, Antalya- Turkey.
 109. The online Meeting of Parliaments Leaders “The Role of Parliamentarians in Strengthening International Peace & Trust”, 28th April, 2021.
 110. The IPU-Virtual Parliamentary Hearing At The United Nations Titled "Fighting Corruption To Restore Trust In Government And Improve Development Prospects", 17-18 February, 2021
 111. The 7th Global Conference (Virtual) of Young Parliamentarians, 28-29 April, 2021.
 112. The RSIS-WTO Virtual Parliamentarian workshop on International Trade 2021, 17-19 May, 2021
 113. 142nd IPU Assembly (Virtual) and its Related Meetings, 24-28 May, 2021.
 114. The 6th Expert Consultation on Model Legislative Provisions on: Access to Justice for Victims of Terrorism, 28-01-2021
 115. The Asian Assembly of Water Consultative Board (AAWC) 3rd Meeting, 12th May, 2021.
 116. 2nd General Conference of the Parliamentary Assembly of Economic Cooperation Organization (PAECO), May 31-June 3, 2021, Islamabad.
 117. Virtual Parliamentary Meeting Addressing Inequalities to end Aids, 7th June, 2021.
 118. Virtual event on Building Back Stronger: What can Covid-19 Teach us about Shock-Proof Progress? 10th June, 2021.
 119. The Inter-Parliamentary Union-Strategic Inter-Parliamentary Dialogue

- Gender-Responsive Recovery Post Covid-19: A Series of Virtual Meetings, 7, 14 And 21 April, 2021.
120. Virtual World E-Parliament Conference, 16-18 June, 2021.
 121. CPA – UK Workshop Series on Trade Agreements: Five Session Workshop Series, June 2021.
 122. The Commonwealth Secretariats Women’s Parliamentary and Transformational Leadership ‘Amplifying voices, Building Resilience and Leadership, Monday 21 June, 2021 at 15:00 – 17:30 BST (1900 -2130 HRS as per Pakistan Standard Time Virtual Formation).
 123. High Level Parliamentary Meeting on Food systems during the United Nations Food System Summit, 23rd June,2021
 124. Virtual Side event on “The importance of Model Legislative Provisions to develop and strengthen comprehensive National Assistance plans for victims of Terrorism on 25th June, 2021.
 125. Virtual Global workshop: Covid-19 Pandemic recovery through rights lens: What Contribution from Parliaments? 29-30 June, 2021.
 126. Online Briefing Session on “IPU’s” support to Parliaments to Strengthen their work on the SDGS: The Self-Assessment exercise and other activities”, 1st July, 2021.
 127. Virtual Parliamentary Forum – Paris Generation Equality Forum, 2nd July,2021
 128. Virtual Parliamentary forum at the United Nations High-level political forum on sustainable development (HLPF), 12th July,21
 129. CPA UK Women’s Roadshow workshop, Monday 12 July, 2021.
 130. Conference of Intelligence-Security Forum, 6th September 2021, Budapest, Hungary
 131. The Extraordinary Open-Ended Meeting on the Palestine Committee (In-Person), 24th May, 2021.
 132. Commonwealth Women Parliamentarians Roundtable: Gender Sensitive Parliaments in the 21st Century, 17th March, 2021 at 10:00 am UK time
 133. Webinar by Inter Parliamentary Union (IPU) and United Nation’s High

Commissioner for Refugees UNHCR, 25th February 2021

134. 3rd Conference of the Parliamentary Assembly Baku-Azerbaijan May16-18, 2022
135. 11th international Seminar for parliamentary Research services on 17th May,2022
136. The CPA Parliamentary Academy's Advanced Parliamentary Development Residency Course from 21-27 May, 2022. Sydney, New South Wales, Australia.
137. 2nd Briefing training and workshop for young MP's 30th May, 2022.
138. PFSALW-AIPA Regional Seminar, 8-10 June 2022, Jakarta.
139. Global Parliamentary Conference on Migration, 20-21 June 2022, Islamabad, Turkey.
140. The International Parliamentary Conference titled "The future of transport "from 17-18 June, 2022 in Prishtina- Kosovo.
141. Eight IPU Global Conference of Young Parliamentarians, 15-16 June, 2022, Sharm- El-Sheikh, Egypt
142. Parliamentary Dialogue series food, Fragility and finance 22 June,2022
143. Baku Conference of the non-Aligned movement Parliamentary network 30th June - 1st July, 2022 in Baku-Azerbaijan.
144. International Day of Parliamentary/133RD IPU's Anniversary. 30th June 2022.
145. Parliamentary forum at the High Level Political forum (HLPF) on Sustainable Development, 13th July 2022 New York USA.
146. Fifteen Workshop of Parliamentary Scholars and Parliamentarians, 30-31 July 2022 Oxford shire, UK.
147. Third Briefing, empowerment series for young MPs.(online)12th August,2022
148. Women Forum of the SCO Member States from 18-19 August, 2022 in Samarkand – Uzbekistan (Hybrid Format).
149. The 65th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference, 20-26 August, 2022, Halifax-Canada.
150. The Commonwealth Parliamentary Committee (PAC) (CAPAC) Conference from 30-31 Aug,2022

151. Webinar UNHCR IPU impact of climate change on displacement and human security, 21 Sep, 22 Geneva.
152. WTO Public forum 27-30 Sep, 2022 Geneva, Switzerland.
153. Roundtable Discussion for Parliamentarians (Virtual) 4th October 2022.
154. Webinar. "Parliaments and Supreme Audit Institutions (SAIS) Partnering for Greater impact, oversight and Accountability, 04 Oct, 2022.
155. 145th IPU Assembly and its related meetings held from 11-15 October, 2022 at Kigali, Rwanda.
156. The 14th SADCOPAC Annual Conference from 24-28 October, 2022 in Gaborone Botswana.
157. Pan- Commonwealth Conference on Security 1-3 Nov, 2022
158. IPU Virtual workshop on Public Engagement for Universal Health Coverage ,03, Nov,2022
159. 12th Consultative Assembly of Parliamentarians on the International Criminal Court and the Rule of law (CAP-ICC) and 43rd Annual forum of Parliamentarians for global action (PGA) from 4-5 November, 2022 at Buenos Aires- Argentina.
160. The 27th Session of the Conference of Parties of the United Nations framework convention on climate change on 13th Nov, 2022 in Sharm-el-Sheikh Egypt.
161. Invitation to the set up a delegation at the REYKJAVIK Global forum Women leaders.
162. The 43rd General Assembly of Asian Parliamentary (AIPA) 20-25 Nov, 2022 Cambodia.
163. Fourth Briefing Empowerment series for Young MP's (Virtual) 28th Nov, 2022.
164. Urban Regional Parliamentary forum on 2030 Agenda 29-30 Nov, 2022 (Virtual)
165. The 17th Parliamentary Track at internet Governance forum 30th Nov - 1st Dec, 2022 Addis Ababa Ethiopia.
166. The commonwealth Women Parliamentary (CWP) steering Committee

Workshop from 5-7 Dec,2022

167. Creating a safe cyber space for Democracy (virtual) on 6th Dec, 2022.
168. The Public Accounts Committee (PAC) workshop for clerks and officials from 5-7 Dec, 2022 Westminster, London, UK.
169. The Effective Development Corporation Summit from 12-14 Dec,2022
170. Compilation of Booklet of Members of Parliament Containing their Biographies and Speeches.
171. The 13th Plenary of Asian Parliamentary Assembly (APA) from 8-10 January, 2023 in Antalya. Topics: “Promoting Multilateralism in the changing Global Dynamic”.
172. IPU Launch of the new E-Parliament report (Virtual) 23rd January 2023. Topics: Covid-19 and Parliament
173. The 5th International conference for world balance on “Parliamentarians in the defense of peace and Solidarity from 24 – 28 January, 2023 in Cuba – Latin America.
174. UN committee on the rights of the child and IPU 6th February 2023. (online)
175. 2023 Parliamentary Hearing at the United Nations New York 13 – 14 February 2023.
176. The second Thematic Meeting of the call of the Sahel, 26-27 February, 2023 Alger, *Algeria*.
177. The empowerment series 5th Briefing: forced Labour and human trafficking 28 February, 2023 (online).
178. The Regional workshop on Tax expenditures 1-3 March 2023 Manila, the Philippines.
179. Parliamentary forum at the least Development Countries Conference 4th March, 2023 Doha, Qatar.
180. Annual IPU – UN Women Parliamentary Meeting from 7 – 8 March,2023 At UN Headquarter, New York – USA
181. Global Organization of Parliamentarians against Corruption (GOPAC) from 8 – 9 March, 2023 in Doha – Qatar.
182. 3rd Edition of Antalya Diplomacy Forum from 10 - 12 March, 2023 in Antalya

Turkiye.

183. 146th IPU Assembly and its related meetings scheduled to be held from 11-15 March, 2023, Manama, Bahrain.
184. OECD Global, Parliamentary Network Meeting from 4 -5 April, 2023 in Paris, France.
185. Universal Health Coverage Action Agenda for the UHC Movement (Online) on 5th April, 2023.
186. IMF-World Bank – Global Parliamentary Forum from 10-11 APRIL, 2023 IN Washington – DC.
187. RSIS – WTO Parliamentarian workshop on International Trade 2023 from 15 – 17 May, 2023 in Singapore.
188. APA Standing Committee on Economic Affairs and Sustainable Development, MANAMA, BAHRAIN, 16 – 17 May 2023.
189. 10th Nevsky International Ecological Congress 25-26 May, 2023 Saint Petersburg, Russia.
190. The Special Session of the Milli Majlis of the Republic of Azerbaijan Dedicated to the 100th Anniversary of the National Leader Heyder Aliyev from 15-17 May, 2023 in Baku- Azerbaijan.
191. 2023 Field Visit to Morocco 4-8 June 2023.
192. Women Political Leaders (WPL) Summit 7-8 June, 2023, Brussels Belgium.
193. 20th Asia Pacific Parliamentarians Conference on environment and Development 14 – 15 June 2023 Seoul Korea.
194. The CPA – Parliamentary Academy’s Advanced Professional Development and Skills Building Residency, Course from 11 – 17 June, 2023 in Edmonton, Alberta – Canada.
195. IPU Conference on interfaith Dialogue 13-15 June, 2023 Marrakesh, Morocco.
196. Call for Conference Proposals for Paper Presentations: Fourth APEA Conference & Eva vision Asia 2023.
197. Asia Pacific Group (APG) Webinar Series 2023
198. Parliamentary forum at the at the UN High Level Political forum on SDG’s 18

July 2023 New York USA

199. The 45th Conference of Caribbean, Americas and Atlantic Region in provincials – Turks and Caicos Islands from 21 – 28 July, 2023
200. 44th General Assembly Session of Asean Inter Parliamentary Assembly (AIPA) August 2023 Jakarta, Indonesia.
201. Parliamentary Intelligence Security Forum (PL-SF) summit from 30th August -1st Sep, 2023.

DIRECTORATE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

The IT Wing of the National Assembly Secretariat is performing multiple tasks relating to the Information Technology to cope with the requirements of various branches/offices of the Secretariat. During the previous tenure i.e. 15th National Assembly (August 13th 2018 to August 12th 2023), the IT Wing performed different tasks, the detail thereof is as under:-

Software Development by IT Wing

The IT Wing manages the software solutions to the offices/branches to enhance the efficiency and introduce digitalization in the Secretariat. The software systems are maintained and upgraded on regular basis and new software solutions are developed to automate workflows. The IT Wing has developed a comprehensive and flexible software system to automate the process as per requirements and feedback provided by the concerned sections. The following projects were completed by the team of the IT Wing during the tenure of 15th Assembly: -

- i) Members' TA/DA System
- ii) E-Committee System
- iii) Orders of the Day & Speakers' Drill System
- iv) New KOHA System
- v) Service Books Record Software
- vi) NA website up-gradation/incorporation of new design and disable persons friendly
- vii) Upgradation/Modification of PAC website as per requirement.

Video Conference /Virtual Meeting and Presentation

The IT Wing has provided virtual meetings facility in more than 650 Committee meetings conducted during 15th Assembly (13th August, 2013 to 12th August, 2023). Facility was provided to Committee Members and invitees to participate virtually.

SMS Service

The IT Wing is providing services to disseminate information through Business SMS service round the clock (24/7) regarding National Assembly Session and Committee meetings to the Hon. Members of National Assembly, officers of the Secretariat and to personnel of print/electronic media.

Official Email Service

The IT Wing is also responsible to provide a secure official email facility to the Hon. Members of the National Assembly, Officers and Branches/Sections of the Secretariat for their official correspondence. Presently, there are around 600 email accounts activated and in use of the Hon. Members and officers/Branches.

Website Updation

The official website of the National Assembly (www.na.gov.pk) and Public Accounts Committee website (www.pac.na.gov.pk) are updated on regular basis by the IT Wing. The staff of the IT Wing operates 24/7 in 3 shifts to maintain the contents of the official website as soon as they are provided by the concerned Sections. Approximately, the following of contents have been uploaded on the websites during the tenure of 15th Assembly:-

S#	Items	Nos.
1.	Bills/Ordinances (Introduced/Passed) by National Assembly/Majlis-e-Shoora	991
2.	Debates	471
3.	Questions(Starred & Un-Starred)	215
4.	Resolutions passed by the National Assembly	107
5.	Attendance of Members	471
6.	Daily Bulletin	471
7.	Orders of the Day	471
8.	Report of the Standing Committees	420
9.	Press Release	2633
10.	Notices of the Committees/PAC	3306
11.	Pictures of Speaker/Dy. Speaker in Slide box/Picture galleries	2686

24/7 Operations of the Data Centre

The IT Wing manages 24/7 operations of the Data Centre for provision of Internet facility along with access to the various In-House applications round the clock to the employees of the Secretariat for disposal of official duties/business. Moreover, the staff deployed in three shifts maintains and monitors the operations of the Servers and Network equipment in the Data Centre. The staff is also responsible to upload data on the websites, sends any SMS to the Hon. Members and emails Orders of the Day etc. to the Members of National Assembly.

Deployment of LAN Infrastructure in the Additional Block of the National Assembly Secretariat

The Local Area Network facility is already being provided to the Secretariat. 20 layer 3 access switches of 48 ports have been procured which will be replaced with the old and obsolete layer 2 Allied Telesis switches. The LAN infrastructure has been enhanced and deployed to the Additional Block by the IT Wing where various branches and Chairmen's Standing Committees offices are situated.



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