

(110th Session)

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“QUESTIONS FOR ORAL ANSWERS AND THEIR REPLIES”

to be asked at a sitting of the Senate to be held on

Friday, the 6th February, 2015

DEFERRED QUESTIONS

*(Questions Nos. 12, 166, 179 and 28 Deferred on 29th October, 2014
(108th Session))*

12. (Def.) *Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan: (Notice received on 26-06-2014 at 10:50 a.m.)

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

- (a) the criteria laid down for issuance of membership of Islamabad Club with category-wise break-up;*
- (b) the names of persons who have been issued membership of the said club during the last ten years indicating also the date of issuance of membership and fee charged for the same in each case; and*
- (c) the details of facilities extended by that club to its members?*

Reply not received.

166. (Def.) *Syeda Sughra Imam: (Notice received on 27-06-2014 at 02:15 p.m.)

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

- (a) whether the Cabinet Division was consulted on the Rawalpindi - Islamabad Metro Bus project, if so, its details; and*
- (b) whether any cost benefit analysis of the said project has been carried out to assess its benefits to the people and economy of ICT, if so, its details?*

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division : (a) Yes the Cabinet Division was consulted on all affairs of Metro Bus Project being controlling Ministry/Division of CDA.

(b) Economic appraisal is part of the PC-I. Therein 'Cost Benefit Analysis' of the Project has been carried out in detail (**Annex-I**). Furthermore the Economic viability of the Project has also been appraised by the concerned Wing of Planning Commission before the Project was placed before CDWP and ECNEC for approvals.

179. (Def.) *Mr. Osman Saifullah Khan : (Notice received on 22-08-2014 at 02:00 p.m.)

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

(a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to restore access to You Tube in the country, if so, when; and*

(b) *the impediments in restoring the said access?*

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division : (a) On September 17th, 2012, the Honorable Supreme Court ordered PTA in Constitutional Petition No. 104 of 2012 to block offending material on YouTube website or any other website. As there was no technical solution available, which could block 100% objectionable material on the YouTube, in compliance with the Supreme Court's orders, YouTube was blocked by PTA and compliance report was submitted to the Supreme Court on the same day.

Matter was reviewed several times but the situation effectively remains the same. Technical experts are of the view that there is no technical solution available, which can guarantee 100% blocking of the objectionable content from YouTube.

As an alternative measure, GoP is in process of providing Intermediary Liability Protection for internet content providers through Prevention of Electronic Crime Bill 2014 which will then be a consideration for localization of You Tube in Pakistan subject to it being a business case for Google; Thus, this in itself will not guarantee access to YouTube in Pakistan.

(b) The impediments are:

- Presence of blasphemous movie, "Innocence of Muslims" on YouTube.
- Non-availability of technical solution to block the secured objectionable content with 100% effectiveness.
- Orders of the Supreme Court are still effective.

28. (Def.) *Mr. Osman Saifullah Khan : (Notice received on 27-08-2014 at 09:00 a.m.)

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

(a) *the date on which the present zoning regulations of Blue Area, Islamabad were enacted; and*

- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to amend / update the said regulations?*

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division : (a) There are no overall/ specific zoning regulations for Blue Area, Islamabad. The building plans are approved by CDA on case to case basis subject to bye laws / planning parameters advertised at the time of auction and mentioned in the allotment letter of respective plots.

(b) CDA is presently in the process of planning of Blue Area from F-8/G-8, F-9/G-9, E-10/F-10 to E-11/F-11. The planning parameters/bye laws for the building to be planned/constructed are also being framed.

62. *Syeda Sughra Imam: (Notice received on 30-10-2014 at 5:35 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) *the names of countries with which Pakistan has a trade deficit indicating also the trade balance with each of those countries during the last three years;*
- (b) *the names of countries with which Pakistan has trade surplus indicating also the trade balance with each of those countries during the said period;*
- (c) *the names of countries with which Pakistan has adopted more liberal trade regime like signing FTAs and moving from positive to negative list etc. during the last ten years and its impact on Pakistan's trade balance with those countries?*

Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan : (a) The countries with which Pakistan has trade deficit are UAE, China, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, India Japan, Malaysia, Indonesia, Oman and singapore etc. complete details are attached as Annex-I.

(b) The countries with which Pakistan has trade surplus are USA Afghanistan, United Kingdoms Bangladesh, Spain, Belgium Netherlands, Hong Kong, Italy and Turkey etc. complete detail are attached as Annex-II

- (c) Pakistan has signed following free trade agreements during the last ten years;

Name of the Partner Country	Date of Signing
China	24th November, 2006
Malaysia	8th November, 2007
SAFTA	6th January, 2004
Sri Lanka	12th June, 2005

Pak-China FTA

Pak-China FTA was signed in 2007. Before signing of this FTA' Pakistan has a trade deficit amounting \$ 2.4 billion. At present, trade deficit stands at \$ 5.3 billion. Pakistan's exports have increased to \$ 2.4 billion in 2013-14 from \$ 566 million in 2007 Imports from China were US \$ 2.9 billion in 2006-07. By the end of 2013-14 imports have reached \$ 7.7 billion.

Pak-Malaysia -FTA.

Pak-Malaysia FTA was signed in 2007. In 2007, trade deficit stood at \$ 1.07 billion with Pakistan exports standing at \$ 81 million and imports at \$ 1.15 billion. In 2013-14, trade deficit have increased to \$ 1.47 billion with exports & imports at \$ 215 million & \$ 1.69.

63. *Begum Najma Hameed: (Notice received on 31-10-2014 at 10:30 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state the number of cases of corruption surfaced in the Trade Development Authority of Pakistan since January, 2012 indicating also the names and designations of the persons found involved in those cases and the action taken against them?

Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan : FIA Crime Circle Karachi has so far lodged 72 FIRs in TDAP-I (Freight Subsidy) and TDAP-II (Strategic Trade Policy Framework 2009-12).

- Total 72 challans have been submitted in the Trial Court
- 20 cases are at the trial stage at Anti-Corruption Court (Central-I)
- 3 former CE, TDAP's are on bail
- 2 Ex-Secretary, TDAP are also on bail
- 1 AO and 1 Ex-DG of TDAP in judicial custody

FIA Corporate Crime Circle, Karachi has lodged 1 FIR in gold smuggling case for the period from 2009-2012.

- 1 Deputy Director of TDAP is in judicial custody

Names and designation of Ex-TDAP officials involved are placed at Annex-I.

64. *Mr. Karim Ahmed Khawaja : (Notice received on 31-10-2014 at 11:35 a.m.)

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the CDA has not provided any space for public parking near Centaurus Mall Islamabad, if so, it reasons; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to provide any suitable place for public parking near that Mall?*

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division : (a) CDA has provided Public Parking in the North and South sides of Centaurus Mall, in addition Parking spaces are also provided along Jinnah Avenue and Nazim-ud-Din, serving the Centaurus Mall.

(b) CDA is presently in the process of planning of remaining part of Blue Area F-8/G-8 where Public Parking Sites are planned.

65. *Mr. Karim Ahmed Khawaja : (Notice received on 31-10-2014 at 11:35 a.m.)

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that provision / supply of electricity to Centaurus Mall was the responsibility of the CDA; and*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the CDA has not made arrangements for supply of electricity to that Mall, if so, its reasons and the time by which that facility will be provided to the Mall?*

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division : (a) As per the sale agreement between CDA and M/S Centurus all the services like electricity has to be provided at the plot's door step. Therefore, it is the responsibility of CDA to provide Electricity to the Centurus Mall.

(b) For the provision of Electricity to the Centurus Mall, CDA is getting a Grid station constructed through M/S IESCO in Sector F-9, Islamabad, for which CDA has paid Rs.270.725 (M) and have allotted 10 Kanals of land to M/s IESCO in Sector F-9, Islamabad. At the moment M/S IESCO has submitted this project to EPA, Climate Change Division, Government of Pakistan. After approval of this study, M/S IESCO will start construction work at site.

66. *Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi : (Notice received on 31-10-2014 at 03:10 p.m.)

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

- (a) *the details of medicines available in PIMS and Federal Government Polyclinic Hospital, Islamabad, for OPD, Emergency and Cardiac patients separately;*
- (b) *the procedure laid down for reimbursement of amount spent by the Government servants on purchase of medicines which not available in the said hospitals; and*
- (c) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to make the said procedure more simple and easy?*

Reply not received.

67. *Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi : (Notice received on 31-10-2014 at 03:10 p.m.)

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the Consultants in PIMS, MCH, Federal Government Polyclinic hospital and other Government Hospitals under the administrative control of Capital Administration and Development Division do not attend / check patients in OPDs except in the cases referred to them, if so, the reasons thereof;*
- (b) whether it is also a fact that a large number of patients visit / come to the OPDs in the said hospitals every day, if so, the steps taken / being taken by the Government to cope with the increasing number of patients; and*
- (c) whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to start evening OPDs in those hospitals in which the consultants will attend / check the patients?*

Reply not received.

68. * Mr. Osman Saifullah Khan : (Notice received on 05-11-2014 at 08:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the Distribution Company (DISC) wise details of the most recent industrial tariff (peak and off peak) determined by NEPRA?

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division : NEPRA's reply is attached at **Annex-I**.

69. * Syeda Sughra Imam: (Notice received on 05-11-2014 at 10:35 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to refer to the Senate starred question No. 84 replied on 23rd October, 2014 and state the reasons for not consulting the Ministry of Defence by the Ministry of Commerce regarding the decision to enhance the operational hours at Wagah land route for trade between India and Pakistan?

Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan: So far, there is no increase in number of operational hours at Wagah land route. The Commerce Ministers of Pakistan and India held a meeting on January 18, 2014 in New Delhi, India. During the meeting, the two sides, *inter-alia*, reached an understanding on increasing working hours at Wagah / Attari with the objective of round the clock operations. The proposal is reflected in the Joint Statement issued thereafter (**Annex-I**). However, the proposal will be implemented after consultation, with the relevant stakeholders that includes Ministry of Defence.

70. * Mr. Saeed Ghani : (Notice received on 05-11-2014 at 11:10 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division be pleased to state the names, locations and present market value of the movable and immovable assets of PIA and its subordinate bodies / offices?

Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division :

- The detail of PIA's immoveable assets *i.e.* properties with in Pakistan & value of each alongwith location is **Annexed as A.**
- The detail about the value of PIA's moveable assets *i.e.* Aircraft fleet, equipment, furniture, fixture, etc. is **Annexed as B.**
- Pakistan International Airlines Investment Limited (PIAIL) is a subsidiary of PIAC, that owns two hotels, one is Roosevelt Hotel at New York, USA & other is Scribe Hotel at Paris, France. Beside this PIA locally serving the business of Skyrooms that owns Airport Hotel at Karachi Book Value of each as on 30th June 2014 is as under:

Roosevelt	USD	359 million
Scribe	USD	258 million
Skyrooms	PKR	50.3 million

Annexure-A

Immoveable Assets value as on December 31, 2013 (Audited)	PKR
PIAC's Immoveable assests	('000)
Leaseholds	5,410,000
Others	24,000
Buildings	928,253
Other Land	489,172
Workshops and hangers	119,239
Renovations and improvements	23,486
PIAIL's hotels	<u>(in USD)</u>
Roosevelt	358,543,317
Scribe	257,537,283
	<u>PKR (in rupees)</u>
Skyrooms	50,324,861

Annexure-B

Moveable Assets value as on December 31, 2013 (Audited)	PKR
PIAC's moveable assests	('000)
Aircraft fleet	13,008,756
Operating ground, catering, communication and meteorological equipment	109,190

Engineering equipment and tools	239,670
Traffic equipment	378,591
Furniture, fixtures and fittings	147,262
Motor transport	32,956
Office equipment	1,782
Computer and office automation	127,809
Precision engineering equipment	8,285

71. *Mr. Osman Saifullah Khan : (Notice received on 06-11-2014 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to create a new Ministry of Energy by merging the Ministries of Water and Power and Petroleum and Natural Resources?

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division : The Ministries / Divisions are created for the conduct of business of the Federal Government in a distinct and specified sphere. The Prime Minister may, whenever necessary, constitute a new Ministry consisting of one or more Divisions. Moreover, the Constitution of the Divisions may be modified from time to time by the Prime Minister. Thus it is the prerogative of the Prime Minister and a continuous process. However, at the moment no proposal is under consideration in the Cabinet Division for the creation of a new Ministry of Energy by merging the Ministries of Water and Power and Petroleum and Natural Resources.

72. *Begum Najma Hameed: (Notice received on 06-11-2014 at 09:10 a.m.)

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

- (a) the names of firms / contractors which have been awarded contract for the Rawalpindi-Islamabad Metro Bus Project; and*
- (b) the estimated cost of the said project and the time by which the same will be completed?*

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

Rawalpindi Section

Sector-I	-M/s Zahir Khan & Brothers
Sector-II	-M/s National Logistic Cell.
Sector-III	-M/s Limak Reliable JV.

Islamabad Section

Sector-I	-M/s Habib Construction Co.
Sector-II	-M/s Zahir Khan & Brothers.
Sector-III	-M/s MAL CAL sons JV.
Sector-IV	-M/s Zahir Khan & Brothers.
Sector-V	-M/s Limak Reliable JV

i. Estimated Cost

Rawalpindi Section:	19.47 Billion
Islamabad Section:	23.84 Billion

ii. Completion Date: 31st January 2015.

73. * Mr. Ahmed Hassan : (Notice received on 06-11-2014 at 09:20 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to refer to the Senate starred question No. 39 replied on 17th October, 2014 and state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that U-Fone facility / service was provided to Village Ziarat (Talash), Union Council Sheikhel, Tehsil Temargara, District Lower Dir during 2013; and*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the said service has been discontinued about six months ago, if so, the time by which the same will be restored?*

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

(b) Ufone had previously installed a BTS site close to Zairat Talash, Timergarah but due to logistic difficulties and security concerns, it was found difficult to continue its operation. Ufone has been directed to restore the services in the said area within a week's time and submit compliance. In case of non-compliance; legal action, under the enabling provisions, will be initiated against the operator.

74. *Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi: (Notice received on 06-11-2014 at 10:20 a.m.)

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

- (a) *the number of persons appointed in PIA since 2008; and*
- (b) *the number of contractual employees in the said Airline whose services have been regularized during that period?*

Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division : (a) The total number of persons appointed in PIAC since 2008 till date are **3207**.

(b) The number of contractual employees in PIAC whose services have been regularized during the period of 2008 to till date are **6285**.

75. *Mrs. Kalsoom Parveen: (Notice received on 06-11-2014 at 10:25 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division be pleased to state the names and designations of the persons appointed in PIA on regular, contract and daily wages basis during the last three years indicating also the salary, allowances and other fringe benefits admissible to them and the name of appointing authority in each case?

Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division :

- During the last three years 458 persons were appointed on regular basis, 11 persons were appointed on contract basis in PIAC. No person has been appointed on daily wages basis. Detail about salary, allowances admissible to them is **Annexed as A & B.**
- Furthermore, a list mentioning details of all 57 employees who were appointed during the aforesaid period and are no longer in PIAC service, is **Annexed as C.**

(Annexures have been placed on the Table of the House as well as Library)

76. *Hafiz Hamdullah: (Notice received on 06-11-2014 at 10:40 a.m.)

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

- (a) the number of Doctors working in PIMS, Islamabad, with province-wise break-up;*
- (b) the number of the said Doctors who are working on deputation basis; and*
- (c) the number of Doctors who were absorbed in the said hospital since 2010 with province-wise break-up?*

Reply not received.

77. *Syeda Sughra Imam: (Notice received on 06-11-2014 at 10:55 a.m.)

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the successful candidates of CSS examination having dual nationality are required to surrender nationality of the other country before joining the civil service of Pakistan under the rules, if so, the details thereof; and*
- (b) under what law / mechanism the civil servants of Pakistan acquire dual nationality during the course of their service?*

Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division: (a) For the purpose of Competitive Examination, the candidate must be the citizen of Pakistan or a person deriving his / her nationality from the State of Jammu and Kashmir *vide* Rule 6(i) of CSS Rules, 2014.

(b) Section 14 of the Pakistan Citizenship Act, 1951 deals with the dual Citizenship or Nationality of ordinary citizens of Pakistan (Annex-A)

78. *Mrs. Sehar Kamran : (Notice received on 06-11-2014 at 12:45 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the steps being taken by the Government for proper maintenance of the water filtration plants installed in Islamabad?

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division : The Operation & Maintenance of 32 public drinking water filtration plants is being carried out through rate running contract on annual basis. The operation and maintenance of 4 public Drinking water filtration plants has been handed over to a Turkish NGO; TIKA. Log basis of each filtration plant is maintained at site for inspection by general public and supervisory staff. The operation & maintenance of filtration plant is monitored by the Engineer charge for its proper maintenance in order to ensure supply of clean drinking water to the residents of Islamabad.

79. *Mr. Ahmed Hassan : (Notice received on 07-11-2014 at 09:20 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Capital Administration and Development Division be pleased to state whether it is a fact that the students who have been awarded scholarships in the centralized examination of Class-V in 2013 have not been paid the amount of scholarship so far, if so, the reasons thereof and the time by which the same will be paid to them?

Reply not received.

80. *Mrs. Sehar Kamran : (Notice received on 07-11-2014 at 11:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:

(a) *the names and value of items exported from Pakistan to India since July, 2013;*

(b) *the names and value of items imported from India the said period; and*

(c) *the steps taken by the Government of Pakistan to improve balance of trade with that country?*

Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan : (a) The following table shows Pakistan-India bilateral trade since July 2013:

US\$ million

Pakistan's Years	Pakistan's Exports to India	Imports from India	Total Trade	Balance
2013-14	408,365	2,049,382	2457.747	(-)1641.017
2012-13	327.496	1809.867	2137.363	(-) 1482.371

Source: PBS

(b) Detailed commodity and quantity-wise bilateral trade figures are enclosed as Annex-I.

(c) Numerous steps have been taken by the Government of Pakistan to improve balance of trade with India. Presently, the two countries are engaged in trade negotiations and India has agreed to drastically decrease its sensitive list under SAFTA which will further open Indian markets for Pakistani products.

The Commerce Ministers of Pakistan and India held a meeting on January 18, 2014 in New Delhi, India. During the meeting, the two sides, *inter-alia*, reached an understanding to normalize trade relations and provide Non-Discriminatory Market Access (NDMA) on reciprocal basis. NDMA requires elimination of Negative List on Pakistan's side and reduction of SAFTA Sensitive List from Indian side.

As per its new export strategy, Trade Development Authority of Pakistan is putting efforts in broadening the base of Pakistan's exports by upgrading export potential of products where Pakistan has competitive advantage and increasing their market share in traditional and non-traditional markets. India is one of the potential regions and trade promotional activities in this region have been performed to promote Pakistan's exports. Some of the steps taken include:

- 'Made in Pakistan Expo' organized by Rawalpindi Chamber of Commerce & Industry in March 2012 at Chandigarh, India.
- "1st Edition of Lifestyle Pakistan" exhibition was organized by TDAP at New Delhi from April 12-16, 2012.
- FPCCI organized "Made in Pakistan" exhibition at Mumbai from August 30-September 5, 2012.
- Three agreements signed between India and Pakistan during the 7th Round of Talks to address the concerns of Pakistani exporters with reference to Non-Tariff Barriers (NTBs) in September 2012.
- "Made in Pakistan" Exhibition-2014 was organized by PRGMEA at Mumbai from April 3-7, 2014.
- "2nd Edition of Lifestyle Pakistan" exhibition was organized by TDAP at New Delhi from September 11-14, 2014.

(Annexure has been placed on the Table of the House as well as Library)

81. *Mr. Saleem H. Mandviwalla: (Notice received on 10-11-2014 at 09:20 a.m.)

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

- (a) whether it is a fact that the lease for the new planes for PIA awarded to Qatar Leasing Corporation has not been signed so far;*
- (b) whether the 8 new A320 planes approved by the Government to turn around Pakistan International Airlines will require being re-tendered in the open market, if not, the name of the company which has been awarded the tender / contract for provision of those planes to PIA; and*
- (c) whether it is also a fact that one of the reasons for resignation of Mr. Azam Saigol, Director PIA, was the deal made with Qatar Leasing Corporation, if not, the reasons for his resignation?*

Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division : (a) PIAC had signed a letter of interest for acquiring A320 on lease from Qatar Air Leasing Corporation (QALC). However, the lease agreement could not be signed with them.

(b) PIAC has already tendered for dry lease of up to 10 narrow body aircraft and so far the contract has not been awarded to any company.

(c) The resignation of Mr. Azam Saigol, Member PIAC Board, was entirely due to his family's business engagement which was later withdrawn by himself. However, the reason mentioned in the query is not correct.

82. * Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq : (Notice received on 10-11-2014 at 12:00 p.m.)

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

- (a) the steps being taken by the Government to provide better health facilities to the patients in PIMS and Federal Government Polyclinic Hospital, Islamabad;*
- (b) the mechanism evolved / set down for evaluation of performance of doctors, para-medical and other staff of the said hospitals;*
- (c) the details of cases of malpractices of doctors, para-medical and other staff of the said hospitals surfaced during the last three years and the action taken in each case; and*
- (d) whether any audit has been carried out into the utilization of medicines purchased through bulk and local purchase by the said hospitals and their allied dispensaries during the said period, if so, findings thereof?*

Reply not received.

83. *Nawabzada Saifullah Magsi : (Notice received on 10-11-2014 at 01:10 p.m.)

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

- (a) the price / cost at which PIA has purchased / obtained aircrafts on dry lease and its comparison with the price / cost at which Air Blue and other private airlines operating in Pakistan purchased / obtained the aircrafts;*
- (b) the number of Boeing 777 aircrafts in PIA fleet and the number of the same which are operational and those grounded;*
- (c) the process / procedure laid down for purchase of spare parts for Boeing 777 aircrafts; and*
- (d) the names of main suppliers of the said parts?*

Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division : (a) PIAC has obtained three A320 aircraft on dry lease with a monthly lease rental of US\$ 225,000/, After following the procedure laid down in PPRA. PIAC is not privy to the price/cost at which other private Pakistani airlines have obtained/purchased the aircraft as this information is not available publicly.

(b) There are a total of nine (09) Boeing 777 aircraft in PIAC fleet and all the aircraft are currently operational.

(c) As per PIAC policy for procurement of aircraft spare parts, provisioning is being done only from Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) and their Authorized Distributors.

(d) The Major procurement of aircraft spares is done from Major Original equipment Manufacturers for B777 including but not limited are the following:

- (i) Boeing
- (ii) Honeywell
- (iii) Hamilton Sundstrand
- (iv) Rockwell Collins
- (v) Zodiac Group
- (vi) Aviointeriors
- (vii) General Electric

• Major Authorized Distributors for B777:

- (i) Avian
- (ii) BE Aerospace Consumables
- (iii) Satair
- (iv) Aviodiepen
- (v) Topcast

- **Component Service Program (CSP)**

The component Service Program is a power by our (PBH) agreement between PIAC and Boeing since 2004, for the component support of PIA B-777 fleet.

PIA exchanges an unserviceable component for a serviceable one from Boeing on forward exchange basis.

Boeing provides related repair, overhaul and modification services. Charges PIA a monthly invoice.

Delivery centre for component exchange is Paris.

84. *Mrs. Sehar Kamran : (Notice received on 10-11-2014 at 02:45 p.m.)

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

- (a) *the profit earned or loss suffered by Pakistan International Airlines during the last financial year; and*
- (b) *the steps taken by the Government to make PIA a profitable organization?*

Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division : (a) Net loss (after tax) suffered by PIAC during the year ended December 31, 2013 was PKR 44.530 billion.

(b) The following measures are being adopted to make PIAC a profitable Organization:—

- Organizational/HR rationalization
- Domestic / Foreign Stations Rationalization
- Route Rationalization
- Fuel Rationalization
- Fleet Modernization Induction of ATR Simulator
- Hajj Operation
- Privatization of PIAC

85. *Haji Mohammad Adeel: (Notice received on 13-11-2014 at 10:15 a.m.)

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that construction of a new link road from Kashmir highway to New Islamabad International Airport has been approved, if so, the details thereof indicating also its proposed route; and*

(b) *whether it is also a fact that construction of the said road is / will be a violation of the master plan of Islamabad, if so, the reasons thereof?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division : (a) New Islamabad Airport falls outside the ICT Limits regarding approach road to the New Islamabad Airport, it is submitted that as per Ministry of Defense U.O. No. 3(31)/83-P&D dated 11-10-2000 the approach road would be from Kashmir Highway to airport site at pind Ranjha. The Kashmir Highway has already been constructed up to M-I and M-II Junction and the proposed approach road to New Islamabad International Airport lies outside the jurisdiction of CDA. This road is to be constructed by NHA.

(b) The construction of road from Motorway to new Islamabad International Airport falls outside the ICT limits therefore, no violation of Master plan of CDA is committed.

86. *Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq : (Notice received on 13-11-2014 at 11:55 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state the steps being taken by the Trade Development Authority of Pakistan for overseas promotion of products of small and medium sized manufacturers of the country?

Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan : Trade Development Authority of Pakistan (TDAP)...aggressively marketed Pakistani products in the world through participation in international trade fairs/ exhibitions held across the world. In order to maximize returns it is essential that participation in international fairs be focused, well organized and properly followed up. For this purpose, out of all applicants, 70% are selected on the basis of quantum of certified exports as an average of the last 3 years.

A. TDAP has taken following steps for overseas promotion of products of small and medium sized manufacturers of the country:—

- i. 15% quota has been reserved for SMEs for their participation in international trade fairs/exhibitions and delegations visiting abroad.
- ii. 15% quota has been reserved for New Exporters and Women entrepreneurs for their participation in international trade fairs/exhibitions and delegations visiting abroad.
- iii. Women entrepreneurs are being supported by providing 50% subsidy in participation fees for their visits abroad.
- iv. Organized a nine (09) member delegation of Date Exporter/Growers from Pakistan visited Malaysia from 16—22 November, 2014. Out of 09 members, one female exporter also represented Pakistan as member delegate.
- v. Facilitated a visit of Towel Manufacturers Association (TMA) 12 members trade delegation to Australia & New Zealand in April, 2014. Out of 12 members 6 were SMEs.

- vi. Organized participation of Towel Manufacturers & Exports Association in “Textile Arabia”, held on 25—28 March, 2014 at Saudi Arabia, Jeddah Seven SMEs participated
- vii. Centre for the promotion of Imports (CBI) in collaboration with TDAP selected 17 Pakistani SMEs companies to provide counseling and support to get maximum benefit for GSP+ Program run by CBI.

B. TDAP has also facilitated and arranged meeting of the following visiting delegation;

- i. The two member business delegation of the Guar &Guargum from Argentina visited Pakistan from 27—30 November, 2013.
- ii. The delegation of the Quarantine Inspectors of Russia visited the Pakistan Plant Protection offices from 20—25 January 2014 for Citrus, Rice & Potato at Faisalabad, Sargodha & Okara.
- iii. The twelve (12) member delegation of Sea. Food Importers of Thailand has visited Pakistan from April 2-5 2014, and held meetings with Pakistani Exporters of Meat.
- iv. The four (04) member delegation of Egyptian Technical Team visited Lahore and Karachi from 5—11 May, 2014 and approved five Pakistani slaughter houses for export of red-meat to Egypt:

C. TDAP provided subsidy to Pakistan Footwear Association for organizing Pakistan International Footwear Show (PIFS) from 9—13 May, 2014 at Lahore and Carpet Association to organize Carpet Show from 14—18 October, 2014 at Lahore SMEs participated in both events.

D. TDAP regularly participate in the International Exhibitions/Trade Fairs abroad to showcase Pakistani products. A list of International exhibitions in SMEs is placed at Annex-A.

E. TDAP has also sponsored and planned various delegations from SMEs to abroad for promotion of the products (Annex-B).

87. *Mr. Muhammad Talha Mehmood: (Notice received on 14-11-2014 at 08:45 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) *the steps taken / being taken by the Government to protect the local industry from the influx of goods being imported in the country; and*
- (b) *whether the representatives of the local industry are consulted in formulation of export and import policies of the country, if not, the reasons thereof?*

Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan : (a) In order to protect the local industry from the influx of goods being imported in the country, Ministry of Commerce, in consultation with all the

stakeholders, has introduced the regulatory amendments through the Import Policy Order (IPO), 2012-15, *vide* SRO No. 193(I) 2013.

Furthermore, the domestic industry is being protected through, import tariffs being levied to curtail the influx of imported goods and the mechanism of International Trade Remedy Law.

(b) Import and Export Policies are formulated after extensive consultations with all the stake holders. Suggestions/plans/proposals are invited from the local industry, their respective associations and Government bodies, which are in direct contact with the local industry. These suggestions/plans/proposals are then circulated to the Government agencies/Ministries for their assessments and comments. Later, series of meetings are held with the stock holders, to discuss the proposals with the local industry before final discussions in the Inter-Ministerial and Advisory Council meetings. Once agreed by all the stakeholders, the proposals are taken to the cabinet for final approval.

88. *Haji Mohammad Adeel: (Notice received on 14-11-2014 at 09:20 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to refer to Senate starred question No.159 replied on 23rd April, 2014 and state:

- (a) the names of illegal housing societies functioning in Zone-II, Zone-IV and Zone-V of Islamabad; and*
- (b) the details of actions taken by the CDA to stop the activities of said societies?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division : (a) There are a number of housing schemes working in Islamabad illegally. These housing schemes comprise housing schemes as well as agro farm schemes, are being developed in Zone -2, 3, 4 and 5 of Islamabad. The detail of illegal housing schemes for Zone 2, 4 and 5 is at Annexure I.

(b) Submitted that CDA has been taking the necessary actions to stop the un-authorized development of the subject illegal housing schemes and Agro-farming Schemes. These actions include issuing of public notices in newspapers regarding illegal schemes for awareness of general public, notices to sponsors of the projects. As per Cabinet Decision dated 19-05-2004, CDA has also requested to authorities at IESCO, SNGPL, PTCL that connections of utility services may not be provided to schemes in Islamabad, in the absence of NOC from CDA.

The relevant cabinet decision (ANNEX-II) is as under:

WAPDA, SNGPL, PTCL shall, henceforth not provide connections in the above mentioned zones (i.e., Zone II, III and IV), unless an NOC has been obtained by the applicant from CDA. CDA will issue proper detailed guidelines for the facility of the public in this regard.

89. *Haji Mohammad Adeel: (Notice received on 14-11-2014 at 09:20 a.m.)

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

- (a) the number of condemned / second hand items of furniture presently lying in the CDA stores in Parliament Lodges indicating also the time since when the same are lying there with items-wise breakup; and*
- (b) the reasons for not auctioning the said items so far?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division : (a) List showing the (item-wise) break up of condemned / second hand furniture items lying since 2010 at “D” Block (Banquet Hall) at Parliament Lodges, Islamabad is placed at Annex-A.

(b) On provision of new furniture items in various suites the old furniture is stocked in the store at “D” Block (Banquet Hall) of Parliament Lodges.

Honourable Parliamentarians demand for upholstery of old furniture where the new furniture is not provided in suites/ Block of P/ Lodges. They also demand additional furniture from serviceable stock of old furniture after upholstery. On completion of upholstery of serviceable items of furniture, the auction of remaining/ balance serviceable items of furniture is to be carried out through bidding by advertisement in National Press.

Auction bids were invited on 28-03-2013 through National Press but no response was received (Copy of press clipping of advertisement is at Annex-B).

90. *Mr. Muhammad Talha Mehmood: (Notice received on 17-11-2014 at 09:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) the procedure laid down for selection of commercial councilors in Pakistan Missions abroad;*
- (b) the tenure of posting of the said commercial councilors abroad; and*
- (c) the names, place of domicile and country of posting of the commercial councilors presently working in Pakistan Missions indicating also the names of those who have completed their tenure of posting abroad?*

Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan : (a) Following steps are involved in the selection of Commercial Counsellors in Pakistan Trade Missions abroad:

- i. Advertisement in news paper.
- ii. Written test by LUMS.
- iii. Interview by Special Selection Board.
- iv. Approval of the Prime Minister.

(b) The tenure of Trade Officers is initially 2 years; two extensions of one year each are admissible on performance basis.

(c) The detail list is at Annex-A.

91. *Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan: (Notice received on 17-11-2014 at 03:55 p.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division be pleased to state the names and place of domicile of the officers in BPS 21 whose cases for promotion to BPS 22 were considered by the Central Selection Board / Establishment Division since July, 2013 but were not promoted indicating also the reasons for not promoting them and the time by which they will be promoted?

Minister Incharge of the Establishment Division : In pursuance of Section 9 (1) (b) of the Civil Servants Act, 1973, read with Civil Servants (Promotion to the post of Secretary, BS-22 and equivalent) Rules, 2010 the posts in BS-22 are to be filled, in the public interest, by promotion from amongst officers of regularly constituted Occupational Groups and Services holding, on regular basis, posts in BS-21. Promotion to BS-22 is made on the recommendations of High Powered Selection Board (HPSB) headed by the Prime Minister.

The promotion to BS-22 Federal Secretary is based on the merit and performance of the officer. The regional quota is only observed at the time of initial appointment. The recommendations of promoting or not promoting the officers to BS-22 by the High Powered Selection Board are incorporated in the minutes of the meeting which are secret and sensitive in nature and have approval of the Prime Minister. The Prime Minister himself chaired the meeting of HPSB for consideration of promotion to BS-22.

Two meetings of High Powered Selection Board for consideration of promotion to BS-22 have been held since July, 2013. First meeting was held on 27-11-2013 and the other on 22-09-2014. The details of both the meetings are attached at **Annex-I & Annex-II** respectively.

Regarding timeline for the promotion of such officers who have earlier not been promoted to BS-22 and are still in service such cases will be presented before the HPSB for consideration for promotion to BS-22, in order of seniority in line with the provision of Civil Servants Act, 1973, Civil Servant (Appointment, Promotion & Transfer) Rules, 1973, Civil Servants (Promotion to the post of Secretary, BS-22 and equivalent) Rules, 2010 and Promotion Policy for the time being in force.

92. *Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi: (Notice received on 18-11-2014 at 10:40 a.m.)

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

- (a) *the details of office bearers of the Collective Bargaining Agent, CDA, sent abroad during the last five years indicating also the purpose of visit, name of authority which granted approval for visit and expenditure incurred in each case; and*
- (b) *the benefits accrued to CDA from the said visits?*

Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division : (a) No office bearer of Collective Bargaining Agent (CBA) was sent abroad at any time on the expenses of the Authority (CDA). Therefore, the question of approval of the amount incurred thereupon does not arise.

(b) As the reply at part-a is in negative so there is no question of benefit accrued to CDA.

93. *Haji Ghulam Ali: (Notice received on 18-11-2014 at 11:00 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to state:

- (a) *whether it is a fact that a Federal Export Board has been established in the country, if so, the role of the same; and*
- (b) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to establish offices of the said board in the provinces, if so, the details thereof?*

Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan : (a) Yes. The Prime Minister of Pakistan re-constituted the Federal Export Development & Promotion Board (FEDPB) in July, 2011. Prime Minister of Pakistan is the chairman of the Board. There are 26 members. List of members is annexed.

The role (TORs) of Federal Export Development & Promotion Board (FEDPB) is given as under;

- i. To periodically review the country's export performance.
 - ii. To examine all important matters relating to export promotion and to consider ways & means of improving export performance and
 - iii. To consider long-term plans and projections for the growth of export and to approve policy measures necessary for achieving exports targets.
- (b) There is no proposal under consideration of the Government to establish offices of the Federal Export Development & Promotion Board in provinces. The subject of International Trade is a Federal subject therefore, Ministry of Commerce is the secretariat of this Board. However, all the Chief Ministers of provinces, Gilgit Baltistan and Prime Minister of Azad Jammu & Kashmir are the members of the Board.

94. *Haji Ghulam Ali: (Notice received on 18-11-2014 at 11:00 a.m.)

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

- (a) *the number of PIA's international flights landed at Peshawar Airport from 1st August to 30th October, 2014, with date wise break up;*
- (b) *whether it is a fact that PIA has closed down the operation of its international flights at the said airport, if so, the reasons thereof indicating also the names / routes of flights which has been closed down;*
- (c) *whether it is also a fact that other airlines have also closed down their operation at that airport, if so, the names of airlines and name of countries they belong;*
- (d) *the names of airlines which have been operating their flights from the said airport at present indicating also the number of flights being operated by each airline; and*
- (e) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to close down that airport, if so, its details?*

Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division : (a) A total of 172 international flights landed at Bacha Khan International Airport, Peshawar (BKIAP). Month wise detail is as under:—

PIA	INTERNATIONAL	
	Arrival	Departure
August 2014	51	36
September, 2014	63	44
October, 2014	58	38
Total	172	118

(b) No, it is not a fact that PIA has closed down the operation of its international flights at said airport. In fact PIA has enhanced its international flights *w.e.f.* 18th December, 2014 from 12 flights per week to 30 flights per week.

(c) Yes, it is a fact that some foreign airlines had suspended its operation to/from BKIAP, Peshawar after the firing incident but now the flight, has been resumed. Detail of airlines that suspended & later resumed its flights is as under:—

AIRLINE	DATE OF SUSPENSION	DATE OF RESUMPTION
Qatar Airways	26-06-2014	02-07-2014
Emirates	25-06-2014	24-07-2014
Saudi Arabian Airline	27-06-2014	28-08-2014
Etihad Air	25-06-2014	01-12-2014

(d) The following airlines are operating at BKIAP Peshawar: —

Name of Airline	No of Flights per week			
	International		Domestic	
	Arrival	Departure	Arrival	Departure
PIA	14	15	11	14
SAI	21	21	01	01
Air Blue	07	07	Nil	Nil
Air Indus	Nil	Nil	07	07
Air Arabia	09	09	Nil	Nil
Emirates	05	05	Nil	Nil
Etihad Airways	04	04	Nil	Nil
Saudi Arabian Airlines	04	04	Nil	Nil
Qatar Airways	03	03	Nil	Nil
Gulf Air	04	04	Nil	Nil
Total	71	72	19	22

(e) No proposal of closure of BKIAP Peshawar is under consideration; in fact expansion plan of the airport is in progress.

95. *Mir Muhammad Yousuf Badini: (Notice received on 19-11-2014 at 02:30 p.m.)

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

(a) *the steps taken by the Government to provide better health facilities to the residents of Islamabad Capital Territory since June, 2013; and*

(b) *the mechanism evolved for the said purpose?*

Reply not received.

96. *Col. (R) Syed Tahir Hussain Mashhadi: (Notice received on 20-11-2014 at 03:10 p.m.)

Will the Minister for Information Technology and Telecommunications be pleased to state:

(a) *the details of programmes launched and initiatives taken by the present Government to provide financial assistance and employment opportunities to the IT qualified youth in the country; and*

- (b) *whether any programmes have been launched and initiatives have been taken by the present Government in collaboration with Pakistan Software Houses Association to participate in the IT related exhibitions abroad, if so, the details thereof?*

Mrs. Anusha Rahman Ahmad Khan: (a) Ministry of Information Technology (MoIT) has initiated the following programs to provide financial assistance and employment opportunities to the IT qualified youth in the country:

- i. Ministry of Information Technology (MoIT) has initiated a program titled “National ICT Internship program” for 800 IT qualified youth from the entire country and Pakistan Software Export Board is implementing this program in collaboration with National ICT R&D Fund since 2014. Through this program MoIT/PSEB is providing financial assistance to the IT graduates @ Rs.16,000/- per month for four months and thereafter, employment opportunities to the bright interns in the IT Sector after ‘successful completion of four month internship. Through this program, MoIT/ PSEB has provided employment to over 250 IT graduates in the IT Sector during last year and plans to provide employment opportunities to 300 additional IT graduates by June, 2015.
- ii. In addition to this, National ICT R&D Fund Co. has funded technical R&D projects for Academia and Industry and provided a sum of Rs. 264.43 Million in this regard. Under these funded projects, hundreds of IT qualified youth are hired for the entire duration of these research projects.
- iii. Additionally, Ministry of IT, through National ICT R&D Fund has been offering scholarships to the deserving, talented youth of rural areas of Pakistan including Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) and Gilgit Baltistan (GB) under the Prime Minister’s National ICT Scholarship Program.

This fully funded scholarship covers admission and tuition fee, boarding and lodging, book allowance, food allowance and stipend for successful candidates to pursue four year undergraduate degrees in Information and Communication Technology (ICT) disciplines in leading universities of Pakistan. 500 students have been offered scholarships during FY 2013-14 at the cost of Rs. 615 Million and 538 scholarships have been committed for FY 2014-15 at the cost of Rs. 680 Million for a period of four years.

Overall, 4675 scholarships have been offered so far and approximately Rs. 2.5 Billion have been disbursed in this regard.

(b) PSEB is facilitating the promotion of Pakistan’s IT industry internationally by organizing and participating in a number of international events as well as marketing activities. PSEB has planned international delegations with P@SHA during 2014-15 with an ICT trade mission to USA in October 2014 followed by another IT delegation to China in December 2014.

In November 2014, PSEB held an industry seminar with PASHA companies in Karachi and also sponsored P@SHA Annual Awards in Karachi. Winners at PASHA Awards went on to

win 2 gold and 3 silver awards at Asia Pacific ICT Awards (APICTA) in Indonesia in November 2014.

PSEB supported P@SHA Launch Pad 2014, an event conducted in three major cities of Pakistan (Karachi, Lahore and Islamabad) during this year (2014).

97. * Mr. Muhammad Talha Mehmood: (Notice received on 21-11-2014 at 09:00)

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

- (a) the names and location of roads in Islamabad damaged / likely to be damaged by the Metro Bus Project; and*
- (b) the loss likely to be caused due to the said damaged?*

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division : (a) The roads have been damaged by the movement of heavy machinery includes;

- (i) Service Road (west) I-8
- (ii) Service Road (East) I-9
- (iii) Constitution Avenue
- (iv) Jinnah Avenue
- (v) 9th Avenue
- (vi) Etc.

(b) These roads shall be repaired by RDA through the Metro Bus Contractors.

98. *Mrs. Nuzhat Sadiq : (Notice received on 11-12-2014 at 12:00 p.m.)

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

- (a) the fee prescribe / fixed for issuance of birth certificates by CDA;*
- (b) whether it is a fact that the concerned directorate of CDA has been charging over and above the said fee, if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (c) the steps taken / being taken by the Government to stop that over charging and take action against those responsible for the same?*

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

- i. Birth reported after one month by upto one year is Rs.60/- only (including NADRA form /sheet Rs. 50/-). The total becomes Rs.110/-

- ii. Birth reported after one year is Rs.180/- (including NADRA form / sheet Rs.50/-) = Total: Rs. 230/-
- iii. Birth report after five years Rs. 630/- (including NADRA form / sheet Rs. 50/-) Total: Rs. 680/-

Fee will be doubled if applicant applies for urgent certificate. Birth fee schedule is attached (Annexure "A").

(b) Birth & death section of CDA is charging normal fee duly approved by CDA and is printed in Gazette of Pakistan.

(c) Birth & death section, Directorate of Municipal Administration (DMA), CDA is not over charging from applicants. DMA, CDA is charging the fee as per CDA bye Laws which are duly approved by CDA Board.

99. *Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan: (Notice received on 16-12-2014 at 12:20 p.m.)

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

- (a) *the present status of work on New Benazir Bhutto International Airport, Islamabad and the time by which the same will be completed;*
- (b) *the amount spent on the said project so far indicating also the amount required for completion of the remaining work on the same; and*
- (c) *the details of the approach roads for that airport indicating also the present status of work on those roads?*

Minister Incharge of the Aviation Division : (a) The present physical progress at New Islamabad International Airport is 79%. The planned date of operationalization is October, 2016. (Package wise progress is annexed).

(b) The total amount spent so far is **Rs. 38.942 Billion**, whereas balance amount required for project completion is **Rs. 42.229 Billion**.

(c) The approach road to New airport is being undertaken by National Highway Authority (NHA) in coordination with Ministry of Planning, Development & Reforms. Date of Tender opening of the said road has been extended till 05th January, 2015 by NHA.

100. *Mr. Muhammad Zahid Khan: (Notice received on 16-12-2014 at 12:20 p.m.)

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

- (a) *the amount provided / to be provided by the Federal Government for Metro Bus Service Project in Islamabad / Rawalpindi; and*

(b) *the details of allocations made for the said purpose and the head from which the said amount will be met out?*

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division : (a) The amount provided so far by the Federal Government for the Rawalpindi — Islamabad Metro Bus Project is **Rs. 23.655 Billion.**

Furthermore Federal Government would also provide Subsidy (if any) during Bus Operations which will be worked out in due course of time.

(b) The allocation for the Project is made in the PSDP (2013-2014) under the head ID 6878 (Unfunded/Under Important Projects).

101. *Mr. Hilal Ur Rehman : (Notice received on 17-12-2014 at 02:40 p.m.)

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

(a) *whether is is a fact that the hight of boundary wall of Islamabad Model School, G-9/2, Islamabad is less than the prescribed standard, if so, the time by which the same will be increased; and*

(b) *whether it is also a fact that washrooms and building of the said school are in dilapidated condition, if so, the time by which the same will be repaired / whitewashed?*

Reply not received.

102. *Begum Najma Hameed: (Notice received on 08-01-2015 at 09:15 a.m.)

Will the Minister Incharge of the Cabinet Division be pleased to state the steps taken / being taken by the Government for uprooting / eliminating the trees causing pollen allergy in Islamabad?

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division : Male paper mulberry trees in Islamabad are the main source of pollen count. Approximately 40,000/- paper mulberry trees have been removed from green belts in urban areas since 1992 and replacing them with environment friendly indigenous trees / shrubs. The remaining trees are planned to be removed gradually in the next three years in a phased manner in order to avoid abrupt loss of green cover in Islamabad.

103. *Mrs. Rubina Khalid : (Notice received on 08-01-2015 at 11:50 a.m.)

Will the Minister for Commerce be pleased to refer to the Senate starred question No. 48, replied on 29th October, 2014 and state:

- (a) *the mechanism of evaluation of performance of General Managers, Deputy General Managers, Assistant General Managers, Managers, Deputy Managers and Assistant Managers working in the State Life Insurance Corporation; and*
- (b) *the names and designations of the persons serving against the said posts against whom proceedings have been initiated since January, 2009 indicating also the basis on which the same have been initiated?*

Engr. Khurram Dastgir Khan :

- a. There are ten factors that comprise the criteria for performance evaluation of officers of State Life Insurance Corporation. These ten factors are (i) knowledge of job, (ii) Planning & Organizing Ability, (iii) Results - based on quality and volume of work, (iv) Controlling ability, (v) Leadership style, (vi) Integrity & Dependability, (vii) Creativity and Intelligence (viii) Cost control, (ix) General attitude & Behavior and (x) Social habits, demeanor & health.

Each of the factor is graded from 0 – 10 whereas 0 is poor and 10 is outstanding. The overall rating is done by adding up individual factor grading; 0-9 is poor and 90-100 is most outstanding. Ratings in between are:—

90 -100	A 1 – Most outstanding
70-89	A – Very good
50 -69	B – Good
30- 49	C – Average
10 – 29	D – Unsatisfactory
0 – 9	E – Poor

The immediate superior of the officer but not below the rank of Deputy Manager, initiates the reports based on above rating.

- b. The information is placed at Annex - A

(Annexure has been placed on the Table of the House as well as Library)

104. *Mr. Hamza : (Notice received on 09-01-2015 at 11:25 a.m.)

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

- (a) *whether there is any proposal under consideration of the Government to expand Islamabad Expressway upto 10 lanes from Faizabad to Rawat and to make the same signal free, if so, the details thereof indicating also the time by which the work will be started, estimated cost and proposed date of completion of the project;*

- (b) *whether the contract of the said project has been awarded, if so, the name of the firm to which the same has been awarded; and*
- (c) *whether it is a fact that the CDA has appointed a consultant for that project, if so, the terms and conditions of appointment of that consultant?*

Minister In-charge of the Cabinet Division : (a) Yes, there is a proposal for the rehabilitation and widening of Islamabad Highway up-to 10 lanes and make it signal free from Faizabad to Rawat. It is expected that the work will be started by the end of this year subject to availability of funds. Design work and costing is in progress, completion period is also yet to be calculated. Cost of the project shall be estimated after designing.

(b) Contract of the project has not yet been awarded to any contractor.

(c) Yes, M/s Zeeruk International PVT (Ltd) has been engaged as a consultant of the project.

ISLAMABAD :
The 4th February, 2015.

AMJED PERVEZ,
Secretary.

SENATE SECRETARIAT

“UN-STARRED QUESTION AND ITS REPLY”

For Friday, the 6th February, 2015

2. **Haji Mohammad Adeel:** (Notice received on 26-11-2014 at 11:00 a.m.)

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

- (a) *whether it is a fact that the Junior Lady Teachers working in educational institutions under the administrative control of the Federal Directorate of Education, Islamabad, have not been paid their salaries since June, 2014, if so, the reasons thereof; and*
- (b) *whether it is also a fact that the case for sanctioning the posts of Junior Lady teachers has been sent to the Ministry of Finance for approval, if so, the present status of that case?*

Reply not received.

ISLAMABAD :
The 4th February, 2015.

AMJED PERVEZ,
Secretary.